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2018 FIL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE RELEASED

OTTAWA, ON – Canada's path to a second consecutive World Championship title was made a bit more clear last week with the [Federation of International Lacrosse \(FIL\)](#) releasing the schedule for this summer's [2018 FIL Men's Lacrosse World Championship](#) in Netanya, Israel.

A record 48 teams, grouped into 15 divisions, will play a total of 175 games at this year's event, making it the largest international lacrosse championship of all time.

The Canadians, who are defending world champions, will be part of the Blue Division along with Australia, England, Haudenosaunee (IN), Scotland and the USA. The top four teams from that division advance to the championship round, with the top two receiving byes to the semifinals.

The bulk of the event will take place across six competition fields at Wingate National Sport Institution, Israel's National Centre for Physical Education and Sport. The opening ceremonies, along with a handful of matches including the gold medal game, will be held at Netanya Stadium.

Below is the schedule for Team Canada, with all times shown as local in Netanya, Israel. The complete schedule can be found by visiting www.worldlacrosse2018.com/schedule.

- Friday, July 13 9:00pm Canada vs England
- Saturday, July 14 6:45pm Canada vs Scotland
- Sunday, July 15 7:00pm Canada vs USA
- Monday, July 16 9:00pm Canada vs Iroquois Nationals
- Tuesday, July 17 2:30pm Canada vs Australia

- Wednesday, July 18 6:00pm Blue 3 vs Qualifier 2 (QF1)
- Wednesday, July 18 9:00pm Blue 4 vs Qualifier 1 (QF2)
- Thursday, July 19 6:00pm Blue 2 vs Winner QF1 (SF1)
- Thursday, July 19 9:00pm Blue 1 vs Winner QF2 (SF2)

- Friday, July 20 6:00pm Loser SF1 vs Loser SF2 (Bronze)
- Saturday, July 21 10:00am Winner SF1 vs Winner SF2 (Gold)

Here's a full list of the teams competing this year (listed in seed order in each division)

Blue Division

Canada
United States
Haudenosaunee (Iroquois
Nationals)
Australia
England
Scotland

Red Division

Israel
Russia
Jamaica

White Division

Japan
Uganda
Bulgaria

Green Division

Germany
Korea
France

Yellow Division

Ireland

China

Denmark

Orange Division

Sweden
Argentina
Hungary

Plum Division

New Zealand
Spain
Croatia

Turquoise Division

Finland
Austria
Colombia

Grey Division

Czech Republic
Belgium
Phillipines

Gold Division

Switzerland
Slovakia
Taiwan

Platinum Division

Netherlands
Norway
Haiti

Bronze Division

Wales
Bermuda
Puerto Rico

Tan Division

Italy
Turkey
Peru

Purple Division

Latvia
Mexico
Greece

Olive Division

Poland
Hong Kong
Luxembourg

Tickets for the 2018 FIL Men's Lacrosse World Championship are now on sale and can be purchased online by visiting www.worldlacrosse2018.com/tickets.

About the Canadian Lacrosse Association

Founded in 1867, the Canadian Lacrosse Association (CLA) is the governing body responsible for all aspects of lacrosse in Canada. Our organization is comprised of 10 Member Associations representing nearly 85,000 individual participants, including coaches, officials, and athletes of all ages and abilities. The CLA's mission is to honour the sport of lacrosse and its unique nation-building heritage, by engaging our members, leading our partners, and providing opportunities for all Canadians to participate. We strive to accomplish this while adhering to our core values of health, excellence, accountability, respect and teamwork. The CLA oversees the delivery of numerous national championships and the participation of Team Canada at all international events sanctioned by the Federation of International Lacrosse (FIL). The CLA is proud to be affiliated with partners that share the same vision and values, including our corporate partners - New Balance Athletics, Warrior Sports, NormaTec Recovery Systems, Westjet, and Baron Rings - as well as our funding partners the Government of Canada, the Coaching Association of Canada, and the Canadian Lacrosse Foundation. For more information on Canadian Lacrosse Association and the sport of lacrosse, visit our website at www.lacrosse.ca and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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