



2020

INVITATION

World Para Ice Hockey European Championships

Östersund, Sweden | 16-26th April 2020



2023

1 Introduction

NPC Sweden, Parasport Jämtland-Härjedalen and World Para Ice Hockey are pleased to invite you to the 2020 World Para Ice Hockey European Championships. The tournament will be held from 16-26 April 2020 at the Östersund Arena in Östersund, Sweden.

2 Organisation and Administration

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3 Dates of Competition

16 April	<i>Arrival</i>
17 April	<i>Classification, training, directorate meeting and equipment check</i>
18 April	<i>Opening ceremony</i>
18-25 April	<i>Competitions</i>
26 April	<i>Departure</i>

4 Venue

The tournament will be held at the following venue:

Östersund Arena

Arenavägen 27

831 32 Östersund

Information about ice arena:

- Rink size: 60m x 30m
- Capacity: 2.700
- Construction date: 6 December 2013

The purchase of meals and coffee at the restaurant at the arena is possible.

5 Event Schedule

Group A

- 1 CZE
- 4 SWE
- 5 RUS
- 8 POL

Group B

- 2 NOR
- 3 ITA
- 6 SVK
- 7 GER

Tentative Competition Schedule:

16 April	<i>Arrivals</i>
17 April	<i>Classification and training</i>
18 April	<i>Opening Ceremony and Game Day</i>
19 April	<i>Game day</i>
20 April	<i>Rest day</i>
21 April	<i>Game day</i>
22 April	<i>Game day</i>
23 April	<i>Rest day</i>
24 April	<i>Game day</i>
25 April	<i>Game day and Closing Ceremony</i>
26 April	<i>Departures</i>

Match ups will be determined later. Changes can be made by WPIH as needed.

6 Rules and Regulations

The competition will be conducted under World Para Ice Hockey Regulations 2019-2020, World Para Ice Hockey Rulebook 2018-2022 and World Para Ice Hockey Classification Rules and Regulations ver. 2017. If you require further information, please visit <https://www.paralympic.org/ice-hockey/rules>.

7 Maximum Entry per NPC

NPCs are allowed to enter a maximum of **seventeen (17) athletes** (15 players and 2 goalkeepers) unless their squad of players (including goalkeepers) includes at least one female, in which case the team may consist of a maximum of eighteen (18) athletes.

Each NPC is entitled to register up to **six (6) team officials**.

An NPC may request to bring additional team officials but this will be subject to prior approval of the IPC. The NPC will be required to pay a correspondingly higher entry fee reflecting the cost of additional team officials.

8 International classification

Those athletes who have never been classified („New“) or have a designated sport class status of „R“ (Review) will be required to go through International Classification prior to the start of the Östersund 2020 World Para Ice Hockey European Championships.

A detailed classification schedule will follow after the revision of the final entries by World Para Ice Hockey. All athletes informed that they require classification must arrive at a time prior to their allocated appointment time. NPCs are advised to contact info@WorldParaIceHockey.org to arrange for the classification schedules.

Athletes due for classification must ensure a copy of the [IPC Medical Diagnostics Form](#) is completed and uploaded by the NPC to SDMS at least six (6) weeks before the event.

9 Anti-Doping

The IPC is the responsible authority for the anti-doping programme at the Östersund 2020 World Para Ice Hockey European Championships and the 2015 IPC Anti-Doping Code applies to this event. Doping control samples may be collected both in-competition and out-of-competition. The samples will be urine and/or blood and can be collected anytime, anywhere.

All athletes that require the use of a prohibited substance for a medically justified reason must ensure that they have a valid Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) prior to the event. Athletes should bring a copy of their TUE approval form to the event. In the case of an emergency TUE application during the event period, athletes must apply to the IPC Medical Committee. All anti-doping and TUE questions can be sent to antidoping@paralympic.org.

For further information regarding the rules, please click on: <http://www.paralympic.org/the-ipc/anti-doping/documents>.

10 Entries and Registration

All athletes entered in the event must be licensed for the 2019-2020 winter season by the time of the final entries deadline. Athletes' entries not meeting this criterion will be rejected by World Para Ice Hockey.

All athletes must be entered by their respective NPCs or organisations authorised by the NPC and accepted by World Para Ice Hockey.

All NPCs must declare their entries within the given deadlines. No late entries are to be accepted.

Replacement entries may be accepted only due to injury or medical reason. The NPC must submit support documents to World Para Ice Hockey office for approval. The LOC must also approve if such late changes can be accommodated.

Registration deadlines

The Registration process and timeline shall be as follows:

1	Opening of SDMS online registration system for Entry (by Number) .	3 February 2020
2	Deadline for SDMS online Entry (by Number) (NPCs are invoiced based on the number provided in this entry).	21 February 2020
3	Opening of SDMS online registration system for Entry (by Name)	17 February 2020
4	Close of SDMS online Final Entry (by Name) system and deadline for payment of the entry fee and provision of: NOTE: No reimbursement for any team members withdrawn will be accepted after this date.	13 March 2020
5	Opening of IPC Accreditation system	17 February 2020
6	Deadlines for entries into IPC Accreditation system : 1. Team arrival and departure information (Transport) 2. Team accommodation information Team entries including photos	13 March 2020

SDMS Online Entry Process

The SDMS online entry system can be accessed via the following:

www.paralympic.org/sdms

The log-in details are the same username and password used for **SDMS account**.

If you do not have access to the SDMS/Entries system, please **contact your NPC**. The NPC will be able to make the online entry on your behalf.

Detailed **instructions for the online entry process** can be found [here](#).

IPC Accreditation System

The IPC Accreditation System will open in August and can be accessed via your SDMS account. Here you will be required to enter the team's transportation details, accommodation information, photos, team staff information. This substitutes the filling of forms that we did in the past. The information will be directly available to the LOC. Athlete information such as athlete photos will be automatically generated from the SDMS.

The website to the accreditation system is: www.paralympic.org/accreditation

A separate email with instructions will be sent out at later stage.

11 Entry Fee

The entry fee is charged at **500 EUR per participant** (incl. athletes and team officials).

NOTE: **accommodation is not included** and must be booked and paid separately (see section 15).

Payment

The Entry Fee of 500 EUR per participant must be paid by transfer to the IPC. Upon submission of the online Entry by Number, NPCs will be issued with a Participation Fee Invoice. This invoice should be paid direct to IPC (bank details below) by **no later than 13 March 2020**. Please ensure that the correct invoice number is referenced in the payment.

Account Name:	IPC, Adenauerallee 212-214, D-53113 Bonn, Germany
Bank:	Deutsche Bank AG, D-53113 Bonn, Germany
Bank code:	380 700 59
Branch No.:	414
SWIFT Address:	DEUT DE DK 380
IBAN:	DE75380700590029012200

12 Transportation

The Local Organising Committee (LOC) will provide a transportation service from Östersund Airport to the choice of hotel (on official arrival/departure days), and from the hotel to the Arena for the duration of the Championships.

NPCs must submit their transportation information via the IPC Accreditation System.

13 Meals

Breakfast will be served at the hotel of choice and lunch & dinner will mostly be served at the venue or at the hotel. Please inform about vegetarian need, halal, kosher or intolerance/allergies

14 Extra Days

In case of early arrival or late departure, extra need for transportation and/or ice renting, all costs are to be covered 100% by the NPC/team itself. Please contact the LOC with a copy to info@WorldParaIceHockey.org for more information about extra days.

15 Accommodation

You will be able to choose between different alternatives for accommodation. All types of accommodation are offered as full board including breakfast at the accommodation facilities and **lunch** or **dinner** served at the hockey arena or hotel. These meals are included in the fee for accommodation.

Please note that each accommodation alternative has a limited number of rooms, the organizer cannot guarantee available rooms. To secure your choice of accommodation, make your reservation as soon as possible. Requests of accommodation are made directly to the organizer by sending in the form for accommodation reservation, to be found at Teams on www.winterparasport.com More information about the accommodation alternatives including pictures can also be found at the website. Please note that accommodation reservations are binding and not refundable after **15 March**.

Alternatives for accommodation, full board (breakfast and dinner at the accommodation and lunch at the arena are included), prices are shown per person and night:

Hostel Ledkrysset	Single room: €80 Double room: €80 Dormitory rooms: €80	www.ostersundledkrysset.se
Hotel Östersund	Single room: €140 Double room: €100 Triple room: €90 Quadruple room: €85	www.hotellostersund.se
Scandic Östersund Syd	Single room: €158 Double room: €108 Triple room: €98 Quadruple room: €98	www.scandichotels.se/ostersundsyd
Clarion Hotel Grand Östersund	Single room: € 180 Double room: €120	www.nordicchoicehotels.se/clarion/clarion-hotel-grand-ostersund/

Booking

Bookings and payment for the accommodation have to be made through the LOC. Submit the accommodation information via the IPC Accreditation System. The information will be made available to the LOC.

<i>Deadline for reservation</i>	08 March 2020
<i>Deadline for final payment</i>	15 March 2020

Cancellations/Refunds Policy

- Cancellation after 8 March is 50% of accommodation fee.
- Cancellation after 15 March is 100% of accommodation fee.

Extra days for early arrival or late departure must also be requested through the LOC. Extra charges may appear.

Bank Information

The Accommodation Fees should be transferred to the following bank account according to the terms of payment:

IBAN number	SE7980000814710433770237
SWIFT / BIC	SWEDSESS
Account Number	5728-1248
Name of Bank	SWEDBANK
Organization	Parasport Jämtland-Härjedalen
Under indication of	<your country> ECH2020 (example SLOVAKIA ECH2020)

Location

The distance from the hotels to the Arena is maximum 5 km, a journey time of approximately 5-8 minutes depending on the traffic.

16 Host City

With a population of about 64 000, Östersund is the only city in the county of Jämtland. It is situated by the Lake Storsjön. The long, cold winter is the city's greatest asset, along with the freshest air and the cleanest water of Europe. Additional to the Biathlon World Championship 2008 and the annual Biathlon World Cup premiere, Östersund is also host of many other national and international winter sports events, e.g. Arctic Cat Cup, World Enduro Championships, Cross-country skiing World Cup, Vertex 24 and World Junior Curling Championships. Östersund is also the host town for World Championships in Biathlon 5-17 March 2019!

Östersund has hosted the 2015 World Para Ice Hockey Championships B-Pool, 2016 World Para Ice Hockey European Championships, 2017 World Para Ice Hockey Qualifying Tournament for Paralympic in PyeongChang 2018 and the World Para Nordic Skiing World Cup 2019. For 2020 Östersund is also hosting World Para Biathlon Championships and World Para Nordic Skiing World Cup Finals.

Find out more about the city [here](#).

17 Insurance

Each National Federation and/or National Paralympic Committee must ensure that all members of their delegation are appropriately insured, including coverage for accidents, health, travel, property and liability.

Each team will need to provide evidence of insurance cover at the first Directorate Meeting at latest. Please send a copy to info@WorldParaIceHockey.org.

18 Medical Information

Treatment

No medical insurance for accidents will be provided to any of the participants. All participants are responsible for obtaining their own medical insurance (including Repatriation Coverage) and will be responsible for any medical expenses resulting from participation in the event.

Medical services

The LOC will do its best to guarantee the safety of all participants and will provide emergency ambulance, 5 minutes away, and first aid services for the teams during the entire duration of the tournament. Medical personnel will be present at all events at the tournament venue.

19 Accreditation

All accreditation details for athletes and team officials are dealt with in the IPC Accreditation online entry system. All accreditation cards will be handed out upon arrival to the Team Manager.

20 Contact details

Should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

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