

MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE 2023/24 PLAY-OFFS

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FOUR HIGH-PROFILE TIES IN NEXT STEP ON GOLDEN ROAD TO COLOGNE

We had 16 teams on the starting grid of the Machineseeker EHF Champions League 2023/24 when Europe's topflight competition threw off with the group phase six months ago. After 14 intense, spectacular, and dramatic rounds, there are now 12 teams left in the race as we head into the knockout phase. Let's find out which teams *dare to rise* to the occasion in the business end of the competition!

We continue the Golden Road to Cologne with the play-offs, as eight team are set to battle it out on 27/28 March and 3/4 April for the remaining four quarter-final berths. Four teams have already punched their ticket thanks to their top-two finish in the group phase: THW Kiel and Aalborg Håndbold advance from group A, and SC Magdeburg and Barça from group B.

So, which four teams will join them for the last step ahead of the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2024 on 8/9 June? The 2016 champions and runners-up of the past two seasons, Industria Kielce, face one of the two Danish sides in the competition, GOG, who hope to reach the quarter-finals for the second straight year. The winners will meet reigning champions Magdeburg, which means we could see a rematch of last year's final in the quarter-finals.

Two-time former titleholders Montpellier HB, who lifted the trophy in 2003 and 2018, take on one of the evergreens in Europe's top flight, HC Zagreb. The four-time finalists from Croatia aim for their first quarter-final appearance in eight years. The next opponents for the winners of this tie are four-time champions Kiel.

In a highly anticipated national derby, Hungarian powerhouses OTP Bank - Pick Szeged, striving for their first quarterfinal berth in five years, and four-time finalists Telekom Veszprém HC will clash twice. Whoever opens the door to the quarter-final will then face 2021 finalists Aalborg for a ticket to Cologne.

Orlen Wisla Plock reached their first ever quarter-final last season and are eager to repeat the feat when meeting Paris Saint-Germain Handball, who finally hope to go all the way this season. Whether it will be Plock or Paris, they need to get past record champions Barça in the quarter-finals in order to book the trip to the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4.

With four high-profile ties in the playoffs, handball fans across the world can look forward to two midweeks of entertaining and thrilling action, providing us with the next step on the Golden Road to Cologne.

The race to the most coveted trophy in men's club handball is truly on. Enjoy the play-offs!

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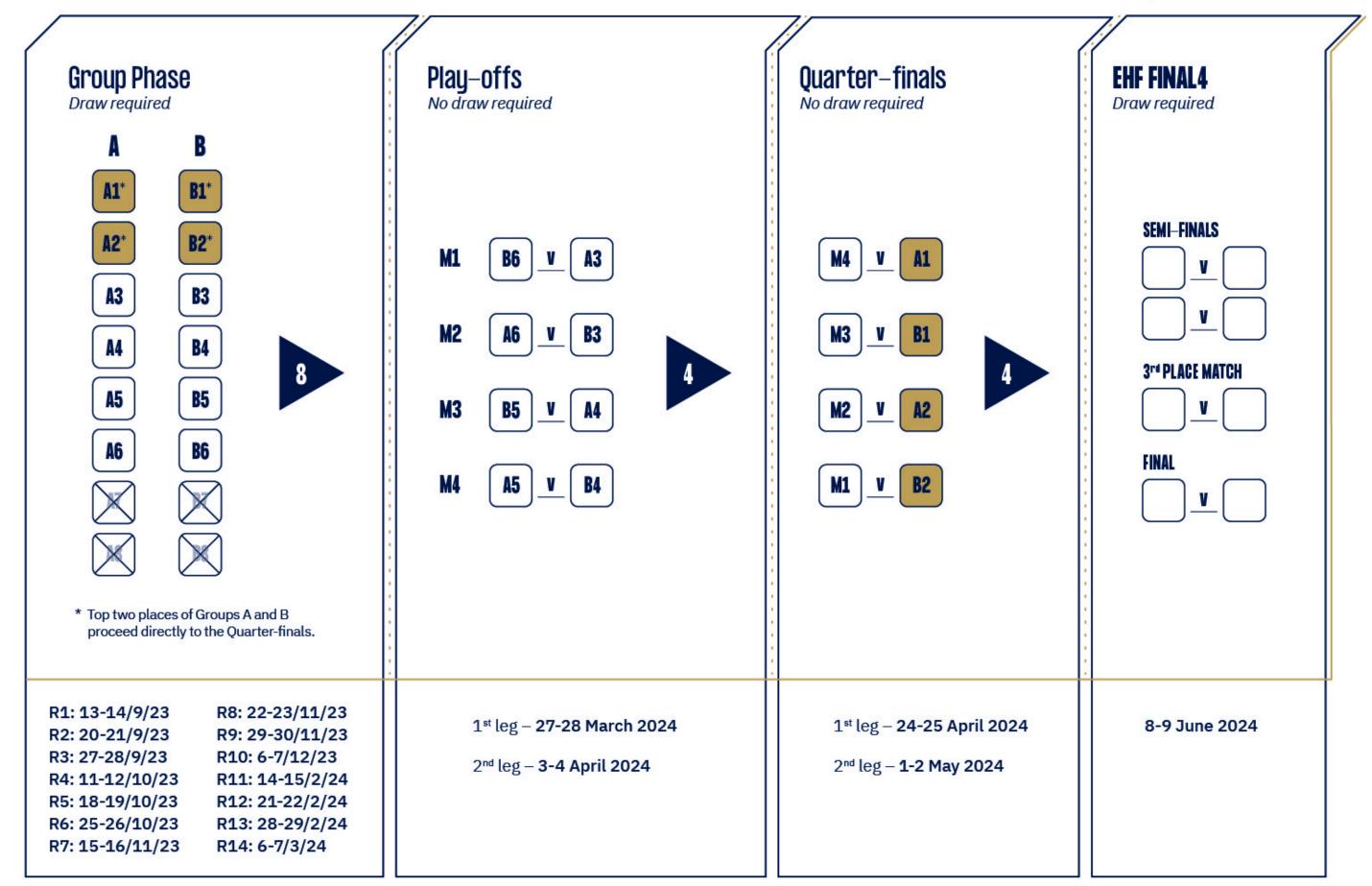
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MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE 2023/24 SEASON

Playing system and dates







The Machineseeker EHF Champions

including one featuring two teams

from the same country; four clubs

on 8/9 June in Cologne.

League play-offs contain four pairings,

have already qualified for the quarter-

finals; and five former champions are

among the 12 teams which reached the

knockout phase and are still in the race

for the TruckScout24 EHF FINAL4 2024

Here are many more numbers and stats

after the group phase as the competition

continues with the knockout phase.

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW AFTER THE GROUP PHASE

• teams won all matches and zero teams remained unbeaten in the group phase.

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sustainable trophy, designed in 2020 and showing the moment a ball hits the net, is the prize the 12 teams left in the 2023/24 competition are playing for.

- 1 group match was attended by more than 10,000 fans: 12,260 spectators came to watch HC Zagreb against Paris Saint-Germain Handball.
- 1 play-off pairing is contested by clubs from the same country, the same as in the previous season:
 OTP Bank Pick Szeged and Telekom Veszprém HC from Hungary.

- 1 team only managed to defend their trophy since the implementation of the EHF FINAL4 format in 2010, when Barça beat Aalborg Håndbold to the 2021 title and Industria Kielce the following year.
- 1 winner at the EHF FINAL4 has lifted the trophy both as player and coach: Filip Jicha, in 2010 and 2012 as player and in 2020 as coach and each time with THW Kiel.
- 2 players can win their fifth EHF Champions League title: Aitor Ariño and Gonzalo Pérez de Vargas (both Barça); Nikola Karabatic (Paris Saint-Germain HB), Ludovic Fabregas (Telekom Veszprém HC), and Ivan Cupic (HC Zagreb) are three-time winners with one of their former clubs.
- **4** (all) EHF FINAL4 2023 participants are still in the race this season: SC Magdeburg, Industria Kielce, Barça, and Paris Saint-Germain Handball.

of the 12 coaches still in competition have won the EHF Champions League as players: Talant Dujshebaev, Momir Ilic, Filip Jicha, and Bennet Wiegert.

- 5 (former) EHF Champions League winners, with 19 trophies in total, are part of the knockout phase: Barça (10), Kiel (four), Magdeburg, Montpellier (two each), and Kielce (one).
- 5 coaches of the 12 teams still in the competition have won the EHF Champions League as coaches: Carlos Ortega (coach of Barça/won with Barça), Talant Dujshebaev (Kielce/Ciudad Real and Kielce), Filip Jicha (Kiel/Kiel), Patrice Canayer (Montpellier/Montpellier), Bennet Wiegert (Magdeburg/Magdeburg), and Raul Gonzalez (PSG/Vardar).

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times only since the implementation in 2010 have the titleholders qualified for the EHF FINAL4 the next year: Barça in 2012, 2022, 2023; Kiel in 2013; Vardar in 2018.

- **5** people won the EHF Champions League as a player and a coach: Bennet Wiegert, Talant Dujshebaev, Roberto Parrondo, Filip Jicha, and Carlos Ortega.
- 6 countries are represented by the clubs that have won the EHF Champions League: Spain (16 titles), Germany (eight), France, North Macedonia (both two), Poland, and Slovenia (one each).

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group matches ended with a winning margin of 10 or more goals, compared to five such matches last season.

- 7 different nations are still represented in the competition: Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, and Poland by two clubs each, Spain and Croatia by one each.
- 8 of the 12 teams still in the competition have played at the EHF FINAL4 at least once in the past: Aalborg, Barça, Kiel, Kielce, Magdeburg, Montpellier, PSG, and Veszprém.

10 of the 12 teams still in competition were also part of the knockout phase last season.

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times have record champions Barça won the EHF Champions League: in 1995-2000, 2011, 2015, 2021, and 2022.

12 consecutive wins after losing their opening two matches earned defending champions Magdeburg the first place in group B, overtaking Barça in the the 14th and last round of the group phase.

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goals was the biggest winning margin in a group phase match, when Aalborg Håndbold defeated HC Eurofarm Pelister 38:23.

24 was the highest number of points gained by a team in the group phase: Magdeburg, ahead of Kiel and Barça who both finished on 22.

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times (including the current season)
record holders Zagreb have been part of the
EHF Champions League, ahead of
Veszprém (29), Celje (28), and Barça (27).

- **35** of the 122 group matches were attended by at least 5,000 fans, one match more than last year.
- **40** was the lowest number of goals in a group match, when Porto beat Montpellier 22:18.
- **53** times, 60 or more goals were scored in the 112 group matches, 11 less than the previous season.
- 63 matches in the group phase were won by the home team, while the away team took the points on 41 occasions.

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was the highest number of goals in a group match, when Veszprém beat Porto 44:34; Veszprém were also involved in a match with 77 goals, when they beat Barça 41:36.

- +64 was the best goal difference for a team after the group phase – for Barça; Magdeburg finished on +55, Veszprém on +53 as teams from group B dominated this ranking.
- **294** wins, 23 draws, and 65 defeats from 382 matches give Barça the lead in the all-time standings of the EHF Champions League since the competition was introduced in 1993/94.

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was the lowest number of goals conceded by a team in the entire group phase – by Zagreb; next in line were Kiel (379 goals) and Aalborg (382 goals).

489 goals scored by Veszprém made the Hungarian side the team with the best attack in the group phase, ahead of Barça (with 473 goals) and Magdeburg (439), all from group B.

6,610 goals were scored in the 112 group matches, an average of 59 per match – 398 less than the record-breaking last season; 3,184 goals were scored in group A and 3,426 in group B.

Top 3 of the group phase

Points:

24 SC Magdeburg

22 Barça22 THW Kiel

Goals scored:

489 Telekom Veszprém HC

473 Barça

439 SC Magdeburg

Goals conceded:

373 HC Zagreb

379 THW Kiel

382 Aalborg Håndbold

Most goals:

78 Telekom Veszprém HC vs FC Porto (44:34)
77 Barça vs Telekom Veszprém HC (36:41)

74 GOG vs Celje (38:36)

Most spectators:

12,260 HC Zagreb vs Paris Saint-Germain HB

9,021 THW Kiel vs HC Zagreb

8,900 Kolstad Handball vs Paris Saint-Germain HB

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN TWO TEAMS HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF POINTS

All matches shall be played in accordance with the IHF's current Rules of the Game. Variations on a technical level are possible. All matches of the play-offs and the quarter-finals shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes with a half-time break of 15 minutes.

The matches shall be scored as follows:

- a) win = 2 points
- b) draw = 1 point
- c) loss = 0 points

Teams' rankings are obtained by adding up the number of points won.

PLAY-OFF AND QUARTER-FINALS

If, after completion of the two matches, both clubs have won the same number of points (no overtime will be played), the teams' standings shall be determined by the following criteria:

- a) goal difference
- b) penalty throws

RULES FOR EXECUTION OF PENALTY THROWS

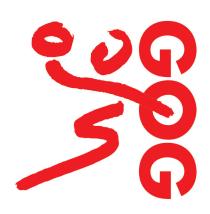
- > Prior to penalty throwing, each team shall name five players eligible to play at the end of the match by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws
- > The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may play as goalkeepers.
- > The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.
- > If scores are equal after the first round of penalty throwing, it shall be continued

- until a decision is reached. In the second round, the other team shall start. Again five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).
- > In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.
- > Eligible players are players entered in the match report who have not been disqualified or suspended at the time of the final whistle.
- > Serious infractions committed during penalty throwing shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be named supplementary.
- > While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing area.
- > If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.



I GOG VS INDUSTRIA KIELCE

FIRST LEG: WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2024, 18:45 CET, ODENSE (DEN)
SECOND LEG: WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL 2024, 18:45 CEST, KIELCE (POL)



- GOG finished fifth in group B, with 13 points, after recording six wins, one draw, and seven defeats
- highlights of their group phase campaign were wins against Veszprém (36:30) and Montpellier (32:27)
- they aim for their second straight quarter-final, after they beat Aalborg in the play-offs last season before losing to Barça
- GOG played the Last 16 under a previous format of the EHF Champions League twice, in 2004/05 and 2006/07
- Emil Madsen, last season's top scorer, is again leading the standings, with 91 goals from 14 matches
- GOG have never played before against Kielce



- Kielce advanced as the fourth-ranked team from group A with 16 points, with six wins, four draws, and four defeats
- two of their draws came in high-scoring games against the top-two teams of their group, Aalborg (35:35) and Kiel (36:36)
- Kielce made it all the way to the final in the last two seasons, but lost both times, against Barça in a shoot-out and against Magdeburg in overtime, respectively
- however, the Polish side did win the trophy in 2016, when they edged out Veszprém in a shoot-out in the final, 39:38
- their best scorer so far this season is Szymon Sicko, who netted 58 times in the group phase

I HC ZAGREB VS MONTPELLIER HB

FIRST LEG: WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2024, 20:45 CET, ZAGREB (CRO)

SECOND LEG: WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL 2024, 20:45 CEST, MONTPELLIER (FRA)



- Zagreb made it to the play-offs as the fifth-ranked team from group A, gathering 14 points from six wins and two draws
- they had their finest moment in the group phase when they defeated PSG 28:26, while other notable results included draws with Kielce (22:22) and Aalborg (30:30)
- Zagreb make their first appearance in the play-offs since 2020/21; they have not been to the quarter-finals since 2016
- their best results in the EHF Champions League remain their four finals from the 1990s, as they are yet to win the title
- Zagreb had the most efficient defence of the competition in the group phase, conceding 373 goals across 14 games



- Montpellier finished fourth in group B with 14 points, and have racked up just as many wins as defeats seven
- undoubted highlight of their group phase journey was the 37:34 away win against Barça, while they also beat GOG 36:35
- Montpellier are two-time champions, with 15 years between the two triumphs: 2003 and 2018
- coach Patrice Canayer, already in charge when Montpellier won that first title, is in his last season with the club
- they played the EHF Finals in Flensburg last season
- their best scorer in the group phase was Swedish right wing Sebastian Karlsson, who netted 63 times

1 OTP BANK - PICK SZEGED VS TELEKOM VESZPRÉM HC

FIRST LEG: THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2024, 18:45 CET, SZEGED (HUN)
SECOND LEG: THURSDAY 4 APRIL 2024, 18:45 CEST, VESZPRÉM (HUN)



- Szeged were the lowest-ranked team from group A to advance, finishing sixth with 13 points from six wins and a draw
- they defeated Kielce 26:25 and Aalborg 34:27 during the group phase, and earned a draw away in Kielce, 27:27
- Szeged appear in the play-offs for the fourth straight season
- they were beaten at this stage of the competition last season by Veszprém, the team they meet again this season
- their best European result is winning the EHF Cup 10 years ago; they played five quarter-finals in the EHF Champions League but have yet to compete at the EHF FINAL4
- right wing Mario Sostaric is their best scorer with 81 goals



- Veszprém were close to a direct quarter-final spot, but dropped to third after losing to Magdeburg in the last round
- that result marked their fourth defeat of the season, though they beat both Magdeburg and Barça in away games
- Veszprém are in their 16th consecutive season in the EHF Champions League knockout phase
- the Hungarian side have been to the EHF FINAL4 seven times, but never won it; last season, they lost to eventual finalists Kielce in the quarter-finals, 60:56 on aggregate
- no other team in the group phase scored more goals than Veszprém did in group B: 489

I ORLEN WISLA PLOCK VS PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN HANDBALL

FIRST LEG: THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2024, 20:45 CET, PLOCK (POL) SECOND LEG: THURSDAY 4 APRIL 2024, 20:45 CEST, PARIS (FRA)



- Plock secured their play-off spot only in the last round, edging out challengers Porto in a direct duel, 29:28
- highlights of their group phase campaign also included wins over Montpellier (22:18) and Veszprém (37:30)
- Plock hope to return to the quarter-finals, a year after they were eliminated at that stage by eventual champions Magdeburg
- other notable European achievements are reaching the EHF European League semi-finals twice, in 2021 and 2022
- with 376 goals scored and 386 conceded, Plock have the second-least efficient attack but also the third-best defence
- Tin Lucin is their leading scorer this season, with 72 goals



- PSG had an up-and-down campaign with eight wins and five defeats, and finished third in group A
- they defeated second-ranked Aalborg twice (32:30 and 33:30) and also had a comprehensive win over Kielce (35:26)
- PSG have reached the knockout phase in each of their 12 EHF Champions League seasons so far; they made it to the EHF FINAL4 six times in total, but are yet to win the title
- they played the final once in 2017, losing against Vardar, which were led by current PSG coach Raul Gonzalez
- in the final season of his career, Nikola Karabatic has one more chance to win his fourth title with four different clubs

| GOG vs Industria Kielce | | 0-0-0 | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| No previous er | counters in European club competitions | | | |
| HC Zagreb vs | Montpellier HB | 2-1-5 (202:220) | 5:11 | |
| 15.11.1998 | Badel 1862 Zagreb vs Montpellier HB, EHF C | Champions League – Group A | 25:24 (12:11) | |
| 12.12.1998 | Montpellier HB vs Badel 1862 Zagreb, EHF C | Champions League – Group A | 21:23 (10:11) | |
| 01.03.2003 | RK Zagreb vs Montpellier HB, EHF Champion | ıs League – Quarter-final | 28:28 (17:16) | |
| 09.03.2003 | Montpellier HB vs RK Zagreb, EHF Champion | | 34:25 (17:13) | |
| 24.10.2004 | RK Zagreb vs Montpellier HB, EHF Champion | | 27:30 (14:14) | |
| 14.11.2004 | Montpellier HB vs RK Zagreb, EHF Champion | · | 34:29 (21:13) 22:25 (13:12) | |
| 27.10.2021 01.12.2021 | Section 1997 and 199 | | | |
| OTP Bank - Pi | ck Szeged vs Telekom Veszprém HC | 0-0-2 (56:74) | 0:4 | |
| 22.03.2023 30.03.2023 | · | ém HC, Machineseeker EHF Champions League – Play-offs Szeged, Machineseeker EHF Champions League – Play-offs | 23:36 (7:20) 38:33 (17:16 | |
| Orlen Wisla P | ock vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball | 0-0-6 (160:187) | 0:12 | |
| 27.09.2015 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs Orlen Wisla | Plock, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 29:24 (16:13) | |
| 27.02.2016 | | ndball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 22:27 (12:16) | |
| 02.10.2016 | Paris Saint-Germain Handball vs Orlen Wisla | Plock, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 33:30 (15:15) | |
| 05.03.2017 | Orlen Wisla Plock vs Paris Saint-Germain Ha | ndball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A | 25:29 (11:14) | |
| 21.09.2022 | Paris Saint-Garmain Handball vs Orlan Wisla | Plock, Machineseeker EHF Champions League – Group A | 37:33 (18:16) | |
| | i alis Sailit-Germani Handball vs Orlen Wisla | riock, Machineseeker Erir Champions League – Group A | 37.33 (10.10) | |





GOG SSS

| Rank | Player | Club | Goals |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 | Emil Madsen (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 91 |
| 2 | Mitja Janc (SLO) | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško (SLO) | 87 |
| 3 | Aaron Mensing (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 85 |
| | Kamil Syprzak (POL) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 85 |
| 5 | Dika Mem (FRA) | Barça (ESP) | 82 |
| 6 | Mario Sostaric (CRO) | OTP Bank - Pick Szeged (HUN) | 81 |
| 7 | Niclas Ekberg (SWE) | THW Kiel (GER) | 80 |
| 8 | Sigvaldi Gudjonsson (ISL) | Kolstad Handball (NOR) | 79 |
| 9 | Ómar Ingi Magnússon (ISL) | SC Magdeburg (GER) | 75 |
| 10 | Sander Sagosen (NOR) | Kolstad Handball (NOR) | 73 |
| 11 | Tin Lucin (CRO) | Orlen Wisla Plock (POL) | 72 |
| 12 | Nedim Remili (FRA) | Telekom Veszprém HC (HUN) | 70 |
| 13 | Mads Hoxer (DEN) | Aalborg Håndbold (DEN) | 69 |
| 14 | Aleix Goméz (ESP) | Barça (ESP) | 68 |
| 15 | Felix Claar (SWE) | SC Magdeburg (GER) | 64 |
| 16 | Mikkel Hansen (DEN) | Aalborg Håndbold (DEN) | 63 |
| | Sebastian Karlsson (SWE) | Montpellier HB (FRA) | 63 |
| 18 | Bryan Monte (BRA) | Montpellier HB (FRA) | 62 |
| 19 | Elohim Prandi (FRA) | Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA) | 60 |
| | Nikolaj Læsø (DEN) | FC Porto (POR) | 60 |
| 21 | Luís Frade (POR) | Barça (ESP) | 58 |
| | Ludovic Fabregas (FRA) | Telekom Veszprém HC (HUN) | 58 |
| | Simen Lyse (NOR) | Kolstad Handball (NOR) | 58 |
| | Szymon Sicko (POL) | Industria Kielce (POL) | 58 |
| | Tim Cokan (SLO) | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško (SLO) | 58 |
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⁻ last updated: 7 March 2024 (after 2023/24 group phase)

⁻ **bold** = part of 2023/24 knockout phase (play-offs/quarter-finals)



107 COALS EMIL MADSEN GOG

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| 1,482 COALS |
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| KIRIL LAZAROV |
| retired / last club: HBC Nantes |
| HRC MANTES |

| Season | Player | Club | Goals |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------|
| 2022/23 | Emil Madsen (DEN) | GOG (DEN) | 107 |
| 2021/22 | Aleix Gómez (ESP) | Barça (ESP) | 104 |
| 2020/21 | Valero Rivera (ESP) | HBC Nantes (FRA) | 95 |
| 2019/20 | Niclas Ekberg (SWE) | THW Kiel (GER) | 85 |
| 2018/19 | Alex Dujshebaev (ESP) | PGE Vive Kielce (POL) | 99 |
| 2017/18 | Uwe Gensheimer (GER) | Paris Saint-Germain HB (FRA) | 92 |
| 2016/17 | Uwe Gensheimer (GER) | Paris Saint-Germain HB (FRA) | 115 |
| 2015/16 | Mikkel Hansen (DEN) | Paris Saint-Germain HB (FRA) | 141 |
| 2014/15 | Momir Ilić (SRB) | Telekom Veszprém HC (HUN) | 114 |
| 2013/14 | Momir Ilić (SRB) | Telekom Veszprém HC (HUN) | 103 |
| 2012/13 | Hans Lindberg (DEN) | HSV Hamburg (GER) | 101 |
| 2011/12 | Mikkel Hansen (DEN) | AG København (DEN) | 98 |
| 2010/11 | Uwe Gensheimer (GER) | Rhein-Neckar Löwen (GER) | 118 |
| 2009/10 | Filip Jicha (CZE) | THW Kiel (GER) | 119 |

| Player | Current / last club | Goals* |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Kiril Lazarov (MKD) | retired / HBC Nantes (FRA) | 1,482 |
| Nikola Karabatic (FRA) | Paris Saint-Germain HB (FRA) | 1,194 |
| Timur Dibirov (RUS) | HC Zagreb (CRO) | 1,163 |
| Mikkel Hansen (DEN) | Aalborg Håndbold (DEN) | 1,120 |
| | Kiril Lazarov (MKD) Nikola Karabatic (FRA) Timur Dibirov (RUS) | Kiril Lazarov (MKD) retired / HBC Nantes (FRA) Nikola Karabatic (FRA) Paris Saint-Germain HB (FRA) Timur Dibirov (RUS) HC Zagreb (CRO) |

^{*} last updated: 7 March 2024 (after 2023/24 group phase); goals scored in qualification do not count towards all-time ranking

| TR | Club | MP | W | D | L | GF:FA | GD | P | NP | % |
|----|------------------------------|-----|-----|----|-----|---------------|-------------|---------|------|--------|
| 1 | Barça ESP | 382 | 294 | 23 | 65 | 12,055:10,099 | +1,956 | 611:153 | (27) | 79,97% |
| 2 | Telekom Veszprém HC HUN | 364 | 240 | 21 | 103 | 10,859:9,824 | +1,035 | 501:227 | (28) | 68,82% |
| 3 | THW Kiel GER | 360 | 234 | 29 | 97 | 10,955:9843 | +1,112 | 497:223 | (26) | 69,03% |
| 4 | SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER | 252 | 146 | 21 | 85 | 7250:6828 | +422 | 313:191 | (17) | 62,10% |
| 5 | Industria Kielce POL | 244 | 142 | 22 | 80 | 7374:7026 | +348 | 306:182 | (17) | 62,70% |
| 6 | Montpellier HB FRA | 264 | 143 | 19 | 102 | 7595:7274 | +321 | 305:223 | (22) | 57,77% |
| 7 | HC Zagreb CRO | 344 | 133 | 37 | 174 | 8917:9154 | -237 | 303:385 | (30) | 44,04% |
| 8 | Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA | 200 | 133 | 13 | 54 | 6122:5577 | +545 | 279:121 | (13) | 69,75% |
| 9 | OTP Bank – PICK Szeged HUN | 262 | 123 | 22 | 117 | 7293:7290 | +3 | 268:256 | (21) | 51,15% |
| 10 | RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO | 288 | 120 | 15 | 153 | 8137:8218 | -81 | 255:321 | (25) | 44,27% |
| 11 | BM Atletico Madrid ESP | 144 | 111 | 5 | 28 | 4502:3803 | +699 | 227:61 | (10) | 78,82% |
| 12 | HC Vardar 1961 MKD | 188 | 83 | 21 | 84 | 5144:5241 | - 97 | 187:189 | (15) | 49,73% |
| 13 | Chekhovskie medvedi RUS | 176 | 75 | 18 | 83 | 5250:5200 | +50 | 168:184 | (18) | 47,73% |
| 14 | Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER | 134 | 72 | 17 | 45 | 3971:3774 | +197 | 161:107 | (9) | 60,08% |
| 15 | HSV Hamburg GER | 98 | 68 | 9 | 21 | 3088:2670 | +418 | 145:51 | (7) | 73,98% |
| 16 | Portland San Antonio ESP | 100 | 64 | 6 | 30 | 2929:2594 | +335 | 134:66 | (9) | 67,00% |
| 17 | Abanca Ademar Leon ESP | 122 | 61 | 8 | 53 | 3440:3386 | +54 | 130:114 | (12) | 53,28% |

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| 18 | Orlen Wisla Plock POL | 168 | 54 | 15 | 99 | 4456:4744 | -288 | 123:213 | (15) | 36,61% |
|-----|---------------------------|-----|----|----|----|-----------|------------|---------|------|--------|
| 19 | Aalborg Håndbold DEN | 128 | 54 | 11 | 63 | 3711:3769 | -58 | 119:137 | (9) | 46,48% |
| 20 | KIF Kolding Kobenhavn DEN | 118 | 54 | 9 | 55 | 3330:3361 | -31 | 117:119 | (12) | 49,58% |
| 21 | HC Motor UKR | 120 | 48 | 11 | 61 | 3394:3511 | -117 | 107:133 | (9) | 44,58% |
| 22 | SC Magdeburg GER | 72 | 48 | 6 | 18 | 2180:1998 | +182 | 102:42 | (6) | 70,83% |
| 23 | HBC Nantes FRA | 88 | 42 | 14 | 32 | 2649:2534 | +115 | 98:78 | (5) | 55,68% |
| 24 | HC Meshkov Brest BLR | 142 | 40 | 14 | 88 | 3842:4134 | -292 | 94:190 | (12) | 33,10% |
| 25 | GOG DEN | 104 | 41 | 8 | 55 | 3084:3160 | -76 | 90:118 | (11) | 43,27% |
| 27 | FC Porto POR | 94 | 31 | 10 | 53 | 2601:2761 | -160 | 72:116 | (7) | 38,30% |
| 67 | Kolstad Handball NOR | 14 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 393:401 | -8 | 11:17 | (1) | 39,29% |
| 115 | HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD | 20 | 1 | 0 | 19 | 472:612 | -140 | 2:38 | (2) | 5,00% |

⁻ last updated: 7 March 2024 (after 2023/24 group phase)

^{- (}x) = number of seasons played (including 2023/24)

⁻ x% = winning percentage

⁻ **bold** = part of 2023/24 knockout phase (play-offs/quarter-finals)

Biggest win:

- **31** HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- 29 ZTR Zaporozhye UKR @ AS Conversano 2003 ITA 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- **26** Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- 26 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP @ HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 17:43 (9:21), 19.11.2011
- 25 FC Barcelona ESP vs Hapoel Rishon Le Zion ISR 42:17 (18:10), 15.11.1997
- 25 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 43:18 (23:8), 09.02.2012

Biggest home win:

- **26** Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- 25 FC Barcelona ESP vs Hapoel Rishon Le Zion ISR 42:17 (18:10), 15.11.1997
- 25 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 43:18 (23:8), 09.02.2012
- 24 BM Ciudad Real ESP vs AS Conversano 2003 ITA 38:14 (19:8), 22.11.2003
- **24** RK Zagreb CRO vs Pelister Bitola MKD 37:13 (23:5), 16.10.2005
- 24 PGE Vive Kielce POL vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER 41:17 (21:8), 24.03.2018
- 24 Barça ESP vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 45:21 (21:13), 21.09.2019

Biggest away win:

- **31** HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- **29** ZTR Zaporozhye UKR @ AS Conversano 2003 ITA 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- 26 FC Barcelona Intersport ESP @ HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 17:43 (9:21), 19.11.2011
- 24 THW Kiel GER @ HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 26:50 (13:24), 22.10.2006
- 24 Chekhovskie Medvedi RUS @ AC PAOK GRE 22:46 (12:24), 03.03.2010
- 22 BM Ciudad Real ESP @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:39 (10:23), 06.03.2010
- 21 BM Ciudad Real ESP @ ASE Doukas GRE 21:42 (11:14), 18.10.2008
- 21 HSV Hamburg GER @ RK Partizan SRB 21:42 (10:24), 16.02.2013

Biggest lead at half-time:

- **18** RK Zagreb CRO vs Pelister Bitola MKD 37:13 (23:5), 16.10.2005
- **17** Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- **15** KIF Kolding Elite A/S DEN vs Wisla Plock SA POL 35:18 (19:4), 07.10.2006
- **15** MKB Veszprém KC HUN vs HC Bosna BH Gas BIH 35:18 (22:7), 14.11.2009
- **15** HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- 15 Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs HC Bosna BH Gas Sarajevo BIH 43:18 (23:8), 09.02.2012

Most goals one team:

- **50** THW Kiel GER @ HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 26:50 (13:24), 22.10.2006
- **48** HSV Hamburg GER @ Fyllingen Handball NOR 17:48 (10:25), 14.11.2009
- **47** THW Kiel GER vs CS HCM Constanta ROU 47:31 (24:18), 12.11.2006
- 47 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti ROU 47:32 ((22:15), 02.12.2021
- 46 MKB Veszprém KC HUN vs MSK SIRS Povazska Bystrica SVK 46:26 (20:14), 07.10.2006
- **46** MKB Veszprém KC HUN @ MSK SIRS Povazska Bystrica SVK 30:46 (16:22), 21.10.2006
- **46** Montpellier HB FRA vs AC PAOK GRE 46:20 (26:9), 04.10.2009
- 46 FC Barcelona Borges ESP vs KIF Kolding DEN 46:36 (23:19), 17.10.2009
- **46** Chekhovskie Medvedi RUS @ AC PAOK GRE 22:46 (12:24), 03.03.2010
- **46** Barça ESP @ Elverum Handball NOR 30:46 (15:23), 06.10.2022

Most goals both teams:

- **82** FC Barcelona Borges ESP vs KIF Kolding DEN 46:36 (23:19), 17.10.2009
- **81** FC Barcelona ESP vs THW Kiel GER 44:37 (19:20), 13.04.2008
- **80*** FC Barcelona ESP vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 39:41 (17:18, 32:32, 36:36), 31.05.2014

Fewest goals one team:

- **11** Aalborg Handball DEN vs FC Barcelona ESP 11:31 (5:16), 15.03.2015
- **12** AS Conversano 2003 ITA vs ZTR Zaporozhye UKR 12:41 (5:19), 29.11.2003
- **12** Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD vs FC Barcelona ESP 12:26 (8:15), 06.11.2004
- **13** THW Kiel GER @ Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO 22:13 (8:7), 25.03.2000
- 13 SO Chambery FRA @ Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 29:13 (13:5), 18.11.2001
- **13** Panellinios AC Athens GRE @ Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 19:13 (9:7), 17.11.2002
- **13** Pelister Bitola MKD @ RK Zagreb CRO 37:13 (23:5), 16.10.2005
- **13** Wisla Plock SA POL @ Chambery Savoie HB FRA 21:13 (10:7), 15.10.2006

Fewest goals both teams:

- 32 SG Wallau-Massenheim GER vs UHK West Wien AUT 17:15 (7:6), 20.03.1994
- 32 Fotex KC Veszprém HUN vs Panellinios AC Athens GRE 19:13 (9:7), 17.11.2002
- 33 Panellinios AC Athens GRE vs Fotex KC Veszprém HUN 16:17 (8:9), 30.11.2002
- **34** Chambery Savoie HB FRA vs Wisla Plock SA POL 21:13 (10:7), 15.10.2006
- **35** UHK West Wien AUT vs Celje 'Pivovarna Lasko' SLO 18:17 (6:10), 06.04.1994
- **35** Badel 1862 Zagreb CRO vs THW Kiel GER 22:13 (8:7), 25.03.2000
- 35 HC Metalurg MKD vs Elverum Handball NOR 18:17 (8:7), 24.09.2016

^{*} after shootout

Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to win a game:

- -9 KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL @ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR 27:28 (19:10), 18.02.2015
- **-7** HC Vardar MKD @ Barça Lassa ESP 27:29 (16:9), 01.06.2019
- -7 FC Porto POR @ RK Celje Pivovarna Laško SLO 29:30 (16:9), 20.09.2023
- -6 FC Porto Sofarma POR vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR 27:25 (9:15), 14.09.2019

Biggest deficit overcome after losing first half to draw a game:

- **-6** FC Barcelona ESP @ GOG Gudme DEN 22:22 (16:10), 14.02.1996
- -6 HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb CRO vs HC Vardar PRO MKD 28:28 (10:16), 07.10.2007
- -6 Pevafersa Valladolid ESP vs Pick Szeged HUN 35:35 (13:19), 27.02.2010
- -6 Naturhouse La Rioja ESP vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER 32:32 (13:19), 19.10.2013
- -6 Orlen Wisla Plock POL @ THW Kiel GER 24:24 (15:9), 03.12.2016
- -6 Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER vs FC Barcelona Lassa ESP 31:31 (12:18), 17.09.2017
- **-6** HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR vs HC Metalurg MKD 28:28 (12:18), 08.10.2017

Most goals one team in one half:

- **26** Kolding KIF DEN vs RK Partizan Belgrad SCG 2nd half 42:26 (16:13), 12.10.2003
- 26 Montpellier HB FRA vs AS Conversano 2003 ITA 2nd half 44:25 (18:14), 10.10.2004
- 26 MKB Veszprém KC HUN vs MSK SIRS Povazska Bystrica SVK 2nd half 46:26 (20:14), 07.10.2006
- 26 GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme DEN vs HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 2nd half 45:32 (19:15), 15.10.2006
- **26** THW Kiel GER @ HC Banik OKD Karvina CZE 2nd half 26:50 (13:24), 22.10.2006
- 25 FC Barcelona ESP vs Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO 2nd half 39:25 (14:14), 18.03.2000
- 25 FC Barcelona ESP vs THW Kiel GER 2nd half 44:37 (19:20), 13.04.2008
- 25 Barça Lassa ESP @ IFK Kristianstad SWE 2nd half 25:44 (14:19), 29.09.2018
- 25 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA @ Elverum Handball NOR 2nd half 29:44 (12:19)
- 25 Telekom Veszprém HC HUN vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti ROU 2nd half 47:32 (22:15), 02.12.2021
- 25 Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA vs GOG DEN 2nd half 41:36 (16:16), 23.11.2022

Most goals both teams in one half:

- **45** PGE Vive Kielce POL vs Barça Lassa ESP 2nd half 36:42 (15:18), 24.11.2018
- **45** Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA vs GOG DEN 2nd half 41:36 (16:16), 23.11.2022
- 44 Sportclub Magdeburg GER vs Wisla Plock SSA POL 2nd half 40:32 (17:11), 16.11.2002

Fewest goals one team in one half:

- **4** Kolding IF DEN @ TEKA Santander ESP 1st half 28:16 (16:4), 25.01.1995
- **4** Granitas Kaunas LTU vs ABC Braga POR 1st half 16:22 (4:12), 10.11.1996
- **4** Schachtjor Donetsk UKR @ ABC Braga POR 1st half 21:15 (11:4), 16.11.1996
- 4 Vardar Vatrost. Skopje MKD vs FC Barcelona ESP 2nd half 12:26 (8:15), 06.11.2004
- 4 Wisla Plock SA POL @ KIF Kolding Elite A/S DEN 1st half 35:18 (19:4), 07.10.2006
- **4** RK Gorenje Velenje SLO vs Pick Szeged HUN 1st half 17:29 (4:14), 03.10.2007
- **4** HC Vardar MKD vs THW Kiel GER 1st half 20:31 (4:16), 12.10.2019
- 4 FC Porto POR @ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA 1st half 33:19 (18:4), 18.11.2021

Fewest goals both teams in one half:

- **13** SG Wallau-Massenheim vs UHK West Wien AUT 1st half 17:15 (7:6), 20.03.1994
- 14 Riihimäen Cocks FIN vs Abanca Ademar Leon ESP 2nd half 19:19 (13:11), 12.09.2018

Longest winning run:

| Barça 2 | 2 matches (21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020) |
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14 matches (04.02.2021 – 23.09.2021)

Longest unbeaten run:

22 matches (21.09.2019 – 28.12.2020)

BM Ciudad Real **20** matches (23.10.2005 – 24.02.2007)

Longest losing run:

HC Eurofarm Pelister **18** matches (16.10.2005 – 06.03.2024)

HC PPD Zagreb **17** matches (01.03.2020 – 22.09.2021)

RK Celje Pivovarna Laško **17** matches (15.02.2023 – 07.03.2024)

Longest run without win:

HC PPD Zagreb **22** matches (01.03.2020 – 17.11.2021)

Wacker Thun **20** matches (21.09.2013 – 29.11.2018)

HC Eurofarm Pelister **18** matches (16.10.2005 – 06.03.2024)



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