



**WORLD WHEELCHAIR CURLING QUALIFICATION 2012**  
**3-8 November 2012**  
**KISAKALLIO SPORTS INSTITUTE, LOHJA, FINLAND**

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**COMPETITOR'S GUIDE**

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## Competitor's Guide

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**On behalf of the World Curling Federation and our 49 Member Associations, I would like to congratulate you on earning the right to represent your country at the World Wheelchair Curling Qualification event in Lohja, Finland.**

**This will be an unforgettable experience and I have no doubt that each and every one of you will take something away from here, both as a person and as an athlete. You will learn from competing in this event, which will help you develop as a curler. It will also be an opportunity for you to build new friendships whilst also experiencing the warm and welcoming hospitality of Lohja and Finland.**

**There are many items with which you need to be concerned in planning to come to the event and after you arrive. The purpose of this guide is to assist you by providing information and answers to some basic questions you may have.**

**I would also like to draw your attention to "THE SPIRIT OF CURLING" on Page I of the WCF rule book, which exemplifies the code under which the game should be played. Wheelchair curling provides inspiring examples of this 'spirit' and I know that this event will yet again provide the perfect opportunity to showcase our sport and the principles that make it so special.**

**We hope you find the information provided herein useful and wish you the utmost success and enjoyment at this, the 2012 World Wheelchair Curling Qualification event.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Caithness".

**Kate Caithness  
President  
World Curling Federation**



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Director of Competitions & Development  
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## EVENT ORGANISATION

2012 World Wheelchair Curling Qualification

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Website for the event will be available from mid-September through [www.kisakallio.fi](http://www.kisakallio.fi).

## COMPETITION OFFICIALS

Chief Umpire

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Deputy Chief Umpire

Alan Stephen (SCO)

Game Umpire

Pirjo Hautanen (FIN)

Game Umpire

Erkki Lill (EST)

Game Umpire

Harri Lill (EST)

Chief Timer

Allen Coliban (WCF)

Chief Classifier

Young-Hee Lee (KOR)

Classifier

Marc Deperno (USA)

Chief Ice Technician

Scott Henderson (SCO)

Deputy Chief Ice Technician

Jørgen Larsen (DEN)

## VENUE

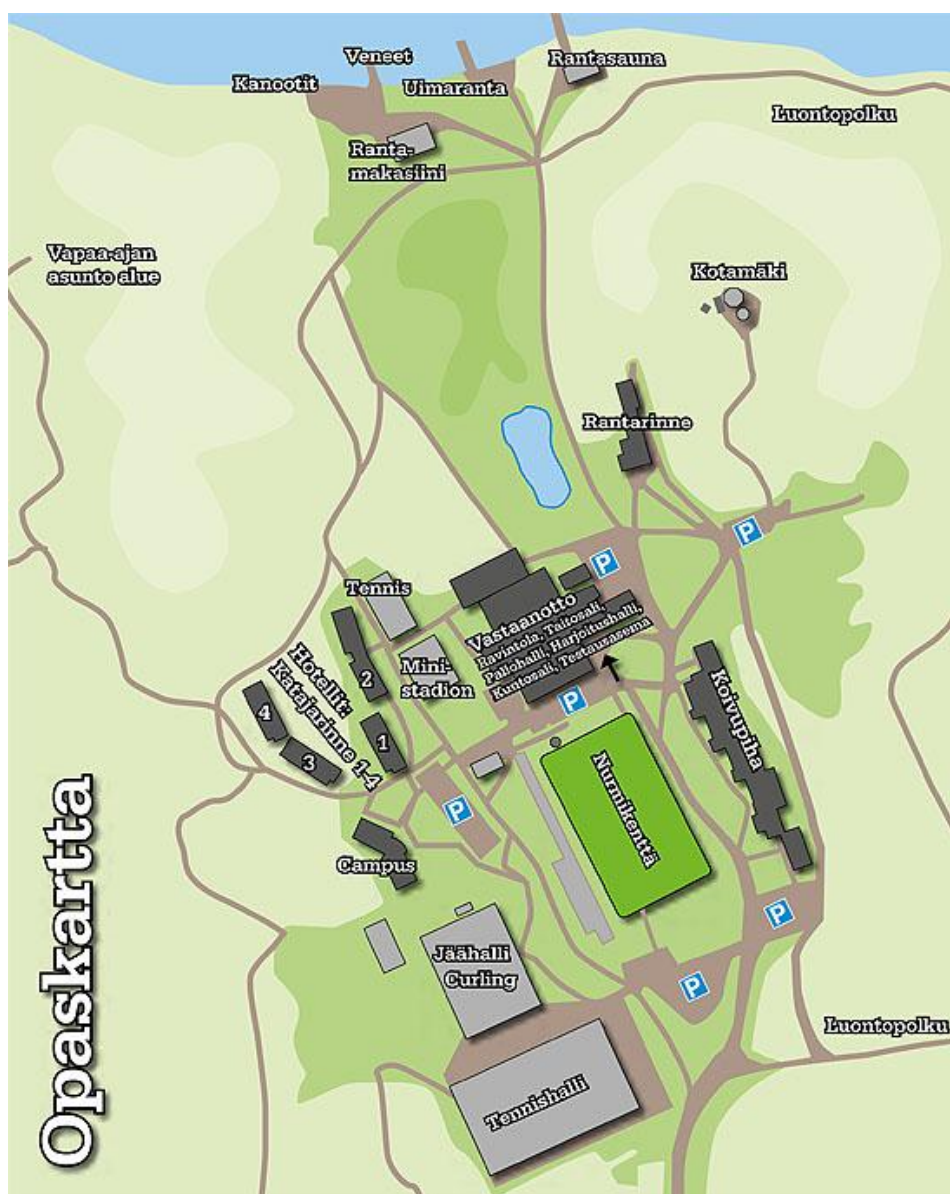
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(Team Accommodation in Buildings 1-4)



## DRAW SCHEDULE

### WORLD WHEELCHAIR CURLING QUALIFICATION 2012 3-8 November 2012 KISAKALLIO SPORTS INSTITUTE, LOHJA, FINLAND

1. World Curling Federation (WCF) rules apply, unless otherwise indicated below, or stated during the official Team Meeting, which is scheduled between 10:30 – 11:00 in the Mirror Hall (main building) on Saturday, 03 November 2012.
2. The 11 teams will play a round robin series. At the end of the round robin there will be a ranking established for places 1 to 4 using the June 2011 WCF Rules of Competition (C9) -Team Ranking Procedure. The team ranked 1<sup>st</sup> will play against the team ranked 2<sup>nd</sup>, the winner qualifying for the 2013 WWhCC. Also the team ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> will play a game against the team ranked 4<sup>th</sup>. The loser of the 1 v 2 game will then play the winner of the 3 v 4 game, the winner qualifying for the 2013 WWhCC.
3. All games will be eight (8) ends, with extra end(s) to break tied games.
4. There will be a nine-minute practice for each team before every round robin game. The practice starts 30 minutes before the scheduled game time (i.e. – schedule shows 09:30, therefore 09:00 – 09:09 the team listed first in the draw practices; one minute allowed for the LSD; 09:10 – 09:19 the other team practices; one minute allowed for the LSD; 09:20 – 09:30 ice cleaning, 09:30 the game starts).
5. For round robin games, a Last Stone Draw (LSD) is played at the conclusion of the team's pre-game practice. One player delivers one stone to the tee at the home end. It is assumed that the team with the lesser LSD will take the choice of delivering the second stone in the first end.
6. In the tie-breakers, the team which won the round robin game has the choice of first or second stone in the first end. In the playoff games, the team with the better win/loss record has the choice of playing first or second stone in the first end, if both teams have the same win/loss record, the winner of their round robin game has that choice. In these games, the team delivering the first stone of the first end has the choice of stone handle colour.
7. First named team in each of the round robin games plays the stones with the dark coloured handles and should wear dark coloured upper playing garments.
8. The Chief Umpire will determine the schedule and ice for any necessary tie-breaker games as soon as the number of games required and the opponents have been clearly determined. The Chief Umpire will also decide additional training times and sheets, and the sheets for the playoff games.
9. Teams:

CZE – Czech Republic	ITA – Italy	POL – Poland
DEN – Denmark	JPN – Japan	SUI – Switzerland
FIN – Finland	LAT – Latvia	TUR – Turkey
GER – Germany	NOR – Norway	



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**DRAW SCHEDULE**

Day	Date	Time	Draw	Sheet A	Sheet B	Sheet C	Sheet D	Sheet E	
Sat	3 Nov.	0900	Training	x	CZE	JPN	SUI	LAT	
		1030	<b>TEAM MEETING</b> – Mirror Hall (main building)						
		1130	Training	x	FIN	TUR	DEN	NOR	
		1300	Training	GER	x	ITA	x	POL	
		1600	1	CZE – JPN	SUI – LAT	FIN – TUR	DEN – NOR	GER – ITA	
		1930	<b>WELCOME RECEPTION</b> – Lobby Restaurant (main building)						
Sun	4 Nov.	0930	2	POL – FIN	GER – JPN	NOR – CZE	TUR – ITA	DEN – SUI	
		1400	3	LAT – NOR	CZE – DEN	POL – SUI	GER – FIN	JPN – TUR	
		1830	4	DEN – GER	NOR – TUR	ITA – LAT	SUI – JPN	CZE – POL	
Mon	5 Nov.	1030	5	SUI – TUR	POL – ITA	DEN – JPN	LAT – CZE	NOR – FIN	
		1630	6	JPN – ITA	FIN – SUI	GER – NOR	POL – TUR	LAT – DEN	
Tue	6 Nov.	0930	7	FIN – CZE	JPN – NOR	LAT – POL	ITA – SUI	TUR – GER	
		1400	8	NOR – SUI	LAT – GER	CZE – ITA	FIN – DEN	POL – JPN	
		1830	9	ITA – DEN	TUR – CZE	SUI – GER	NOR – POL	FIN – LAT	
Wed	7 Nov.	0930	10	GER – POL	ITA – FIN	TUR – DEN	JPN – LAT	SUI – CZE	
		1400	11	TUR – LAT	DEN – POL	JPN – FIN	CZE – GER	ITA – NOR	
		1830	Tie-Breaker Games (if required)						
Thu	8 Nov.	0730	Tie-Breaker Games (if required)						
		1200	1 v 2 (winner qualifies) and 3 v 4 games						
		1630	Loser (1 v 2) v Winner (3 v 4) (winner qualifies)						
		2000	<b>FAREWELL BANQUET</b> – Old Strand Warehouse						

On the practice day (3 November) each team practices for 12 minutes on each sheet, rotating from A to B to C to D to E. The umpires will control the practice, and will indicate when to switch from sheet to sheet.

First named teams in each draw have the first practice session. At the conclusion of each team's pre-game practice, one player delivers one stone to the tee at the home end. The team with the better Last Stone Draw (LSD) has the choice of delivering first or second stone in the first end. Also, the first named teams in each draw play the stones with the dark coloured handles, and wear dark coloured upper playing garments, second named teams in each draw play the stones with the light coloured handles, and wear light coloured upper playing garments.

**Note:** If no tie-breaker games required on Thursday, 8 Nov, playoff games will be at **10:30 and 16:30**.

DAY	DATE	TIME	IMPORTANT EVENTS
Saturday	3 Nov.	1030	Team Meeting – Mirror Hall (main building)
Saturday	3 Nov.	1555	Opening Ceremony – on-ice, just prior to 1 <sup>st</sup> games
Saturday	3 Nov.	1930	Welcome Reception – Lobby Restaurant (main building)
Thursday	8 Nov.	2000	Farewell Banquet – Old Strand Warehouse





## **TEAM MEETING**

The team meeting chaired by the Chief Umpire will be held on Saturday, 3 November 2012 at 1030hrs in the Mirror Room (main building). Attendance is mandatory for all team members and coaches.

The Team Meeting document will be distributed to all participating teams through their Member Associations.

## **FUNCTIONS**

During the Championship, there will be mandatory functions to be attended by all team members and coaches in team uniforms appropriate to the occasion. Teams are requested not to leave these official functions before team introductions have been made and all speeches and thanks have been given.

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Opening & Closing Function tickets will be available to all teams and spectators at no charge.

## **MEDIA RELATIONS**

There will be international, national and local media coverage of the championship. The WCF and Organising Committee request that players grant interviews as requested by the media. Words of caution however, make certain you do not make reference to any matters you do not wish quoted. If you have a specific complaint about the qualification, please express it to the appropriate official of the WCF, not to the media.

## **PINS AND BADGES**

Prior to the commencement of all round-robin games it is customary for each team member to exchange with his or her opposite competitor a pin, badge or banner representative of his or her club, region or Member Association as a souvenir gift. The teams' Member Association should arrange the required supply of these items.

## **MEDICAL SERVICES**

Medical services will be available.

The Hospital is located in the city of Lohja, about 15 minutes from Kisakallio.

## **CLASSIFICATION**

Assessment of athletes who are not yet classified will take place during team training on Saturday, 3 November 2012.



## **RULES**

The competition will be played under the World Curling Federation rules, as published in the Rules of Curling and the Rules of Competition Booklet (June 2011).

It is the duty of all players and coaches to become fully acquainted with all rules prior to the team meeting.

The final authority for the operation and general conduct of the World Curling Federation events rests with the President of the Federation and her appointee(s).

Competitors should note that the WCF forbids doping and maintains an active policy to prevent the supply and taking of "prohibited substances" to or by players, coaches, umpires, officials or other agents involved with the conduct of the sport of curling. "Prohibited substances" shall be those substances which shall from time to time appear on lists prepared by the World Anti Doping Agency and which have been shown to affect an individual's physical or mental condition and thereby influence the sporting performance of players or officials.

## **DOPE TESTING**

Dope testing may be carried out during the Qualifier. A copy of the current list of banned substances and methods as issued by the World Anti Doping Agency (WADA) can be found at <http://www.worldcurling.org/anti-doping-medical>. Any competitors, who are currently taking any medication, which is on the banned list of substances, must firstly seek expert medical advice on the possibility of it being substituted by a comparable substance, which is not on the banned list. **If this is not possible, a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) in respect of the banned substance should have been made by 03 October 2012 (if this has not been done please apply immediately)** to The Secretary General, World Curling Federation, 74 Tay Street, Perth PH2 8NP, Scotland, fax 44 1738 451641. TUE application details should be obtained from <http://www.worldcurling.org/anti-doping-medical>. The WCF is required by the WADA to follow these procedures. It is therefore extremely important that **ALL ATHLETES** who may participate at WCF events are fully aware of these requirements and also provided with the necessary medical advice.



## **CRESTING**

Your attention is drawn to the enclosed "WCF Cresting Policy".

Please note that submissions of proposed crests, either national or sponsors, must be made to the WCF Secretariat. These submissions should be forwarded either by the Member Association concerned or accompanied by written approval of the Member Association. This is necessary to ensure that advertising on team crests does not conflict with products of major event sponsors, written approval of the WCF is therefore required.

**The Event Crests, if provided by the Organising Committee should be attached to the upper left arm of playing garments.**

**Cresting placement should be the same for all team members on all playing-garments.**

No cresting shall be permitted in any other area, or on other items of clothing or curling equipment without prior application to, and approval of the World Curling Federation.

All members of team support staff with On-Ice Accreditation must also adhere to the stated cresting policy.

Each team member shall wear identical uniforms for all games. Each garment: shirt, jacket or sweater, shall have the player's surname, in 2-inch (5cm) letters across the upper back of the garment and the country name, in 2-inch (5cm), or larger letters, across the back above the waist. If desired, a national emblem may also be worn on the back, but only in addition to the country name and should be displayed between the player's surname and the country name. The members of a team shall wear light-coloured shirts when throwing stones with light-coloured handles and team members shall wear dark-coloured shirts when throwing stones with dark handles. Upper playing garments of all team members must be the same colour during the competition. **(n.b. red is classified as a dark colour).**

When two players have the same surname, the first letter of their given name shall be added to the player's name on the garment. If the first letter is also the same either another initial should be added, or the full or abbreviated given names shown.

All Member Associations shall register the colour of the outer garments, jackets or sweaters, to be used by their teams when competing in World Championships.

## **CRESTING POLICY FOR WHEELCHAIR CURLING**

There are **six** positions for the display of crests and badges on uniforms; allotted areas shall be the following:

- **THE RIGHT CHEST (1) AND UPPER LEFT ARM (1)** will be reserved for the event sponsor of the World Championship or an event crest of the Host Committee. Member Associations will be advised of the preferred placement for these crests.
- **THE LEFT CHEST (1) AND UPPER RIGHT ARM (2)** will be reserved for a team sponsor's crest or Member Association's emblem.



- **SIDE OF THE LEG (1) (between the knee and ankle)** will be reserved for a team sponsor's crest. All team members must wear the crest on the same leg and the crests must be at the same height.

Total crest size (edge to edge) shall not be greater than 10cm (4 inches) or not greater than 100 square centimeters (16 square inches). Only one crest is permitted in each of the six areas stated. All team sponsors' cresting must have the approval of the team's Member Association. A clothing manufacturer's trademark may be displayed provided it is not greater than 20 square centimeters (3.1 square inches) on jackets and trousers and not greater than 6 square centimeters (0.93 square inches) on any other item of clothing, including caps.

### **Caps**

The only logo permitted, in addition to the manufacturer's logo, is either that of the Event, or the athlete's Member Association.

### **The following cresting and/or logos are permitted on wheelchairs during World Wheelchair Curling Championships:**

One sponsor's crest on each wheel (may be different sponsors) with the total crest size per wheel not greater than 200 square centimeters (31 square inches).

### **Member Association/Country Name & Emblem**

These may be displayed on each wheel and may be in addition to a sponsor's crest. There are no size restrictions.

They may also be displayed along with the player's surname on the back of the seat in the same dimensions as shown below for uniforms in the following order. Top: player's surname, middle: emblem, bottom: country.

### **Manufacturers Trademark**

A wheelchair manufacturer's trademark may be displayed on each wheel and on the back of the seat, provided it is not greater than 60 square centimeters (9.3 square inches).

Team or Member Associations sponsors cresting will only be permitted if they advertise companies or organizations that carry out business in the country represented by the team concerned, and do not conflict with any Sponsor of World Championships. Member Associations shall register sponsor names, and business category with a photograph or diagram in actual size with the WCF by **26 October 2012**. The WCF will confirm approval in writing. Every effort will be made to facilitate the acceptance of team sponsor requests. Sponsor names registered later, or not registered, may not be approved by the WCF. Crests that are not approved must be removed from the on-ice uniform and wheelchairs.

## PASSPORTS

All persons entering Finland must be in possession of a valid passport.

## TRAVEL

Kisakallio is located 30 minutes northwest of Helsinki by the fresh water lake in the tranquil forest of Lohja region. Transfer from Helsinki Airport to Kisakallio and back is included in the Team Accommodation Package Price. Please provide the Organising Committee with your exact travel times by 3 October 2012 so that they can arrange your pick-up.



## INSURANCE

All team members and officials are responsible for their own travel and medical insurance.

## ACCOMMODATION

An Accommodation booking form is distributed to Member Associations. Those forms have to be returned to the Organising Committee by 3 October 2012 to guarantee your booking. The participating Member Associations concerned are responsible for the cost. Should you have any questions please contact Lauri Ikävalko (lauri.ikavalko@kisakallio.fi).



## MEALS

Kisakallio restaurant is located in the main building, about 2 minutes away from the ice hall or accommodation.

The accommodation cost includes breakfast and either lunch or dinner. The cost of the other meal (either lunch/dinner) will be 10 Euros per person. An evening snack is available from the restaurant at the cost of 6 Euros per person.

## MEAL TIMES

Breakfast	07:00 to 09:00
Lunch	10:30 to 13:30 (extended on Mon. to suit draw)
Dinner	16:00 to 19:00 (extended on Mon. to suit draw)
Evening Snack	20:00 to 22:00

## LAUNDRY

The hotel has laundry and dry cleaning services @ 5 Euros/laundry bag. Further details will be available at the reception.

## LOCAL CURRENCY

Currency rates of exchange are (approx.)

1.00 EUR	=	1.20	SFr.
	=	1.21	US\$
	=	95.00	JPY
	=	25.00	CZK
	=	2.20	TRY
	=	7.50	DKK

There is no ATM cash machine in Kisakallio, the nearest would be 4km away. Credit cards are accepted.

## POWER ADAPTERS

Electricity is supplied at an alternating current of 230V/50Hz (European plug).

## MAIL

A postcard to Finland and anywhere in the world costs €0.75.

## COUNTRY DIALING CODES

Dialing into Finland:	00358
Emergencies:	dial 112 (police, ambulance, fire)

## TIPPING

In Finland, tips are not expected and given mainly if the service exceeds your expectations, e.g. to hotel staff, taxi drivers, or waiters.



## WEATHER

Local weather may be found at: [www.ilmatieteenlaitos.fi](http://www.ilmatieteenlaitos.fi). You are in Finland - dress for the cold.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### International Embassies:

- Czech Republic: Armfeltintie 14 , 00150 Helsinki , Tel: +358 9 171 169
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### Water

The people of Finland are extremely proud of their local water. In fact, they would even boast that they have better tasting water compared to other water bottle companies in the world. Some countries resort to bottled water as compensation for their lack of potable water supply. Finland, on the other hand, has the lowest rate in the use of bottled water. You ask: "Is the water safe to drink in Finland?" Definitely, yes.

## BASIC FINNISH

Hello:	Hei
Goodbye:	Näkemiin
Yes:	Kyllä
No:	Ei
Thank you:	Kiitos
Excuse me:	Anteeksi
Hotel:	Hotelli
Room:	Huone
Passport:	Passi
Airport:	Lentokenttä
Train station:	Rautatieasema
Bus station:	Bussiasema
Ticket:	Lippu
Water:	Vettä
Milk:	Maito
Coffee:	Kahvi
Bread:	Leipä

### Finnish Numbers

1: yksi, 2: kaksi, 3: kolme, 4: neljä, 5: viisi, 6: kuusi, 7: seitsemän, 8: kahdeksan, 9: yhdeksän, 10: kymmenen