



# TOURNAMENT RULES

## **20. International "Prowork – Masters" 2008**

### **1. PLAYING RULES**

**1.1 The Tournament will be played according to the official IISHF Rules of the Game Edition 2008.**

**1.2 All Players must wear identical shirts, shorts (trousers) and helmets. All sticks must have butt-end fitted and the butt end must not pass through any opening on a face cage. Any jewellery or metal objects attached to a players body must be removed where possible, if it is not possible to be removed it must be taped. All junior outfield players must wear a helmet with full face cage/visor, neck and throat protector and a shoulder and chest protector.**

**1.3 All players including goalkeepers must have all equipment checked before playing. It is the players` responsibility to wear the correct equipment for each game; failure to comply will result in a Yellow Card (Misconduct) being awarded by the referees.**

**1.4 The maximum number of players that may be registered as members of a Team for any game is 18 (as listed in the Match Report). All teams must**

**have a minimum of 6 players – these players must be kitted up and be on the players bench or on the pitch for the first game of the tournament (an exception is only possible if under proven force majeure).**

**1.5 Each team must have at least one Bench Official. All persons except players kitted up and listed on the Match Report will be deemed to be a Bench Official. Only players listed on the Match Report and a maximum of 5 Bench Officials (with a minimum age of 18 years) are allowed to be on the bench.**

**1.6 The Team Official are responsible for providing the passport or National identity card of each player to the Technical Director within fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of the Team meeting.**

**1.7 At least 30 minutes before each game, a Team Official or the Captain of a team shall submit to the Technical Director or the Technical Directors office a list of players who shall be eligible to play in that game indicating all shirt numbers. If no list is produced by a team before a game, the team list of the previous game will be taken as official list of all players for this game. Any team found to be playing an ineligible player will face disciplinary action as described under point 3.1.**

**1.8 Teams must not go onto the Pitch until they have permission and until all members of the Teams competing in the previous game have completely left the area.**

**1.9 The games will be played according to the Official Game Schedule. The interval between periods will be 2 minutes. The last 2 minutes of each game (and of extra time) will be played in stoppage time. Penalties are completely served only for the final game. In all other games time penalties and cards shall be reduced by 50 %.**

**1.10 Each team will be allowed one Time Out in each game. Only in the final game each team will be allowed one Time Out in each period.**

**1.11 In the first round, if there are 2 or more teams equal after all the games have been played, the places will be decided on the following:**

- 1. Head-to-head-results**
- 2. Goals difference of the head-to-head games**
- 3. Goals 'for' of the head-to-head games**
- 4. Goals difference of all games**
- 5. Goals 'for' of all games**
- 6. Total Penalty time of all games**

7. If both teams (in the case that only 2 teams are equal) are on the pitch, then a penalty shoot-out will take place; if not, a coin will be tossed to determine which team will take which place.
12. **If a game needs to have a winner, then one period of 5 minutes extra time will be played. If both teams are still equal after extra time, then a penalty shoot-out will take place.**

## **2. CHANGING ROOMS / TENTS / PITCH**

**2.1 For the teams there are tents and 2 changing rooms with shower. Please leave rooms and tents clean, tidy and undamaged.**

**2.2 The address of the pitch is “Bezirkssportanlage Raumerstr., Raumerstr. 55-57, 45145 Essen”.**

## **3. ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY**

**3.1** Each player is only eligible to play if he/she possesses (produces) a valid playing pass (membership card) which shows the player's name, date of birth and photograph and if the player is listed on the approved International Team Certificate (ITC). An individual player listed on the ITC can produce his/her passport or national identity card instead of her playing pass (membership card) to verify his/her identity. The relevant document (playing pass, membership card, passport or national identity card) must be produced by the Team Manager to the Technical Director at latest before the Team meeting. The lower age limit for participating players generally is any player born in 1992 (youngest). Any team found to be playing an illegal/ ineligible player will lose the game and the non-offending team shall win the game and gain 2 points. The score will be as follows: The non-offending team shall keep their score plus 5 goals, while the offending team shall have a score of 0.

## **4. VENUE RULES**

- 4.1 Each player and official listed on the ITC will be issued with a free entry pass. In case of loss, a new entry pass will have to be bought from the host. In the case of any abuse, the entry pass will be confiscated.**
- 4.2 Only Players and Team Officials (as listed on the ITC) will be allowed into the 'Players Area'. Access to the pitch is allowed only for the relevant players and officials (not for spectators).**
- 4.3 Players must not play with balls or sticks anywhere in or around the pitch or in the changing rooms.**
- 4.4 There is no smoking allowed inside the building.**
- 4.5 Skates must not be worn outside the Arena and restrooms area. There is no access to the stands with skates.**
- 4.6 Teams (incl. players and officials) and spectators must obey any Venue Rules and Tournament Rules.**
- 4.7 There is a spectator fee on Saturday and Sunday. The ticket price per single day is EUR 5,-- for adults and EUR 2,-- for children (free under 13 years).**

## **5. LEGAL INFORMATIONS**

- 5.1 Any player who receives a Red Card during the event will not be able to play in his/her next two games. They may then play again but will receive a fixed fine from the IISHF.**
- 5.2 Any player who receives a Black Card during the event will not be able to play again in this Tournament. Any player receiving a Black Card cannot play again in following international matches until he/she has had a disciplinary hearing and any fines have been paid and bans served.**
- 5.3 During the event a protest can be handed over to the Technical Director together with cash payment of the protest fee of 100 Euros no later than 30 minutes after the end of the relevant game. The Technical Director will decide about any protest.**
- 5.4 In the case of any problem/dispute, the Technical Director has the authority to make any final decision.**

**5.5 In the case that any point of these Tournament Rules is contradictory to IISHF Regulations and/or IISHF Rules of the Game, these Tournament Rules are binding and official for the Ruhr-Cup.**

## **6. GENERAL**

**6.1 Teams must be present at the Presentation Ceremony.**

**6.2 First Aid will be provided by qualified First Aid persons; should any further treatment be required, then an Ambulance will be called. Teams are advised to carry any necessary medical insurance that they may require.**

**6.3 There will be a Team meeting held at the timekeeper bench on Friday 8th August 2008 at 18.15 o'clock (am). One Person from each team must be present, but as maximum 2 persons per Team. Teams to arrive on Saturday, must register with the technical director.**

**6.4 The drinking of alcohol or the taking of banned substances (drugs) is not allowed for players or bench officials or Tournament officials during the entire event.**

## **7. DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

**7.1 Failure to comply to the before mentioned points 1 -6 Tournament Rules will result in IISHF disciplinary action according to IISHF Regulations.**

## **8. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**8.1 The Event Director (according to article 22 IISHF Regulations) shall be Mr. Thomas BÖTTCHER (Tel. +49 172 7891298 / E-Mail: [thomas.boettcher@shc-essen.de](mailto:thomas.boettcher@shc-essen.de)).**

**8.2 The Technical Director (according to article 23 IISHF Regulations) shall be prepared by the ISHD.**

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**Presidium SHC "Rockets" Essen**

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