

# IIHF Championship Playing Format #14

16 teams

## PRELIMINARY ROUND

Single round robin in each group.

A
1
2
3
4

B
1
2
3
4

C
1
2
3
4

D
1
2
3
4

First three teams of each group will qualify for Qualifying Round. Bottom team of each group will play relegation round.

## QUALIFYING ROUND

Teams will carry the points from the games played against qualified teams from their own group in the Preliminary Round. They will only meet the teams from the other group.

## RELEGATION ROUND

E
A1
A2
A3
D1
D2
D3

F
B1
B2
B3
C1
C2
C3

G
A4
B4
C4
D4

Two last placed teams will be relegated

First four teams in each group qualify for the Quarter Finals.  
Bottom two teams of each group go home, placed in same ranking 9-12.

## PLAYOFF ROUND

### Quarter Finals

QF1	E1 - F4
QF2	E2 - F3
QF3	F2 - E3
QF4	F1 - E4

Winners advance to the Semi Finals. The four losers go home placed in same ranking 5-8.

### Semi Finals

SF1	W QF1 - W QF3
SF2	W QF4 - W QF2

### Finals

Bronze medal	L SF1 - L SF2
Gold medal	W SF1 - W SF2