

2015 Men's World Championship Qualification Europe Play-off matches

The 24th Men's World Championship (IHF Event) in Qatar will be held from 17 January to 1 February 2015

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Date: 26 January 2014 **Time:** 13:00 hrs. **Venue:** Press Centre Herning, DEN

Total entries: 37 teams
Total teams at final tournament: 24 teams
Places Europe at final tournament: 13 teams (including **ESP** as defending champion)

Qualified for final tournament: 5 teams: **ESP** (defending champion), **QAT** (organiser) and **CRO / DEN / FRA** (3 best ranked teams from EHF EURO 2014 in DEN)

Qualified for Play Off (from EURO DEN): **AUT, BLR, CZE, HUN, ISL, MKD, MNE, NOR, POL, RUS, SRB, SWE**

Qualified for Play Off (from EURO Quali): **GER** (2nd best third ranked team in EURO Qualification phase 2, not qualified to EURO DEN)

Qualified for Play Off (from WCh Qualification Europe phase 1): **BIH, GRE, LTU, ROU, SLO**
 (5 winners of the 5 qualification groups)

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9 Teams in pot 1: **AUT, BLR, HUN, ISL, MKD, POL, RUS, SRB, SWE**
 (9 best ranked teams of the EHF EURO 2014 DEN which are not qualified directly for the final tournament in QAT)

3 Teams in pot 2: **NOR, CZE, MNE** (3 last ranked EHF EURO teams which are not qualified directly for the final tournament in QAT)

6 Teams in pot 2: **GER and BIH, GRE, LTU, ROU, SLO**
 (5 winners of the qualification groups)

One team of pot 1 is drawn against one team of pot 2 (9 times).

For each pairing the home and away right will be drawn.

Playing dates for the play-off matches:

First leg: 7/8 June 2014
Second leg: 14/15 June 2014

The winners of the play-off matches will qualify for the 2015 Men's World Championship in Qatar(IHF event) from **17 January to 1 February 2015**.