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TOURNAMENT BROCHURE



TOURNAMENT INFO

WHAT AND WHERE?

Helsinki Cup 2027
Helsinki

WHEN?

From 12th to 17th, July 2027

AGE GROUPS:

Boys B7-B16
(2020-2011)

Girls G7-G18
(2020-2009)

WELCOME TO THE HELSINKI CUP SUMMER 2027

Next summer, Helsinki Cup will once again bring thousands of young players, teams and football fans to Helsinki. In 2027, Helsinki Cup will be held for the 52nd time, welcoming 30,000 players and more than 1,700 teams from Finland and around the world.

Helsinki Cup is an international youth football tournament, but it is much more than a week-long sporting event. It is a place where people from different backgrounds come together through their shared passion for football, learn from one another and enjoy a summer week together in Helsinki.

WHAT IS HELSINKI CUP?

At the heart of Helsinki Cup are the joy of sport, community, equality and fair play.

We want every player to be able to be themselves, play at their own level and feel like an important part of their team and the wider Helsinki Cup community. At Helsinki Cup, we encourage one another, celebrate achievements and enjoy playing together. Players have the opportunity to challenge themselves, learn new things and, above all, enjoy the game.



A great tournament atmosphere is created through encouragement, new friendships, shared successes and the feeling that every player is excited to step onto the pitch. Our goal is for everyone to return home from tournament week with great experiences and memories to cherish.

TOGETHERNESS IS AT THE HEART OF THE TOURNAMENT

Helsinki Cup brings together not only players, but also coaches, team staff, families, friends, summer employees, match officials, referees and our many partners.

During tournament week, Helsinki becomes a football city. Teams can be seen across the Helsinki metropolitan area, while the tournament comes to life not only on the pitches but also on the streets, events and meeting places around the city.

The opening parade, festivals, music, performers, competitions and other activities bring plenty to experience alongside the matches. Our goal is to make Helsinki Cup a complete summer experience for every participant – not just a week of fixtures and results.

A HIGH-QUALITY TOURNAMENT EXPERIENCE

At Helsinki Cup, we are committed to providing a high-quality experience both on and off the pitch. Matches are played on more than 100 football fields across Helsinki and the surrounding areas, with thousands of games taking place throughout the week.

The competition format and match schedule are designed to give teams as

many meaningful and well-balanced games as possible. Safe and well-organised arrangements, high-quality refereeing and excellent playing conditions are all important parts of the tournament experience.

At the same time, Helsinki offers teams plenty to see and experience away from the football pitches. The summer city, its attractions, events, food and beautiful Finnish nature are all part of the Helsinki Cup experience.

AN INTERNATIONAL MEETING PLACE

Every year, Helsinki Cup welcomes teams from around the world. The international atmosphere is an important part of the tournament and one of its greatest strengths.

When teams from different countries meet on the pitches and throughout tournament week, new friendships, connections and unforgettable experiences are created across languages and cultures. At the same time, young players get to experience how football can bring people from all over the world together.

Helsinki Cup is a place to play, connect, learn and have fun together.

Join us in summer 2027 and be part of another unforgettable Helsinki Cup week. We will take care of the setting – you bring your team, your love of the game and the joy of playing together.

See you in Helsinki in summer 2027!

Best regards,
The Helsinki Cup Organisation





AGE GROUPS G7-G10

- Teams will play six matches against teams of the same level*
- No points or league tables will be counted, and a knock-out phase will not be played
- All players will be awarded diplomas and a medal for participation

*G10 7v7 Trophy level will be played on Friday finals

Team entry fees:

G7 4v4 **240€**

G8-G10 5v5 **415€**

G10 7v7 Trophy **450€**

AGE GROUPS G11-G13

- Teams will be divided into groups of five
- Teams will only play against teams in the same level category: Competitive, General and Hobby
- Matches in the General and Hobby categories start on Tuesday. Matches in the Competitive categories start on Wednesday.
- After the group stage, teams advance to the A and B Finals. The knockout stage is played in a cup format.
- The top four teams in the A Final will be awarded medals, while the winners of the B Final will receive a trophy.
- Only the G11-G13 Competitive A Final matches will be played on Saturday. The A Finals for all other categories will be played on Friday.

Team entry fee: €460

AGE GROUPS G14-G18

- Teams will be placed in groups of five for the group stage of the tournament
- G14-G18 matchdays: Tue-Sat. G14H-G18H (ie. Hobby-level) matchdays: Tue-Fri.
- After the group stage, the teams will be divided into A and B finals. The follow-up games will be played in a cup format.
- The four best teams from the A finals will be awarded medals and the winners of the B finals will be awarded a trophy
- The General and Competitive-level A finals will be played on Saturday, the Hobby-level A finals will be played on Friday

Team entry fee: €500

The team level should be selected during registration, and it can be changed up until 30 April 2027. The tournament organiser reserves the right to change a team's level and to combine levels as one series if this is considered necessary.

In the age groups G11-G13 the **General and Hobby-level** games start on Tuesday. **The Competitive-level** games start on Wednesday.

G11-G18 FROM PRELIMINARY DIVISIONS TO FOLLOW-UP GAMES

ALL SERIES

A-FINALS

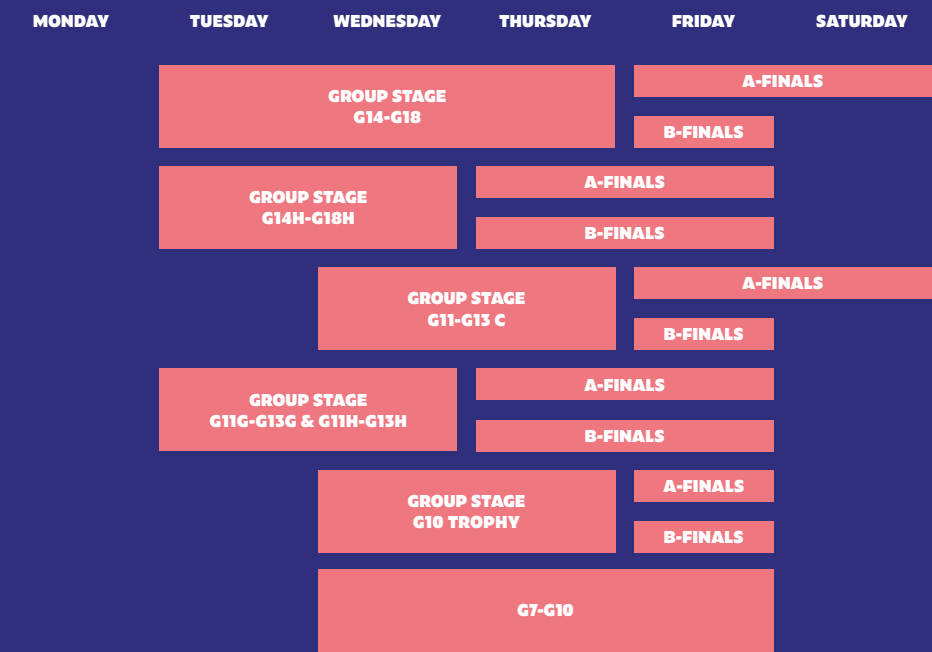
POSITION 1
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B-FINALS

POSITION 4
POSITION 5
POSITION 6

WEEK SCHEDULE

The game days of the group stages and knockout rounds can change depending on the number of teams in the series



	Date of birth	Formation	Game time	Ball	Offside	Levels	Matchdays
G7	1.1.2020	4v4	2 x 15 min	3	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Wed-Fri
G8	1.1.2019	5v5	2 x 15 min	3	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Wed-Fri
G9	1.1.2018	5v5	2 x 15 min	3	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Wed-Fri
G10	1.1.2017	5v5	2 x 15 min	4	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Wed-Fri
G10Tr	1.1.2017	7v7	2 x 15 min	4	-	Trophy	Wed-Fri
G11C	1.1.2016	8v8	2 x 15 min	4	Area*	Competitive	Wed-Sat
G11	1.1.2016	8v8	2 x 15 min	4	Area*	General/Hobby	Tue-Fri
G12C	1.1.2015	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	Competitive	Wed-Sat
G12	1.1.2015	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	General/Hobby	Tue-Fri
G13C	1.1.2014	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	Competitive	Wed-Sat
G13	1.1.2014	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	General/Hobby	Tue-Fri
G14	1.1.2013	11v11	2 x 20 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General**	Tue-Sat
G14H	1.1.2013	11v11	2 x 20 min	5	Yes	Hobby	Tue-Fri
G15-16	1.1.2011-12	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General**	Tue-Sat
G15-16H	1.1.2011-12	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Hobby	Tue-Fri
G18	1.1.2009	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General**	Tue-Sat
G18H	1.1.2009	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Hobby	Tue-Fri

* Offside area starting from the penalty line ** The G14, G15-16 and G18 age groups will be played as one combined series

BOYS

B7-B16

AGE GROUPS B7-B10

- Teams will play six matches against teams in their own level group. Teams can choose between a three-day or two-day tournament.
- No points or league tables are used, and there are no knockout matches (except for the B9 Trophy and B10 Trophy).
- All players will receive a participation medal and a certificate

Team entry fees:

B7 4v4 **240€**

B8-B10 5v5 **415€**

B10 7v7 **450€**

AGE GROUPS B11-B16

- Teams will be placed in groups of five or six for the group stage of the tournament
- After the group stage, the teams will be divided into A, B and C finals groups
- All the finals groups will play up to the final match
- The four best teams from finals group A will be awarded medals
- The winners of finals groups A and B will be awarded a trophy
- The winner of final C will be awarded a trophy plate

Team entry fees:

B11-B13 **485€**

B14-B16 **545€**

AGE GROUPS HOBBY-LEVEL SERIES B11H-B15H

- Separate Hobby category
- Teams will play six matches from Monday to Wednesday, with two matches per day.
- No knockout matches will be played
- Matches are played 8v8 (except B14-B15H, which are played 11v11)
- All participants will receive a participation medal and a certificate

Team entry fees:

B11H-B13H & B14H-B15H **485€**

B14H-B15H 11v11 **545€**

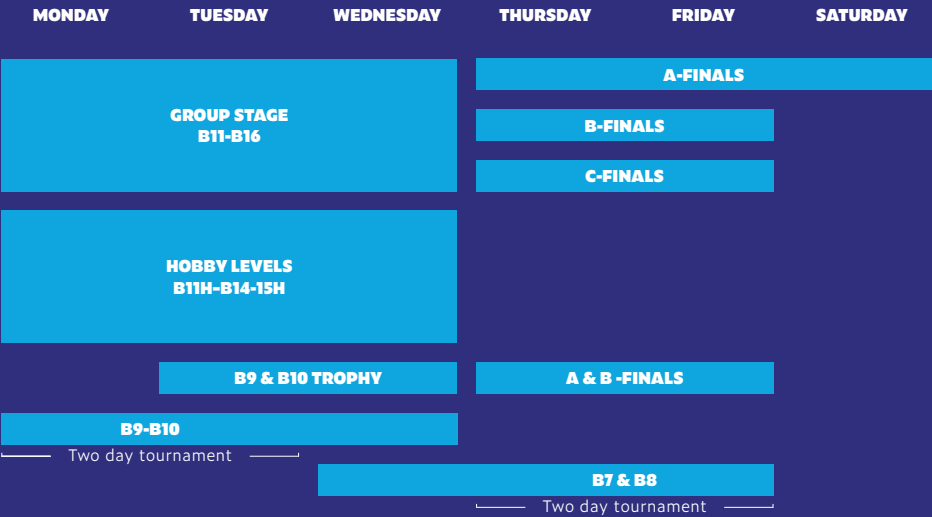
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B11-B16 FROM PRELIMINARY DIVISIONS TO FOLLOW-UP GAMES

COMPETITIVE LEVELS		GENERAL LEVELS	
A-FINALS	POSITION 1 POSITION 2	A-FINALS	
	POSITION 3 POSITION 4	B-FINALS	
B-FINALS	POSITION 5 POSITION 6	C-FINALS	

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B9	1.1.2018	5v5	2 x 15 min	3	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Mon-Wed
B9Tr	1.1.2018	5v5	2 x 15 min	3	-	Trophy	Tue-Fri
B10	1.1.2017	5v5	2 x 15 min	4	-	Competitive/General/Hobby	Mon-Wed
B10Tr	1.1.2017	7v7	2 x 15 min	4	-	Trophy	Tue-Fri
B11	1.1.2016	8v8	2 x 15 min	4	Area*	Competitive/General	Mon-Sat
B11H	1.1.2016	8v8	2 x 15 min	4	Area*	Hobby	Mon-Wed
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B12H	1.1.2015	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	Hobby	Mon-Wed
B13	1.1.2014	8v8	2 x 20 min	4	Area*	Competitive/General	Mon-Sat
B14	1.1.2013	11v11	2 x 20 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General	Mon-Sat
B14-15H	1.1.2012-13	8v8	2 x 20 min	5	Area*	Hobby	Mon-Wed
B14-15H	1.1.2012-13	11v11	2 x 20 min	5	Yes	Hobby	Mon-Wed
B15	1.1.2012	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General	Mon-Sat
B16	1.1.2011	11v11	2 x 25 min	5	Yes	Competitive/General	Mon-Sat

* Offside area starting from the penalty line



REGISTRATION

**You can register for the tournament at:
www.helsinki.fi or www.taso.palloliitto.fi**

**The registration period is from:
15 September 2026 to 30 April 2027**

RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE & OVER-AGE PLAYERS

- Participating teams must belong to an association operating under FIFA.
- School teams will be accepted from countries where school football is favoured.
- Finnish teams must be registered with the Finnish Football Association (FFA). The participating club must have teams that compete in FFA junior leagues.
- Foreign teams may include unlimited amount of older players in their player list, as long as they are born in the previous year than the age group. The limitation of the number of older players participating per match applies. An overage player can only represent the team they play for in the overage category and does not have the right to participate in different series.
- The amount of players representing a team during the tournament is not limited. However, a team's roster is limited to 18 players/match. The amount of substitutes in a match is unlimited.

INSURANCE

The Helsinki Cup does not have insurance for players, team staff members or other people who are taking part in the tournament. International players and team staff members must have valid travel insurance or other insurance that will cover any accidents that may occur during the matches and the tournament in general.

PLAYING FIELDS

Helsinki Cup matches are played on high-quality natural and artificial turf football pitches across Helsinki, Espoo and Vantaa.

* The fields are convenient to access by public transport.



EARLY BIRD -OFFER!

By booking the tournament package by 31st December 2026
**you'll get the team participation fee
for 200 euros.**

TOURNAMENT PACKAGE

The Helsinki Cup tournament package is the best way for your group to make the most of the tournament and coordinate all your tournament arrangements!

The tournament package includes

- Accommodation and meals
- Tournament tag
- Helsinki Region Transport (HSL) travel cards
- Helsinki Cup guide services
- Group stage matches will be arranged along routes with good transport connections.
- Invitations to events during the tournament
- Personalized customer service from the Helsinki Cup sales team
- Various offers from our partners

Our Helsinki Cup sales team will help you with all your accommodation and transport needs.

TOURNAMENT MEALS

Teams, family members and everyone else travelling with the group can enjoy nutritious tournament meals included in the tournament package for the entire Helsinki Cup week.

- Breakfast is served in the hotels every morning
- Lunch and dinner are served in the tournament restaurant
- The serving of tournament meals start with dinner on Sunday July 11 and end with lunch on Saturday July 17.
- There is a vegetarian option every day



TRANSPORTATION DURING THE TOURNAMENT

A Helsinki Region Transport (HSL) travel card is included in the Helsinki Cup tournament package and entitles the holder to free use of HSL public transport for the entire tournament week.

- The card can be used for free travel during the tournament in the Helsinki area (and to some extent, Espoo and Vantaa), including the Suomenlinna ferry
- All tournament playing fields are located within a convenient distance by public transport
- Teams can also book transport to their hotel from Helsinki-Vantaa airport, the Helsinki harbours, the bus station and the railway station to the hotel by contacting the Helsinki Cup sales team
- We recommend using the comprehensive public transport system due to a lack of parking spaces in the city

HELSINKI CUP GUIDES

Helsinki Cup guide services are available for teams that have booked the tournament package.

- The guides will pick you up from the airport/harbour and take you to your accommodation
- The guides will assist you with getting from your accommodation to the playing fields, and they will help with any questions you have about the tournament or Helsinki
- The guides are the link between the participating teams and the Helsinki Cup organisers
- The guides will serve teams in English or if possible in your native language

YOUR TICKET TO EXPERIENCES



THE TOURNAMENT TAG BENEFITS INCLUDE:

Free entry:

Helsinki Cup Disco
(regular price 15 €)

Helsinki Cup Finals - Fri and Sat
(regular price 8 €/15 €)

Read more about the benefits
helsinkicup.fi/en

Tags are included in the participation fee, and the quantity is determined by the team's category: 5v5 10 pieces, 8v8 15 pieces, 11v11 25 pieces. Teams that have purchased the tournament package receive the tags as part of the package.



ACCOMMODATION

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The Helsinki Cup offers quality hotel accommodation through its partners at Holiday Inn and Scandic hotels.

- All accommodation options are centrally located for the convenience of the tournament.
- Accommodation in 1–4 person rooms.
- All the hotel packages include a full Scandinavian buffet breakfast each morning (lunch and dinner are served at the tournament restaurant).
- Family members and everyone else travelling with the group are just as welcome to stay at Helsinki Cup's partner hotels at the same tournament rates as the teams Please note that accommodation with breakfast only is also available at a discounted price.

Choose your favorite from a selection of excellent hotels:

- Easy access to the center of Helsinki.
- Good transportation connections to various Helsinki attractions, including Linnanmäki, the Olympic Stadium, shopping centers like Forum, Kamppi, and Tripla, the Music House, Finlandia Hall, and Kiasma.
- You can also easily escape the city hustle and bustle by heading to the central park or the waterfront.

RESERVATIONS AND INQUIRIES

Please contact the Helsinki Cup sales team on +358 40 680 4006 or sales@helsinkicup.fi and we will help you find the most suitable tournament package for your group.





ACTIVITIES DURING THE TOURNAMENT WEEK

OPENING CEREMONY

The Helsinki Cup opening ceremony is held on the second day of the tournament on Tuesday 13th July.

One of the tournament's traditions is the opening procession, where tournament teams walk through the centre of Helsinki to announce the tournament officially to the whole city. The opening ceremony is a fun event where the teams compete with each other in their looks and loudness.

LOVE THE BALL CENTER

The Love the Ball Center is an oasis of good vibes right in the middle of the Helsinki Cup.

It offers a variety of entertainment and a great atmosphere throughout the tournament for players, their parents and everyone else travelling with the group. This is the perfect place for teams to relax, prepare for upcoming matches, enjoy the cafe's refreshing drinks and snacks and explore the exhibitions of our tournament partners. The entertainment is guaranteed by the versatile program taking place on the event stage daily. Recharge your batteries and enjoy the positive energy at the Love the Ball Center!

HELSINKI CUP FESTIVAL

The Helsinki Cup's traditional festival brings the juniors together for a night full of beats and tunes.

The festival will feature some of the youth's favorite artists and will be held in the middle of the tournament week, on **Wednesday 14th July.**

FUN PLACES TO VISIT DURING THE TOURNAMENT

- Suomenlinna Sea Fortress
- Linnanmäki Amusement Park
- Natural History Museum
- The Swimming Stadium
- Korkeasaari Zoo
- Amos Rex Art Museum
- Helsinki City Museum
- Oodi Central Library

Find out more: myhelsinki.fi





HELSINKI CUP ON THE MAP



BY PLANE

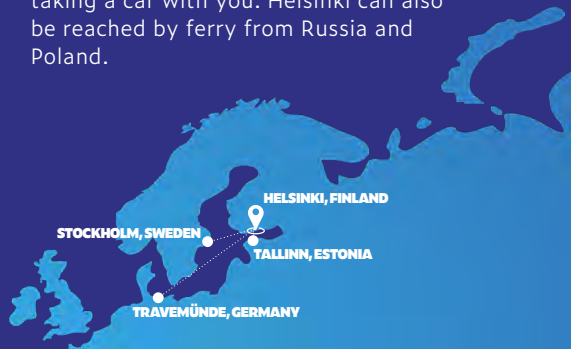
Helsinki can be reached easily from anywhere in the world.

Helsinki Airport serves around 200 international flights every day. Finnair's route network covers over 1,000 destinations in 150 countries worldwide and the airline, together with its partner airlines, operates direct flights from Helsinki to North America and Asia. Finnair also flies to over 40 cities in Europe. The trip from the airport to the city only takes around 30 minutes.



BY FERRY

There are daily ferry services to Helsinki from Estonia, Sweden and Germany. All the ferry companies offer the option of taking a car with you. Helsinki can also be reached by ferry from Russia and Poland.



Helsinki Art Museum HAM



Tennis Palace



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