



WELLINGTON FLOORBALL
OPEN 2019
COMPETITION
REGULATIONS

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1. CONTACT DETAILS

Please address all enquiries to info@wellingtonfloorball.org.nz

2. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Wellington Floorball Open tournament will be played in 5 different grades. Please see below table for important information related to the different grades.

	Elite Adult	Open Adult	Open U15	Open U13	Open U11
Latest Registration & Payment due	Friday 6 September	Friday 6 September	Friday 6 September	Friday 6 September	Friday 6 September
Registration Fee	NZ\$550	NZ\$550	NZ\$275	NZ\$275	NZ\$100
Team Lists Due	5 PM Friday 20 September	5 PM Friday 20 September	5 PM Friday 20 September	5 PM Friday 20 September	5 PM Friday 20 September
Tournament Start	9 AM Friday 27 September	9 AM Friday 27 September	8 AM Saturday 28 September	8 AM Saturday 28 September	8 AM Saturday 28 September
Tournament Finish/Prize giving	5pm Sunday 29 September	5pm Sunday 29 September	5pm Sunday 29 September	5pm Sunday 29 September	7 PM Saturday 28 September
Specific Notes	Full size court	Full size court	Full size court	Full size court	Reduced court with reduced goal size. Minimum age of 8 on the 1 Jan 2019.

Please complete the google form to register your team: <https://forms.gle/vfTvsLiDPNWDNVgb7>

Please make payments to:

Acc Name: [Wellington Floorball Club](#)
Bank: [Kiwibank](#)
Acc Number: [38 9017 0795867 00](#)

3. RULES OF THE GAME

The Tournament shall be conducted in accordance with Competition Regulations, the International Floorball Federation (IFF) Rules of the Game (Edition 2018).

In any instance where the rules stated in the Competition Regulations and Rules and the IFF Rules of the Game (Edition 2018) are in conflict, the rules stated in the Competition Regulations and Rules will take precedence.

In particular the following IFF rules will not be fully enforced and only applies as much as practical:

- 201 regular game time, 203 extra time, 204 penalty shots after extra time
- 301 players, 303, part 1) particular regulations for goalkeepers, 304, part 1) particular regulations for team captains, 305 team staff, 307 secretariat
- 401 players' equipment, part 1 and 3), 404 particular team captain's equipment, 407 stick, part 1), 408 referees' equipment, 409 secretariat's equipment

The main points that differs between the IFF Rules of the Game (Edition 2018) and the Competition Rules can be summarised as:

- Game time will be as per the competition regulations
- To start a game, a team needs to have 4 field players and a goalie.
- A goalie is allowed to be substituted and then continue to play as field player in the same game
- Teams need to have matching shirts/colours, numbers are compulsory. Shorts and socks should be matching as much as possible.
- Players are allowed to use non IFF certified sticks, however the equipment must otherwise comply with IFF rules (e.g. hook of the blade, etc.).
- Goal size for Open U11 will be reduced in height by 15cm.

4. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 0.5. Players are allowed to play in the open grade or the elite grade.
- 0.6. Team lists will need to be submitted either in person or via email to the Wellington Floorball Open (WFO) Organising Committee (OC) by the stated deadline, with a maximum of 20 players.
- 0.7. Mixed teams are allowed for all grades.
- 0.8. Players for the Elite Adult and the Open Adult grades need to be born in 2003 or earlier. The Open U15 division is open for players born in 2004 - 2005. The Open U13 division is open for players born 2006 – 2007. The Open U11 division is open for players born, 2008 – 2011.
- 0.9. Open U11 and Open U13 grade players are allowed to play up one age group.
- 0.10. A player can only represent one team in the tournament.
- 0.11. The competition fixture shall be determined by the WFO OC.
- 0.12. Preliminary games:
 - 0.12.1. Open U11
 - 0.12.1.1. 3 x 8-minute periods.
 - 0.12.2. Open U13, Open U15, Open Adult and Elite Adult
 - 0.12.2.1. 3 x 12-minute periods.
 - 0.12.2.2. The last two (2) minutes of each game will be played as effective time.
 - 0.12.3. 3 points for a win, 1 for a draw
- 0.13. Play-off games:
 - 0.13.1. Open U11
 - 0.13.1.1. 3 x 8-minute periods.
 - 0.13.2. Open U13, Open U15, Open Adult and Elite Adult
 - 0.13.2.1. 3 x 15-minute periods.
 - 0.13.2.2. The last two (2) minutes of each period will be played as effective time.
 - 0.13.3. In the event of a draw, extra time of 5 (five) minutes will be played, as effective time. Extra time playing system is a 'golden goal', where the first team to score is deemed the winner. Should scores remain level at the end of extra time, then a penalty shoot-out will take place (IFF Rules of the Game, 2018).
- 0.14. The ranking within a group shall be decided in the following order:
 - a) The total number of points.
 - b) If two or more teams have the same number of points the internal matches of the teams concerned, the internal goal difference included if necessary, shall be decisive.
 - c) If the internal matches according to b) are not decisive, most scored goals internally shall be decisive.
 - d) If the ranking cannot be decided by the internal matches, the total goal difference of the teams concerned shall be decisive.
 - e) If the total goal difference is not decisive most scored goals of the teams concerned shall be decisive.
 - f) If most scored goals are not decisive a drawing of lot with the teams concerned shall settle the ranking unless the ranking concerns only the two teams playing a

last round match deciding about promotion or relegation when extra time and, if needed, penalty shots shall decide the ranking.

The results of all matches versus a team which has missed a match or matches, and lost these by walk over 5-0, shall not have an effect on the final ranking between teams having ended up in the same amount of points, unless the team having missed the match or matches is itself involved.

5. REFEREE AND SCORING DUTY

- 0.16. Each nominated team has the responsibility to provide at least 2 referees and 1 other official (match recording duty) for the tournament.
- 0.17. Failure to provide the officials will result in that team losing points on the competition ladder.

6. GAMES – GENERAL RULES

- 0.19. All games are to start at the scheduled time.
- 0.20. To commence a game, teams must field 4 players and a goal keeper.
- 0.21. If a team is unable to produce the required number of players at the scheduled starting time, the clock will start and a goal will be awarded to the opposing team for every two (2) minutes after the scheduled start of the game.
- 0.22. If a team is unable to produce the required number of players five (8) minutes after the scheduled starting time, they are deemed to have forfeited the game and a 5-0 result will be recorded.
- 0.23. If neither team is able to produce the required number of players, then penalties under rule 7.3 will only begin to apply when one (1) team produces the required number of players. If neither team is able to produce the required number of players five (8) minutes after the scheduled starting time, then both teams are deemed as forfeited the game and a 0-0 result will be recorded. No points will be awarded to either team.
- 0.24. Warm-up will cease at the 1st warning siren (2min prior to the match start) and balls collected immediately. The match time will start at the scheduled game time regardless of whether both teams are ready or not.
- 0.25. U11 Mercy Rule: When a goal difference of 7 is reached, the leading team will not have any further score displayed on the clock until the opposition team scores and the score difference is below 7. Official game results to be announced and recorded as that on the clock, but the match record is to record all goals scored by all players.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF TEAMS

- 0.27. Teams are also responsible for their spectators at all times during the tournament.
- 0.28. Each team is to nominate a team official who is responsible for completing and signing the Match Record after each match.
- 0.29. Teams are required to provide two (2) referees and one (1) scorer/timekeeper, for certain games as determined in the WFO Fixture. Failure to do so will result in the team losing 2 points on the tournament ladder for each time in which referees do not attend a scheduled game.
- 0.30. Teams are expected to provide help in setting up or packing up and keeping the venue tidy.

8. PROTESTS and COMPLAINTS

- 0.32. The WFO OC plus one FNZ committee member shall act as the jury and decide in matters relating to protests during the competition. Sanctions imposed by the jury are final as far as the duration of the competition to which they apply is concerned once due process of appeal is exhausted.
- 0.33. The protest must be made in writing on the official 'WFO Protest and Complaints Form' which will be made available at the Tournament Officials Desk and submitted to the Tournament Directors Desk. A fee of NZ\$100 is to be submitted with the form, which will be returned only if the protest is upheld.

Timings for protests or complaints will be as follows

- 0.34. Referee must lodge a complaint if the incident occurred during a game before the game sheet is signed off.
- 0.35. Referee must lodge a complaint within 60 minutes if an incident occurred immediately (within 15 minutes) after a game. If the incident occurs after the day's activities have completed or when the referee is not in the arena, it must be reported before the first game on the next day commences or if the tournament has finished within 24 hours of the incident. This is to be treated as a Code of Conduct incident the WFO OC can deal with the incident and apply any penalties allowed and applicable during the course of the tournament.
- 0.36. Persons accused of a complaint should be provided with a copy of the complaint and the opportunity to present their case before the decision is made. The person will need to be available within the 60-minute timeframe or else they will only have an opportunity to present their case as part of an appeal.
- 0.37. Protests by teams relating to the game result or incidents during the game must be made within 60 minutes from the completion of the match.

9. UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

Unacceptable Behaviour – The WFO OC will not tolerate unacceptable behaviour. Everyone participating has the right to play without being subjected to such behaviour, and has an individual responsibility to treat others fairly. Captains/Teams will be held accountable for their failure to take reasonable steps to prevent unacceptable behaviour by a member of their team or supporters. This could result in the loss of points, forfeit or other sanctions imposed by the WFO OC. Unacceptable behaviour is behaviour that, having regard to all of the circumstances, would be offensive, belittling, abusive, or threatening to another person or adverse to morale, discipline or team cohesion, or otherwise not in the interest of floorball in general. There is also a zero tolerance for alcohol the venue as ASB sports Centre is an alcohol-free venue. **Any person seen to bring alcohol into the venue will be asked to leave immediately.**