



Regulations



ASTANA-2024

**2ND WORLD DEAF FUTSAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS U21**

FROM THE 1ST TO THE 10TH OF JUNE 2024

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ORGANIZATION:

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1. EVENTS

Men and women team futsal tournament competitions will be conducted from [1st - 10th June 2024](#).

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility

There are age (21 years) (born 2003) restrictions for futsal competitions. The National Deaf Sports Federation (NDSF) shall obtain parental authorization in writing for all athletes aged 16 and under and email DIFA Secretariat before the start of the competition. Under 21 (U21), players who, January to December 2024 preceding the season, are 21 years old

2.2. Number of teams for each NDSF

Each NDSF may enter one (1) men team and one (1) women team. Participation in the 2024 DIFA Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 is limited to a maximum of sixteen (16) men's teams and eight (8) women's teams.

Men Teams (16): Kazakhstan (Hosts),
Women Teams (8): Kazakhstan (Hosts),

2.3. Number of players

2.3.1. Each NDSF may enter a maximum of 14 players for the final competition. If a maximum 14 players squad is selected then two players must be goalkeepers, with the number 1 shirt reserved for one of them.

2.3.2. The list of 14 players shall be submitted to the DIFA Futsal Technical Director, using the official form for this purpose, at least 30 days prior to the opening match in the final competition. Only these 14 players recognized by the DIFA will be permitted to compete in the final competition.

2.3.3. 14 players shall be included in the starting list for the match (5 selected players and 9 substitutes).

2.3.4. The Organizing Committee will publish the official lists of 14 players from each country on paper to be handed out to all countries at the first technical meeting. This information shall include the players' shirt numbers, family names, first names and the names of the team coaches/managers (including background staff).

2.3.5. Any team found guilty of fielding an ineligible or suspended player will forfeit the match. Victory and three points and/or a score of 3-0 will be awarded to the opposing team, or greater, depending on the score of the match.

2.4. Male and Female

The provisions of this code apply to the male and female gender, regardless of the choice of words and expressions.

3. REGISTRATION

3.1. Preliminary Registration

The preliminary registration deadline for the 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 is 1 October 2023.



3.2. Final Registration

The final registration deadline for the 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 is **15th May 2024**.

3.3. Final Entry with the names of each athlete

The final entries with the names of each athlete (14 names) for the 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 must be submitted no later than **15th May 2024**.

4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organization

DIFA is responsible for the technical organization of the 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21.

4.2. Committees

4.2.1. Technical Committee:

The technical committee will be composed of the DIFA Futsal Technical Director and members appointed by the Organizing Committee:

- DIFA Futsal Technical Director
- 1st Representative from FIFA (Head Referee)
- 2nd Representative from DIFA (Secretary)

4.2.2. Protest Committee:

The Cup Protest Committee shall consist of:

- DIFA Futsal Technical Director
- 1st Representative from FIFA (Head Referee)
- 2nd Representative from DIFA (Secretary)

4.3. Competition Rules

The Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 will be conducted in accordance with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game (version 2021-22). [Futsal-Laws-of-the-Game-2022-2023-EN.pdf \(fifa.com\)](#) In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

4.3.1. Cases of a general nature will be resolved in accordance with the DIFA Deaf World Cup Regulations, and the Technical Regulations.

4.3.2. Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.

4.3.3. Only athletes who comply with the DIFA Deaf World Futsal Cup Regulations are entitled to take part in the Deaf World Futsal Cup U21.

4.4. Competition Equipment

4.4.1. The footballs chosen for the preliminary and final competitions shall conform to the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game and bear one of the following three quality standard designations licensed by FIFA: “FIFA Approved”. The “Five Star' #950” football will be the official match ball for the duration of the competitions.

4.4.2. The Organizing Committee will provide a minimum of six competition official match balls to each participating country for the duration of the competitions for training and assimilation purposes.

4.4.3. The pitch dimensions, goals and shall also comply with the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.



4.5. Competition Clothing

4.5.1. Each team shall wear its official colours as declared on the official final entry form. If the two teams colours might cause confusion, team A of the official match schedule shall be entitled to wear its official outfit and team B shall use its reserve outfit or, if necessary, a combination of the official and the reserve outfit; the match referee decides the matter. Please note that team shirts predominantly of black colour are forbidden, as it could clash with the match officials' uniform.

4.5.2. In addition to the official outfit, each team shall have a reserve outfit (reserve colours), which shall also be declared on the final entry form. The colours of the reserve outfit (shirt, shorts and socks) shall be noticeably different from and contrast with the colours of the official outfit (shirt, shorts and socks). The reserve outfit shall also be taken to every match.

4.5.3. Throughout the final competition, each player shall wear the number allotted to him on the official players' list. The colour of the numbers must contrast clearly with the outfits (light on dark or vice versa) and be legible from a distance for spectators in the stadium and possibly television viewers. These numbers shall be between 25-35 cm in height in the centre of the back of the shirt, between 10-15 cm in height in any position at chest level on front of the shirt, and between 10 - 15 cm in height in any position on the front of either leg of the shorts.

4.5.4. The NDSF's emblem may also be worn as a badge on the shirt.

4.5.5. Sponsors are allowed on any garments or equipment of players and goalkeepers (shirts, vests, shorts, thermal shorts, socks, gloves, caps, underwear etc.) in the entire pitch area. However, any kind of sponsorship must not be related to a political, religious or racist nature.

4.5.6. Each country must bring their own warm-up bibs in contrasting colours for the use of the team before and during the matches as well as for the official training sessions. The warm-up bibs which must be clearly distinguishable, irrespective of the prevailing conditions, such as weather and light, for all players, match officials, spectators and media from the colours of the shirts being used as playing equipment by both opposing teams and the match officials.

4.6. Draw

The draw for the participating countries in the preliminary round of each the men and women competitions will be held on 3 December 2024 at hotel, live on the from Kazakhstan. The number of teams taking part in the World Cup 2021 has been fixed at 24, to be apportioned among the confederations as follows :

Confederation Number of slots

AFRICA

ASIA PACIFIC

AMERICA

EUROPE

Host (Kazakhstan) 1

4.7. Competition Plan

4.7.1. Preliminary Round (Group Stages)

Men: The participating sixteen (16) teams will be drawn and divided into four groups of four (4) teams each. The hosts shall be drawn into Group A: A1. During the preliminary round, each team will play the other teams in its group.

Women: The participating eight (8) teams will be drawn and divided into two groups of four (4) teams each. The hosts shall be drawn into Group A: A1. During the preliminary round, each team will play the other teams in its group.



4.7.2. Quarterfinals, Semi-Finals and Classifications

Men:

- After the group stages the first and second placed team of each men group will progress to the quarter-finals: (A1 v B2) (B1 v A2) (C1 v D2) (D1 v C2)
- The men teams placed 3rd in the group stages will progress to the 9th-12th Play offs.
- The men teams placed 4th in the group stages will progress to the 13th-16th Play offs.
- The winners of each men quarterfinals will progress to the semi-finals: (A1/B2 v C1/D2) (B1/A2 v D1/C2)
- The losing teams of each men quarter-finals will progress to 5th/8th play offs.

Women:

- After the group stages the first and second placed team of each women group will progress to the semi-finals: (A1 v B2) (B1 v A2).
- The women teams placed 3rd in the group stages will progress to the 5th-8th Play offs.
- The losing teams of each women semi-finals will progress to 5th/8th play offs.

4.7.3. Finals

Men: The winners of each men semi-finals will progress to the final.

Women: The winners of each women semi-finals will progress to the final.

4.7.4. Classification of Teams

1. The system of competition shall be similar to the league system, each team playing a match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw and no point for each match lost.
2. Ranking in each group shall be determined as follows:
 - a) greatest number of points obtained in all group matches.
 - b) goal difference in all group matches.
 - c) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.If two or more teams are equal on the basis of the above three criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:
 - d) greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned.
 - e) goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned.
 - f) greater number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned.
 - g) drawing of lots by the World U21 Deaf Futsal Cup Organizing Committee.

4.7.5. Each match shall last 40 minutes (two periods of 20 minutes), with an interval as laid down in the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game. The match referee shall have the final say in how long each interval shall be.

4.7.6. If the result of a match in the quarter-finals, semi-finals or the finals (and any Play offs) ends in a draw, extra time of two periods of 5 minutes each will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner in accordance with the procedure described in the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.



4.8. Officials

4.8.1. Allocation of four (4) officials per match (a referee, 2 assistant referees and a timekeeper) to conduct the matches shall be made by the referee technical committee to be approved by the DIFA / DIFA Futsal Technical Director. Where possible, referees shall be in possession of an FIFA international referee license valid for 2021/22. However, referees with National or State accreditation may be used.

5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venues

The 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 will take place at the following venues: Stadium International Futsal Stadium:

- **ZHEKPE-ZHEK SARAY** «Zhekpe-zhek»

5.2. Training Venues

The 2024 Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 training venues will be provided at: Stadium International Futsal Stadium:

- **ZHEKPE-ZHEK SARAY** «Zhekpe-zhek»

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Competition Schedule

Refer to competition schedule on the official Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 website www.difa.org

6.2. Practice Schedule

Refer to practice schedule on the official Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 website www.difa.org

6.3. Technical Meeting

6.3.1. Date and Location

The first Technical Meeting will be held at the venue **PARK INN BY RADISSON ASTANA** on 31 May 2024 at 18:00 hrs.

The second Technical Meeting will be held at the venue **PARK INN BY RADISSON ASTANA** on 9 June 2024 at 18:00 hrs.

Each participating NDSF may be represented by two officials, of whom at least one must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter.

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1 Hearing Devices

The use of any hearing aid(s)/amplification or external cochlear implant parts is strictly forbidden from the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area

The restricted zone is in effect from the time athletes enter on the match zone (pitch) during the warm-up and competition period.

7.1.2. Violation and Penalty

Refer to [Audiogram Regulations](#), Article 8: Violations and Penalties.

7.2 Medical Control

Refer to [Deaf World Cup Regulations](#), WC9. - CONTROL AND SUCTIONS.



7.3 Bookings

7.3.1. Yellow Card

A player who receives two yellow cards in a single match (equivalent to a red card) or accumulates two yellow cards in separate matches is immediately suspended for the next (one) match in the Cup.

7.3.2. Red Card

A player who is sent off from the field of play is immediately suspended for the next (one) match in the Cup.

7.3.3. Bookings and Suspensions

- All bookings and suspensions are carried through from the group stages to the final knockout matches. A player may be suspended for more than one match for the duration of the cup if they accumulate four yellow cards or two red cards.
- The Technical Committee reserves the rights to fine and/or suspend any players or officials for more than one match in the event of very serious foul play involving violence or threatening behavior.

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest.

All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game and will be managed by the Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 Protest Committee. Any official protest must be submitted in writing on the Official Protest Form, and given to the DIFA Technical Director accompanied by USD \$100.

8.1.1. The OC will provide a protest schedule timetable for when and where each protest to the day's matches can be submitted to the DIFA Futsal Technical Director for each day for the duration of the Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 at the first technical meeting.

8.1.2. The Technical Director will decide whether the protest is sporting related or eligibility related. The Deaf World Futsal Cup U21 Protest Committee will review all sport related protests, and the DIFA Representative will review all eligibility protests. The deposit of USD \$100 will be returned to the appellant only if the protest is considered valid.

8.2. Procedures for reviewing a protest.

The Protest Committee will meet in the DIFA Futsal Technical Director's office at Stadium at a time decided upon by the DIFA Futsal Technical Director.

The DIFA Futsal Technical Director will be the chairperson of the committee.

The Organising Committee will be responsible to book the meeting room and interpreters.

The Organising Committee will contact all members of the Protest Committee to inform them of the meeting time and location.

The DIFA Futsal Technical Director will be responsible for liaising with the State Sports Association's Competition Manager.

The Organising Committee will be responsible for informing the Organising Committee Headquarters and the DIFA Futsal Technical Director will be responsible for informing DIFA Secretariat about the protest and the outcome of the protest.

8.3 Fine

- A. Yellow card \$20**
- B. Yellow card \$30 (captain)**
- C. Yellow-red card \$50**
- D. Yellow-red card \$60 (captain)**
- E. Red card \$50**
- F. Red card \$60 (captain)**
- G. Official Yellow Card \$70**
- H. Official Red Card \$80**

9.MEDICAL CARE AND FIRST AID

1. The OC shall be responsible for the provision of adequate medical support (doctors, nurses, dentists and any other medical officer) during the Deaf World CUP.
2. All team doctors, nurses and chiefs of missions shall be informed as soon as possible upon arrival as to the resources and contact details for all medical support services.
3. First aid stations shall be available at all competition areas. These shall be adequately staffed with medical and first aid personnel and ambulance facilities for emergencies.
4. The services of a nurse shall be available 24 hours a day. There shall be a back-up physician, available, on call.
5. Hospital services, consisting of emergency rooms and hospital beds to deal with more serious difficulties shall be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
6. Necessary facilities where physiotherapists can treat competitors shall be available. There shall be a provision for visiting therapists to treat their own teams.
7. Adequate space must be made available in the accommodation for countries wishing to establish their own sports injury and medical clinics.
8. DIFA declines all responsibility in the event of physical failure of players. The president or leader of each team must provide for the presence of a doctor or trainer with a rescue certificate in the registration form.

10. ACCREDITATION & PARTICIPATION FEES

Regulations on Cup, fee figuration are as follow:

- Per official sporting factor 80.00 Dollars Accreditation Fees adjustment as follow:
- Per member of delegation 80.00 Dollars (Same cost for athletes and factors)
- We hereby confirm that we have read and understood the DIFA General and Technical Regulations



11. Trophies

11.1. The trophy is the property of DIFA. It will be handed over at the end of the Final to the winning team of the World Cup who will have custody of it for a period of four years. It must be returned to the DIFA headquarters, by the holder country and at its expense.

11.2. This trophy will become the property of the country which has won three World Cup victories (even non-consecutive) as of the 2022 season.

11.3. OC: OC National Deaf Sport Committee of The Republic of Kazakhstan (NDSCRK) awards the 4 awards (cups)(Men and Women)

- to the best goalkeeper (Men and Women)
- to the best player (Men and Women)
- for the best Fair play (team) (Men and Women)
- to the top scorer. (Men and Women)

It also awards the 18 medals for (14 players + 4 officials)

- the winner (Men and Women)
- the finalist (Men and Women)
- 3rd place (Men and Women)
- Diploma (only 1st, 2nd and 3rd) (Men and Women)

12 Matchs Delegates

The Match Delegates include 5 members and are appointed by DIFA Futsal Director with DIFA approval. Their responsibility is to observe the whole event and assist the DIFA Sport Director if it Arises :

Brice ALLAIN - DIFA Futsal Director (Chair) from France

Turki ALSHEHRI – Match Delegate from Saudi Arabia

Dominique SOARES – Match Delegate from France

Bebzinda NANA - Match Delegate from France

Scott WATSON - Match Delegate from Scotland

13. CORONAVIRUS : INFORMATION and RECOMMENDATIONS

Current rules.

Attention ! Check the current safety rules. How quickly we deal with COVID-19 depends on our shared responsibility.

Website: ?

Official languages FIFA publishes the Futsal Laws of the Game in English, French, German and Spanish.

If there is any divergence in the wording, the English text is authoritative.

