

**INTERNATIONAL INLINE SKATER HOCKEY  
FEDERATION**



**TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**

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## **1. PRINCIPLE**

- 1.1 The IISHF shall ensure that the members comply with the IISHF Regulations and the IISHF Rules of the Game and also with the standards governing the organisation and planning of International Events as set out in these Regulations.
- 1.2 All IISHF members (Full and Associate) together with all their Clubs, Teams, Players and Officials are bound by these Regulations.

## **2. DEFINITIONS**

### **2.1 TOURNAMENT**

A Tournament is an Inline Skater Hockey event when at least four teams play each other at the same venue and on the same date.

### **2.2 CLASS A EVENT**

A Class A event is an Inline Skater Hockey event of any kind in which representative National Teams or Individual Clubs or Teams from more than one Nation compete against each other for a recognised sanctioned Official Title such as World/Continental/European/ International Championship, Cup or other Official Title name. These events are under the control of the IISHF.

### **2.3 CLASS B EVENT**

A Class B event is a Skater Hockey event of any kind such as an International Tournament in which High level 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 prior experience of events at this level. The Host/ Club Team must have the necessary Infrastructure and a substantial budget. All Class B Events must be sanctioned by the IISHF.

## **3. SANCTION**

- 3.1 All International events must have the prior sanctioning of the IISHF. Host Teams/ clubs must apply to the IISHF for sanctioning of an event no later than 8 Weeks before the event with all the necessary documentation. The IISHF will consider sanction for the event from the information provided and will notify the Host Club/Team of the Sanction granted. The IISHF may refuse to grant sanction or may require changes to be made before sanction can be granted. No International event will take place without Sanction from the IISHF.
- 3.2 The application documents for Sanction must contain data to prove compliance with the Tournament Guidelines and an assurance from the Host NGB that the Host has the correct Public Liability Insurance for the specific class of Tournament, copies of which can be obtained from the IISHF.
- 3.3 The IISHF shall co-ordinate and publish the Calendar of all International Sanctioned events.
- 3.4 Any Club who hosts an unsanctioned International Tournament will face Disciplinary action by the IISHF.

## **4. RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **4.1 CLASS A EVENTS**

#### **4.1.1 IISHF RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **Tournament Fees –**  
The IISHF shall decide upon and publish the fees for the entry to all Class A Events and shall invoice the Teams prior to the event.
- **Officials Fees –**  
The IISHF shall decide upon and publish the fees to be paid to all Officials and shall notify the Host and the Officials prior to the event.
- **Publicity –**  
The IISHF shall be responsible for any International Publicity of the event.
- **Rules**  
The IISHF shall decide upon and publish the Tournament Rules and shall forward these to the Host and participating teams.
- **Schedule -**  
The IISHF shall prepare the playing schedule and forward this to the Host and all participating teams.
- **Appointment of Technical Director -**  
The IISHF shall appoint the Technical Director for the event and shall inform the Host.
- **Referees –**  
The IISHF shall request the names of available referees from each Country participating and shall select the referees for each event.
- **Officials meeting –**  
The IISHF (or appointed TD) shall organise the date and time of a meeting for all Officials and shall ensure that all Officials are briefed in full.
- **Team Managers Meeting –**  
The IISHF (or appointed Official) shall organise the date and time of a meeting for all team Managers and shall inform the Team managers in advance, of the date and the time. They shall ensure that all Team Managers shall be briefed in full.
- **Trophies and Medals -**  
The IISHF shall be responsible for providing the Trophies for the Teams and a medal for each participating player.
- **Diploma –**  
The IISHF shall provide a diploma for each player selected in the All Star Team.
- **IISHF Officials-**  
The IISHF is responsible for the payment of the travel costs and the accommodation of all IISHF non-Presidium staff who attend the event.

#### **4.1.2 HOST RESPONSIBILITIES**

- The Host must provide all necessary information to the IISHF for sanction of the event,
- The Host must ensure that they have the necessary Public Liability Insurance to cover the Tournament. The Host Clubs NGB must see a copy of proof of this insurance before applying for sanction.
- The Host shall be responsible for ensuring that the event complies in every way with the IISHF Guidelines and the Sanction documentation.
- The Host shall nominate one person to act as co-ordinator between the Host and the IISHF.
- The Host is responsible for all occurrences at or in the venue except occurrences involving players.
- The Host is responsible for all National Publicity for the event. All Publicity material must be approved by the IISHF.
- The Host must provide a Internet website for the event.

- The Host shall be responsible for informing all teams of the medical arrangements in the Host Country.
- The Host shall be responsible for the payment of the official's fees. The Officials must be paid at the rate published by the IISHF.
- The Host shall be responsible for the payment of the IISHF approved Referees and Technical Directors accommodation. (appendix 4)
- The Host must ensure that the National Anthems of the teams playing are played before the Semi Final and Final Games for each team.
- The Host must provide gifts or trophies for all players selected in the All Star team
- The Host must provide liability insurance to cover the event to the limit required by its countries laws
- The Host must pay the costs of the hotel accommodation for 2 members of the IISHF Presidium.

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#### **4.1.3 COUNTRY RESPONSIBILITY**

- Each Country must appoint one person to liaise with the Host and the IISHF for each event.
- Each Country must ensure that all information required is provided by the deadlines given.
- Each Country must ensure that all players participating in a Class A event are eligible to play.
- Each Country must ensure that all persons travelling to the event are adequately covered by insurance.
- Each Country must send their President or Vice President or a nominated responsible person to each Class A event involving National Teams. The representative must be able to speak English.
- Each Country must ensure that its teams arrive before the event begins.
- Each Country must ensure that its teams do not leave the event before the presentation ceremony is completed.
- Each Country must ensure that its Officials and Managers attend all pre event meetings.
- Each Country is responsible for appointing the Licensed Timekeepers for any class A events held in their own Country.

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#### **4.1.4 TEAM MANAGERS RESPONSIBILITY**

- Team Managers must attend any required meetings.
- Team Managers are responsible for the behaviour of their team players on and off of the pitch.
- Team Managers are responsible for supplying a team list to the Host for each game.
- Team Managers are responsible for ensuring that Team benches and Changing Areas are left clean.

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## **4.2 CLASS B EVENTS**

### **4.2.1 IISHF RESPONSIBILITIES**

- The IISHF shall be responsible for sanctioning the event.
- The IISHF shall be responsible for ensuring that the International Playing Permit once received is sent out to the Host and the relevant bodies.

### **4.2.2 HOST RESPONSIBILITIES**

- The Host must provide all necessary information to the IISHF for sanction of the event, announcement of event and infrastructure no later than 12 weeks prior, Referees, Teams, Schedule 4 weeks prior.
- The Host is responsible for all occurrences at the event.
- The Host must ensure that all invitations to selected teams go first to the National Governing Body of the teams selected.
- The Host must ensure that all teams are informed of the playing schedule, the playing time of the games, the amount of games for each team and the medical arrangements in the Host Country, when the invitation to the event is sent out.
- The Host must ensure that all participating teams have provided an International Playing Permit.
- The Host must ensure that all referees are International grade A or B
- The Host must ensure that all referees are paid at the Official NGB rate.
- The Host must ensure that a Technical Director is appointed and agreed (by NGB/ IISHF). The Technical Director must be an International Referee grade A or B
- The Host must ensure that the playing schedule is sent to participating teams at least 1 month prior to the event.
- The Host must arrange a Managers meeting and advise all Teams Managers in advance, of the date and time and must ensure that Managers are briefed in full.
- The Host must ensure that a meeting of the officials is arranged and that the officials are notified in advance of the date and time and must ensure that all Officials are briefed in full.
- The Host must provide trophies for each participating team.
- The Host must provide liability insurance to cover the event to the limit required by its country.
- The Host must send to the IISHF two weeks prior to the event a full list of all participating teams and must notify the IISHF of any missing ITCs.
- The Host must, when organising the playing schedule ensure that there must be a minimum game allowance time of playing time plus 50% per game.

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### **4.2.3 COUNTRY RESPONSIBILITY**

- Each Country must appoint one person to liaise with the Host for administration purposes.
- The Country shall be responsible for ensuring that the event complies in every way with the IISHF Guidelines and the sanction documentation.
- Each Country must ensure that all information required is provided by the teams by the deadline given.
- Each Country when receiving invitations from Host Clubs must ensure that the relevant teams receive the invitations without delay.
- Each Country must confirm to the Host Club, an official acceptance of an invitation to play in an event, for each of its teams who are participating.
- Each country must issue an International Playing Permit to all teams participating and must ensure that all players are eligible to play.
- Each Country must ensure that teams travelling to the event are adequately covered by insurance.

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#### **4.2.4 TEAM RESPONSIBILITY**

- Teams must ensure that they arrive before the event begins
- Team Managers/ Captains must attend any required meetings
- Team Managers/ Captains are responsible for the behaviour of their team players on and off the pitch.
- Team Managers/ Captains are responsible for supplying a team list to the Host for each game.
- Team Managers/ Captains are responsible for ensuring that team benches and changing areas are left clean.

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## **5. RIGHTS**

- 5.1 The IISHF shall retain all rights associated with Class A events.
- 5.2 All rights to Class B and Class C events shall reside with the organising Body, Club or Team concerned.
- 5.3 The IISHF shall have the right to take disciplinary action against National Associations, Clubs, Teams, Organisations or Persons that permit Class B and C events to be arranged or to take place without prior sanction of the IISHF, or that permit the non implementation of and compliance with the Rules of the Game or any other IISHF Regulation, without the prior written authority of the IISHF.
- 5.4 The IISHF shall have the right to take disciplinary action against National Associations that permit their Clubs, and Teams to take part in International Skater Hockey events, which are not sanctioned by the IISHF or by an IISHF member, without the prior written authority of the IISHF.
- 5.5 The IISHF shall have the right to take disciplinary action against National Associations, Clubs, Teams or persons that permit International Class C and Class B events to include teams or players who are not members of an IISHF Member Association without the prior written authority of the IISHF.

## **6. ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY**

- 6.1 Clubs or Teams from IISHF Affiliated National Associations may only participate in International Skater Hockey Tournaments if the Host Club or Team and all participating clubs or Teams belong to an IISHF affiliated National Association and that the event has prior sanction and classification from the IISHF. Exceptions are only possible if specific permission has been granted by a special resolution of the IISHF Presidium.
- 6.2 An individual Player of a Team or Club participating in an International event is only eligible to play if he/she possesses a valid playing pass (membership card) or permission issued by the parent National Association and is able to produce it for inspection when required to do so by the Host organiser or the referees.
- 6.3 An individual player listed on the International Playing Permit can produce his/her identity card or passport instead of his/her playing pass, membership card, or letter of permission to verify their identity.
- 6.4 Individual players may only play for one National Club or Team at an International event. Individual players may not play for two different teams at the same International event.

- 6.5 For International Class A Tournaments where National Teams are involved, players may only play for a Country if they hold a valid passport of that Country
- 6.6 If an individual player has a valid playing card (or membership card) for teams of different Nations, he/she may only play for one team at the same International event.
- 6.7 At International Class B events, it is possible for a team to take one guest player . The team shall still keep the team name. The guest player must be listed and separately marked on the International Playing Permit.
- 6.8 At International Class B events, a combination team (players from different teams) may take part providing that the Host has agreed beforehand. The team cannot use the team name of any of the teams of the players and must choose a new name. The team must not wear shirts with another team name on except the name under which they are playing. The combination team must be noted on the International Team Certification Document.
- 6.9 At International Class A events, no guest players or combination Teams will be allowed.
- 6.10 No Player who is banned or suspended from playing at National or International level is allowed to take part in any International event until the ban is served.
- 6.11 If a National Association is found to have permitted any ineligible player to participate in any International event, the IISHF shall take disciplinary action against the National Association under the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.

## **7. EUROPEAN CUP / CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

- 7.1 Each member Country must inform the IISHF before the 15<sup>th</sup> of January each year of the Team names of the Champion and Vice Champion for Each European Cup for that year based on the previous years results. Failure to do so will result in a 50 Euro fine per week for each missing team. These two teams must take part in the event, unless they officially cancel their participation to the IISHF within 3 weeks after the European Cup has been announced. Teams cancelling their participation after this date will face IISHF Disciplinary Action as per IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.
- 7.2 In the event of a Team cancelling its participation in a European Cup event, the IISHF will offer that place to a team from the Country of the current European Cup holders of that age group, if the Country cannot send another team then the place will be offered to the Host Country, if the Host Country cannot send a team then the Country of the cancelling team may send a replacement team.
- 7.3 If the Competition for a European Cup is held in the following year, participating teams may play any player who was part of the team in the previous year even if he/she is too old. The player must have been part of the previous years squad and must still be registered with the same Club, If the player has changed Clubs in the new season then he cannot play.
- 7.4 Any Team found to be playing an illegal/ ineligible player will face a fine imposed by the IISHF .
- 7.5 All Players must produce a valid Players license and or his/her Passport for checking before they will be allowed to play. National Team players must provide their passports.
- 7.6 Hosts Clubs of European Cup events and Men and Women's European Cup Title Holder from the previous year are entitled to one Wildcard place in the event provided that:
- a) The Club has not already qualified
  - b) The Team must be a first Division Team.

- 7.7 Host Clubs of the Mens European Cup must pay a hosting fee of 500 Euros to the IISHF.
- 7.8 If a Member Country or one of its Clubs does not host a Championship event of 2 age group within a 3 year time frame then that Country will be liable to an additional payment to the IISHF. The amount of the payment to be decided by the Presidium. Where possible these fines will be used for subsidising selected International events.
- 7.9 If a member Country or one of its Clubs does not host a Championship event of any one age group within a 5 year time frame then that Countries Teams will not be able to participate further in any Championship event.
- 7.10 There will be no reimbursement of team Entry Fees in the case of Non Participation of a team in any event.
- 7.11 If a European Championship has been officially announced each NGB must take part, unless they officially cancel their participation in writing to the IISHF within 3 weeks of the official announcement.

## **8. NATIONAL SQUADS**

- 8.1 Players may play for a National Team if they hold a passport of the Country that they are playing for. IISHF Rules of the Game 4.1 Age Limits will apply for National Squads.
- 8.2 National Teams are exempt from paying for International Team Certification Documents for Championship games.

## **9. INTERNATIONAL TEAM CERTIFICATION DOCUMENT**

- 9.1 Any Clubs or Teams wishing to participate in an International event must apply to their parent National Association for the issue of an IISHF International Team Certification Document, and must produce it at the event.
- 9.2 The International Team Certification Document verifies that:
1. The Club or Team has the permission of the Parent National Association to play in the International event
  2. The players are all genuine players of the Club or team named or guest players, or a combination team is named and that all players are genuine members of the Association.
  3. That any player who has match bans outstanding, which would affect his/her playing in the event must be noted on the document.
  4. That the players listed are covered by insurance against accidental injury and for any medical treatment if travelling abroad
  5. Each Player has a Licence or Membership Card or permission letter with the specified number on it.
  6. The Club or Team has Liability Insurance for any property damages caused inside the venue abroad.
  7. The Club or Team recognises and complies with the IISHF Regulations and Constitution.
- 9.3 Domestic Match Bans shall not apply to International events.
- 9.4 The Document states the details of the event, Host, location and date, and must state the name of the team taking part, and the names and numbers of each player and the names and numbers of any Bench Officials.
- 9.5 The document must bear the name of a Club or Team Official who will be at the event with the team and will be responsible for the team's behaviour.

- 9.6 Each document must be dated and signed by a person authorised to do so by that parent National Association.
- 9.7 No late or extra players may be added to the document after it has been issued. Clubs or Teams wishing to add extra players must apply for a new International Team Certification Document and the appropriate fee must be paid.
- 9.8 The procedure for the International Team Certification Document is as follows:
1. Any Club or Team proposing to travel must apply for the document from their NGB
  2. The completed form must be returned by the Club to the NGB
  3. The National Parent Association must check all the details and will, if satisfied give its approval and will send the document to the IISHF
  5. The IISHF will then authorise the ITC and must then forward:
    - One copy To the Host
    - One Copy To the IISHF Financial Director.
- 9.9 If a team arrives at a Tournament and has not sent an authorised ITC the team can play but a fine of 250 Euros will be imposed on the team.

## **10. REFEREES**

- 10.1 Referees and Officials may only represent the Country, which issues their current valid license. All International Referees must be able to speak English.
- 10.2 For A class Tournaments the IISHF will select the referees for each event. The Referees must be qualified A Class referees. The IISHF will make the selection and notify the referees.
- 10.3 For all A class events each participating member Nation must pay a Referee Travelling fee for each event. The Referee travelling Fee will be 500 Euros per event or combined event. The fee must be paid to the IISHF. Each Country will be invoiced for that years events following the AGM. The IISHF will pay the travelling costs of the Referees as per the Financial Regulations. There will be no reimbursement of Referee travelling costs in the case of Non Participation of a Team/ Teams.
- 10.4 For all A class events the Host Club must pay the Referee Accommodation costs of one night for each day of the event. (Appendix 4)
- 10.5 For all Class B events, the Host Association, Club, Team or Organising Body must provide sufficient International qualified referees to officiate at the event.
- 10.6 Each IISHF Member National Association of a team taking part in an International Class B event abroad is allowed to send one of its International Referees to officiate at the event. The Member Country must inform the Host of its intention to send a referee and the referees name and license number within one week of the Host informing the country of the invitation to its teams. The Host must then inform the IISHF.
- 10.7 The parent National Association of a referee travelling to a Class B event must pay the travelling expenses of their referee. The referee's fees will be paid at the current IISHF rate by the Host Club. The overnight accommodation costs of the referee must also be paid by the parent National Association and must be for the same number of nights as the number of days of the event.

- 10.8 For Class B Tournaments, if the Host wishes to invite International Referees from Member National Associations, the Host and the member National Association must negotiate between themselves, the payment of the Referees accommodation and travelling costs.
- 10.9 Each National Association must ensure that their referees taking part at any International event are not active or passive members of Clubs or Teams participating in the event.
- 10.10 If a Club or Team is organising a Class B Tournament but its Clubs or Teams are not participating in that event, the Club or Team is allowed to provide suitably qualified International referees.

**Failure to comply will result in fines or disciplinary action by the IISHF.**

## **11. TECHNICAL DIRECTOR**

- 11.1 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 must be an International Referee grade A or B (see 4.2.2 & 4.2.3).
- 11.2 The Technical Director must arrange at least one officials meeting prior to the event starting, and must inform all Officials in advance of the date, venue and the time of such meeting. He/She can arrange further meetings throughout the event if required.
- 11.3 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.
- 11.4 The Technical Director is responsible for briefing all officials.
- 11.5 The Technical Director is responsible for ensuring that an area is designated for Kit checking and shall ensure that all Kit checking is completed correctly.
- 11.6 The Technical Director is responsible for checking that the pitch and the venue are safe and that the Pitch is clean and correctly marked.
- 11.7 The Technical Director is responsible for checking that all match equipment is available and complies with the IISHF Rules of the Game and is in good order.
- 11.8 The Technical Director is responsible for checking that all the timing devices are in good order and that all match sheets and other administration is prepared.
- 11.9 The Technical Director must check that a qualified First aid person is available throughout the event.
- 11.10 The Technical Director must be available to assist and advise referees and timekeepers during games.
- 11.11 The Technical Director must monitor the performance of all Officials during the event, and take any corrective action that may be required.
- 11.12 The Technical Director must check that all match reports, game sheets, and any supplementary sheets are completed correctly.
- 11.13 The Technical Director is responsible for ensuring that all paperwork is distributed to the correct authorities at the end of the event.
- 11.14 The Technical Director must ensure that all Game officials are dressed correctly in the IISHF approved uniform and are equipped with the official IISHF equipment.

## **12. REFEREES AND OFFICIALS RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 12.1 Each Referee/ Official who is officiating at any International event must ensure that he/she arrives at the event before the published time of the Officials meeting. Each Referee/ Official must attend all appropriate Officials meetings.
- 12.2 Each Referee/ Official who is officiating at an International event must ensure that he/she is available to referee/ Officiate at least 10 minutes before his scheduled time in a fit and proper condition.
- 12.3 Each Referee/ Official who is officiating at an International Event must wear the IISHF approved uniform and shall be equipped with the official IISHF equipment.
- 12.4 Referees/ Officials who are officiating at an International event must not consume alcohol until all of their games or duties are finished on that day.
- 12.5 Referees/ Officials who are officiating at an International Event must not take any banned or illegal substances whatsoever.
- 12.6 Each Referee, at the end of each Game must check the match report and countersign its accuracy and also fill in and countersign any supplementary sheets necessary.
- 12.7 Each Referee/ Official who officiates at an International event must at all times act in a fair, objective and neutral manner.
- 12.8 Any Referee who has agreed to work at an International event and cancels their participation (unless force majeure) will receive a fine from the IISHF.

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## **13. GAME ADMINISTRATION**

### **13.1 MATCH REPORT**

The Match Report is an Official document and only the Official and valid IISHF Match Report form may be used together with its Supplementary Sheet. A Computer produced (electronic) version of the Match Report may be used and a copy of this can be obtained from the IISHF.

- 13.2 The Supplementary Sheet must contain any details of non-participation of a team, early termination of a game, and all other special occurrences (injuries, crowd disturbance etc).
- 13.3 The Supplementary Sheets must be sent, by the Host to the IISHF along with the IISHF copies of Match Reports, within one week of the end of the event.
- 13.4 The parent National Association of the Host Club or Team must inform the IISHF in writing within four weeks of the end of the event, all scores, non-participation, early termination of games and all other special occurrences.

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## **14. NON PARTICIPATION / EARLY TERMINATION OF A GAME**

- 14.1 Non participation of a team in an International event following written confirmation from the teams National Association that the Club or Team has formally accepted to participate shall not be permitted and will result in disciplinary Action and penalties under the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.
- 14.2 If during any International event there is an early termination of a game, the Referees will make a full report on the Supplementary Sheet and disciplinary action and penalties under the IISHF Disciplinary regulations may be taken.

## **15. DOPING AND ALCOHOL**

- 15.1 There shall be no doping and no consumption of alcohol by any Player, Team Official or Game Official during play, at an International event, Players and Officials may be asked to take a doping test or an alcohol control test.
- 15.2 Doping is the use by, or distribution to, a Player, Team Official or Game Official of any substance defined as being in contravention of the list proscribed by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and any others that may be banned by the IISHF.
- 15.3 Any Player, Team Official or Game Official, who has obviously and evidently in the opinion of the referees and Technical Director, consumed alcohol or any illegal substances before or during a game, can be banned from participating in a game or the remainder of the event by the Technical Director of the event or the Referees.  
Additional penalties may be imposed by the IISHF.
- 15.4 Any Player, Team Official or Game Official must, if requested by an IISHF Official, submit to a doping and/or alcohol control test.  
Failure to do so will be taken as if a positive result has been obtained and will be dealt with accordingly.
- 15.5 The identification of a forbidden substance and or one of its metabolites or the presence of endogenous substances subject to quantitative analysis and/or alcohol in a body fluid will constitute an offence and the offender will be penalised under the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.
- 15.6 Any person assisting or inciting others in the contravention of the doping and alcohol regulations shall be considered as having committed an offence and shall be subject to Disciplinary action under the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.

## **16. DAMAGES**

- 16.1 In the event of a Club or Team causing damage to property or acts of vandalism whilst attending an International event, the Host organising body shall immediately send a full report including any supporting evidence to the IISHF plus one copy to the parent National Association of the accused club or Team.
- 16.2 National Associations may assume that if no report of any kind alleging damages, vandalism or other complaint is received within six weeks of the event taking place, that no damages will be claimed thereafter.
- 16.3 Each Club or Team taking part in an International event must have liability insurance that protects against any property damages caused in or at the venue.

## **17. CONTRAVENTION OF THESE REGULATIONS**

- 17.1. If a National Association, Club, Team or individual person should contravene these rules, fixed penalties or IISHF Disciplinary action will be taken under the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.

## **18. APPEALS**

- 18.1 An application claiming an 'Act of God' (force majeure) can be made at any time as defined in the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.
- 18.2 An appeal against IISHF imposed fines and IISHF penalties is permissible as defined in the IISHF Disciplinary Regulations.

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# **APPENDIX 1**

## **CURRENT IISHF CLASS A (TITLED) EVENTS**

### **EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

Held every year. National Teams from each Country compete for the title 'European Champions'. It is compulsory for each member Country to send a team to participate if they have teams in the relevant age groups.

Currently held in the following age groups:

Men  
Women  
Juniors

### **EUROPEAN CUP FOR CLUBS**

Held every year. The two top teams (National Champion and National Vice Champion) in each age group from each Country must participate (Reg 7.1 / 7.2)

Currently held in the following age groups:

Men  
Women  
Juniors  
Youth  
Pee Wee  
Minnow

# APPENDIX 2

## TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

### 1. SANCTION AND CLASSIFICATION

- 1.1 All International Tournaments must have been sanctioned by the IISHF and must have a sanction number. This number must appear on all Invitations to teams and any other necessary documents.
- 1.2 To obtain sanction for an event from the IISHF the Host must apply for an application from the IISHF. This must be completed in full and returned to the IISHF. The IISHF will then consider its contents and either:
  - grant sanction
  - or
  - return it to the Host for possible further changes. These changes must be made, then the application must be re submitted for sanction to be granted.

The IISHF may also refuse to grant sanction. The IISHF will document the reason for the sanction not being granted and return it to the Host.

Invitations to events must not be sent out to teams before sanction has been granted.

The Host must nominate one person to liase with the IISHF.

### 2. EXPERIENCE

- 2.1 To Host an IISHF International Tournament, it is preferable that someone on the organising Committee has experience of organising events.
- 2.2 **For a Class A Event**  
The Host should have a Tournament Organisation Committee who have experience in organising large scale, high profile events in which the highest level teams compete and have a structure which includes enough people to man such an event. The Host must be able to manage the event both on and off the pitch.
- 2.3 **For a Class B Event**  
The Host should have a Tournament Organising Committee which has on it persons with some experience of events in which teams participate and have the physical resources to manage and control such an event.

### 3. VENUE

Details of the Venue must be provided for Sanction

### 3.1 **FOR CLASS A EVENTS;**

The venue must be of a substantial size and be covered (have a roof)  
The venue must contain a rink  
There must be enough Changing Rooms to accommodate the number of teams.  
There must be a Referee Changing Room  
There must be an Officials Room  
There must be an Office Room (also used for meetings)  
There must be Sufficient Spectator seating/ Areas  
There must be sufficient catering facilities for both teams and spectators  
The venue must be accessible by Road/ Rail/ Air  
The venue must have a selection of accommodation local to it.  
The venue must have a room for medical treatment  
The venue must have an electronic scoreboard.  
The venue must have either within it or locally a Hockey supplies shop.

Exclusions to the above may be allowed by special permission and authorisation of the IISHF)

### 3.2 **FOR CLASS B EVENTS**

The venue must be suitable  
The venue must have a pitch (this need not be covered or indoors and need not be a rink)  
There must be sufficient changing areas  
There must be an Officials Room  
There must be adequate spectator areas  
There must be adequate catering facilities  
The venue must have an area for medical treatment  
The venue must have an electronic scoreboard

Exclusions to the above may be allowed by special permission and authorisation of the IISHF.

## 4. **PITCH**

4.1 for all International Tournaments the pitch should be suitable to play on with a smooth surface and free of debris. (IISHF Rules of the Game).

### 4.2 **FOR CLASS A EVENTS**

The pitch must be in the form of a Rink with barriers or a hall with walls but the pitch must have rounded corners and a smooth floor. The Pitch must have the correct IISHF markings and be within the Official IISHF dimensions. Safety netting or Plexiglas must be attached to the barriers at either end (behind the Goals) and also in any areas where spectators may be at risk. The pitch must have a time box and penalty boxes on one side and players benches on the opposite side. The Players benches must contain benches or seating for the players. The Time box, Penalty boxes and the Players benches must not be near any spectator areas. Spectators must not be allowed access to the barriers.

### 4.3 **FOR CLASS B EVENTS**

The pitch may be either a Rink with barriers or a hall. The surface must be smooth and free of debris. The pitch may be situated outside and need not be covered. If a Rink is used then safety netting or Plexiglas must be attached to the barriers at either end of the pitch (behind the Goals). The pitch must have a suitable time box, penalty boxes and players benches (IISHF rules of the Game).

## **5. BUDGET**

Any Host wishing to Host an International event must have a budget to sustain the event.

### **5.1 FOR CLASS A EVENTS**

The Host must be able to cover the costs of:

Venue and Rink Hire  
International Technical Directors fees and Accommodation costs  
International Referees fees and Accommodation costs  
Website  
Colour programme  
All star team Trophies/ Gifts  
First Aid/ Medical cover  
Local and National Publicity  
Cost of hotel accommodation for 2 IISHF Presidium Members.

### **5.2 FOR CLASS B EVENTS**

The Host must be able to cover the costs of:

Venue Hire  
Technical Directors fees  
International Referees fees  
Trophies  
First Aid/ Medical cover

## **6. TEAMS**

### **6.1 CLASS A EVENTS**

Teams for class A events are either National teams from member Countries competing for an IISHF title or the top Club teams from Member Countries competing for an IISHF title.

### **6.2 CLASS B EVENTS**

Any team can compete in a Class B event.

### **6.3 INVITATIONS**

Invitations to teams must not be sent out until the Tournament has the sanction of the IISHF and has been given a sanction number. This number must be quoted on all invitations. Host organisers must first notify the teams National Governing Body and check that the selected team is allowed to attend before issuing the invitation.

## **7. OFFICIALS**

### **7.1 TECHNICAL DIRECTOR**

All International Events must have an appointed Technical Director.

### **7.2 CLASS A EVENTS**

For Class A Events the IISHF will appoint the Technical Director.

### **7.3 CLASS B EVENTS**

For Class B events the National Governing Body will appoint the Technical Director but this appointment must be approved by the IISHF in the sanction application.

### **7.4 REFEREES**

All Referees who officiate at International events must hold a current IISHF International Referee License.

### **7.5 CLASS A EVENTS**

A Class A event can only be refereed by Grade A International Referees from different nations.

### **7.6 CLASS B EVENTS**

A Class B event can be refereed by Grade A or Grade B International Referees and these may all come from the Host National Country. All Class B event referees must be paid at the at the Official NGB rate.

### **7.7 TIMEKEEPERS**

All Timekeepers at International events must hold a valid license.

### **7.8 CLASS A EVENTS**

At Class A events the National Governing body will appoint the Timekeepers. The Timekeepers must hold a current national license and be suitably experienced at this level of event. The Timekeepers must speak English.

### **7.9 CLASS B EVENTS**

At Class B events the Host may appoint or provide the Timekeepers. The Timekeepers must hold a current National license and must speak English.

\*Attached is a check list which may help in organising an event. This checklist can be changed or altered to suit any event

## **APPENDIX 3**

### **IISHF TOURNAMENT FEES**

#### **EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

<b>MEN</b>	<b>500 EUROS</b>
<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>350 EUROS</b>
<b>JUNIORS</b>	<b>250 EUROS</b>

#### **EUROPEAN CUP FOR CLUBS**

<b>MEN</b>	<b>200 EUROS</b>
<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>150 EUROS</b>
<b>JUNIORS</b>	<b>100 EUROS</b>
<b>YOUTH</b>	<b>100 EUROS</b>
<b>PEE WEE</b>	<b>100 EUROS</b>
<b>MINNOW</b>	<b>100 EUROS</b>

## APPENDIX 4

### IISHF INTERNATIONAL REFEREES FEES

CLASS A EVENT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR	100 EUROS PER DAY
CLASS B EVENT TECHNICAL DIRECTOR	NGB AGREED RATE
CLASS A EVENT GRADE A REFEREE	100 EUROS PER DAY
CLASS B EVENT GRADE A REFEREE	NGB AGREED RATE
CLASS B EVENT GRADE B REFEREE	NGB AGREED RATE

*WHERE AN A CLASS EVENT INCLUDES A PARTIAL DAY THEN THE IISHF PRESIDUM WILL DETERMINE THE RATE FOR THIS PERIOD.*

ACCOMMODATION A CLASS EVENTS: ONE NIGHT PER EACH DAY OF THE EVENT.  
COST OF HOTEL ROOM OR SIMILAR, TO A MAXIMUM OF 70 EUROS PER NIGHT, PAID ON PRODUCTION OF RECEIPT, WITHOUT RECEIPT A MAXIMUM OF 20 EUROS ONLY WILL BE PAID.

*WHERE AN A CLASS EVENT INCLUDES A PARTIAL DAY THEN THE IISHF PRESIDUM WILL DETERMINE THE HOTEL PAYMENT FOR THIS PERIOD.*

#### FOOD AND DRINK ALL EVENTS

Food and Drink for the Technical Director/ Referees must be provided by the Host whilst they are at the event venue.

# **IISHF**

## **TOURNAMENT RULES**

### **CLASS A EVENT EXAMPLE**

#### **PLAYING RULES**

1. The Tournament will be played to the IISHF Rules of the Game 2005 version.
2. All Team Players must wear the correct equipment as per (IISHF Rules of The Game 2005)  
Failure to do so may result in the team or players being disqualified. (Wearing of jewellery is not allowed)
3. Teams must not go into the Playing Hall until they have permission from the Team Steward.
4. Teams must not go onto the Pitch until all members of the Teams competing in the previous game have completely left the area.
5. Time will be allowed for warm up on the pitch.
6. In the first rounds, if there are 2 teams equal after all the games have been played, the places will be decided on the following:
  1. Goal difference
  2. Goals for
  3. Direct confrontation
  4. Penalty time
  5. If teams are on pitch then Penalty shoot out, if teams are not then the decision will be made by the toss of a coin
7. If there is a draw in the Semi Finals or the Finals then extra time of 2 x 5 minutes will be played, if the score is still equal after extra time then a penalty shoot out will played.
8. All games will be played in continuous time.
9. Each team will be allowed one time out in each period of the games.

#### **CENTRE RULES**

1. **SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE PLAYING HALL**
2. Players **MUST NOT** skate anywhere in the centre except for the designated areas between the Changing Rooms and the Pitch.
3. Each country will be allocated a changing room, these must be kept and left clean and tidy.
4. All players must show their passes to gain entry to the spectator area.
5. Only Players and Team Officials will be allowed into the 'Players Area'.

6. Players **MUST NOT** play with balls or sticks anywhere in or around the centre or in the changing rooms or kit Check Area, time will be allowed for warm up on the Pitch.

## **GENERAL**

1. Teams must be present at the Presentation Ceremony, failure to attend will result in IISHF Disciplinary Action.
2. First aid will be provided by qualified First Aid persons, should any further treatment be required then an Ambulance will be called, this treatment and any further Hospital treatment necessary, is provided in Great Britain free of charge. Teams must ensure that they have any necessary insurances needed
3. There will be a Team Managers meeting held at XXX at XXXam/pm and all Team Managers must attend.

## **REFEREES**

1. There will be a Referees meeting at the Pitch at 3.00pm on Friday all Referees must attend.
2. Referees must not wear jewellery whilst Refereeing.
3. There are 2 Referee changing Rooms, one male and one female.
4. There is a Referee room for the use of referees between the games.
5. Referees must be dressed ready for their game at the half time point of the previous game.

# **TOURNAMENT RULES**

## **CLASS B EVENT EXAMPLE**

### **PLAYING RULES**

1. The Tournament will be played to the IISHF Rules of the Game 2005 version.
2. All Team Players must wear the correct equipment as per (IISHF Rules of The Game 2005)  
Failure to do so may result in the team or players being disqualified. (Wearing of jewellery is not allowed)
3. Teams must not go onto the Pitch until all members of the Teams competing in the previous game have completely left the area.
4. In the first rounds, if there are 2 teams equal after all the games have been played, the places will be decided on the following:
  - Goal difference
  - Goals for
  - Direct confrontation
  - Penalty time
  - Penalty shoot out
5. If there is a draw in the Semi Finals or the Finals then extra time of XXX minutes will be played, if the score is still equal after extra time then a penalty shoot out will played.
6. All games will be played in continuous time.
7. Each team will be allowed XXX time out in each period of the games.

### **CENTRE RULES**

1. **SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE PLAYING HALL**
2. Players **MUST NOT** skate anywhere in the centre except for the designated areas between the Changing Rooms and the Pitch.
3. All changing rooms must be kept and left clean and tidy.
4. Only Players and Team Officials will be allowed into the 'Players Area'.
5. Players **MUST NOT** play with balls or sticks anywhere in or around the centre or in the changing rooms or kit Check Area.

## **GENERAL**

1. First aid will be provided by qualified First Aid persons, should any further treatment be required then an Ambulance will be called, this treatment and any further Hospital treatment necessary, is provided in Great Britain free of charge.
2. There will be a Team Managers meeting held at XXX at XXXam/pm and all Team Managers must attend.

## **REFEREES**

1. There will be a Referees meeting at the Pitch at XXXon XXX all Referees must attend.
2. Referees must not wear jewellery whilst Refereeing.
3. There is a referee changing Room.
4. There is a Referee room for the use of referees between the games.
5. Referees must be dressed ready for their game at the half time point of the previous game.
6. Referees must take control of their teams from the 2 minute bell of the previous game and must ensure that they do not enter the pitch or team benches before the previous teams have left