

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC, AUGUST 29 – SEPTEMBER 1

WELCOME GUIDE













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ORGANIZER

Czech Softball Association

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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OFFICIALS

Executive: Chief Technical Commissioner: Mike Jennings **Technical Commissioner: Head Umpire-in-Chief: Umpire-in-Chief:** Scorer-in-Chief:

Gabriel Waage Cornelia Chwojka Bob Stanton Pavel Východský Lenka Richterová

UMPIRES

Damien McCauley (AUS) Lou Davis (CAN) Jon Hand (USA) Jiří Dostál (CZE) **Jan Hora (CZE)** Michal Žídek (CZE) Jens Jakobsen (DEN) **Thomas Lohnert (GER)**





MEDIA

Tournament website: <u>icc2018.softball.cz</u> Media contact: Helena Novotná (novotna@softball.cz) Press and Media: Information will be available <u>HERE</u> ADVISORY: Media accreditation is now open <u>HERE</u> National Teams shall cooperate on WBSC´s/ESF's or its partners' reasonable requests

for media or other promotional opportunities, such as interviews.

PRE-TOURNAMENT PRESS CONFERENCE

A press conference will be held on August 23, 2018 at 11:00 at the Absolutum Boutique Hotel (Conference room, ground floor).

Address: Jablonského 4, 170 00 Prague 7, phone +420 222 541 406, www.absolutumhotel.cz







TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS NATIONAL TEAMS



ARGENTINA (4), representing South America



CZECH REPUBLIC (7), as the host country



DENMARK (11), representing Europe



JAPAN (3), representing Asia



NEW ZEALAND (1), representing Oceania



USA (6), representing North America

COMPETITION VENUE

Only one venue will be used for this tournament: BALLPARK SVOBODA PARK

LOCATION: PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC Address: Svoboda Park, Dolakova st. 1/555, Prague 8 GPS: 50°8'0" N, 14°24'10.26" E





TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 28				
10:30	1		Denmark	USA
13:30	2		Japan	Denmark
16:30	3	₩	New Zealand	USA
19:30	4		Czech Republic	Argentina

Wednesday, August 29				
10:30	5		USA	Argentina
13:30	6		Denmark	Czech Republic
16:30	7	8	Argentina	New Zealand
19:30	8		Japan	Czech Republic

Thursday, August 30				
10:30	9		Denmark	New Zealand
13:30	10		Argentina	Japan
16:30	11		Japan	New Zealand
19:30	12		Czech Republic	USA

Friday, August 31				
13:30	13		Argentina	Denmark
16:30	14		USA	Japan
19:30	15		New Zealand	Czech Republic

Saturday, September 1				
09:30	16	SF1	A2	A3
12:00	17	SF2	A1	A4
14:30	18	5 th	A5	A6
17:00	19	Bronze	L SF1	L SF2
19:30	20	Gold	W SF1	W SF2





PRE-TOURNAMENT TECHNICAL & ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A Pre-tournament Technical & Organizational meeting will be held on August 27, 2018 at 11:00 at the hotel Absolutum Boutique Hotel (Conference room, ground floor).

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* Team leaders and/or head coaches (with actual passports of all athletes) of all the participating teams must take part in the meeting, as attendance by each National Team is mandatory. A maximum of three (3) representatives are welcome to attend. ** PASSPORTS AND BATS WILL BE CHECKED AT THE TECHNICAL MEETING.

UMPIRES MEETING

Umpires meeting will be held on August 27, 2018 at Ballpark Svoboda park at 14:00.

Scorer-in-Chief will participate in the meeting together with the Umpires. A representative of the ballpark will also be available at the meeting.

OPENING BANQUET

An Official Opening Banquet will take place on August 27, 2018 at 19:00 at Brožík Hall at Old Town Hall. A maximum of three (3) representatives are welcome to attend. Dress code: smart casual.

Address: Staroměstské náměstí 1/3, Prague 1.





OPENING CEREMONY

No opening ceremony.

Before every evening game, there will be a formal first pitch thrown by a special guest. On August 28 one Czech softball legend will be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

CLOSING/AWARDS CEREMONY

To be held immediately after the Final Game on September 1, 2018 at the main venue in Ballpark Svoboda park.

* The complete National Teams of the top 3 finalists are required to participate in the Ceremony. Teams that finish in 4th to 7th place will be represented by only one representative in the Ceremony. All participants shall be present in official team uniform or teamwear.







TECHNICAL INFORMATION

COMPETITION RULES

The tournament will be played according to the Official Rules of Softball 2018-2021 published by the WBSC. In the event of a discrepancy between multiple languages, the English language will prevail.

SOFTBALL BATS

As per article 11.06 BATS CHECKED in WBSC SOFTBALL COMPETITION and TECHNICAL CODE 2016. Each team must have their bats checked by the WBSC officials prior to the start of their first game and thereafter, if necessary, during the tournament. All bats must conform to the rules of the WBSC Softball Equipment Standards Commission. A Bat must be on the WBSC Softball Bat list and have the 2005 ISF Approval Logo on the bat. A bat compression test machine will be present at the Championship and all bats must pass the WBSC Softball compression standard set by the WBSC. Failure to meet any of the criteria above will result in the bat not being permitted for use at the Championship. Bats approved for use will be marked and any bat used that is not so marked will be considered an illegal bat.

OFFICIAL BALL

The official ball will be the Teammate Softball – TM 4712.

DELEGATION SIZE

There is no delegation limit size, but OC will provide a maximum of 25 accreditations for official team delegation members.

Only credentialed personnel (staff, delegation members, translators, uniformed players, and uniformed coaches) will be allowed to stay in the dugout. A maximum of twenty-five (25) will be permitted. There are no exceptions to this rule. It shall be the responsibility of the Technical Commissioners assigned to the game to make sure that unauthorized persons do not occupy the dugout and that all the authorized persons stay inside the dugout during the game. National Teams in violation of this rule subject themselves to possible fines from the Technical Commission.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE AND PREPARATION GAMES

Please provide OC (Lenka Skalická) with your National Team's requested practice session(s) and warm-up games prior to the event. In case of rain no indoor practice will be possible. Once all requests are received, a practice and warm up schedule will be set in accordance with the arrival date and time of each National Team.

Bus transportation will be provided for all pre-tournament practices and warm up games between August 23 and 27.

Pre-tournament practices and warm-up games will be held in these 3 ballparks: SaBaT Praha / Radotín SK / Eagles

MEDICAL SERVICES

Basic first aid will be provided on site at Svoboda Park. There will also be sports related treatment such as wrapping and taping that can be provided. Many extra services will be available such as massages and chiropractic services. These extra services will require a booking and will have a cost associated with them. Any services requiring a player/ delegation's member to be brought to a doctor, dentist, or hospital, will be at the cost of the National Team.

INSURANCE

Each National Team is responsible for their insurance.







IMPORTANT

TEAM'S ROSTER

All National Teams are requested to send their preliminary Team's Roster NO LATER THAN JULY 25, 2018. Eventual changes to the Team Roster are appreciated to be done at least 5 days before the Pre-Tournament Technical Meeting.

Please, send the team's roster to Lenka Skalická via e-mail (skalicka@softball.cz)

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation for Intercontinental Softball Cup 2018 is set in an electronic form via the electronical system. All participants must accredit through this system. All participants are requested to upload their data to the system NO LATER THAN JULY 31. The accreditation passes will be distributed during the Pre-tournament Technical & Organizational meeting on August 27.

ACCREDITATION SYSTEM includes 2 types of forms:

- 1) SINGLE accreditation is intended for individuals wishing to accredit themselves. Steps:
 - The applicant must first accept the Terms of Accreditation and agree to personal data processing prior to filling out the form.
 - Then, fill out the accreditation form.
 - Upon uploading the form into the system, the applicant will receive a confirmation e-mail.
 - Once the organizer makes a decision, the applicant will receive a notification via e-mail (Accreditation granted/denied).

2) MULTIPLE accreditation is intended for persons accrediting a group.

Steps:

- The applicant must first accept the Terms of Accreditation prior to filling out the form.
- The applicant enters the data and information of all group members. A valid e-mail address is required for each. (Note: If the group applicant does not know the e-mail address of the person for whom they request accreditation, they are asked to fill in their own e-mail address.)



- Upon uploading the form into the system, all of the applicants for accreditation will receive link to a website with an editable summary of the provided information and a request to agree to personal data processing.
- Once the organizer makes a decision, the applicant will receive a notification via e-mail (Accreditation granted/denied).

TEAM ACCREDITATION

SINGLE

MULTIPLE

TEAM "POSITIONS" Options: Player / Coach / Manager / Scout / Physiotherapist

OFFICIAL ACCREDITATION

SINGLE

MULTIPLE

UMPIRE ACCREDITATION

SINGLE

MULTIPLE

* MULTIPLE ACCREDITATION: If the group applicant does not know the e-mail address of the person for whom they request accreditation, they are asked to fill in their own e-mail address.

In case of any difficulties, please send an e-mail to icc2018_accreditation@softball.cz or skalicka@softball.cz





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TOURNAMENT TICKETS

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE:

1) Official terror and make its UEDE	
1) Official tournament website <u>HERE</u>	
2) GoOut portal <u>HERE</u>	
ONLINE PRICE:	
5 DAY TICKET	350 (
5 DAY TICKET CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS AND PENSIONERS 65+	220
5 DAY TICKET DISABLED PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIR + ACCOMPANIMENT	300
FAMILY 5 DAY TICKET 2+1	700
FAMILY 5 DAY TICKET 2+2	900
WEEK DAYS, AUG 28 – 31:	
ONE DAY TICKET	100 (
ONE DAY TICKET CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS AND PENSIONERS 65+	60 (
ONE DAY TICKET DISABLED PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIR + ACCOMPANIMENT	100
ONE DAY TICKET FAMILY 2+1	200
ONE DAY TICKET FAMILY 2+2	250
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SATURDAY, SEP 1:	150 (
ONE DAY TICKET	150
ONE DAY TICKET CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS AND PENSIONERS 65+	60 (
ONE DAY TICKET DISABLED PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIR + ACCOMPANIMENT	100
ONE DAY TICKET FAMILY 2+1	300
ONE DAY TICKET FAMILY 2+2	375

TICKET PRICE AT BALLPARK:	WEEK DAYS / SATURDAY / 5 DAY TICKET
ONE DAY TICKET	130 / 190 / 460 CZK
CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS AND PENSIONERS 65+	80 / 80 / 280 CZK
DISABLED PEOPLE IN WHEELCHAIR + ACCOMPANIM	ENT 130 / 130 / 390 CZK
FAMILY 2+1	260 / 390 / 900 CZK
FAMILY 2+2	320 / 480 / 1150 CZK

Exchange rate: 1 USD = 22,35 CZK, 1 EURO = 26,07 CZK (as of July 3, 2018). *Only accredited persons have access to the ballpark without the purchase of admission.



ACCOMMODATION & TRAVEL INFORMATION

AIRPORT INFORMATION

Václav Havel Airport Prague (PRG) is about 22,5 km away (34 min drive) from the Ballpark Svoboda park.

Distances to the hotels:

Airport => Absolutum Boutique Hotel(16,5 km - 23 min)Airport => Hotel DUO(21,8 km - 27 min)Airport => Hostel Sports Hall Radotín(23,4 km - 23 min)

FLIGHT INFORMATION

"Flight Information Form" shall be submitted to the OC as soon as possible. We may arrange a representative to collect you at the airport. Airport pick-up and drop-off will be provided to all Officials, as well.

Please fill in the Flight Information Form IMMEDIATELY.





ACCOMMODATION

All accommodation is booked by teams. The teams are accommodated in 3 locations:

ABSOLUTUM BOUTIQUE HOTEL****

Address: Jablonského 4, 170 00 Prague 7, phone +420 222 541 406, <u>www.absolutumhotel.cz</u> (Japan, USA, Officials, Umpires)

HOTEL DUO ****

Address: Teplická 492, Prague 9, phone +420 266 131 111, <u>www.hotelduo.cz</u> (Denmark, New Zealand)

HOSTEL SPORTS HALL RADOTÍN**

Address: U Starého stadionu 1585/9, Prague 5, Radotín, phone +420 608 262 805, <u>halaradotin.cz</u> (Argentina)

Distances from the hotels to Ballpark Svoboda park:

Absolutum Boutique Hotel => Svoboda park	(6,8 km – 15 min)
Hotel DUO => Svoboda park	(7,3 km – 16 min)
Hotel Sports Hall Radotín => Svoboda park	(26,9 km – 37 min)





SERVICE INFORMATION

CATERING FOR TEAMS AT BALLPARK AUG 28 – SEP 1

Catering will be available throughout the whole tournament at Svoboda park. 4 main dishes are offered for every day. The order can be combined from all 4 dishes.

PRICE: LUNCH STANDARD (Main dish, Soup or Salad, Water) Price: 320 CZK / 14 USD /12 EUR

LUNCH LUXURY (Main dish, Soup or Salad, Fruit, Cake or Ice cream, Water) Price: 400 CZK / 17,5 USD / 15 EUR

DINNER STANDARD (Main dish, Soup or Salad, Water) Price: 320 CZK / 14 USD /12 EUR

DINNER LUXURY (Main dish, Soup or Salad, Fruit, Cake or Ice cream, Water) Price: 400 CZK / 17,5 USD / 15 EUR

Please fill in the <u>CATERING FORM</u> NO LATER THAN JULY 18.





CATERING MENU TEAMS

DAY 1 – Tuesday, 28. 8.

- Poached chicken breast with legume salad and vegetables
- Burger with pulled pork in hoisin sauce with roasted mangold
- Pork sirloin with sweet potato puree and cilantro
- Pea risotto with parmesan

DAY 2 – Wednesday, 29. 8.

- Chicken breast supreme with zucchini tagliatelle
- Beef shoulder with Vienna-style potato salad
- Pork in hoisin sauce with a rice noodle salad
- Grilled vegetables with basil pesto and pecorino

DAY 3 – Thursday, 30. 8.

- Grilled chicken breast with orange chickpeas and fennel
- Roast beef with garlic mayo and baked potatoes
- Pork loin in puff pastry with mixed green salad
- Bulgur salad with fresh vegetables and herbs

DAY 4 – Friday, 31.8.

- Roasted chicken thigh on marjoram with mashed potatoes
- Braised beef chuck steak on white wine with chickpeas
- Pork tenderloin with mustard sauce, beans and grilled potatoes
- Buckwheat risotto with vegetables

DAY 5 – Saturday, 1.9.

- Pulled pork shoulder in BBQ sauce with coleslaw
- Beef ribeye in lime sauce with potato-cilantro salad
- Chicken supreme with grilled vegetables on thyme
- Pepper stuffed with herb couscous and tomato sauce





FOOD - RESTAURANTS

A complete list of places to eat in Prague can be found on the Trip Advisor website at: www.tripadvisor.com

SHOPPING

Groceries close to Ballpark Svoboda park:

Supermarket Albert (760 m) Zhořelecká 514/2, 181 00 Prague 8, Bohnice Opening hours: 7 - 21

PENNY market (1,8 km) Lodžská 399/26, 181 00 Prague 8, Bohnice Opening hours: 7 - 20

Billa (1,6 km) Lodžská 850/6, Prague 8, Bohnice Opening hours: 7 - 22

LIDL market (2,7 km) Lodžská 831/30, 181 00 Prague 8, Bohnice Opening hours: 7 - 21

SHOPPING MALL:

OC Krakov (1,6 km) www.centrumkrakov.cz Lodžská 850/6, Prague 8, Bohnice Opening hours: 9- 21





LAUNDRY SERVICE

Laundry services will be made available to every National Team and will be coordinated themselves.

ABSOLUTUM BOUTIQUE HOTEL****

The hotel cooperates with a laundry company "Laundry Express". Website: <u>www.laundry-express.cz</u> Available: 7/7 (same day delivery if ordered in advance)

HOTEL DUO****

The hotel has got own laundry service. Available: 7/7 (delivery next day afternoon) Price list:

Jersey	70 CZK	(3 USD)
Bottom T-shirt	70 CZK	(3 USD)
Trousers	160 CZK	(7 USD)
Socks	35 CZK	(1,5 USD)
Shorts	90 CZK	(4 USD)

HOSTEL SPORTS HALL RADOTÍN**

The hostel cooperates with an external laundry company. Available: 5/7 (delivery 48) Price: N/A



LOCAL LAUNDROMATS (SELF-SERVICE)

SPEED QUEEN LAUNDRY

Website: <u>pradelny-praha.cz</u> Contact: +420 774 544 562, info@pradelny-praha.cz Opening hours: 9 - 20

Wash and dry up to 76 kg of laundry in 1 hour. 3 locations:

- Prague 3: Koněvova 1607/93, Žižkov
- Prague 5: Plzeňská 2562/166, Smíchov (15 km from Hostel Sports Hall Radotín)
- Prague 9: Kabešova 943/4, Vysočany (4, 6 km from Hotel DUO)

QUICKWASH

Website: <u>quickwash.cz</u> Prague 7: Milady Horákové 476/1, Holešovice (1,6 km from Absolutum Boutique Hotel) Opening hours: 6 – 22 (last wash starting at 20:30)

Website: <u>quickwash.cz</u> Prague 13: Hábova 2345/7, Stodůlky (13,3 km from Hostel Sports Hall Radotín – closest self-service) Opening hours: 6 – 20 (last wash starting at 19)





GENERAL INFORMATION CZECH REPUBLIC, PRAGUE

THE HOST CITY

PRAGUE is the capital and the largest city of the Czech Republic. It has a population of 1.4 million. Prague has been known as one of the most beautiful European cities since the Middle Ages. Often called the "City of 100 Towers", the "Rooftop of Europe" or the "Heart of Europe", Prague was a place where many merchants, artists and inventors met.

Prague is full of historical monuments in all major artistic styles. The historical center of Prague is situated on both banks of the Vltava river. This historical center has six districts, which were once independent cities that joined together in the 18th century. These districts are Staré Město (Old Town), Pražský hrad (Prague castle), Josefov (Old Jewish Town), Nové Město (New Town), Malá Strana (Lesser Town), Hradčany (Prague Castle Quarter) and Vyšehrad. It was Prince Bořivoj who established Prague Castle. There are also lots of museums, galleries, theaters, concert halls, and other historical buildings.

Since the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1990 Prague has become one of Europe's most popular tourist places. It has buildings dating from the 13th century to the present day. The castle looks very important on the hillside. Charles Bridge is now closed to traffic so that pedestrians can walk across the bridge and buy souvenirs from the stalls. There are many museums, palaces and theatres. Tourists often





go to the Old Town Square in the centre of Prague. There are lots of buildings there from different periods of history. The statue of Jan Hus stands high above the square. There is a famous Astronomical Clock on the wall of the Old Town Hall. There are museums dedicated to famous people including Smetana, Dvořák and Franz Kafka. The Estates Theatre is one of Europe's oldest theaters. It was built in the 1780s and Mozart conducted the first performance of his opera Don Giovanni there. Prague is on the list of World Heritage Sites.





CURRENCY

The local currency in Czech Republic is the Czech crown. (CZK, Kč) available in the following denominations: Banknotes: 5.000 CZK, 2.000 CZK, 1.000 CZK, 500 CZK, 200 CZK, 100 CZK Coins: 50 CZK, 20 CZK, 10 CZK, 5 CZK, 2 CZK, 1 CZK

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LOCAL CASH MACHINES

ATM/cash machine are available throughout the city and at the airport.

CREDIT CARDS

Credit cards are accepted at major hotels and larger restaurants. The credit card company will charge a fee on your bill for foreign exchange.

PLUG ADAPTOR

The main voltage for electricity in Czech is type E (230 V and 50 Hz) same as those found in Germany, Greece, France, Monaco, Slovakia. Type E power socket is requested (see photo):



TIME ZONE

Central European Time – CET (GMT +1)

WEATHER

In the months of August/September, the average high temperature is 25°C (77°F) and the average low is 13°C (55°F). For your reference, please check the following websites: <u>www.yr.no</u> www.accuweather.com





EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

General:	112
Fire:	150
Ambulance:	155
Municipal police:	156
Police:	158

HOSPITAL

Hospital Na Bulovce <u>bulovka.cz</u> Budínova 67/2, 180 81 Praha 8, GPS: N 50°6.92283, E 14°27.84497

Distance from Ballpark (6,8 km - 14 min)







DEADLINES

FLIGHT INFORMATION FORM TEAM'S ROSTER ACCREDITATION CATERING BALLPARK

IMMEDIATELY JULY 25 JULY 31 JULY 18







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