



**International Inline Skater Hockey Federation**

## **Communication 2022-02**

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## **1. IISHF Men Challenge Cup 2022 with 12 teams.**

The IISHF Presidium has decided to expand the number of participating teams from 10 to 12 at the IISHF Men Challenge Cup 2022. The teams Samurai Iserlohn from Germany and IHC Aire La-Ville from Switzerland will now also take part in the event hosted by SHC Rockets Essen, Germany on 10-12.06.2022.

## **2. IISHF Men European Cup with replacement team.**

The IISHF Presidium has decided that Crash Eagles Kaarst from Germany will replace Samurai Iserlohn from Germany participating at the IISHF Men European Cup 2022 in the event hosted by SHC Rossemaison, Switzerland on 18-21.08.2022.

## **3. IISHF Title Events 2022 with updated final selection.**

Attached please find the updated final selection and ranking of the teams for the IISHF Title Events 2022. The ranking and selection of teams for the IISHF European Cups has been done according to article 18.5 IISHF Regulations.

## **4. Full penalty minutes at all IISHF Title Events 2022**

The IISHF Presidium has decided that all games will be played with full penalty minutes at all IISHF Title Events 2022. This will be mentioned in the IISHF Tournament Regulations and hereby also include any games with less than 30 minutes playing time.

## **5. Time Schedules for selected IISHF Title Events 2022 in regards to playing Friday.**

IISHF has considered the feedback received from the NMA's in regards to playing Friday evening games. Attached please find an overview of the feedback received as of 13.01.2022.

**Men Challenge Cup 2022:** 5 teams ready to play with the option for 2 games.

**U19 European Cup 2022:** 0 teams ready to play so no Friday evening games.

**U16 European Cup 2022:** 3 teams ready to play with the option for 1 game.

**U13 European Cup 2022:** 2 teams ready to play with the option for 1 game.

IISHF will consult with the hosting clubs Crash Eagles Kaarst (U16 European Cup) and Crefelder SC (U13 European Cup) if they are capable of hosting just a single game Friday evening. IISHF will also consult with the hosting clubs when there are 2 games if they want to play the first or the second game.

Attached please find three examples of a general IISHF Title Event setup for 10 teams. With games being played only Saturday and Sunday with either a) 2x10 minutes or b) 2x12 minutes lengths in the group stage. Option c) presents an example with two games being played on Friday and then all games in the group stage are being played 2x12 minutes.

In addition we hereby ask our NMA if the teams that are currently not willing to play Friday at the above mentioned Title Events would reconsider their position in order to have at least two games being played Friday evening and all games in the group stage thereby extended to 2x12 minutes length. **The response should be delivered by the NMA's to [office@iisfh.com](mailto:office@iisfh.com)** no later than Saturday 05.02.2022. The response should be a Yes or No for each participating team from that NMA at any given IISHF Title Event.

In accordance with IISHF Regulations it is not mandatory for teams to play games Friday on an official 2-Day Title Event, however if at least 1 or better 2 games can be played Friday evening this positively affects the length of all games in the group stage as described above and evident from the draft schedules.

The IISHF has a preference for the hosting club to play on the Opening night in case the hosting club permits Friday evening games and an Opening Ceremony was agreed to take place on Friday.

## **6. Time Schedule for IISHF Men Challenge Cup.**

With now 12 teams for this Title Event a new tournament setup with 3 groups with 4 teams will be used since this is basically a two day event. This setup has 34 games so it's possible to complete the event within the given timeframe and games in the group stage being played 2x12 minutes. The quarterfinalist comprise all teams placed 1 and 2 in their respective groups plus the 2 best "third teams" among all three "third teams". The third best "third team" and the three teams placed 4 will play for the positions 9-12 in the final tournament ranking. Attached please find a preview.

## **7. Time Schedule for IISHF Women European Cup.**

For the Women European Cup with 8 participating teams please find attached two options for the tournament setup:

- **Proposal 1:** The traditional setup with 2 groups with 4 teams playing all games 2x15 minutes and deciding games Sunday where the quarterfinals matching the 2 groups.
- **Proposal 2:** New setup with 2 groups with 4 teams and then mixing the 2 groups in a second round. This setup giving an advantage to the teams performance in the 2 group stages before the deciding games. There are 2 versions available of this setup one with games 2x12 minutes and one with all games of 2x15 minutes length.

IISHF will take time at the AGM 2022 to evaluate the tournament setup with NMA's before making a final decision. NMA's are welcome to deliver their feedback before the AGM in that case latest Saturday 12.02.2022

## **8. Time Schedules for IISHF European Cups – general clarification at AGM 2022.**

The IISHF Presidium will discuss with the NMA's at the AGM 2022 their preferences to tournament setup including the following topics:

- Should the Final game at the European Cups be 2x15 minutes or 3x15 minutes.
- How early can games start and how late can they finish.
- Preference for 2x10 minutes vs. 2x12 minutes when playing with 10 teams.
- Preference for running time vs. stopped time.

NMA's are welcome to deliver their feedback before the AGM in that case latest Saturday 12.02.2022

## **9. Usage of IISHF web- and tournament resources for Title Events**

As published in the IISHF Communication Letter 2021-19 as of 04.10.2021 in regards to hosting Non Title B-events the offer from 2021 also applies for the hosting clubs and their NMA for hosting Title Events. So the following applies:

As per § 15.1.C.9 of the IISHF Regulations any host of an IISHF Title Event "must latest six weeks before the first day of the Event provide an internet website at least in English for the event". The content of the website has to be approved by the IISHF Presidium."

On the new IISHF website [www.iisfh.com](http://www.iisfh.com) every Title Event is assigned its own "tournament pages". Thanks to the use of a new tournament management tools IISHF will provide "live" information about all games, players and tournament statistics both on its respective "tournament pages" as well as a team app. Any live-stream is also easily integrated. The hosts and teams will also be able to display relevant information about themselves, including their sponsors/supporters on their respective webpages. Instead of developing/managing an own website running it alongside the IISHF website, the IISHF offers to co-use the IISHF tournament webpages with the hosts. The IISHF Presidium believes that the co-usage will save much time, efforts and costs for all hosts and significantly support both sides in their organizational and communicational efforts.

Any Title Event Host 2022 which may want to co-use the IISHF tournament webpages please contact the IISHF at [office@iisfh.com](mailto:office@iisfh.com) together with your National Member Association (NMA).

On behalf of the IISHF Presidium  
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