

Comments and Explanation by the IISHF Presidium for the proposed modifications of the Regulations (Draft 13.02.2011)

- 1.3** The Disciplinary Committee shall have the power to adjudicate on offences and to impose penalties against any of the following:
- National Member Associations
 - Clubs
 - Teams
 - Officials (Referees, Timekeepers, Team Managers, Coaches, Assistants, Technical Director, Technical Assistant, Technical Staff)
 - Players
 - Individual Persons (Spectators, others)
- ⇒ The intention is to have an equal treatment with all the people officiating during a tournament.
- 3.4.i)** Failure to provide the IISHF on the 31st 15th of December of each year the names, contact person and contact address (e-mail) of the current National Champion and Vice Champion for the European Cups (for all age categories).
Fine: 100 Euro fine per week for each missing team.
- ⇒ The intention with the deadline of December 31 is good but it means that we can first make the call for the teams participation in the beginning of the following year rather than in the end of the year.
- => **see also § 18.1 Regulations**
- 6.3** **In addition to the appeal** a Verbal Hearing may be requested at the same time as an appeal is lodged and must be sent together with proof of payment of the hearing fee of 700 Euros.
- ⇒ Clarification due to correspondence (experiences) with a club
- 6.8** **Decisions of the Appeals Committee must be made and published within three (3) months from the date of receipt of the appeal.**
- ⇒ Clarification in the interest of the appellant
- 8.1** Each National Member Association must pay an annual membership fee which is based on the number of teams registered in each Country for the current year:
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| Countries with 9 or less Teams registered: | 350 Euros per year |
| Countries with 10 or more 49 or less Teams registered: | 750 Euros per year |
| Countries with 50 or more Teams registered: | 1.500 Euros per year |
| Countries with 100 or more Teams registered: | 2.500 Euros per year |
- ⇒ The intention is to offer to very small countries to join IISHF with fees in regard to the low number of teams they could have.

9.1 When a nomination of a team is fixed, all National Member Associations will be invoiced for their teams' participation at title (A class) events, prior to each event taking place, for each team as follows:

	with effect of the year 2012	
• <u>European Championships</u>		
Men	750 Euros	600 Euros
Old Boys (Men)	500 Euros	400 Euros
Women	500 Euros	400 Euros
Juniors	500 Euros	400 Euros
• <u>European Cup for Clubs</u>		
Men	350 Euros	300 Euros
Men Invitation Cup (Cup winner and Vice Champion)	350 Euros	200 Euros
Old Boys Invitation Cup	250 Euros	200 Euros
Women	250 Euros	200 Euros
Juniors	250 Euros	200 Euros
Youth	250 Euros	200 Euros
Pee Wee	250 Euros	200 Euros
Minnow	250 Euros	200 Euros

⇒ The IISHF will hold each year a combined TD/Referee Course with costs of 25,000 Euros per Course. For 35-40 persons travelling (flights) , food and accommodation has to be paid. Until now the NGBs of the providing referees have been invoiced for this. So far some NGBs had a lot of costs and some NGBs not providing referees had no costs for referees teaching.

In future (with immediate effect) on wish of NGBs and referees IISHF decided to fully pay all expenses (25,000 Euros) for the Course. Thus the best referees can be taken and additionally because of political reasons referees from smaller NGBs get the possibility to become international referee (e.g. this year because of this modification a referee of Israel will join the course).

With the below proposed modification of the Regulations each NGB only gets an additional fee of 150 Euros (with a men team) and 250 Euros (with men and junior team) instead of paying 100s of Euros for Referee Course Fees. The additional fee for clubs is only 50 Euros.

Finally the IISHF calculates with an additional income of 4,500 Euros which are 9,000 Euros in two years. The IISHF has costs of 25,000 Eur each two years (for a TD/referee course) which means that the IISHF pays of their income additionally 16,000 Euros each two years which are additionally 8,000 Euros per year for the IISHF TD/Referee Course.

The proposed modification shall come into effect not from this year, but from next year (2012).

We think that this system is fair (moderate) to everybody and guarantees best selection and improving of IISHF officials.

13.3 A class B event is a skater hockey event of any kind such as an International tournament or a Friendly game in which Clubs or Teams from more than one nation compete against each other, for which there is no official IISHF title at stake. The host Club / Team must have the necessary infrastructure and a substantial budget which shall cover all expected expenses. All class B events are under the control of the National Member Association of the host Club / Team, but shall be sanctioned by the IISHF, and are called "Non Title Events".

⇒ Friendly games such as two National Teams playing each other should also be regarded as a B-Tournament.

14.6(new) Any Club/Team and/or National Member Association who hosts an unsanctioned International Tournament will face disciplinary action by the IISHF.

⇒ We already have a paragraph regarding teams participating in an unsanctioned tournament so there should also be something regarding hosting an unsanctioned tournament.

14.7(new) Any Club/Team and/or National Member Association who cancel a sanctioned International Tournament without previous written consent from the IISHF will face disciplinary action by the IISHF.

⇒ There needs to be a consequence regarding cancelled events if need to be

15.1.c) 8. The Host must provide an internet website at least in English for the event.

⇒ Clarification due to practical experiences

15.1.c) 9. The Host must provide a computer, printer and an internet connection for the duration of the event for the IISHF Presidium (in order that the IISHF Homepage can be updated).

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15.1.c) 15. The Host must ensure that the National Anthems of the teams playing are played before the semi final 3rd-4th place and final games for each team.

⇒ Clarification (Correction) due to practice

18.1 Each National Member Association must inform the IISHF latest on before the 1531st of December each year of the Team names, contact person, full team list and contact address (e-mail) of the National Champion and National Vice Champion and any Host with Wild Card Teams for U19, U16 and U13 for that year. For the Men and Women National Champion and National Vice Champion and any Host with Wild Card or defending European Cup Title Holder in those age groups the Team names, contact person and contact address (e-mail) should be provided.

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=> see also § 3.4i) Regulations

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⇒ We need to include description covering the Men Invitation Cup.

18.2 For each age group only each National Champion is automatically qualified to participate in a European Cup. Each National Champion must take part in the event, unless they officially cancel their participation to the IISHF within three (3) weeks after the European Cup has been announced. Teams cancelling their participation after this date will face IISHF Disciplinary Action.

For the Men Invitation Cup the National Cup Champion is automatically qualified to participate however except the hosting team and the defending champion no team can participate in both the Men European Cup and the Men Invitation Cup. If a National Member Association don't have a National Cup Championship then it can select teams after their placement in the National Championship.

If a National Member Association becomes a new Member after the official IISHF announcement of an European Cup, its champion can only take part in the European Cup if there is a vacant place.

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23.1 All IISHF Tournaments must have an appointed Technical Director who must speak English. The Technical Director has full jurisdiction over all Game Officials except decisions made by the referees during a game. The Technical Director has full authority, on matters relating to safety and game equipment. **The Technical Director should be an International Referee.**

⇒ To be an international referee is not mandatory. We have excellent Technical Directors that are not International Referees.

23.3 The Technical Director **is responsible for obtaining the playing schedule from the Host and** must schedule the officials on to the games. This schedule must be distributed to the Officials at the Officials Meeting.

⇒ The playing schedule is provided by IISHF for class A events.

23.16(new) **The Technical Director is responsible to nominate two goal judges at least for the final game for all events and also the semi-finals at men's competitions (if it is possible to place goal judges behind the goal).**

⇒ New addition due to practical experiences and feedback from past year's tournaments.

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Signed by IISHF Presidium