



27th IHF Women's World Championship 2025

Group A, 2. round



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THE NETHERLANDS & GERMANY 2025

Play by play

Match No. 4

Romania 31 - 27 Japan

(16 - 14) (15 - 13)

29.11.2025. 18:00

Attendance: 2035

Ahoy Arena

Referees: Ramesh Thiyagarajah (GER) / Suresh Thiyagarajah (GER)

Time	Romania	Result	GKo	Sup.	Def.	Japan
1. period						
1'	GROZAV S. (99) Earned suspension	0:0			4-2	
1'	SERAFICEANU S. (30) from Right Wing saved				6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
2'	POPA A. (70) Pass for clear chance				6-0	
2'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)				6-0	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Breakthrough saved
2'	OSTASE L. (27) Earned 7m penalty				6-0	
2'					6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Committed 7m penalty
3'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Penalty (7m) (71 km/h)	1:0			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
3'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)				6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) from Left Wing saved
3'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Pass for clear chance
3'	BOICIUC A. (24) from Center Back saved				6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
3'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) from Center Back miss.
4'	SERAFICEANU S. (30) Goal from Right Wing (75 km/h)	2:0			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
4'	POPA A. (70) Assist				6-0	
4'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	2:1			6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Goal Breakthrough (77 km/h)
5'	BOICIUC A. (24) from Left Back saved				6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
5'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	2:2			6-0	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Goal Breakthrough (50 km/h)
5'					6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Assist
5'	NECULA I. (17) Goal from Left Back (93 km/h)	3:2			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
6'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)				6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Breakthrough saved
7'	KEREKES E. (44) Goal from Left Wing (75 km/h)	4:2			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
7'	BOICIUC A. (24) Assist				6-0	
7'					6-0	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Technical Fault
8'	BOICIUC A. (24) Technical Fault				6-0	
8'					6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Steal
8'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	4:3			6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Goal Fastbreak (30 km/h)
8'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
9'	NECULA I. (17) from Center Back miss.				6-0	
9'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	4:4			6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Goal from Center Back (70 km/h)
10'					6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Technical Fault
10'	POPA A. (70) from Center Back miss.				6-0	
10'	GROZAV S. (99) Technical Fault				6-0	
10'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	4:5			6-0	AKIYAMA N. (20) Goal from Right Wing (67 km/h)
10'					6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Assist
11'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal from Center Back (76 km/h)	5:5			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
11'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	5:6			6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Goal from Left Wing (72 km/h)
11'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
11'	GROZAV S. (99) Technical Fault				6-0	
12'					6-0	ISHIKAWA S. (89) Technical Fault
12'	KEREKES E. (44) Steal				6-0	
12'	POPA A. (70) Earned 7m penalty				6-0	
12'					6-0	ISHIKAWA S. (89) Committed 7m penalty
13'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Penalty (7m) (90 km/h)	6:6			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)
13'					6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Technical Fault
13'	GROZAV S. (99) Steal				6-0	
13'	KEREKES E. (44) Goal Fastbreak (76 km/h)	7:6			6-0	(GK: Kametani S.)

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1. period						
14'	POPA A. (70) Assist				6-0	
14'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	7:7			6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Goal Penalty (7m) (82 km/h)
14'					6-0	ISHIKAWA S. (89) Earned 7m penalty
14'	SKROBIC M. (19) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
14'	POPA A. (70) Technical Fault				6-0	
15'					6-0	ISHIKAWA S. (89) Technical Fault
15'	KEREKES E. (44) Steal				6-0	
16'	GROZAV S. (99) from Left Back saved				4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
16'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	7:8			6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal from Center 6m (28 km/h)
16'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
16'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Center 6m (68 km/h)	8:8			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
16'	GROZAV S. (99) Assist				4-2	
16'					6-0	ISHIKAWA S. (89) from Center 6m miss.
17'	NECULA I. (17) from Center Back block				4-2	
17'					4-2	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Blocked shot
17'	NECULA I. (17) Suspension			B+1	In tr.	
17'				B+1	6-0	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Earned suspension
18'				B+1	6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Technical Fault
18'	KEREKES E. (44) Steal			B+1	6-0	
18'	GROZAV S. (99) from Left Back saved		GK out	B+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
19'	OSTASE L. (27) Technical Fault		GK out	B+1	4-2	
19'	LASLO C. (13) Pass for clear chance			B+1	6-0	
19'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	8:9		B+1	6-0	AKIYAMA N. (20) Goal from Right Wing (61 km/h)
19'				B+1	6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Assist
20'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal from Left Back (75 km/h)	9:9	GK out		4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
20'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	9:10			6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal from Right 6m (80 km/h)
20'					6-0	OHMATSUZAWA A. (17) Assist
20'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Breakthrough (64 km/h)	10:10			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
21'					6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Earned 7m penalty
21'	ROȘU E. (42) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
21'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	10:11			6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Goal Penalty (7m) (74 km/h)
21'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Left Back (61 km/h)	11:11			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
22'					6-0	MATSUURA M. (37) Technical Fault
22'	MIHAILA O. () Yellow card				In tr.	
23'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Center 6m (79 km/h)	12:11			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
23'	SKROBIC M. (19) Steal				6-0	
23'				A+1	In tr.	SASAKI H. (32) Suspension
23'	GROZAV S. (99) Earned suspension			A+1	4-2	
23'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Center 6m (65 km/h)	13:11		A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
23'	GROZAV S. (99) Assist			A+1	4-2	
23'				A+1	In tr.	Team Timeout
24'			GK out	A+1	6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Technical Fault
24'	SKROBIC M. (19) Long Distance miss.			A+1	4-2	
25'			GK out	A+1	6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Technical Fault
25'	SKROBIC M. (19) Steal			A+1	6-0	
25'	GROZAV S. (99) Long Distance miss.			A+1	4-2	
25'	(GK: Curmenț B.)				6-0	MATSUURA M. (37) Breakthrough saved
26'	OSTASE L. (27) Technical Fault		GK out		4-2	

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1. period						
26'	LASLO C. (13) Pass for clear chance		GK out		6-0	
26'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	13:12			6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Goal from Left Wing (65 km/h)
26'					6-0	GRAY C. (55) Assist
27'	LASLO C. (13) from Right Back miss.		GK out		4-2	
27'	(Empty goal)		GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) from Center 6m saved
27'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	13:13	GK out		6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal from Center 6m (85 km/h)
28'			GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Assist
28'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal Long Distance (43 km/h)	14:13			4-2	(Empty goal)
28'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	14:14	GK out		6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Goal from Left Wing (67 km/h)
28'			GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Assist
28'	GROZAV S. (99) Technical Fault				4-2	
29'			GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Technical Fault
29'	ROȘU E. (42) Goal Breakthrough (66 km/h)	15:14			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
30'			GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Earned 7m penalty
30'	BOICIUC A. (24) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
30'	(GK: Curmenț B.)		GK out		6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Penalty (7m) saved
30'	Team Timeout				In tr.	
30'	NECULA I. (17) Goal from Center Back (76 km/h)	16:14			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
2. period						
31'			GK out		6-0	GRAY C. (55) Earned 7m penalty
31'	MIHAI M. (2) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
31'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	16:15	GK out		6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal Penalty (7m) (90 km/h)
32'	BOICIUC A. (24) from Center Back saved				4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
33'			GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Technical Fault
33'	ELGHAOUI A. (6) from Left 6m post				4-2	
33'	BOICIUC A. (24) Pass for clear chance				6-0	
33'	SKROBIC M. (19) Suspension			B+1	In tr.	
33'			GK out	B+1	6-0	GRAY C. (55) Earned suspension
34'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	16:16	GK out	B+1	6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Goal from Left Wing (76 km/h)
34'				B+1	6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Assist
35'	BOICIUC A. (24) Goal Breakthrough (77 km/h)	17:16	GK out	B+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
35'				B+1	6-0	AKIYAMA N. (20) from Right Wing post
35'				B+1	4-2	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Pass for clear chance
36'	ELGHAOUI A. (6) Technical Fault		GK out		4-2	
37'			GK out		6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) from Center Back block
37'	(GK: Curmenț B.)		GK out		6-0	SASAKI H. (32) from Center Back saved
37'	SKROBIC M. (19) Blocked shot				6-0	
37'				A+1	In tr.	SAHARA N. (19) Suspension
37'	NECULA I. (17) Earned suspension			A+1	4-2	
37'	POPA A. (70) Breakthrough saved			A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
38'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	17:17	GK out	A+1	6-0	HATSUMI M. (3) Goal from Left 6m (63 km/h)
38'				A+1	6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
38'	KEREKES E. (44) Goal from Left Wing (72 km/h)	18:17		A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
38'	NECULA I. (17) Assist			A+1	4-2	
39'	(GK: Curmenț B.)		GK out		6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) from Left Wing saved
39'	POPA A. (70) Goal Long Distance (28 km/h)	19:17			4-2	(Empty goal)
40'			GK out		6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Earned 7m penalty

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2. period						
40'	ELGHAOUI A. (6) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
40'	MIHAILA O. () Suspension			B+1	In tr.	
40'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	19:18	GK out	B+1	6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal Penalty (7m) (71 km/h)
40'	POPA A. (70) Goal Breakthrough (76 km/h)	20:18	GK out	B+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
41'				B+1	6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) from Left Wing post
42'	ELGHAOUI A. (6) Technical Fault		GK out		4-2	
43'			GK out		6-0	SAHARA N. (19) Technical Fault
43'	LASLO C. (13) Technical Fault				4-2	
43'					4-2	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Steal
43'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	20:19			6-0	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Goal Fastbreak (61 km/h)
44'					6-0	MATSUURA M. (37) Assist
44'	ROȘU E. (42) Breakthrough saved				4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
44'					In tr.	Team Timeout
44'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	20:20	GK out		6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Goal Breakthrough (82 km/h)
44'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
45'	MIHAI M. (2) Goal from Right Wing (73 km/h)	21:20			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
45'	ROȘU E. (42) Assist				4-2	
45'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	21:21			6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Goal Breakthrough (74 km/h)
46'	NECULA I. (17) Goal from Center Back (85 km/h)	22:21			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
46'					6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Technical Fault
46'				A+1	In tr.	GRAY C. (55) Suspension
46'	MIHAI M. (2) Goal from Right Wing (74 km/h)	23:21		A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
47'	ROȘU E. (42) Assist			A+1	4-2	
47'			GK out	A+1	6-0	SASAKI H. (32) from Center Back post
48'	ROȘU E. (42) Goal Long Distance (22 km/h)	24:21		A+1	4-2	(Empty goal)
48'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	24:22	GK out	A+1	6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Goal Breakthrough (66 km/h)
48'	MIHAI M. (2) from Right Wing saved		GK out		4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
48'	ROȘU E. (42) Pass for clear chance				6-0	
49'			GK out		6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Technical Fault
49'	LASLO C. (13) Technical Fault				4-2	
50'	(GK: Curmenț B.)	24:23			6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Goal from Left Back (57 km/h)
51'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Center 6m (72 km/h)	25:23			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
51'	NECULA I. (17) Assist				4-2	
51'					6-0	MATSUURA M. (37) Technical Fault
52'	GROZAV S. (99) Breakthrough saved				4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
52'					6-0	MATSUURA M. (37) Earned 7m penalty
52'	ROȘU E. (42) Committed 7m penalty				6-0	
53'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)				6-0	GRAY C. (55) Penalty (7m) saved
53'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	25:24			6-0	NAKAYAMA K. (13) Goal Breakthrough (80 km/h)
53'	OSTASE L. (27) Earned 7m penalty				4-2	
53'					4-2	GRAY C. (55) Committed 7m penalty
54'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Penalty (7m) (85 km/h)	26:24			4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
54'					6-0	GRAY C. (55) Earned suspension
54'	ROȘU E. (42) Suspension			B+1	In tr.	
54'				B+1	4-2	AIZAWA N. (23) Pass for clear chance
54'				B+1	6-0	AKIYAMA N. (20) from Right Wing post
55'	Team Timeout			B+1	In tr.	
55'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Breakthrough (88 km/h)	27:24	GK out	B+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)

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2. period						
55'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	27:25		B+1	6-0	GRAY C. (55) Goal from Center 6m (75 km/h)
55'				B+1	6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Assist
56'	GROZAV S. (99) Assist		GK out	B+1	4-2	
56'	POPA A. (70) Goal Breakthrough (65 km/h)	28:25	GK out	B+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
56'				B+1	In tr.	Team Timeout
56'					6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Breakthrough post
57'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Left 6m (74 km/h)	29:25	GK out		4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
57'	GROZAV S. (99) Assist				4-2	
57'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	29:26			6-0	AIZAWA N. (23) Goal Breakthrough (74 km/h)
58'	GROZAV S. (99) Earned suspension				4-2	
58'				A+1	In tr.	YOSHIDOME Y. (51) Suspension
58'	OSTASE L. (27) Goal from Center 6m (66 km/h)	30:26		A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
58'	GROZAV S. (99) Assist			A+1	4-2	
59'			GK out	A+1	6-0	SASAKI H. (32) Earned 7m penalty
59'	POPA A. (70) Committed 7m penalty			A+1	6-0	
59'			GK out	A+1	6-0	AKIYAMA N. (20) Penalty (7m) miss.
59'				A+2	In tr.	HATSUMI M. (3) Suspension
60'	SERAFICEANU S. (30) from Right Wing saved			A+2	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)
60'	GROZAV S. (99) Pass for clear chance			A+2	6-0	
60'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)	30:27	GK out	A+1	Press.	GRAY C. (55) Goal from Right 6m (78 km/h)
60'			GK out	A+1	Press.	SASAKI H. (32) Assist
60'	GROZAV S. (99) Technical Fault			A+1	4-2	
60'	(GK: Dumanska Y.)		GK out	A+1	Press.	RYU S. (29) Fastbreak saved
60'	GROZAV S. (99) Goal Breakthrough (73 km/h)	31:27		A+1	4-2	(GK: Kametani S.)

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