

Field hockey – Scotland name World League squad

Edinburgh University, Grove Menzieshill and Clydesdale Western provide nine of the squad for Scotland in the World League semi-final in Brussels from 21 June to 2 July 2017.

☒ Places in the Hockey World Cup 2018 are up for grabs and Scotland face World No 1 ranked Netherlands in their opener before facing China, Italy, and Korea in Pool A for quarter final places. Pool B sees Australia, Belgium, New Zealand, Spain, and Malaysia competing for places in the latter stages of the tournament.

Scotland qualified for the tournament after finishing third in February's World League 2 in Valencia beating Ghana, Poland, Russia and Ukraine on the way.

Dundee-born but Glasgow based coach Gordon Shepherd said: "The squad has worked extremely hard over the last few weeks and this has made the final selection for the World League semi-finals very difficult. Some tough decisions had to be taken.

"There are changes to the squad that was successful in qualifying from World League 2 in Valencia in February and this shows the depth of talent we have within the training squad. We are confident the squad can do what is required to have a successful tournament."

Scotland: Nicola Cochrane (Beeston), Amy Gibson (Reading HC), Kareena Cuthbert (Western Wildcats), Rebecca Ward and Charlotte Watson (both Dundee Wanderers), Amy Costello (Birmingham University HC), Robyn Collins (Surbiton HC), Sarah Robertson, Amy Brodie, Becky Merchant (all Edinburgh University), Nikki Lloyd (Wimbledon), Kate Holmes (Clifton HC), Nicola Skrastin, Katie Robertson and Sarah Jamieson (Grove Menzieshill), Ali Howie, Millie Brown and Fiona Burnet

(all Clydesdale Western)