

15th INTERNATIONAL HANDBALL TOURNAMENT „LOKOMOTIVA CUP“

Categories 2000 and 2004

The competition in categories 2000 and 2004 takes place in 4 groups according to the system where each team will play against each other once. After finishing group phase, two best placed teams will qualify for quarter-finals (**A1-B2, B1-A2, C1-D2, D1-C2**). Teams that win in the quarter-finals will qualify for the semifinals and will play for the top places of **1st to 4th**.

The defeated teams in the quarter-finals will play for **5th to 8th** place on the basis of the results achieved in group phase and played matches in the quarterfinals (*two teams will form a mini-table and play for 5/6th place and the next two for 7/8th place*).

The 3rd place teams in the group will play for **9th to 12th** places on the basis of the results achieved in the groups (*two teams will form a mini-table and play for 9th to 10th place and the next two for 11/12th place*).

The 4th place teams in the group will play for **13th to 16th** places on the basis of the results in groups (*two teams will form a mini-table and play for 13/14th place and the next two for 15/16th place*).

CATEGORY 2002

The competition in the category 2002 takes place in 6 groups, according to the system where each team will play against each other once. After the games played in the groups, two best placed teams will be placed in the next round of the competition (knockout stage) as follows:

A1 - F2, F1 - A2, C1 - E2, E1 - C2, B1 - D2, D1 - B2.

The winners in the knockout phase will form two groups (G and H).

Group G will form winners of: **A1/F2, B1/D2, C1/E2**

Group H will form winners of: **F1/A2, D1/B2, E1/C2**

Matches in the group G and H are played where each team will play against each other once. After the games played in the newly formed groups, the first two teams will qualify for the semifinals (G1-H2 and H1-G2) and play for one of 1st to 4th place. Third-placed teams G3-H3 in newly formed groups will play for 5/6th place.

The defeated teams from the knockout stage will play for the 7-12th place on the basis of the results achieved in the groups including matches from knockout stage (*two best teams on mini-table will play for the 7/8th place, the next two for 9/10th and the last two teams will be playing for 11/12th place*).

The 3rd and 4th placed teams in the group, next round will play knockout stage as follows:

A3-F4, F3 - A4, C3 - E4, E3 - C4, B3 - D4, D3 - B4

The winners from the knockout stage will play for the 13-19th place on the basis of the results achieved in the groups including matches from knockout stage (*two best teams on mini-table will play for the 13/14th place, the next two for 15/16th and the last two teams will be playing for 17/18th place*).

The defeated teams from the knockout phase will play for 19th to 24th position and based on the results from the group phase including matches from the knockout phase (*two best teams on mini-table will play for the 19/20th place, the next two for 21/22th and the last two teams will be playing for 23/24th place*).

ADDITION TO REGULATIONS

The participant teams of the 15th Lokomotiva Cup can take part in the tournament exclusively with players who are duly registered for their club in the countries from which they come. At the request of the organizers the team are obliged to present a proper registration for their club.

For all categories, 2000, 2002 and 2004, can play only players who are either the same age or younger. All teams before the game are obligated to present a valid document(passport) as proof for ages of the players that are playing. If a player who is older than a category age plays, his team will be disqualified from further competition at the tournament and their previous results will be registered as 10: 0.

Complaint about the appearance of one of the players is reported to the Commissioner of the tournament with a **payment of 10€**.

All teams must adhere to tournament timeline. If one of the teams does not appear in the match, the same will be registered 10: 0 for the opponents team.