



Samsung Hockey World Cup - Women

Wednesday 4 October

14:30

Korea 0

USA 1

- 70'** HALF TIME: USA record an impressive victory to earn a spot in the 5-8 classification matches
- 70'** The high flick to the left flick by OH is easily covered by the USA GK
- 70'** KOR PC
- 68'** KOR unable to break through
- 66'** USA looking to play the ball up to their attacking end
- 63'** USA look good with better control of the play
- 61'** USA under pressure around their circle but with numbers behind the ball, KOR have no way through
- 58'** Young Soon PARK flicks high over the crossbar
- 57'** KOR PC. USA concede a soft PC with KOR finding the foot of a defender just inside the circle on the right near the backline
- 57'** KOR struggling to create the scoring chances they need to convert twice with the USA looking solid
- 56'** USA hanging on - they can afford to concede a goal and still make the 5-8 classifications
- 52'** Chances for teams at both ends but a foot (USA) and then a wild shot (KOR) ensures the GKs are not called into action
- 50'** A lack of strength on the ball allows KOR to slice through the centre of the pitch and set up Na Hyun PARK on the left. However she takes too long to shoot and USA arrive in cover to steal the ball. Good chance wasted by KOR
- 47'** KOR are now being forced back when in possession to look for options as USA tightens their marking
- 43'** DOTON drifts around to the right and receives the ball but her shot is kicked away by the KOR GK
- 43'** USA PC. Error by KOR defence allows SMITH to force a PC
- 41'** TRAN again forced to save from USA with Ko Woon OH finding space between two USA defenders to shoot
- 39'** USA haven't been able to settle into their rhythm after the break with KOR worrying them in attack
- 39'** KOR create a 3-on-2 but lose control inside the circle with a shot beckoning
- 36'** The first shot is saved by USA GK Amy TRAN and then the rebound is blocked as well by the USA custodian
- 36'** KOR PC
- 36'** Second half underway

35' HALF TIME: USA with an important goal close to half time to put them into a great position

34' USA on the front foot with the goal providing a further boost. KOR have had to defend for much of the past two minutes

**** Goal: Kate BARBER (USA) ****

31' USA Goal. Well-constructed goal for USA with Rachel DAWSON firing a long ball into the circle which was then touched by Angie LOY before falling to Kate BARGER near the penalty spot. BARBER didn't waste the chance with a squeeze shot over the falling KOR GK

29' KOR now have the ascendancy as the USA struggles for control when in possession

26' A tough midfield battle has developed with neither team giving much room to their opposition

24' KOR starting to have more ball inside USA territory

23' KOR create a chance in attack with a free hit near the edge of the circle but a loose pass gives USA possession

21' KOR not having many chances with the ball in attack with USA doing a good job of restricting their space

19' The danger of KOR illustrated with a swift counter attack down the left that had the USA stretched. Thankfully for them, DOTON arrived in cover to gain possession inside their defensive circle

17' Another good chance for USA with BARBAR and RIZZO combining down the right to enter the KOR circle. However play broke down and USA could not get a powerful shot at goal. Good signs however for USA who are working extremely hard

15' Ju Yong KIM makes a good block after a long pass from Kelly DOTON found Dina RIZZO inside the circle on the left. RIZZO tried to turn and shoot but the KOR GK closed down the option

14' Fact-paced play with the teams appearing evenly matched thus far

13' Good interception from Kate BARBER stops KOR after they had found open space down the spine of the pitch with the dangerous Mi Hyun PARK in possession

11' Keli SMITH makes good position to receive the pass but her pivot and shot is well wide of the left post

11' Tense start to the match with USA now in possession with a free hit on the edge of the KOR circle

10' USA only need a draw from this match to advance to the 5-8 classification matches

10' Apologies for the delayed start to the live commentary for this match. Ten minutes have elapsed with the score at nil-all

0' The umpires for this match are Lin MIAO (CHN) and Marelize de KLERK (RSA)