



2017 OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION EVENT



Pilsen, Czech Republic ... 5-10 December 2017

Date: 9 October 2017

1. World Curling Federation (WCF) rules apply, unless otherwise indicated below or explained during the Team Meeting (5 December, Košutka Arena 10:30-10:50).
2. The Women (7 teams) are placed in one group, and the Men (8 teams) are placed in another group. Each group plays a single round robin series. At the end of the round robin there will be a ranking established for places 1 to 3 using the October 2017 WCF Rules of Competition (C9) - Team Ranking Procedure. The team ranked 1st will play against the team ranked 2nd, the winner qualifies their NOC for the 2018 Olympic Winter Games. The loser of the 1 v 2 game will then play the team ranked 3rd, the winner of that game also qualifies their NOC for the 2018 Olympic Winter Games.
3. All games will be ten (10) ends, with extra end(s) to break tied games.
4. There will be a nine (9) minute practice for each team before each round robin game. The practice starts 30 minutes before the scheduled game time. The men's team with the first practice during the round robin will be the team with dark stones, except a coin toss will be required to determine which team practices first in each team's first game. For the women - dark stones practice first in all round robin games.
5. At the conclusion of the team's pre-game practice, two players each deliver a stone to the tee at the home end; the first stone with a clockwise rotation, and the second stone with a counter-clockwise rotation. The distances are combined to determine the Last Stone Draw (LSD) for that game. The team with the lesser LSD distance has the choice of delivering first or second stone in the first end. If the LSD totals are equal, the team with the best unequalled LSD stone has the choice. If the case where the LSD stones are equal, a coin toss will determine which team has the choice.
6. First named team in each draw plays stones with dark-coloured handles, and should wear dark-coloured upper playing garments. Note: red is considered a dark colour. The other team plays the stones with the light-coloured handles and should wear light-coloured upper playing garments.
7. The Chief Umpire will determine the schedule and ice for all post round robin games as soon as the number of games required and the opponents have been determined.

Women
China (chn)
Czech Republic (cze)
Denmark (den)
Finland (fin)
Germany (ger)
Italy (ita)
Latvia (lat)

Men
China (CHN)
Czech Republic (CZE)
Denmark (DEN)
Finland (FIN)
Germany (GER)
Italy (ITA)
Netherlands (NED)
Russia (RUS)



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Training Day – Tuesday, 5 December 2017

Date	Time	Sheet A	Sheet B	Sheet C	Sheet D	
Tuesday 5 Dec.	08:00-09:00	w	ita	lat	ger	den
	09:15-10:15	w	cze	chn	X	fin
	10:30-10:50	w/M	TEAM MEETING – Košutka Arena			
	11:20-12:20	M	FIN	DEN	RUS	CZE
	12:35-13:35	M	CHN	NED	ITA	GER

NOTE: The Tuesday training sessions will be 15 minutes on each sheet moving from A to B to C to D. The Umpires will control the sessions and indicate the time that the teams change sheets.

Date	Time	Session	Sheet A	Sheet B	Sheet C	Sheet D
Monday 4 Dec.	Arrival of the teams...					
	19:30-20:30	w/M	Welcome Reception - Marriott Hotel			
Tuesday 5 Dec.	08:00-10:15	w	Team Training (see enclosed schedule)			
	10:30-11:20	w/M	Team Meeting for all teams - Košutka Stadium			
	11:20-13:35	M	Team Training (see enclosed schedule)			
	15:00	w1	lat - ger	Bye - fin	den - ita	cze - chn
	20:00	M1	DEN - RUS	CZE - FIN	GER - CHN	NED - ITA
Wednesday 6 Dec.	08:00	w2	Bye - ita	cze - lat	fin - chn	ger - den
	12:00	M2	ITA - CHN	NED - GER	DEN - CZE	RUS - FIN
	16:00	w3	ger - cze	ita - fin	chn - lat	Bye - den
	20:00	M3	NED - FIN	DEN - CHN	RUS - ITA	GER - CZE
Thursday 7 Dec.	09:00	w4	chn - ita	den - cze	Bye - ger	lat - fin
	14:00	M4	RUS - CZE	CHN - NED	ITA - GER	FIN - DEN
	19:00	w5	cze - fin	ger - ita	lat - den	Bye - chn
Friday 8 Dec.	09:00	M5	GER - DEN	FIN - ITA	NED - RUS	CZE - CHN
	14:00	w6	den - chn	Bye - lat	ita - cze	fin - ger
	19:00	M6	CZE - ITA	GER - RUS	CHN - FIN	DEN - NED
Saturday 9 Dec.	09:00	w7	fin - den	chn - ger	Bye - cze	ita - lat
	13:30	M7	FIN - GER	ITA - DEN	CZE - NED	CHN - RUS
	19:00	w	Women - 1 v 2 (winner qualifies)			
Sunday 10 Dec.	08:00	M	Men - 1 v 2 (winner qualifies)			
	12:00	w	Women - Loser (1 v 2) v 3 (winner qualifies)			
	16:00	M	Men - Loser (1 v 2) v 3 (winner qualifies)			
	20:30	w/M	Farewell Banquet			
Monday 11 Dec.	Departure of the Teams – Safe Journey Home					