



## TOURNAMENT RULES

### MEN + WOMEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2007 STEINDORF

#### 1. PLAYING RULES

- 1.1 The Men and Women European Championship 2007 will be played to the IISHF Rules of the Game "Official Version 2007". Please pay attention to the rules modification as published with IISHF Rules Bulletin 01-2007 (*Rule 7.14.8: If a goal is scored by the non-offending Team during the signalling of a delayed call of a Minor Penalty, the goal is allowed and the Minor Penalty is cancelled*).
- 1.2 All Players must wear the correct players dress and equipment as per Rule 5.1 – 5.9 IISHF Rules of the Game 2007 which means identical shirts, shorts (trousers) and helmets. (*Please be aware that failure of a team to play without matching equipment in contravention of rule 5.2 "players uniform" and 5.3 "players numbers" will result into IISHF disciplinary action*).  
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 player's body must be removed where possible, if it is not possible to be removed it must be taped.
- 1.3 All players including goalkeepers must have all equipment checked before playing. One Kit Check will be carried out on each team before their first game of the tournament. Following this no further Kit Checks will be carried out. It is the players' responsibility to wear the correct equipment for each game; failure to comply will result in a Yellow Card (Misconduct) penalty 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 8 players – these players must be kitted up and be on the players bench or on the pitch for the first game (*An exception is only possible if under proven force majeure where as Red and/or Black Card are not considered as 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. (Failure to attend will result in IISHF disciplinary action).
- 1.6 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 Director's office a list of players who shall be eligible to play in that game indicating all shirt numbers. (*Failure to attend will result in IISHF disciplinary action*).  
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 (*but pay attention to point 3.2 Tournament Rules*).
- 1.7 Teams must not go onto the Pitch until they have permission from the Team Steward or Referee and until all members of the Teams competing in the previous game have completely left the area.

- 1.8 The games will be played according to the Official Game Schedule of 23.06.2007 in continuous time (with running clock). 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 and Red Cards are completely served.
- 1.9 In amendment of point 8.23.1 IISHF Rules of the Game the following regulation does apply:  
If the event is running ahead of time any team must be ready to start any game a maximum of 15 minutes before the scheduled start. If a team declines to do so or is not ready to start, the Match will not take place. The Match will be regarded as non-participation by the offending team. Two points with a score of 5-0 will be awarded in favour of the innocent team.
- 1.10 Each team will be allowed one Time Out in each period of each game.
- 1.11 In the first (preliminary) round, if there are 2 or more teams equal on points after all the games have been played, the places for the teams will be decided on the following:
1. Head-to-head-results (points, goal difference, total number of goals scored in those head-to-head games)
  2. Goal difference after all games played in the first round games
  3. Total number of goals scored in all games played in the first round games
  4. Total Penalty time of all games played in the first round games
  5. 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.
- 1.12 If a game needs to have a winner, then a 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.
- 1.13 If (after the end of the first round) a team has to play two games in a row, the game schedule may be modified by the Tournament Director provided that the teams involved have been accordingly informed at least at the end of their last game before the game to be modified.

## **2. CHANGING ROOMS**

- 2.1 There are 11 changing rooms, therefore there will be one separate room for each team. Please leave rooms clean, tidy and undamaged. Some changing rooms are not inside the hall (in outside containers).
- 2.2 The host will take a deposit fee of EUR 100,-- as deposit for a locker key. In the case of damage to lockers and changing room, the team will be liable to a claim for compensation. The key has to be returned to the Event Director for return of deposit after the changing rooms have been left in a proper way at the end of the tournament.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY**

- 3.1 Each player is only eligible to play if he/she possesses (produces or holds) a **valid passport or national identity card** of that Country and if this if the player is listed on the approved International Team Certificate (ITC). No copy, no fax and no other document shall replace an original passport or national identity card. **The age limit for participating players generally is 1991 (youngest)** unless the IISHF has granted a specific exception  
Any team found to be playing an illegal/ ineligible player will face a fine imposed by the IISHF 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 + 5 goals, while the offending team shall have a score of 0.

- 3.2 Each Team must produce the relevant document (passport or national identity card) of each player listed on the ITC to the IISHF Technical Director or the Technical Director's office on arrival at the hall or at the beginning of the Manager Meeting, but at latest 30 minutes before the first game of the team. *(Failure to attend will result in IISHF disciplinary action).*  
Please make sure that the documents shall be produced in the same sequence as the players are listed on the ITC.

## **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 and additionally disciplinary action will be taken by IISHF.
- 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 or Kit-Check-Area. Teams must not take kit bags to the Team benches or into the playing hall. No (water) bottles are allowed on top of the goals.
- 4.4 There is no smoking allowed inside the building.
- 4.5 Skates must not be worn outside the Arena area. There is no access to the stands with skates. Skates need colourless wheels.
- 4.6 Teams (incl. players and officials) and spectators must obey any Venue Rules and Tournament Rules.
- 4.7 Spectator fees for Saturday and Sunday are as follows:
- Ticket per single day: EUR 5 for adults / EUR 3 for children under 18 years
  - Three-Days-Ticket: EUR 12 for adults / EUR 6 for children under 18 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. He/she 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 event. Any player receiving a Black Card cannot play again in international matches until he has had a disciplinary hearing and any fines have been paid and bans served.
- 5.3 During a title event a protest or application claiming 'An Act of God' can be handed over to the Technical Director together with cash payment of the protest fee of 200 Euros no later than sixty (60) minutes after the end of the relevant game. Each protest or application claiming 'An Act of God' must be accompanied by any relevant proof or evidence. The Technical Director (in coordination with the IISHF Presidium) will decide about any protest or application claiming 'An Act of God'.
- 5.4 In the case of any problem/dispute, the IISHF Technical Director (in coordination with the IISHF Presidium) 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 (with version of 23.06.2007) are binding and official for the Men + Women European Championship 2007.

- 5.6 Failure to attend the Venue Rules and/or these Tournament Rules will result in IISHF Disciplinary Action.

## **6. GENERAL**

- 6.1 Teams must be present at the Presentation Ceremony. (Failure to attend will result in IISHF disciplinary action).
- 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 Managers' meeting held at the pitch on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2007 at 8.30 o'clock (am)**. One English speaking Manager (Person) from each Men and Women team must be present, but as maximum 2 persons from a Team !! (*Failure to attend will result into fixed IISHF disciplinary action*).
- 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. (*Failure to attend will result in IISHF disciplinary action*).

## **7. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

- 7.1 The Event Director (according to article 22 IISHF Regulations) shall be **Elisabeth Keider** (Tel. +43 699 12768170 / E-Mail: ish@em07.at).
- 7.2 The IISHF Technical Director (according to article 23 IISHF Regulations) shall be **Piergiovanni Gionchetta** (Tel. +41 79 2569155 / E-Mail: pgionchetta@iishf.com)

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*Approved and signed by IISHF Presidium*