

OFFICIAL REGULATION
WORLD CLUBS CUP (MEN) 2024-2025
Rink Hockey Technical Commission



* The application of this Regulation shall enter into force upon publication of the Regulation.

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I. INTRODUCTION

WORLD SKATE has approved the competition regulations for the 2024-2025 Men's Clubs World Cup as set out below.

The Clubs World Cup in rink hockey is an official WORLD SKATE competition, held annually, in the Senior Men's category, in which those established in the Regulations are entitled to participate.

For the 2024-2025 edition, the competition will take place during the month of February/March 2025.

- 1.1. The Clubs World Cup is composed of the following 8 clubs that have the right to participate:

EUROPE:

- a) The club that is the champion of **World Skate Europe 2024**
- b) The club that is the runner-up of **World Skate Europe 2024**

AMERICA:

- a) The club that is the champion of **World Skate America 2024**
- b) The club that is the runner-up of **World Skate America 2024**

ASIA/OCEANIA:

- a) The club proposed by **World Skate Asia** and **World Skate Oceania**

AFRICA:

- a) The club proposed by **World Skate Africa**

GUESTS:

- a) (1) WILD CARD proposed by **World Skate**
- b) (1) WILD CARD proposed by **World Skate**

The organizer, if it is not a previously classified Club, may have a Wild Card to participate in the event.

The proposed Club must participate in the highest national category. Otherwise, its participation will not be accepted.

- 1.2. All Continental Areas, which currently have official club competition (Europe and America), must comply with the following obligations:
- a) Be sure that all their club championships end before 30th September 2024.
 - b) They **must inform World Skate of the dates, location and participants of the Continental Competition**, with a minimum number of 3 teams per championship.
 - c) The Continental Areas must inform to **World Skate - by 30th September at the latest** - of the name of their champion and runner-up club that is entitled to participate in the next edition of the **Clubs World Cup**.
 - d) Each of the aforementioned clubs must formally register to participate in the event by email to sportsdepartment@worldskate.org and copy to rinkhockey@worldskate.org - **by 30th November 2024** at the latest.
- 1.3. The remaining Continental Areas, which currently do not have official club competition (Asia/Oceania and Africa), must comply with the following obligations:
- a) The Continental Areas must inform to **World Skate - by 30th of November at the latest** - about the names of the Clubs proposed to participate in the next edition of the **Clubs World Cup**.
 - b) Each of the clubs proposed in point 1.3 a) of these regulations must notify World Skate - by email sportsdepartment@worldskate.org and copy to rinkhockey@worldskate.org - no later than **30th December 2024** - of their formal registration to participate in the event.
- 1.4. The participation of the Champion and Runner-up teams from the different Continental Areas that have held their Continental Championship, as well as those designated by the Continental Areas that do not organize their international club championships, will have priority right to participate, as it is an official WORLD SKATE competition.

II. COMPETITION FORMAT

The competition format for the 2024-2025 Club World Cup (Men) is as follows:

2.1. First competition phase: 3 competition games

a) First phase: Two groups of 4 teams (3 games for team)

A	B	
1 st EUROPE	1 st AMERICA	Seeded Teams
2 nd AMERICA	2 nd EUROPE	
Club Asia/Oceania or Africa	Club Asia/Oceania or Africa	Draw
Wild Card	Wild Card	

b) Second phase: Semifinals (1 game for team)

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| a) 1 st A - 2 nd B (game 1) | } | From 1 st to 4 th classified |
| b) 2 nd A - 1 st B (game 2) | | |
| c) 3 th A - 4 th B (game 3) | } | From 5 th to 8 th classified |
| d) 4 th A - 3 th B (game 4) | | |

c) Finals (1 game for team)

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| e) Winner game 1 - Winner game 2 | 1 st y 2 nd classified |
| f) Loser game 1 - Loser game 2 | 3 th y 4 th classified |
| g) Winner game 3 - Winner game 4 | 5 th y 6 th classified |
| h) Loser game 3 - Loser game 4 | 7 th y 8 th classified |

2.2. A total of 5 matches per team will be played over 5 days of competition.

2.3. The schedule and order of the competition will be set by the Organizer, with prior consent of World Skate.

2.4. In the event that one participating club is also the organizer of the competition, they will have priority to be chosen as local team during the event.

III. ORGANIZATION OF THE CLUBS WORLD CUP

The Clubs World Cup is organized under the conditions and procedures defined below:

3.1. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THIS EVENT

The deadline for submitting proposals for the organisation of the Clubs World Cup ends at 12:00 (GMT) on 1st December 2024.

Proposals must be submitted by email to rinkhockey@worldskate.org and a copy to sportsdepartment@worldskate.org, in the official language of World Skate, with the Explanatory Dossier and a summary sheet and where the following must be indicated:

- a) Name and contact information of the General Coordinator of the Organization, who will be the one who communicates directly with World Skate.
- b) Facilities, hotels, playing rink, halls, capacity, etc.
- c) Exhibition of all promotional activities of Rink Hockey that are carried out taking advantage of the event, “clinics”, “seminars”, “symposiums”, etc.
- d) Exhibition of popular actions in the City on the occasion of the event, marketing, advertising, solidarity, participation of young people, etc.. so that the city is involved in the celebration of the Club World Cup.
- e) All actions that are considered and can be positively valued to enhance and give greater value to the organization.

3.2. GENERAL REMARKS

- a) **World Skate** can only accept proposals that come from or are submitted by an affiliated Federation. However, interested Federations may decide to delegate the responsibility of submitting proposals for the organization of the Club World Cup to their affiliated clubs, as well as official institutions (Municipalities or similar), a decision that must be formalized before World Skate with a document certified in writing by the Federation.
- b) The initial decision to award the organization of the **Clubs World Cup** is always assigned by **World Skate** and must meet the following conditions:

- The report issued by the responsible member of the World Skate Rink Hockey Technical Commission who has visited the proposed facilities, verification of compliance with the other conditions proposed for the organization of the event and meetings with authorities and organizers.
- Economic assessment of the financial conditions of the proposed candidacy.
- The evaluation by the World Skate Rink Hockey Technical Commission of the submitted proposals and their annexes.

a) It is also important to note that:

- The organizer will be responsible for the internal transportation of the participating Clubs. The organizer will be responsible for a maximum of 17 people.
- The organizer will be responsible for the television production of the event. International television rights (outside the organizing country) are the property of World Skate.
- Sponsorship and advertising rights will be for the organizer.
- Rights related to the sale of tickets for the event are the full property of the organizing entity.

3.3. CONDITIONS TO BE MET BY ALL PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO WORLD SKATE

All proposals must meet the following conditions that are applicable to this event:

- a) Payment of the organization fee of **USD 50,000.00. (*)**
- b) Payment of travel expenses (if by plane in economy class), accommodation (in a minimum 4* hotel) and meals, for the following people:
 - 1 Representative of the World Skate Rink Hockey Technical Commission to visit and verify the conditions established in the winning proposal, before the final award of the organization.
 - 8 Referees, from the day immediately prior to the start and until the day after its completion, designated by World Skate.
- c) Payment of accommodation and maintenance costs for the following persons:
 - A maximum of 8 World Skate staff members, from two (2) days before the event until the day after its completion.
- d) Hotels must be previously approved by World Skate.

(*) Note: *The Payment of the organization fee must be made through bank transfer to the World Skate account:*

- **BIC/SWIFT: UBSWCHZH80A**
- **IBAN: CH580024324318610561M**

In addition, proof must be sent to World Skate (rinkhockey@worldskate.org).

3.4. OTHER CONDITIONS THAT THE ORGANIZER HAS TO ASSUME:

- a) Vehicle(s) for all World Skate members, for the duration of their stay.
- b) The means of transport necessary for the transfer of the official delegations of the participating teams, the 8 designated referees and the members of World Skate, between:
 - **The nearest international airport and hotel (and vice versa)**
 - The hotel where the competition will be held and the playing field (and vice versa).
- c) All costs related to doping control testing in accordance with the World Skate Antidopping Policy.
- d) The production costs of live TV broadcasts (open, free), via "online streaming" and satellite, of all matches of the event, in accordance with the technical standards specified by World Skate. Following the following list of minimum requirements:
 - 6 cameras - 2 with cameras at grandstand level, 2 with cameras at rink level, 2 fixing boxes.
 - EVS playback of all cameras.
 - Daily highlights to be defined in agreement with World Skate.
 - Graphics overlay to be approved priory by World Skate.
 - Broadcast and TV commentary positions - number to be defined in agreement with World Skate.
 - International audio.
 - Encoding for broadcast on the World Skate streaming platform.
 - Hard drive with high-resolution footage to be defined in agreement with World Skate.
 - Fiber internet connection - at least 10MB upload.
- e) Assume all production costs related to the corporate image of the event. This image must be previously approved by World Skate.

f) Compliance with all provisions on medical precautions, ensuring:

- A separate room prepared for "doping control".
- The availability at the event facilities of at least one "defibrillator".
- The presence of a minimum of one (1) medicalized ambulance (outside the venue), as well as the presence of a doctor at the event site, during each match of the competition.
- Information (address and contacts) on the hospital that is closest to the event facilities.

g) Compliance with all provisions on safety precautions, namely:

- The presence of a public security force or private security personnel throughout the event.
Effective protection of each team's bench area and the official match table, trying to avoid the throwing of objects and/or other problems that may be caused by bad behaviour by the public.
- Clear delimitation - with the placement of static barriers or dividers - for access to the area reserved for the official match table or for access to the area reserved for each team bench.

3.5. OTHER SPECIFICATIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN PROPOSALS TO BE SUBMITTED TO WORLD SKATE

All proposals to be submitted to World Skate must detail the following specifications:

- a) A description of the characteristics of the proposed sports venue for the event (changing rooms, number of seats for the public, size of the court and type of playing surface, etc.).
- b) The location of the nearest international airport.
- c) A list of the hotels available to ensure the accommodation of the teams and other participants or visitors, indicating the price and payment conditions established by each of them.
- d) The definition of the total schedule of the competition, including the starting times of the matches of the event, as well as the times to be scheduled for the training sessions for the adaptation to the court of the participating teams.

- e) A proposal regarding the conditions and procedures to be established for the media coverage of the event, including the broadcasting of all the matches on television and/or on the “internet”.
- f) The contracting of insurance and other guarantees, in particular with regard to accidents that may occur with team representatives, referees, institutional representatives, spectators and/or employees involved in the event, although each team must have its corresponding sports accident insurance.
- g) The location of a press room with a Wi-Fi connection separate from the rest of the connections.
- h) VIP room, for authorities and guests, with direct access to the Box. This room must have catering.
- i) Accreditations for access to the facilities, making a distinction between athletes, officials, VIPs, etc.

3.6. In the event that no proposal for the organization of the event is received, WS-RHTC reserves the right to make the appropriate decisions regarding the organization of the Competition.

IV. OTHERS

- 4.1. The competition regulation, rules of game and discipline of World Skate will apply throughout the competition.
- 4.2. Clubs with the right to participate and who have registered, if they renounce their participation in the competition, will be notified to the Disciplinary Committee for evaluation according to what is established in the disciplinary regulations. World Skate will establish the criteria for substitution of the aforementioned Clubs.
- 4.3. The first 3 classified teams will receive the following prize money (**Prize Money**) assumed by World Skate:
 - a) First place: **10,000 USD**
 - b) Second place: **5,000 USD**
 - c) Third place: **3.000 USD**
- 4.4. The trophies to be awarded (by World Skate) to the champion and finalist team are:
 - a) **Champion Cup**, for the Champion team.
 - b) **Finalist Medals**, for the teams players and officials.
- 4.5. The Continental sports season is considered:
 - c) **Europe**: from August 1st to July 31st of the following year.
 - d) **America, Africa, Asia and Oceania**: from January 1st to December 31st of the same year.
- 4.6. Participating teams have the right to have contact with the playing rink, one day before the start of the competition, for a period of no less than 45 minutes. The times will be determined by the Organization in a period like the time of the matches.
- 4.7. World Skate will be responsible for the interpretation of the articles of this regulation for all circumstances arising from discrepancies between the participating clubs and the organizing entity.