



# **MEDIA INFORMATION**

**EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE WOMEN 2021/22**

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Welcome to the second season of the EHF European League! The competition returns after its successful inaugural 2020/21 season, when the EHF partnership with Infront and DAZN came into effect.

The EHF European League replaced the EHF Cup as Europe's second-tier club handball competition, behind the DELO EHF Champions League, and became an instant hit with fans across the continent. Nantes Atlantique Handball took the first trophy to France, and they will be back under a new name, Neptunes de Nantes, to defend their crown.

Like last season, a group phase of 16 teams will follow the qualification stage in 2021/22 and the two best teams from each of the four groups will qualify for the quarter-finals. The season will culminate in the second edition of the EHF Finals Women.

Again, the weekends are set-aside for top women's handball as EHF European League Women fixtures team up with the DELO EHF Champions League matches to pamper fans with the best action involving the best teams in women's club handball. The playing times are set for 16:00 and 18:00 CET (CEST) on Saturdays and 14:00 and 16:00 CET (CEST) on Sundays.

In the following media information you will find the essential facts you need for the upcoming season and the participating teams. Additional information can be found on the eurohandball.com website.



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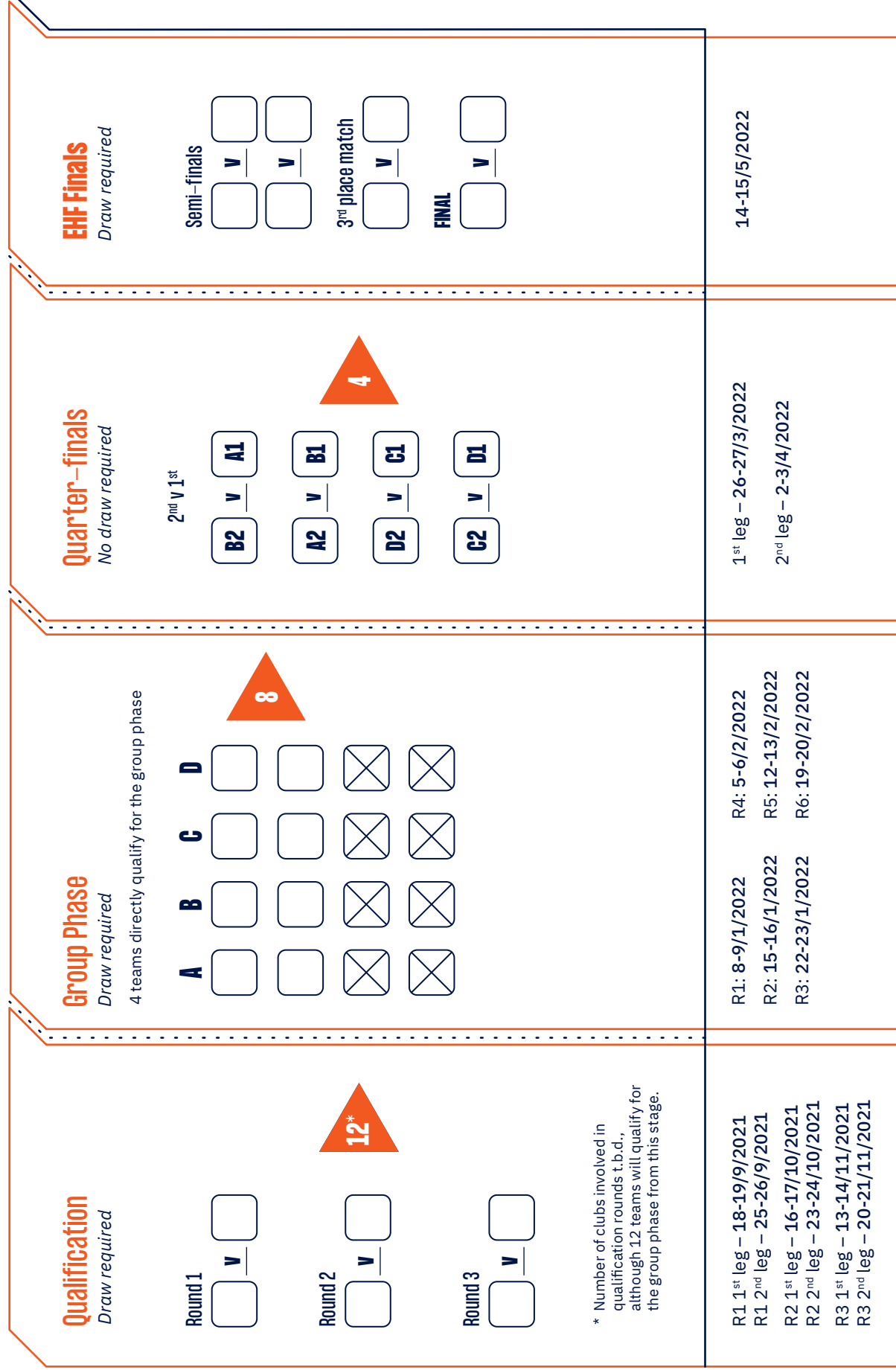
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# EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE WOMEN

## 2021/22 SEASON

Playing system and dates



# EHF European League Women 2021/22 Seeding

		QR 1	Qualification Round 2	Qualification Round 3	Group Phase	Quarter-finals	Finals	
			22 teams	24 teams	16 teams	8 teams	4 teams	
NATION			16.- 17.10.2021 first leg	13.- 14.11.2021 first leg	Round 1: 08.- 09.01.2022 Round 2: 15.- 16.01.2022 Round 3: 22.- 23.01.2022 Round 4: 05.- 06.02.2022 Round 5: 12.- 13.02.2022 Round 6: 19.- 20.02.2022	26.- 27.03.2022 first leg	14.- 15.05.2022 Tournament played in semi-finals and finals in one venue	
DRAWS:			20.07.2021	20.07.2021	25.11.2021	no draw	05.04.2022	
1	HUN	no matches			12 Winners of Qualification Round 3	1st and 2nd placed teams of each group of the Group Phase	4 Winners of Quarter-finals	
2	DEN							
3	ROU							
4	RUS							
5	FRA							
6	HUN							
7	RUS							
8	HUN							
9	DEN							
10	FRA							
11	ROU							
12	RUS							
13	GER							
14	NOR							
15	CRO							
16	FRA							
17	ROU							
18	GER		11 Winners of Qualification Round 2					
19	NOR							
20	POL							
21	ESP							
22	SWE							
23	TUR							
24	CZE							
25	AUT							
26	CRO							
27	SRB							
28	GER							
29	NOR							
30	POL							
31	ESP							
32	SRB							
33	HUN							
34	FRA							
35	ROU							
36	RUS							
37	GER							
38	NOR							
39	SUI							

# 20 TEAMS READY TO THROW OFF NEW SEASON

The second season of the EHF European League Women, the second-tier continental club competition, will get underway with 11 qualification round 2 matches this weekend.

While the defending champions Les Neptunes de Nantes will join the race in qualification round 3, 20 teams are ready to throw off their campaigns on Saturday and Sunday, with five matches to be streamed live on EHFTV.

The weekend schedule features only one double-header, as MKS FunFloor Perla Lublin (POL) host ZRK Bjelovar (CRO); nine other matches are first-leg encounters

- **one more double-header will be held next weekend, also in Poland, where MKS Zagłębie Lubin will take on LC Brühl Handball (SUI)**
- **13 more teams, including the title holders Les Neptunes de Nantes, will join the 11 round 2 winners in round 3 in November**
- **the 12 winners of round 3 will book tickets to the group stage, where they will join Mosonmagyaróvári (HUN), Viborg HK (DEN), CS Minaur Baia Mare (ROU) and Lada (RUS)**

## German derby in Metzingen

Among the participants in qualification round 2 are three German teams, and two of them will meet in a national derby. This Saturday, TUS SIES Metzingen are set to host HSG Blomberg-Lippe in the first-leg match, while the return leg will be played on October 23 in Lemgo.

Another German side, Thüringer HC, will begin their campaign on Saturday, with the first-leg home encounter against Norway's Molde Elite. The game will be streamed live on EHFTV.

# IMPORTANT REGULATIONS

## Scoring of the matches in the qualification rounds

If, after completion of the two matches, both clubs have won the same number of points (no extra time will be played), the teams' standings shall be determined by the following criteria:

- a) goal difference
- b) higher number of plus goals scored in away match
- c) penalty throws

### Rules for execution of penalty throws

- Only players (incl. goalkeepers) who are listed on the match report and are not suspended or disqualified at the end of the playing time are entitled to participate at the penalty throws.
- Prior to the penalty throws, each team shall name five players by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws.
- The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the Game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may perform as goalkeepers.

- The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.
- If the scores are equal after the first round of penalty throws, it shall be continued until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again, five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).
- In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.
- Serious infractions committed during penalty throws shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be supplementary named.
- While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing court.
- If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.

[Find all the regulations here](#)

# ROUND 2 SCHEDULE

MatchID: 202212020902-

001	CZE	DHK Banik Most	002	ROU	Magura Cisnadie
	16.10.2021 18:00	Most		23.10.2021 18:00	Cisnadie, Jud Sibiu
	Ref.: Lindenbaum, Laron ISR Del.: Vattay HUN			Ref.: Duplii, Pobedrina UKR Del.: Obucina SRB	
003	CRO	ZRK Bjelovar	004	POL	MKS FunFloor Perla Lublin
	16.10.2021 16:00	Lublin		17.10.2021 16:00	Lublin
	Ref.: Yovchev, Yonchev BUL Del.: Gelashvili GEO			Ref.: Yovchev, Yonchev BUL Del.: Gelashvili GEO	
005	TUR	Yalikavaksports Club	006	HUN	MTK Budapest
	17.10.2021 17:00	Bodrum/Mugla		24.10.2021 18:00	Budapest
	Ref.: Xhema, Jahja KOS Del.: Serbu ROU			Ref.: Antashev, Musatov RUS Del.: Masic SRB	
007	NOR	Tertnes Bergen	008	SRB	ZORK Jagodina
	17.10.2021 18:00	Ulset		23.10.2021 19:00	Jagodina
	Ref.: Petursson, Thrastarson ISL Del.: Jansonas LTU			Ref.: Ilieva, Karbeska MKD Del.: Beslija MNE	
009	SUI	LC Brühl Handball	010	POL	MKS Zaglebie Lubin
	22.10.2021 17:00	Lubin		23.10.2021 14:00	Lubin
	Ref.: Novikov, Rozhkov UKR Del.: Cojocarou ROU			Ref.: Novikov, Rozhkov UKR Del.: Cojocarou ROU	
Both matches in POL					
011	NOR	Sola HK	012	RUS	Kuban
	17.10.2021 18:00	Sola		24.10.2021 16:00	Krasnodar
	Ref.: Kinnari, Skogberg FIN Del.: Mäkinen SWE			Ref.: Aghakishi, Aghakishi AZE Del.: Kot BLR	
013	GER	TUSSIES Metzingen	014	GER	HSG Blomberg-Lippe
	16.10.2021 19:30	Metzingen		23.10.2021 18:00	Lemgo
	Ref.: Ünli Hatipoglu, Simsek TUR Del.: Nesser LUX			Ref.: Lidacka, Lesiak POL Del.: Nagel SUI	
015	GER	Thüringer HC	016	NOR	Molde Elite
	17.10.2021 14:00	Bad Langensalza		23.10.2021 15:00	Molde
	Ref.: Rauchs, Linster LUX Del.: Kasunic CRO			Ref.: Carmaux, Mursch FRA Del.: Halldorsson ISL	
017	AUT	Hypo Niederösterreich	018	ESP	Club Balonman Atletico Guardes
	16.10.2021 17:00	Maria Enzersdorf		24.10.2021 19:00	Pontevedra
	Ref.: Mikelic, Paradina CRO Del.: Stasova SVK			Ref.: Simone, Monitillo ITA Del.: Goulao POR	
019	SRB	SPD Radnicki Kragujevac	020	SWE	H 65 Höörs HK
	16.10.2021 19:00	Kragujevac		24.10.2021 16:00	Höör
	Ref.: Ciulei, Stanescu ROU Del.: Rudic CRO			Ref.: Martens, Schols NED Del.: Mitrunen FIN	
021	ESP	Super Amara Bera Bera	022	FRA	Paris 92
	17.10.2021 12:00	San Sebastián		24.10.2021 16:00	Issy-Les-Moulineaux
	Ref.: Tzaferopoulos, Bethmann GRE Del.: Castillo GBR			Ref.: Barysas, Petrusis LTU Del.: Din ROU	

# EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE WOMEN 2020/21 TOP SCORERS

Rank	Name & nation	Club	Goals
1	Helene Fauske (NOR)	Herning-Ikast Håndbold (DEN)	61
2	Bruna De Paula (BRA)	Nantes Atlantique Handball (FRA)	60
3	Jovana Kovacevic (SRB)	CS Minaur Baia Mare (ROU)	55
4	Tamara Horacek (FRA)	Siófok KC (HUN)	49
5	Amanda Kurtovic (NOR)	Kastamonu Belediyesi GSK (TUR)	46
6	Katarina Jezic (CRO)	Siófok KC (HUN)	44
7	Maria Kanaval (BLR)	H.C. Dunarea Braila (ROU)	41
8	Déborah Kpodar (FRA)	Nantes Atlantique Handball (FRA)	39
	Gnonsiane Niombla (FRA)	Siófok KC (HUN)	39
	Stine Skogrand (NOR)	Herning-Ikast Håndbold (DEN)	39
10	Marina Dmitrovic (SRB)	H.C. Dunarea Braila (ROU)	37
11	Ingvild Kristiansen Bakkerud (NOR)	Herning-Ikast Håndbold (DEN)	35
12	Gabriella Tóth (HUN)	Siófok KC (HUN)	34
	Marta Gega (POL)	MKS Perla Lublin (POL)	34
14	Aneta Udristioiu (ROU)	H.C. Dunarea Braila (ROU)	33
	Valeriia Kirdiasheva (RUS)	Handball Club Lada (RUS)	33
16	Jelena Lavko (SRB)	CS Minaur Baia Mare (ROU)	32
	Natalia Nikitina (RUS)	HC Zvezda (RUS)	32
18	Guro Nestaker (NOR)	Storhamar Handball Elite (NOR)	31
19	Nathalie Hagman (SWE)	Nantes Atlantique Handball (FRA)	30
	Emma Uhrskov Friis (DEN)	Herning-Ikast Håndbold (DEN)	30
	Maja Jakobsen (NOR)	Storhamar Handball Elite (NOR)	30
	Emilie Hovden (NOR)	Storhamar Handball Elite (NOR)	30



# PAST WINNERS OF THE EHF WOMEN'S SECOND-TIER CLUB COMPETITIONS

## **EHF European League Women winners**

2021 Nantes Atlantique Handball (FRA)

## **Previous Women's EHF Cup winners (after a merge with the Cup Winners' Cup)**

2020 no title awarded due to Covid-19

2019 Siófok KC Hungary (HUN)

2018 SCM Craiova (ROU)

2017 Rostov-Don (RUS)

## **Previous Women's EHF Cup winners**

2016 Dunaujvárosi KKA HUN  
2015 Team Tvis Holstebro DEN  
2014 HC Lada Togliatti RUS  
2013 Team Tvis Holstebro DEN  
2012 HC Lada Togliatti RUS  
2011 FC Midtjylland Handball DEN  
2010 Randers HK A/S DEN  
2009 Itxako Navarra ESP  
2008 Dinamo Volgograd RUS  
2007 Zvezda Zvenigorod RUS  
2006 FTC Budapest HUN  
2005 Cornexi Alcoa HUN  
2004 Viborg HK DEN  
2003 Slagelse FH DEN  
2002 Ikast Bording EH DEN  
2001 MKS Montex Lublin POL  
2000 El Ferrobús Mislata ESP  
1999 Viborg HK DEN  
1998 Dunaferre SE HUN  
1997 Robit Olimpija Ljubljana SLO  
1996 Debreceni VSC HUN  
1995 Debreceni VSC HUN  
1994 Viborg HK DEN

## **Previous Women's Cup Winners' Cup winners**

2016 Team Tvis Holstebro DEN  
2015 FC Midtjylland DEN  
2014 Viborg HK DEN  
2013 HYPO Niederösterreich AUT  
2012 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungária HUN  
2011 FTC-Rail Cargo Hungária HUN  
2010 Budućnost T-Mobile MNE  
2009 FCK Handbold A/S DEN  
2008 Larvik HK NOR  
2007 CS Oltchim Vâlcea ROU  
2006 ZRK Budućnost MONET SCG  
2005 Larvik HK NOR  
2004 Ikast Bording EH DEN  
2003 ESBF Besançon FRA  
2002 HC Lada Togliatti RUS  
2001 Motor Zaporozhye UKR  
2000 L'Elia Valencia ESP  
1999 Baekkelaget Oslo NOR  
1998 Baekkelaget Oslo NOR  
1997 Istochnik Rostov RUS  
1996 Giessen Lützellinden GER  
1995 Dunaferre SE HUN  
1994 Tus Walle Bremen GER





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