



FIB EVENT PLANNING

Explanations of acronyms:

*MA = FIB Member Association - EC = FIB Executive Committee - TC = FIB Technical Committee
GS = General Secretary – LOC = Local Organizing Committee - WCS = FIB World
Championships - WC = FIB World Cup*

1) PREAMBLE

The allocation of the FIB events shall be led and controlled by FIB.

This standardize application process and decision making shall be clear and transparent for all stakeholders, including FIB, MAs, clubs, LOCs.

The process and timeline shall be followed however FIB reserves the right to amend or modify if necessary.

2) THE PROCESS INCLUDES 3 BASIC PARTS

1. Bidding, Allocation and Decision making
2. Preparation and Supervision
3. Implementation

3) BIDDING, ALLOCATION AND DECISION-MAKING (to be done in 6 steps):

1. FIB sends invitations to all MA's to receive their interest of arranging WCS/WC.
2. The interested MA's send relevant Application Form to FIB.
3. GS and TC Chairman or Secretary have online meetings with the MA's who have expressed an interest to evaluate the possibilities to arrange what they have applied for. (GS participates in this part because a communication on economy will probably be needed).
4. TC evaluates the new applications and the preliminary hosts of MA's as in the FIB Timetable and makes recommendations to EC.
5. EC allocates the event to a host MA.
6. FIB GS discuss/negotiate conditions and signs agreement with host MA.

4) PREPARATION AND SUPERVISION

Most of the preparation work is done by the MA and local organizer under FIB supervision and support. For each FIB event a Tournament Director is appointed to assist and supervise the preparations and delivery of the event as follows:

- Senior WCS: FIB GS
- Youth WCS: TC appoints from the TC
- WC: TC appoints (in person participation or online)

The Tournament Director shall be appointed after the EC has allocated the event to a host MA, as soon as possible.

The work is based on the “Conditions” for the tournament, the “Guidelines” for the organizer and follows this document. The cooperation between MA, LOC and FIB during this part of the process contains:

1. Organizing MA sends to FIB necessary content for the invitations
2. FIB sends invitations for participation to all MA’s
3. MA (for WCS) or participating club (for WC) sends application for participation to:
 - FIB GS and Organizing MA for WCS
 - Organizing MA and LOC for WC
4. FIB visits the venues for WCS Senior tournaments, meeting MA and LOC, evaluates arena(s), hotels, transports etc. The costs of the technical visit shall be covered by the Organizing MA
5. Organizing MA sends draft of game schedule to TC
6. TC reviews and approves the game schedule.

5) IMPLEMENTATION

The last part is the event itself. FIB focuses on supervision of the implementation and evaluates the tournament. FIB secures that the Conditions are fulfilled and evaluates the organizer in relation to the Guidelines. The evaluation is important for future tournaments.

6) BIDDING, ALLOCATION AND DECISION MAKING AT THE SAME TIME EVERY YEAR

The Bidding, Allocation and Decision making part for the season 2025-2026 starts in June 2024 and ends in December for all tournaments. That process will be done during the same time each year.

IMPORTANT NOTE!

There is a long tradition in FIB to include in the updated Timetable a preliminary plan for some of the tournaments to be held in Finland, Norway, Russia or Sweden over a longer period of time. That to secure the continuity. That preliminary plan of host MA’s will be an important tool also for the future planning of some of the tournaments.

In this proposed process FIB will anyway every year send the invitation to arrange a certain WCS/WC tournament to all MA’s to submit their interest. If a request comes from another MA than the organizing MA in the Timetable the FIB takes that under consideration. Occasionally giving tournaments to other MA’s can in a good way improve development of the sport. The final decision for each tournament will be taken by EC.

7) IN PLACE FOR THE SEASON 2025-2026

This Time Schedule should be fully processed for the tournaments from the season 2025-2026 and affects the decision making in 2024. The planning of the tournaments season 2024-2025 requires a short and flexible process that needs to start at once.

Annex 1.

SENIOR WCS TOURNAMENTS FROM SEASON 2025-2026

(These tournaments are until further notice scheduled to be played in March-April. If played earlier, the time schedule for Youth WCS should apply also for Senior WCS.)

2024	1 June	Invitations to all MAs to submit their interest in arranging a particular tournament.
	1 Sept	Expression of interest to be submitted from MAs.
	15 Sept	FIB has online meetings with interested MAs.
	1 Oct	TC evaluates the candidates and gives recommendations to EC.
	15 Oct	EC allocates the event to an MA.
	15 Dec	EC agrees on all the conditions and signs the agreement with the host MA.
2025	1 May	Organizing MA sends content to FIB for the invitations.
	1 June	FIB sends invitations to qualified MAs.
	1 Sept	MAs send applications for participation to FIB GS and Organizing MA.
	20 Dec	FIB visits the venue, meeting with MA and LOC, evaluates arena(s), hotels, transports etc.
2026	15 Jan	Organizing MA sends draft of game schedule to TC.
	15 Feb	TC reviews and approves the game schedule.

YOUTH WCS TOURNAMENTS FROM SEASON 2025-2026

(These tournaments are until further notice scheduled to be played in January. If held earlier the time schedule for the preparation work during 2025 will be added earlier.)

2024	1 June	Invitations are sent to all MAs to submit their interest in arranging a particular tournament.
	1 Sept	Expression of interest to be submitted from MAs.
	15 Sept	FIB has online meetings with interested MAs.
	1 Oct	TC evaluates the candidates and gives recommendations to EC.
	15 Oct	EC allocates the event to an MA.
	15 Dec	EC agrees on all the conditions and signs the agreement with the host MA .
2025	1 Aug	Organizing MA sends content to FIB for the invitations.
	1 Sept	FIB sends invitations for participation to all MA's.
	1 Oct	MAs send applications for participation to FIB GS and Organizing MA.
	15 Nov	MA sends draft of game schedule to TC for approval.
	1 Dec	TC reviews and approves the game schedule.

WORLD CUP TOURNAMENTS FROM SEASON 2025-2026

(These tournaments will be played at different dates during the season. Regardless of that, the dates in this time schedule will be the same for all tournaments from 1 June to 15 December. Only the draft and approval of the game schedules will differ as it will be done during the last month before each tournament.)

2024	1 June	Invitations are sent to all MAs to submit their interest in arranging a particular tournament.
	1 Sep	Expression of interest to be submitted from MAs.
	15 Sep	FIB have online meetings with interested MAs.
	1 Oct	TC evaluates the candidates and gives recommendations to EC.
	15 Oct	EC allocates the event to an MA.
	15 Dec	EC agrees on all the conditions and signs the agreement with the host MA .
2025	30 Apr	The LOC sends content to FIB for the invitations.
	15 May	FIB sends invitations for participation to all MAs.
	15 June	Interested clubs send applications for participation to the Organizing MA and LOC.
	1 month before each WC	The LOC sends draft of game schedule to TC for approval.
	1 week after the draft	TC reviews and approves the game schedule.