

Official Bulletin 1 of IFA 2023 FISTBALL MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS MANNHEIM



Summary To-dos Member Federations

INFO	DEADLINE	TO BE SENT TO
Team Registration (Long List)	3 March - 15 May 2023	www.fistball.org
Final Team Nomination (Short List)	15 June 2023	www.fistball.org
Jersey Colours	15 June 2023	www.fistball.org
Team Photo	15 June 2023	www.fistball.org
Players Presentation	15 June 2023	Mail to media@ifa-fistball.com
Arrival & Departure	15 June 2023	www.fistball.org



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1. PARTICIPATION

IFA confirms the registration of the following teams for the IFA 2023 Fistball Men's World Championship Germany:

- **EFA (7 teams):** Austria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Serbia, Switzerland
- **PAFA (4 teams):** Argentina, Brazil, Chile, USA
- **AFA (2 teams):** India, Japan
- **Oceania (2 teams):** Australia, New Zealand
- **Africa (1 team):** Namibia

2. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS/COACHES/OFFICIALS (LONG LIST)

The registration process will be open from

3 March 2023 – 15 May 2023.

A player/coach/official/extra official can only be registered if all information is available. We kindly ask you to register each player/official/staff member for your entire delegation in the Fistball database by **15 May 2023:** www.fistball.org

The person who registered the nation as head of delegation can add players and staff members with his account. If it is necessary that another person does this registration, please contact Sönke Spille. Register here: www.fistball.org/register

If you have problems with the database or questions, please contact Sönke Spille (s.spille@ifa-fistball.com, +49 162-4316209) anytime.

All information in this form is definitely necessary for the TV production, professional media work, accreditation and for the media work of the organizers.

For the registration process, the following mandatory data are required:

- Club Name
- Gender
- Passport Given Name
- Passport Family Name
- Preferred Given Name
- Preferred Family Name
- Player's email
- Date of Birth
- Place of Birth
- Representing Country
- Photo

Personal Data:

- Specials (Vegan/Vegetarian/Allergies etc.)

Fistball Data:

- Jersey Number
- Number of Matches in national team
- Position (spiker, setter, defense player)

If a player is already registered from past events it's not necessary to register the player again. In this case it is possible to add that registered player to a long list or final team nomination by just one click.

Information about portrait pictures:

- upright format
- neutral, single-colour (grey or white) background)
- motive: Head and chest

- high resolution
- official clothes (shirt, sweater etc.)
- please do not send photos taken with mobile phones.

The pictures will be used for the **accreditation card, videowall, broadcast and internet presentation**. If a **poor quality image or a placeholder image is uploaded, it will still be used for all presentations on the videowall etc. We would therefore kindly ask you to a reasonable quality standard.**

It is of special importance to us to assure that we see a major obligation to handle the data submitted to us with care and to protect these from misuse.

3. FINAL TEAM NOMINATION (SHORT LIST)

The national federation have to provide a long list with all possible players by **15 May 2023** by registering all players in the database mentioned in bulletpoint 2. No player can be added after **15 May 2023**. The final team nomination has to be made out of the long list by **15 June 2023** by selecting the players in the database on www.fistball.org.

The substitution of an ill/injured player is possible until the beginning of the tournament, but the players must have been announced at the long list provided by **15 May 2023**. There must be a medical certificate for the injury.

Delegations with more than 14 members:

Each team has to consist of up to 10 players and up to 3 officials. Additionally, every Federation is allowed to nominate 1 Head of Delegation, who may also be one of the team officials. Each additional member of the delegation costs 100€ per person. Included are the Welcome Dinner, a standing room in the Rhein-Neckar-Stadion, a seat in the SAP Arena and the use of public transport.

4. JERSEYS

Every team must bring 2 sets of jerseys in different and contrasting colors. The players must have the same jersey numbers on both sets. Coaches and substitute players wear shirts of a different color than the team's color. The jersey colors have to be added on www.fistball.org latest by **15 June 2023**.

- Log in on www.fistball.org
- Menu: Events – choose IFA 2023 Men's World Championship
- Button in the right bottom corner "Add club information"
- Click "Insert Jerseys"
- Fill in the correct data
- Click "Save" button

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Insert Jerseys" with a date of "2023-06-15". The form has a green header with navigation links: "DESIGN PLAYER", "ASSIGN STAFF", "INSERT JOURNEY", "INSERT JERSEYS", and "INSERT PICTURE". The main content area contains the following fields:

- "Please fill in the colors of your jerseys and pants." (Instruction)
- "Home Jersey Color" (Text input field)
- "Home Pants Color" (Text input field)
- "Away Jersey Color" (Text input field)
- "Away Pants Color" (Text input field)
- "Any other important information we should know?" (Text area)

At the bottom left, there is a green "SAVE" button. At the bottom right, there is a small icon and the number "0/1000".

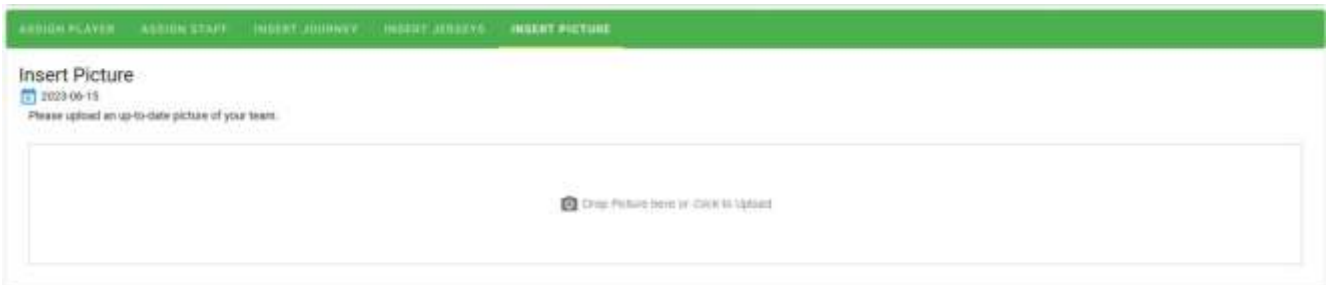
The IFA Technical Delegate decides about the colors of the jerseys for the following day. Regarding advertising the IFA Competition Rules (IFCR) valid from 1 April 2023 (clause 8) are applied.

5. TEAM PHOTO

The team has to upload a team picture to www.fistball.org latest by **15 June 2023**.

Log in on www.fistball.org

- Menu: Events – choose IFA 2023 Men’s World Championship
- Button in the right bottom corner “Add club information
- Click “Insert Picture”
- Upload your team picture
- Click “Save” button



6. PLAYERS PRESENTATION

We’d like to create a video for the presentation of each player for TV coverage, the videowall in the stadium and on the online Channels. Please send us a short video of each player/official like the following example: <http://tiny.cc/presentation-patrick>

Please read the important information about the portrait video carefully:

- Landscape format
- neutral, single-colour background (best green background!) (e.g. red jersey in front of a white background)
- Motive: upper body
- Resolution: as high as possible, best HD (1080x1920px)
- Official clothes (jersey, shirt, sweater etc.). Important: All team members must wear the same outfit on the video and photo

Please send the videos (file name=player’s name) to media@ifa-fistball.com until **15 June 2023** latest.

7. ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

On days of arrival and departure a free shuttle bus transfer from and to Airport Frankfurt Main (IATA: FRA, ICAO: EDDF) will be at the disposal of the arriving /departing delegations from 19 July. The airport is located 72 kilometers from Mannheim.

If your delegation has other transport necessities before 19 July because of early arrival, please contact the organizing team directly by mail via office@fistballmwc.com The organizing team is glad to assist your team. In Mannheim, all players and staff members with their accreditations can use public transport free of charge.

Arrival and Departure Information

Please inform us about your detailed travel information by filling them in on www.fistball.org latest by **15 June 2023**.

- Log in on www.fistball.org
- Menu: Events – choose IFA 2023 Men’s World Championship
- Button in the right bottom corner “Add club information”
- Click “Insert Journey”
- Fill in the correct data
- Click “Save” button

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Insert Journey" with a green header bar containing navigation links: "ASSIGN PLAYER", "ASSIGN STAFF", "INSERT JOURNEY", "INSERT JOISTS", and "INSERT PICTURE". The form is dated "2023-06-13" and prompts the user to "Please fill in some information about your planned journey". It features two rows of input fields: the first row for arrival details (Arrival Date, Arrival Time, Location of Arrival, Transport Number of Arrival) and the second row for departure details (Departure Date, Departure Time, Location of Departure, Transport Number of Departure). Below these are checkboxes for "Size of Delegation" and "Pickup needed?". A text area for "Any other important information we should know?" is at the bottom, followed by a green "SAVE" button and a "0/1000" character count.

8. MATCH DAYS AND WELCOME DINNER

The World Championships take place from Saturday 22 July 2023 to Saturday 29 July 2023.

The World Championship starts with the welcome dinner on Friday 21 July 2023. The organizers plan a player’s party on Saturday 29 July after the victory ceremony.

Schedule:

Day	schedule
Wednesday 19 July	Official Arrival Day non-continental teams
Thursday 20 July	Official Arrival Day continental teams

Friday 21 July	Training day Media day 16:00 Technical Meeting 17:00 Referee Meeting 19:00 Welcome Dinner
Saturday 22 July	1st competition day: 10:00 Preliminary round
Sunday 23 July	2nd competition day: 10:00 Preliminary round
Monday 24 July	3rd competition day: 10:00 Preliminary round
Tuesday 25 July	4th competition day: 10:00 Qualifier quarterfinal and President's Cup
Wednesday 26 July	5th competition day: 10:00am President's Cup and Quarterfinal
Thursday 27 July	09:00am IFA Congress (Hotel Radisson Blu) 6th competition day: 13:15 Placement Matches
Friday 28 July	7th competition day – matches only in SAP Arena: 14:00 P9, P7 and Semifinals
Saturday 29 July	8th competition day – matches in SAP Arena: 13:30 placement matches P1-6 Victory Ceremony Player's Party
Sunday 30 July	Departure day

9. GROUP DRAWING

The draw of the IFA 2023 Fistball World Championship Germany is scheduled for Wednesday 22 MARCH. The best 8 nations of the Fistball World Championship 2019 will compete in groups A and B. The two finalists from Winterthur (Germany and Austria) will be seeded as heads of these groups. Germany as the reigning world champion is seeded as the head of group A, Austria therefore of group B. The other 8 nations will also be distributed into the pots for the draw based on their rankings.

The draw will be streamed on the channels of the 2023 Fistball World Championship and the International Fistball Association (Facebook & YouTube).

10. SCHEDULE

The match schedule for the 2023 Fistball World Championship has been fixed. After three preliminary round days, the first matches of the knockout round will start on Tuesday in the Rhein-Neckar Stadium. The matches of the seeded nations Germany and Austria (see "9. Draw") are thus already fixed.

DAY	TIME	NR	CATEGORY	COURT	TEAM A	TEAM B	ROUND	BEST OF	match time	
SATURDAY										
	10:00	1	MEN	tbd	C1	C4	Preliminary Round	5	01:15	
	11:15	2	MEN	tbd	C2	C3	Preliminary Round	5	01:15	
	12:30	3	MEN	tbd	A2	A3	Preliminary Round	5	01:15	
	13:45	Opening Ceremony								00:15
	14:00	4	MEN	tbd	Germany	A4	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	15:20	Break								00:40
	16:00	5	MEN	tbd	D1	D4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	17:30	6	MEN	tbd	D2	D3	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	19:00	7	MEN	tbd	Austria	B4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	20:30	8	MEN	tbd	B2	B3	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
SUNDAY <i>Rhein-Neckar Campus</i>										
	10:00	9	MEN	tbd	D2	D4	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	11:20	10	MEN	tbd	D1	D3	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	12:40	11	MEN	tbd	B3	B4	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	14:00	12	MEN	tbd	Austria	B2	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	15:30	Break								00:30
	16:00	13	MEN	tbd	C2	C4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	17:30	14	MEN	tbd	C1	C3	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	19:00	15	MEN	tbd	Germany	A2	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	20:30	16	MEN	tbd	A3	A4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
MONDAY <i>Rhein-Neckar Campus</i>										
	10:00	17	MEN	tbd	Germany	A3	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	11:20	18	MEN	tbd	Austria	B3	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	12:40	19	MEN	tbd	C1	C2	Preliminary Round	5	01:20	
	14:00	20	MEN	tbd	D1	D2	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	15:30	Break								00:30
	16:00	21	MEN	tbd	A2	A4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	17:30	22	MEN	tbd	B2	B4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	19:00	23	MEN	tbd	D3	D4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
	20:30	24	MEN	tbd	C3	C4	Preliminary Round	5	01:30	
TUESDAY <i>Rhein-Neckar Campus</i>										
	10:00	25	MEN	tbd	3A	2D	QUALIFIER QF 1-8	5	01:20	
	11:20	26	MEN	tbd	3B	2C	QUALIFIER QF 1-8	5	01:20	
	12:40	27	MEN	tbd	4A	1D	QUALIFIER QF 1-8	5	01:20	
	14:00	28	MEN	tbd	4B	1C	QUALIFIER QF 1-8	5	01:20	
	15:20	Break								00:40
	16:00	29	MEN	tbd	3C	loser 25	QF President's Cup	5	01:30	
	17:30	30	MEN	tbd	3D	loser 26	QF President's Cup	5	01:30	
	19:00	31	MEN	tbd	4C	loser 27	QF President's Cup	5	01:30	
	20:30	32	MEN	tbd	4D	loser 28	QF President's Cup	5	01:30	
WEDNESDAY <i>Rhein-Neckar Campus</i>										
	10:00	33	MEN	tbd	loser 30	loser 31	President's Cup 13-16	5	01:30	
	11:30	34	MEN	tbd	loser 29	loser 32	President's Cup 13-16	5	01:30	
	13:00	35	MEN	tbd	winner 29	winner 32	President's Cup 9-12	5	01:30	
	14:30	36	MEN	tbd	winner 30	winner 31	President's Cup 9-12	5	01:30	
	16:00	Break								00:00
	16:00	37	MEN	tbd	2B	winner 25	Quarterfinal	5	01:30	
	17:30	38	MEN	tbd	2A	winner 26	Quarterfinal	5	01:30	
	19:00	39	MEN	tbd	1B	winner 27	Quarterfinal	5	01:30	
	20:30	40	MEN	tbd	1A	winner 28	Quarterfinal	5	01:30	
THURSDAY <i>Rhein-Neckar Campus</i>										
	09:00	IFA Congress								03:00
	12:00	Break								01:15
	13:15	41	MEN	tbd	loser 38	loser 39	QUALIFIER P5	5	01:30	
	14:45	42	MEN	tbd	loser 37	loser 40	QUALIFIER P5	5	01:30	
	16:15	43	MEN	tbd	loser 33	loser 34	P15	7	02:00	
	18:15	44	MEN	tbd	winner 33	winner 34	P13	7	02:00	
	20:15	45	MEN	tbd	loser 35	loser 36	P11	7	02:00	
FRIDAY <i>SAP Arena</i>										
	14:00	46	MEN	SAP	winner 35	winner 36	P9	7	02:00	
	16:00	47	MEN	SAP	loser 41	loser 42	P7	7	02:00	
	18:00	48	MEN	SAP	winner 37	winner 40	semifinal	7	02:15	
	20:15	49	MEN	SAP	winner 38	winner 39	semifinal	7	02:15	
SATURDAY <i>SAP Arena</i>										
	13:30	50	MEN	SAP	winner 41	winner 42	P5	7	02:00	
	15:30	51	MEN	SAP	loser 48	loser 49	P3	7	02:30	
	18:00	52	MEN	SAP	winner 48	winner 49	P1	7	02:30	

11. MATCH BALL

On the basis of the court and weather conditions, IFA and referees are going to decide which of the following types of balls is used during a match:

- Sportastic Men Competition Premium Tripple A (dry conditions)
- Sportastic Men Competition Micro wet 350 (wet conditions)



12. REFEREES

The following referees have been nominated for IFA 2023 Fistball World Championship Germany by the IFA Referees Committee:

- Marcel Meier, SUI
- Wolfgang Weiß, AUT
- Paulo Raya, BRA
- Aurelio Freitas, BRA
- Roland Schiep, GER
- Markus Löwe, GER

The official referee's accommodation is the Mercure am Friedensplatz, Am Friedensplatz 1, 68165 Mannheim, Germany.

13. IFA COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

The IFA Competition Manager of the IFA 2023 Fistball Men's World Championship Germany is Sönke Spille.

IFA Technical Delegate of the IFA 2023 Fistball Men's World Championship Germany is Gastão Englert.

Those two forms the IFA Jury according point 36 of the IFA Juridical Regulations.

14. CONGRESS

According to the articles 7 and 9 ff. of the IFA Statutes have been invited to the Ordinary IFA 2023 Congress on 12 January 2023.

Time: Thursday 27 July 2023 9.00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Venue: Hotel Radisson Blu Hotel, Mannheim Q7 27, 68161 Mannheim, Germany

According to the IFA Statues the deadlines are

- for proposals of the member federations: 6 April 2023 (16 weeks prior congress)
- for send out final agenda and financial report: 15 June 2023 (6 weeks prior)

According to § 7 every member federation has the right to participate in the Congress with up to three representatives. Please register if you would like to participate at the IFA 2023 Congress latest 27 June 2023 on <https://tinyurl.com/IFA2023congress>

15. TICKETING

The ticketing sale started successfully in 2022. More than 10.000 tickets sold until February. In the SAP Arena, home of the final matches on Friday and Saturday the first sectors are sold out. From March 22, day tickets for the Rhein-Neckar Stadium can also be purchased. We kindly ask you to inform all your fistball fans who plan to go to the World Championship as spectators to buy as soon as possible to get the best seats.

Tickets are available on: <https://fistballmwc.com/ticketing>

16. SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE

We would be glad if the participating clubs use the hashtag #FistballMWC and #WeAreFistball to inform the spectators about every activity within the context of the IFA 2023 Fistball Men's World Championship.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fistballMWC>
Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/fistballmwc/>
Website: www.fistballmwc.com

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