

Singaporeâ??s women qualify for the 2027 World Floorball Championships in Turku, then lose the Chonburi final 5-2 to Japan

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Singaporeâ??s womenâ??s floorball team will play at the World Floorball Championships in Turku, Finland, from 3 to 11 December 2027, after winning all three group games at the Asia-Oceania qualifiers in Chonburi, Thailand. Their run ended in Saturdayâ??s title match on 21 November, when Japan beat them 5-2 to finish the five-day tournament unbeaten.

Eight teams went to Chonburi chasing four places in Turku, and Singapore had theirs sealed by Thursday, two days before the final.

How the group was won

Singapore opened Group F on 17 November by beating Malaysia 15-0. The next day brought the real test. Australia had also won their opener, 10-3 against Korea, and Singapore came through 5-3 in a much tighter game that left them with four points from two.

Korea were beaten 9-0 on 19 November. That made it three wins from three, six points, 29 goals scored and three conceded, and top spot in Group F. Finishing first sent Singapore straight into the final and into the World Championships, without needing the play-offs.

Japan took the same route out of Group E. They scored 20 without reply against Hong Kong, China, beat New Zealand 7-1 and drew 1-1 with hosts Thailand, finishing level on five points with Thailand but top on goal difference.

The final, and who else is going

The title match brought the two group winners together, and Japan were the stronger side, winning 5-2. Singaporeâ??s three-game winning run ended there, but the silver changed nothing about Turku.

Australia and Thailand took the other two places through Fridayâ??s play-offs. Australia beat New Zealand 7-4, and Thailand beat Malaysia 7-2 before beating Australia 3-1 for third. Malaysia edged New Zealand 4-3 for fifth.

Before the tournament, the team picked out four players for the International Floorball Federationâ??s preview. They named Cherlyn Fan (No 30) as their young player to watch, Nayli Daniel Khalid (No 17) as their strongest defender, Nasha Jeffri (No 7) as their most skilful player and Lim Zhi Yan (No 1) as the player who best represents fair play.

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Singaporeâ??s men celebrate during their match against New Zealand at the Asia-Oceania qualifiers for the 2026 World Championships in January 2026. Photo: Hamish Black / IFF

A busy stretch for Singapore floorball

The men go first. Singapore topped their group at the Asia-Oceania qualifiers in January to reach the Menâ??s World Floorball Championships in Tampere, Finland, which run from 5 to 13 December 2026. They had missed the 2024 edition in MalmÃ¶, and their last finish at the championships was 16th in 2022.



Singaporeâ??s under-19 women against Australia at the qualifiers in Mandurah in January 2026. Photo: Banworth Photos / IFF

The age-group sides are moving too. The under-19 women qualified in Mandurah, Australia, in January for a second straight Under-19 World Championships, after finishing 11th on debut in Lahti in 2024. The under-19 men went unbeaten as hosts at the Asia-Oceania qualifiers at Our Tampines Hub in August, beating Japan 6-3, and play the 2027 Under-19 World Championships in Riga, Latvia, in February.

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Singaporeâ??s under-19 men as Asia-Oceania qualifier champions at Our Tampines Hub in August 2026. Photo: Dawn Kiddos Creative Studio / IFF

Singapore will also host the Menâ??s Under-19 World Floorball Championships in 2028, the first time a junior world championship, menâ??s or womenâ??s, will be played in Asia.

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