

**EUROPEAN HOCKEY FEDERATION**  
**REGULATIONS FOR**  
**EUROHOCKEY CLUB COMPETITIONS**  
**(CLUB CHAMPIONS CUP - WOMEN)**

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## **A. ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS**

### **A.1 Authority**

The competition shall be held under the authority of EHF.

### **A.2 Entry**

- (a) These regulations apply to the Club Champions Cup (Women) only. See separate regulations for Club Trophy and Challenge (Women).
- (b) Each National Association affiliated to EHF is entitled to enter up to 2 clubs (Women) for such divisions as they shall be qualified in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup, Trophy or Challenge tournaments. The first of the clubs entered must be the current national champion.
- (c) Wherever there is an obligation to enter a champion club, EHF is entitled to call for documentation from a National Association to establish that a club is indeed the current champion at the time of entry. National Associations are free to decide their own procedure for selecting their second club entry.
- (d) Those National Associations qualified to enter the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) for the coming season must send their correctly completed **Entry Form(s)** to the EHF Office by the deadline date of **15 July** in the year preceding the competition. If such details are not received by the deadline, then entry may be refused.
- (e) Where a National Association does not conclude its national club competition until after the deadline date stated above, they must enter the club who is the current champion club at the time of entry and will not be allowed to submit a different Club name at a later date.

### **A.3 Qualification and Pools**

- (a) Initial qualification and starting positions for the **Club Champions Cup, Club Trophy and Club Challenge (Women)** will be based on the **Ranking Points Table (Women) 2007-09**, available from the EHF website.
- (b) National Associations ranked 1-4 will be entitled to enter 2 clubs in the **Club Champions Cup**, those ranked 5-8 will be entitled to enter their champion club in the **Club Champions Cup** and their second ranked club in the **Club Trophy (Women)**.
- (c) In future years, qualification for the **Club Champions Cup (Women)** will be based on positions achieved by National Associations in the **Ranking Points Table (Women)** from points earned the previous three seasons in **Club Champions Cup (Women)** and **Club Trophy (Women)** tournaments, and for the first two years, in Cup Winners Cup (Women) and Club Champions Cup (Women). The EHF shall have absolute discretion over the preparation, justification and interpretation of the ranking table.
- (d) It is a condition of playing in the **Club Champions Cup (Women)** or **Club Trophy (Women)** (and therefore of earning points in the ranking table) that not less than 2 clubs from a National Association must be entered in EuroHockey (Women's) club competition in the season.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything else in these regulations, which tournament clubs shall be entitled to play in, and the ranking of the pools within that tournament, shall be a matter entirely within the discretion of EHF.

### **A.4 Entry Fees**

National Associations are responsible for payment of entry fees on behalf of their club(s) and will receive from the Hon Treasurer of EHF an invoice for the entry fee shown on the Responsibility Chart (*Appendix D*). **Entry fees are non-refundable once the official entry form has been received by EHF.**

### **A.5 Withdrawal**

- (a) Any club which withdraws from a tournament for which it is entered by its National Association **before** the deadline date of **31 October** in the year preceding the

tournament, will cause the team next entered by that National Association to be automatically relegated to the next lowest division of the competition.

- (b) Any club which withdraws from a tournament **after** the deadline date of **31 October**, will cause the team next entered by that National Association to be considered as a new entry in the lowest division of the competition.
- (c) Any National Association whose club(s) have been banned for one year (or more) will be considered as a new entry in the lowest division of the competition.
- (d) The EHF may, at its discretion, impose on the withdrawn club and/or its National Association such additional penalty as it considers appropriate, which may include a ban in respect of future club competitions whether for that club or for any clubs from that National Association. If a club is banned, then, unless EHF decides otherwise, such club may, during its ban, be replaced by the runner-up in its national club championship.

#### **A.6 Dates and Format**

- (a) The **Preliminary Round of Club Champions Cup (Women)** will consist of 12 clubs drawn into 4 pools of 3 and will normally be played from Friday to Sunday inclusive at Easter.

In the Preliminary Round, the Champion Clubs of those 4 National Associations ranked 1-4 in the Ranking Table will each be placed at the head of a pool of 3. The second clubs entered by those National Associations shall be placed in those pools in reverse order (4-1) and the first clubs from National Associations ranked 5-8 will be drawn to play in the remaining places in the 4 pools. (No two clubs from the same National Association shall play in the same pool).

Each team will play the other two teams in its pool. Those teams finishing in first and second place in each pool shall qualify for the Second Round.

- (b) The **Second Round** will be played on Easter Monday and will consist of crossover knockout matches A1 v B2, B1 v A2, C1 v D2 and D1 v C2. The winners of each match will qualify for the semi-finals for which a separate draw will be made.

Clubs finishing in third place in each pool will also play on Easter Monday in matches A3 v B3 and C3 v D3.

Note: Alternatively, tournaments can be held Thursday to Sunday inclusive at the request of the host National Association and with approval of EHF. The EHF reserves the right to change these dates in exceptional circumstances.

- (c) The **Third Round (Semi-finals)** and the **Fourth Round (Final and 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> place)** matches will be played on Whitsun (Pentecost) weekend. The Finals Weekend will be held at a central venue and all arrangements for this weekend will be notified to qualifying clubs separately.

#### **A.7 Applications to Host**

- (a) Clubs who wish to be considered as host for the Preliminary/Second Round tournament must, before the closing date fixed by EHF for such application, submit through their National Association to the EHF Office the appropriate EHF **Application to Host** form.
- (b) If there is no offer to host the tournament which is acceptable to EHF from the clubs qualified or entered for the Cup, then EHF may call upon the National Association of one of those clubs to organise the tournament (on the same basis as set out below). If that National Association fails to agree to do so, then EHF may relegate or remove the club of that National Association from the Cup in order to allow another club the opportunity to be promoted and organise the tournament. EHF has the authority to determine in its absolute discretion which National Association shall be called upon to organise in such circumstances.

- (c) EHF has the authority to allow the host club of any tournament to qualify automatically if not already qualified. EHF may also award the hosting of a tournament to a club which is not participating.
- (d) In submitting an application to host the Cup Preliminary/Second Round tournament the National Association agrees to host in accordance with these Regulations (including the Responsibility Chart) and with the Guidelines for Tournament Organisers (Clubs) published by EHF, copies of which are available from the EHF website.

**A.8. Appointment of Technical Officials and Umpires**

- (a) EHF will appoint the Tournament Director, Judges, Umpires Manager, Neutral Umpires, National Umpires and Video Umpires as required.
- (b) EHF will appoint suitably qualified and experienced national umpires for each tournament from the list of those nominated for that season by participating National Associations. The EHF has the right to refuse a nominated umpire, or request a National Association to consider an alternative nomination, or appoint an umpire from another National Association. The cost of travel to the tournament host city of those national umpires appointed will be met by their own National Association, or by the participating National Association if an umpire is appointed on their behalf by EHF.
- (c) For Neutral Umpires see Regulation B.2 (a), below.
- (d) The host National Association shall nominate to EHF suitably experienced judges to assist the Tournament Director as outlined in the Responsibility Chart (*Appendix D*). The appointment of such officials is subject to EHF approval.
- (e) The host National Association (or host Club) shall appoint a suitably qualified Medical Officer. The EHF will appoint a suitably experienced Media Officer, although may delegate this responsibility to the host National Association or host Club.

**A.9 Trophies and Medals**

- (a) The winner of the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) will receive a trophy, which they will retain for 1 year. The club shall ensure that such trophy is returned to the EHF on request, or is sent by its National Association to the venue at which the tournament is next held.
- (b) The trophy must be insured by the holding club against all risks for an amount of €3000.
- (c) The host club shall be responsible for producing 22 medals portraying the EHF logo in base metal but coloured gold, silver and bronze for the 3 highest ranked clubs in the tournament as set out in the Responsibility Chart (*Appendix D*).

**A.10 Responsibilities of National Associations**

- (a) A National Association that enters a club for any EHF competition will be held responsible for any default by its club in respect of a financial obligation arising out of its entry or participation in a tournament. The National Association may be required by EHF to make good any such financial default by its club.
- (b) It is the responsibility of the National Association of the organising host club to monitor the organisation of the tournament by that club, to provide technical assistance and guidance, and to ensure that the organising host club fulfils its obligations under these Regulations and under the EHF Guidelines for Tournament Organisers (Clubs).

**A.11. General Powers of EHF**

For any breach of these Regulations or for any conduct which it considers unacceptable and in breach of the spirit of the competition and the regulations, whether by an individual or a team or National Association, EHF shall have the power to impose such penalties as it thinks fit, including a fine or suspension of an individual, or of a team, or of the right of a National Association to enter a team in one or any EHF competition.

## **B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF HOST CLUBS AND PARTICIPATING TEAMS**

### **B.1 Licence Fee**

There is no licence or hosting fee payable to EHF for Club Champions Cup (Women) tournaments.

### **B.2 Officials Travel and Accommodation**

The host club is responsible for payment of:

- (a) the cost of travel and full board hotel accommodation for those EHF tournament officials and neutral umpires as set out in the Responsibility Chart (*Appendix D*). Travel costs are payable only from the port of departure (airport or railway station) in the officials home country. Tournament officials must travel by the cheapest method/route reasonably available. The official's own National Association is responsible for all travel costs from home to port of departure, and also for the cost of any visa required by the official for entry into the host country;
- (b) the cost of full board hotel accommodation for the appointed national umpires and appointed EHF judges.
- (c) the host club may, if they prefer, offer a per diem payment to officials to cover the cost of lunch and dinner. The level of such payment must be agreed in advance with the EHF Competitions Manager and must reflect actual costs in the host city.
- (d) Accommodation requirements run from lunch (where applicable) on the day prior to the start of the tournament, or from dinner the evening previous to that for the Tournament Director and Umpire Manager, or for any other officials from another continent and/or those officials whose travel time (home to the tournament city) takes more than 8 hours (door to door), until breakfast on the day after the tournament.

### **B.3 Teams Travel and Accommodation**

- (a) The host club shall provide participating teams with details of a range (minimum 3) of appropriate accommodation (the designated hotels) for the players and officials of each participating team. However, participating teams are responsible for the full cost of their accommodation and meals. The host club must provide EHF with details of all designated hotels which are proposed to be used.
- (b) The host club should recommend reasonably priced and located eating facilities for the participating teams.
- (c) Participating teams are responsible for the full cost of their return travel from their home to the designated arrival airport or railway station of the host club.
- (d) All participating teams must be present with their full squad, subject to emergencies, in their hotel by, at the latest, 19.00hrs on the evening before the first match of the tournament. **Failure to arrive on time may result in a team being disqualified from the tournament.** (Also see regulation D.11).
- (e) Teams may delay their arrival until the first day of the Preliminary Round tournament if they are not drawn to play on the first day, subject to prior approval from EHF. **However, it is still necessary for the Team Manager and Stand-in Manager to attend the tournament briefing meeting at the required time** (see regulation D.4).
- (f) All four participating teams are required to remain at the Finals Tournament until after the Prize-giving Ceremony on the final day. This will normally take place no later than 17.00hrs. Teams must make their travel arrangements accordingly. **Any team which is not present at the Prize-giving Ceremony will be subject to a penalty to be decided by EHF.**

### **B.4 Local Transport for Teams and Tournament Officials**

- (a) The host club shall provide at their cost local transport from and to the designated airport or railway station and the team's chosen hotel. The host's responsibility is for a single

journey in each direction only, not multiple journeys. Any additional journeys will be the responsibility of the participating team.

- (b) Teams transport (where provided) shall be available up to 3 days before and no more than 2 days after the end of the tournament. Any transport requirements outside these dates is the responsibility of the participating team.
- (c) Any teams who choose to arrive at an airport or railway station other than those designated by the host club (and agreed by EHF) will be responsible for the cost of their own transport to and from their chosen airport or railway station and their hotel.
- (d) For teams staying at one of the designated hotels, the host club shall provide at their cost local transport from and to the designated hotel and the playing venue(s), including practice venue(s).
- (e) Any teams who choose to stay in accommodation other than the designated hotels recommended by the host club are responsible for the cost of their own transport to and from the hotel and the playing venue(s), including practice venue(s).
- (f) The host club shall provide at their cost local transport for all EHF representatives, technical officials and umpires as set out in the Guidelines for Tournament Organisers (Clubs) from and to the designated airport or railway station and the officials' hotel, and from and to the officials' hotel and the playing venue(s), including practice venue(s).
- (g) Transport arrangements by car(s) must be provided for any EHF Representative(s) and for the Tournament Director.

#### **B.5 Training Facilities**

- (a) The host club shall provide suitable playing and training facilities.
- (b) Each participating team is entitled, at the organiser's expense, to practice on the tournament pitch, during the day prior to the start of the tournament, for at least 1 hour. Practice times will be reserved on a "first come, first served" basis.
- (c) If it proves impossible to accommodate practice by all teams on the pitch prior to their match then the host club must arrange for another practice pitch in the area, which should be as similar as possible to the tournament pitch.
- (d) If a team requests additional practice/training facilities, over and above that specified above, then organisers shall use their best endeavours to assist them but, if the organisers have to hire an alternative venue for this purpose then this shall be at the expense of the team requiring the additional facilities.

#### **B.6 Publicity**

- (a) EHF requires that the host club and the local Organising Committee shall:
  - (i) Include in the official programme a photograph of, and a message by, the President of EHF which will be issued by the EHF office;
  - (ii) Ensure that the EHF logo and/or EuroHockey branding is used on all publicity, programmes and all official tournament papers;
  - (iii) Entitle EHF and each of the EHF partners (up to a maximum of 5) to one full-page advertisement in the tournament programme free of charge. Advertisements and artwork will be issued by the EHF Office.
  - (iv) Where required, permit EHF and each of the EHF partners (up to a maximum of 5) to place one 6 metre perimeter advertising board on the main pitch and in the TV arc, or in such other place as designated by EHF, free of charge. The advertising boards will be issued directly by the EHF's partners and it is the responsibility of the host club to ensure that the advertising board is returned to the EHF partner or EHF office after the event. (Only applicable to certain tournaments);
  - (v) List in the official programme the names of the members of the EHF Executive Board and members of EHF Outdoor Competitions Committee, as well as the names of the Technical Officials appointed under Regulation A.8 together with

details of rankings in the previous year's tournament. All this information will be issued by the EHF office or is available from the EHF website ([www.eurohockey.org](http://www.eurohockey.org));

- (vi) Ensure an efficient system of communicating the results and match details immediately (by fax, email or SMS) to the Tournament Results Co-ordinator nominated by EHF;
- (vii) Ensure that the EHF flag is displayed in a prominent position. It is the responsibility of the local organiser to obtain the EHF flag from its own National Association.

(b) Where required EHF shall also be entitled to advertise at no cost on:

- (i) Umpires uniforms;
- (ii) Ball boys/girls uniforms;
- (iii) Front of technical officials table (event title and/or EHF logo);
- (iv) Press conference and interview backdrops;
- (v) Tournament results board;
- (vi) Tournament website;
- (vii) Posters accreditations, tickets, leaflets;
- (viii) Such other areas as may be mutually agreed between the host club and the EHF.

#### **B.7 Protocol and Ceremonies**

Ceremonies are organised by the host club but are subject to the prior approval of EHF. Matters of protocol must be approved in advance by the official Representative of EHF and shall be in line with the protocol regulations contained in the Guidelines. In the absence of any appointed official representative, the TD acts as the representative of EHF. The protocol for the presentation of the teams before each match, and for the Closing Ceremony, are set out in separate guidelines.

#### **B.8 Insurances**

- (a) The host club shall effect at their cost and with a reputable insurance office, all the necessary insurances to cover any liabilities of themselves and of EHF in respect of the tournament and shall, if called upon to do so, produce evidence of such insurance to EHF.
- (b) It is the responsibility of each participating team to arrange insurances in respect of travel, personal injuries to players, hospital expenses and other risks, which are not the responsibility of the hosts/organisers or of EHF.

### **C. PLAYERS REGULATIONS**

#### **C.1 Players' Qualifications**

A player shall be eligible to play for a club in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) **ONLY** if:

- (a) She is and has been since **1 November** prior to the tournament a bona fide regular playing member of that club and eligible according to the Regulations of that club's National Association to play for that club in its **national club competition** for that season, and;
- (b) Her name is included in the list of 24 players required by C.4 (below), and;
- (c) She has not played (outdoor) for another European club since **1 November** in that season, and;
- (d) She has not played (outdoor) since **1 November** in that season for any club or in any league competition anywhere else in the world (i.e. outside Europe), **except** during the period **15 December - 28 February**.

(Note: Under EHF Regulations a player is allowed to play **indoor** hockey for a club different from that for which she plays outdoor hockey.)

#### **C.2 Responsibility of National Associations**

Each National Association which enters a club (or clubs) for the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women), shall be responsible for certifying the eligibility of the players on the list submitted by their club(s) and for ensuring its club(s) play only those players eligible to play for that club in accordance with Regulation C.1 above.

#### **C.3 Confirmation of Identity**

For the purpose of identification, all players must have available at each event in which they play, and produce to the Tournament Director upon request, their passport or national identity card (including photograph) or National Association hockey registration card (including photograph).

#### **C.4 List of Players**

- (a) Clubs playing in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) must submit to EHF their list of 24 players from which their team will be selected throughout the season's competition and for each round for which they are qualified to play.
- (b) Team lists must be sent to EHF by the National Association, who must confirm that all the players listed are eligible. Team lists must be received by EHF at least 30 days before the start of the Round 1 tournament. **For failure to send the team list to EHF by the 30<sup>th</sup> day before the start of the tournament, the national association shall pay a fine to EHF of €500.**
- (c) To allow for injuries and late changes, teams should submit an entry list of up to **24 players**. Teams are advised to ensure that the list includes **3 goalkeepers** (who shall be indicated on the list). **Once submitted, additions or amendments to the list will not be permitted except in the most exceptional circumstances (as determined by EHF), or as covered by (f) below.**
- (d) The list must also contain details of the team manager, the stand-in manager (not being the team coach) who will take over the duties and responsibilities of the team manager if the latter is incapacitated or suspended, the team coach and team physiotherapist. It shall also contain details of the team medical doctor, if present and wishing to be authorised to sit on the team bench, and the assistant coach.
- (e) The list shall also contain details of the first choice set of colours and alternative colours (shirts, skirts and socks, and goalkeepers' shirts) and must indicate the number to be worn by each player (which must be between 1 and 32). That number must remain the same throughout the season's competition. See regulation D.5 for details.
- (f) Clubs are allowed to make **amendments to their entry lists**, provided that such amendments are certified by their National Association and received by EHF not later than **7 days before the first day of the Round 1 tournament**.
- (g) The team manager must submit a final list of 18 players plus team officials at the Tournament Director's Briefing Meeting at the latest. **Only those players who have been included on the original entry list of 24 (or any subsequent permitted amendment), and certified by the National Association, will be allowed to play in any round of the competition.** See also regulation C.5.

#### **C.5 Ineligible Players**

If it is found that a player has played for a club in EuroHockey Club Competitions but is ineligible under these Regulations, then EHF **will penalise (by fine, disqualification, suspension or otherwise) the player and/or the club and/or the National Association who entered that club and certified the Entry Form**. Such penalty may include relegation and/or the deduction of ranking points where appropriate.

## **D. TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**

### **D.1 Rules and Regulations**

- (a) The EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) shall be played in accordance with the current Rules of Hockey and these Regulations. A copy of these Regulations is also available on the EHF website. Where these Regulations differ from the Rules of Hockey (see *Appendix C*), then these Regulations prevail.
- (b) The EHF Code of Conduct (Club Competitions), established to create awareness of and accountability for the promotion of the game of hockey amongst the participants, will apply throughout the competition. An acknowledgement of the Code of Conduct must be signed by the team manager before the end of the pre-tournament briefing meeting and submitted to the Tournament Director.

### **D.2 Pools and Match Pattern**

- (a) Teams will be drawn into Pools for Round 1 in accordance with Regulation A.6 (a).
- (b) The draw for Round 2 will follow the pattern described in Regulation A.6 (b).
- (c) See *Appendix A* for details of match points and ranking procedures.
- (d) A further draw will be made for the semi-finals once the qualifying teams are known. If 2 clubs from the same National Association are qualified for the semi-finals, then those 2 clubs shall play against each other in the semi-finals.
- (e) The ranking of teams into pools and matches is the responsibility of EHF, in its absolute discretion.

### **D.3 Match Schedule**

EHF will produce a match schedule for Rounds 1 and 2. Certain amendments may be requested by the host club, or made by EHF, regarding timing of matches. Such requests must be submitted to the EHF for approval no later than 4 months before the tournament. EHF has the right to vary the programme of matches in special circumstances. For every tournament, the match schedule must consider the following:

- (a) there shall be a minimum of 22 hours between the start times of matches played on consecutive days by the same team, **except** between the final two days; the schedule must also take into account any requirements of TV.
- (b) there shall be a minimum of 2 hours time interval between the start time of two successive pool matches;
- (c) there shall be a minimum of 2 hours 15 minutes time interval between the start times of two successive knock-out matches (Rounds 2 to 4 only).
- (d) the final match in Round 2 should normally be played no later than 15.30hrs.

### **D.4 Briefing Meeting**

- (a) Each participating team manager and stand-in team manager must attend the pre-tournament Briefing Meeting at the time fixed by the organisers and the Tournament Director. **For failure to attend this Meeting a team shall be liable to pay a fine to EHF of €300.** The team coach and/or assistant team coach may also attend the briefing meeting, but unlike the team manager, his/her attendance is optional.
- (b) In case a team coach does not choose to attend the briefing meeting, then that coach must sign a Team Coach Declaration declaring to have received all relevant information from the team manager as communicated during the briefing meeting. The team manager shall deliver the signed document to the Tournament Director before the first match in which the team plays in that event/tournament.
- (c) Before their first match in any event/tournament, team managers must bring a sample of their team clothing (first choice colours and alternative colours) to any meeting as required

by the Tournament Director. The goalkeepers' kit and equipment will be inspected at the pitch before a team's first match.

#### **D.5 Team Clothing and Colours**

- (a) Each team must wear the colours of its club (either first choice or alternative, as directed by the Tournament Director) as specified on the list of players (see Regulation C.4 above). Each team must have both sets of kit (in first choice and alternative colours) available at each match in which they play.
- (b) Each article of the alternative set of colours (shirt, skirt, socks) shall comprise of a single colour per item and must be of a colour(s) completely different from the dominant colour in the primary set for each of shirts, skirts and socks. Any additional items of clothing worn by a player during a match **must be of the same colour** as specified for the adjoining corresponding piece of clothing if any part of the garment can be seen.
- (c) If, in the opinion of the Tournament Director, the colours of two opposing teams might lead to confusion, or be unsuitable for TV requirements, one of the teams must change colours. This decision will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- (d) For clear vision of the ball the following rules apply:
  - (i) Players must not wear white socks.
  - (ii) Shoes must be predominantly dark in colour, but not green. Shoes containing white manufacturer's logos, white lace-hole trims and/or white bottoms and sides of the soles will be permitted.
  - (iii) Goalkeepers must wear a shirt of a colour different from that of their own team and that of their opponents. The shirt must not be white. Leg guards and kickers and hand protectors must not be white.
  - (iv) The stick, including any tape added to it, may not be coloured white over the lowest 100mm, as measured from the lowest part of the stick.
- (e) **Each player's number must remain the same throughout the competition** for that season and must be the same as that submitted on the List of Players (see regulation C.4). This number must appear in filled (not outline) distinctive figures, and be of a contrasting colour to the shirt, and must not be less than 16cms and not more than 20cms in height, on the back of each player's shirt, and not less than 7cms and not more than 9cms on the front of the players skirts (left thigh).
- (f) Each goalkeeper must also wear a number on the front of their shirt which must be not less than 7cms and not more than 20cms in height.
- (g) Two spare sets of (outfield) players' clothing should be with each team involved in a match, including a shirt without number, plus suitable material for numbering in an emergency.
- (h) All players must be uniformly and neatly dressed at all times during a match.
- (i) In relation to playing equipment worn by field players they must:
  - (i) wear shin guards, worn inside of socks, at all times when on the field during a match.
  - (ii) wear any body protection (including leg protection) underneath/inside normal playing clothing.
  - (iii) be permitted to wear a face mask while defending a penalty corner provided that the face mask has a smooth surface and fits flush with the face.
  - (iv) be permitted to wear a soft face and head protection throughout the match for medical reasons subject to an appropriate medical certificate being submitted to the Tournament Director.

#### **Advertising on Uniforms**

- (j) No advertisement in the form of a company's name, logo or trademark may appear on any item of clothing used by any player except as may be permitted by these Regulations.

Any advertising must be the same for all players in a team. EHF currently permits advertisements (of up to 4 different sponsors) in 4 locations on the playing strip as follows:

#### **Players' Uniforms:**

- (i) Advertising in the form of a company's name, logo or trademark is permitted on the front of the player's shirt - size not exceeding 350 sq cm measured as the area within a rectangle drawn around the advertisement.
- (ii) Uniforms **with** shirts with sleeves - on the upper arm of the right sleeve - size not exceeding 80 sq cm measured as the area within a rectangle drawn around the advertisement.
- (iii) Uniforms **without** sleeves - on the right side panel of the shirt - not exceeding 80 sq cm.
- (iv) On the front of the collar (one side) - not exceeding 40 sq cm.
- (v) On skirts - on the back below the waistline not exceeding 100 sq cm.

Advertising is not permitted in any other location on playing strip.

- (k) Temporary skin tattoos are not permitted as advertising media.
- (l) No advertising will be permitted which is deemed by EHF to be detrimental to the positive image of the game.

#### **Umpires/Officials' Uniforms**

- (m) It is recommended that host clubs should provide appropriate shirts for tournament officials and umpires in colours approved by EHF.

Advertising in the form of a company's name, logo or trademark is permitted on any uniforms for umpires or officials only when expressly authorised by EHF as follows:

On the front and/or back of the umpires' shirts/blouses - size not exceeding 350 sq cm measured as the area within a rectangle drawn around the advertisement.

#### **Other Clothing and Equipment**

- (n) Advertising is permitted on training clothing (tracksuits), sports bags, medical bags etc.

#### **Manufacturer's Identifications**

- (o) An article of clothing or equipment may, when worn or used by a player, official or umpire whilst playing or officiating in any event, display the name, trademark, logo, or any other distinctive sign of the manufacturer which must not exceed an overall size of 20sq cm per article.

The display may appear **once** only on any article of clothing, except on the shirt of a player when it may be repeated in the one or two figures of the player's number on the back of the shirt.

- (p) There are no restrictions on equipment, headgear or shoes.

### **D.6 Composition of Teams**

- (a) A maximum of **18 players** may be used by each club in each match (of whom 2 must be goalkeepers in full goalkeeping equipment). If a team chooses not to include a second goalkeeper on the bench, then they are limited to 17 players. If a player(s) of a team has been suspended by a TD for one or more matches then, for those matches, the squad of that team will be reduced by the number of players suspended (e.g. 1 suspended player and only one fully equipped GK = 16 players only allowed for that match).
- (b) At a time and place to be agreed upon by the Tournament Director, before each match in which they compete, each team manager must submit to the Tournament Director a final list of up to 18 players who will play in that match. **Only those players who have been included on the original entry list of 24, and certified by their National Association, will be allowed to play in any match.** See also regulation C.4.

- (c) The list must also contain:
  - (i) the 11 players who will be on the field of play at the start of the match;
  - (ii) up to 7 additional players who will start on the team bench (subject to suspensions);
  - (iii) the captain and goalkeeper for the match;
  - (iv) the name of the team manager, not being the team coach or team medical doctor;
  - (v) the name of the team coach or assistant team coach, team physiotherapist and any team medical doctor, if present and wishing to be authorised to sit on the team bench. Any team doctor included on the list must be a fully qualified and licensed Medical Doctor. The assistant team coach may only be on the bench instead of, and not in addition to, the team coach.
  - (vi) Unlike the 24 players (who shall be as shown on the original list submitted to EHF), the team manager, coach and support staff for a club may be changed from one round/event to another, provided that the names of the current staff appear on this list submitted at the TD Briefing Meeting.
- (d) The remaining players, with the exception of any suspended players, may warm-up and practice with their teams up to 10 minutes before the scheduled start time of the match. The team manager shall ensure that these players, and any suspended players, are then removed from the pitch and remain outside the technical facility areas surrounding the field of play until the match is finished.
- (e) A nominated player who becomes incapacitated during warm-up or practice may be replaced by a player whose name appears on the team list, up to 10 minutes before the scheduled start time of the match. The team manager must notify the Technical Officer on duty accordingly, who will inform the team manager of the opposing team and the media.
- (f) Each team must have a captain or acting captain who is responsible for the behaviour of the team players on the field of play, and who must wear a distinctive arm band, on the field of play at all times during a match. Upon suspension of the captain, a team player on the field of play **must** take over the armband and role of team captain.
- (e) Each team must have a minimum of 8 players on the field of play for a match to be started or continued. In case a team does not fulfil this condition, the opposing team will be considered as having won the match by a score of 5-0, or by the score when the match was discontinued, whichever of the two scores will be more advantageous for the winning team.

#### **D.7 Duration of Matches and Timekeeping**

- (a) A match shall consist of the regulation time of 70 minutes, in accordance with the Rules of Hockey (also see *Appendix C*). The EHF will determine match start times in all rounds of the competition.
- (b) Should the result of a match in Rounds 2 to 4 be a draw at the end of regulation time, then, after an interval of 5 minutes, the umpires will toss a coin with the captains and the winner will have the choice of ends or of possession of the ball to re-start the match for extra-time. Extra-time will consist of 2 periods of 5 minutes each, in between which the teams must change ends, without a rest period.

The extra-time shall cease once a team has scored and has a lead, when the time expires either for half-time or full-time (silver goal). That team will be the winner of the match.

If the score is still equal at the end of extra-time a penalty shoot-out competition will be played to establish a winner in accordance with *Appendix B*.

- (c) Ranking points (see *Appendix A*) will be awarded on the basis of the result (and score) at the end of regulation time (even if the match was a draw at this stage) and before any extra time or penalty shoot-outs are taken. The winner after extra-time or shoot-outs shall receive one further bonus point (in addition to the 2 points received for the draw).
- (d) Timekeeping will be controlled by the technical officials on duty whose responsibility it will

be to signal the end of any period of regulation time (at half time and full time and for the time outs referred to in *Appendix C*, and during any period of extra-time). However, in the case of an extension of any period of regulation time to permit the completion of a penalty corner awarded before the signal for the end of the period, the umpires will signal the end of that period.

- (e) The umpires shall blow a whistle to start or restart the game; they shall also signal to the technical table officials every stoppage they may order and the subsequent restart.

#### **D.8 Interruption of Match**

If the umpires decide to interrupt a match (e.g. because of bad weather or field of play conditions etc) or the technical officials because of thunderstorm with lightning, that match must be resumed as soon as possible, not necessarily on the same field of play or on the same day, under the following conditions:

- (a) The match must be completed up to the agreed regulation full time (see Regulation D.7), the score on the resumption being that at the time the interruption took place.
- (b) On resumption, the players of both teams who were on the pitch at the time the game was stopped shall restart the game. Thereafter, substitutions may take place in accordance with the Rules of Hockey.

#### **D.9 Team Benches and Substitution of Players**

- (a) Team benches shall be situated near, and on the same side of the field of play as the technical officials table.
- (b) The team manager, team coach or assistant team coach (but not both), the physiotherapist and substitute players nominated for that match, up to a maximum of 10 persons, plus the team medical doctor, if registered, must remain seated on the team bench during regulation time, including stoppages, unless the technical on duty or an umpire direct otherwise or when following substitution procedures. The team manager, who is responsible for the conduct of all persons occupying the bench, must be present on the team bench during the match and occupy the seat nearest to the technical officials table.
- (c) The substitution of players during the match must be in accordance with the Rules of Hockey. The substitute player(s) will be chosen from amongst the players nominated for that match.
- (d) Any player nominated by the team manager to enter as a substitute, having been given a board bearing the number of the player coming off, will go in the vicinity of the centre line of the field of play, not in front but not more than 3 metres from the technical officials' table. If a field player, she will attract the attention of the player to be substituted, and the substitution will be carried out under the supervision of a technical official on duty, without stoppage of time. If a goalkeeper, the substitution will be supervised by the umpire(s) and time must be stopped.
- (e) The substitute player may not enter the field of play until the player in the same team being substituted has left it. When substituted, a player must immediately go to the team bench.
- (f) The team manager of the players concerned is responsible for the proper application of the substitution procedure.
- (g) In accordance with the Rules of Hockey (2.3.a) substitution is permitted at any time except within the period from the award of a penalty corner until after it has been completed; during this period substitution is only permitted for injury to or suspension of the defending goalkeeper. However, if a team has decided not to put a reserve goalkeeper (in goalkeeping equipment) on the bench then no time will be allowed to pad up another player.
- (h) A player, upon being suspended, may not be substituted and may not be used as a

substitute during the period of suspension.

- (i) Vocal communication by team officials and/or players on the team bench must not in any way be directed at the technical officials on duty, the umpires and/or the players of the opposing team. The Technical Officer on duty, after warning a team manager of acts of misconduct by a person or persons on that team bench is empowered, should misconduct continue, to order that person or persons involved to leave the bench and remain in the team changing room for the remainder of the match. The Tournament Director may take further disciplinary action after the match, depending upon the circumstances.

**D.10 Admission to the Field of Play**

- (a) The team coach or assistant team coach may not enter the field of play at any time under any circumstances (for the purpose of this rule relating to injuries).
- (b) No incapacity treatment is allowed on the field of play, except in an emergency.
- (c) If a player becomes incapacitated on the field of play, one of the umpires may stop the match and assess whether or not the player requires attention from the team bench.
- (d) In the case of an injury to a field player, the umpire may authorise the registered team medical doctor and/or physiotherapist or, if a team does not have such registered officials, the on-duty doctor and/or team manager, to enter the field of play to assist and remove the player concerned from the field of play as soon as it is safe to do so. The umpire may also authorise, if necessary, the stretcher-bearers to enter the field of play.
- (e) In the case of an injury to a goalkeeper, the umpire may authorise the registered team doctor and/or physiotherapist or, if a team does not have such registered officials, the on-duty doctor and/or team manager, to enter the field of play - *with material for treatment* - to assess and as appropriate provide brief treatment or remove the goalkeeper concerned from the field of play as soon as it is safe to do so. The umpire may also authorise, if necessary, the stretcher-bearers to enter the field of play.
- (f) If any person from the team bench and/or the on-duty doctor enters the field to attend to a player other than the goalkeeper, that player must leave the field of play and return to the team bench area for a minimum of 2 minutes. The 2 minute period will be managed by the technical officials on duty. The player required to leave the field may be substituted, subject to the provisions of the Rules of Hockey.
- (g) If a player sustains an injury which causes bleeding, then that player must leave the field of play as soon as possible and shall not re-enter until the bleeding has stopped and the wound is adequately covered. Blood stained clothing must be replaced and equipment cleaned before re-entry to the field of play.
- (h) If blood staining to the field of play occurs then immediate cleaning must take place by using a non-acid disinfectant surface cleaner which is effective against anti-biotic resistant bacteria, or, if such material is not available then by 80% alcohol solution. During this operation time will be stopped.
- (i) No liquid or other refreshment may be consumed on the field of play. Any player wishing to take refreshment during a match, including during time stoppages, must leave the field of play and is permitted to re-enter but, not between 23 metres lines and the back lines. A goalkeeper may leave and re-enter the field of play only near the goal.
- (j) Goalkeepers must wear protective headgear at all times during a match, including when defending a penalty stroke. When required to take a penalty stroke, then the protective headgear may be removed. Field players acting as goalkeepers must wear protective headgear when defending penalty corners and penalty strokes.
- (k) Team officials and players may leave the area surrounding the field of play during half time *only* with prior permission of the technical officer on duty but, in doing so players must leave their sticks and goalkeepers their hand protectors and headgear at or near the team bench, and must return not less than two minutes before the match is due to be

restarted.

**D.11 Disqualification or Failure/Refusal to Play**

Any team which fails to start its first match in Round 1 of the tournament (albeit that it may have been rearranged for a later time), shall be treated as withdrawn and shall not be allowed to participate further in the Club Champions Cup (Women) that season.

**During Round 1 pool matches:**

- (a) a team either disqualified or refusing/failing to play or to complete a Round 1 pool match shall be considered to have withdrawn from the tournament;
- (b) if a team so withdraws from Round 1 then the results of any matches already played by that team shall be removed from the records and the pool points table shall be corrected accordingly.

**During Rounds 2 to 4:**

- (c) a team either disqualified or refusing/failing to play or to complete a knockout match shall be considered to have withdrawn from the competition at that stage and to have lost that match;

Any team on being disqualified or withdrawing at any stage in the competition shall forfeit its entitlement to any ranking points won in that season of EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women).

**D.12 Protests**

- (a) No protest can be lodged from a field of play decision made by the umpires (including the video umpire).
- (b) If a team manager wishes to lodge a protest at the end of a match or at the end of a penalty shootout competition, then (s)he must:
  - (i) declare the intention to do so immediately under his/her signature when signing the match report or penalty shootout competition report;
  - (ii) submit the protest in writing to the Technical Officer on duty within 15 minutes of the completion of the match or of the penalty shootout competition;
  - (iii) deposit €500, or equivalent in freely convertible currency, with the same Technical Officer within 30 minutes of the completion of the match or of the penalty shootout competition.Failure to comply with any part of this regulation will result in the dismissal of the protest.
- (c) The Tournament Director must make a decision in writing and publish this at the latest 2 hours after the end of the match or of the penalty shootout competition in question. The team manager is obliged to make arrangements with the Tournament Director to be available to receive the decision when made.
- (d) In the case of there being no Appeal Jury, this decision is final.
- (e) The deposit may be refunded if the protest is allowed, at the discretion of EHF Executive Board, who will consider the matter at an appropriate time after the match or the event.

**D.13 Suspensions**

- (a) The Tournament Director shall ensure that all participants abide by the EHF Code of Conduct (Club Competitions).
- (b) The Tournament Director shall have authority to suspend for one or more matches of the tournament, players, team officials or other officials who, in the opinion of the Tournament Director are guilty of misconduct before, during or after a match wherever that misconduct occurred. Such suspended persons may not enter the field of play or the technical facility areas surrounding it during any match(es) played whilst under suspension, including at half time.

- (c) In deciding on the length of any suspension the Tournament Director is not limited to the remaining matches in the tournament or in the competition but may impose a suspension that has effect for matches beyond the conclusion of the tournament or of that part of the competition. EHF may, in its absolute discretion, impose further penalties.
- (d) It is the duty of the Tournament Director to adjudicate upon, and if appropriate to impose penalties in respect of any disciplinary matters which may occur during the tournament *before* the Tournament Director and the participants leave the tournament venue (in accordance with the powers granted to a TD by the FIH - which powers are endorsed by EHF for the purposes of these Regulations).
- (e) During the period of any suspension of a player by the Tournament Director, the squad for a match of the team of that player shall be reduced to reflect the suspension(s) (if 1 player is suspended to 17, if 2 players suspended to 16 and so on).
- (f) Following any suspensions, when the Tournament is over, the Tournament Director, the National Association of the person concerned and, in the case of a permanent exclusion (red card) of a player from the field of play, the umpire involved, must send a detailed report on the facts to EHF.

**D.14 Match Officials**

- (a) The Tournament Director shall appoint the umpires and judges for each match from amongst those previously selected to officiate at the tournament/event. An umpire may not be appointed for a match in which a club from their country is playing. Whenever possible, the same principle will apply to any official on duty for such a match.
- (b) A team official of a participating team is not permitted to be a technical official of the tournament (Tournament Director, Technical Officer, Judge, Umpire Manager or Umpire)

**D.15 Forms**

Match Report Forms, Team Entry Forms, Appointment Sheets and other documentation must be in accordance with FIH/EHF standard format and be approved by EHF. The host National Association is free to add a translation of the forms headings in the host's language as well as to place logos on the documents, on condition that the content laid down for the document continues to appear.

**D.16 Anti-Dope Testing**

- (a) Anti-dope testing will take place if the National Association, National Olympic Committee, national Anti-Doping body, or other national organisation of the country where the event is being held, requires it. It is the host club's responsibility to investigate whether any such requirement exists and to inform EHF at the latest one month before the start of the event.
- (b) Anti-dope testing must be carried out strictly in accordance with the World Anti-Doping Code 2009 (and as further amended and updated) and the FIH Anti-Doping Policy 2009 (and as further amended and updated).
- (c) Team managers will be advised by the Tournament Director of details of the anti-dope testing procedure.
- (d) Any player nominated for a selected match may be subjected to a dope test after the match even if that player has remained on the team bench throughout that match. A player may be subjected to more than one dope test during the competition.
- (e) A positive test or a refusal to submit to a test will render the player concerned and the player's team and officials subject to the disciplinary provisions as to sanctions and penalties, and the procedures and rights as stated in the FIH Anti-Doping Policy.

**D.17 Unforeseen Events**

If in any round of the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) circumstances arise which are not provided for in these Regulations, they will be determined by the Tournament Director after consulting the representative of the EHF, if any.

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**APPENDIX A - CLUB CHAMPIONS CUP RANKING POINTS**

Ranking to be applied in EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) and  
EuroHockey Club Champions Trophy (Women) Tournaments

**1. EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (the top 12)**

For each match played, the following EHF club ranking points will be applied:

Win:	5 points
Draw:	2 points
Loss with goal difference of no more than 2:	1 point
Loss with more than 2 goals between the teams:	0 points

Should any drawn match go to a penalty shoot-out competition, then the winner of that shoot-out competition shall receive **1 bonus point**, in addition to the points which it has earned from the draw.

In addition the National Association of the clubs contesting the **Final** will be awarded additional EHF club ranking points as follows:

Winning club:	5 points
Runner-up:	3 points

**2. EuroHockey Club Champions Trophy**

For the EHF Club Ranking Table (which decides on qualification for EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (the top 12) for the following season) the following points will be awarded based on a team's **final ranking** in the Trophy:

1 <sup>st</sup> place:	12 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place:	10 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place:	8 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place:	6 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place:	4 points
6 <sup>th</sup> place:	3 points
7 <sup>th</sup> place:	2 points
8 <sup>th</sup> place:	1 point

In the event of a classification match ending in a draw at full time then a penalty stroke competition will decide the winner, in accordance with EHF Club Competitions Regulations Appendix A.2.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the points awarded after a match for the purposes of calculating the ranking in the pool competition in the Trophy **will not** count towards the EHF Club Ranking Table. Only the points based on the final positions as set out above will be included in the EHF Club Ranking Table.

**3. Bonus Points**

In addition to the basic points won, each club playing in EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (the top 12) will receive 6 bonus points.

**4. Number of clubs from each National Association**

To decide the ranking of a National Association in the season's ranking table, the total number of points won by its clubs (and if necessary the number of goals scored and conceded) will be divided by the number of clubs which that National Association was qualified to have in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) and the EuroHockey Club Champions Trophy (Women) that season.

**5. If points are equal:**

**Clubs in a pool in Round 1**

If the points of 2 or more clubs are equal in a pools points table in Round 1 then the position will be decided by:

- (i) Goal difference
- (ii) The highest number of goals scored
- (iii) The result of the match between the teams
- (iv) If all these remain equal, then by a Penalty Shootout competition played in accordance with Appendix B of the regulations.

**National Associations in the ranking table**

If the points of 2 or more National Associations are equal in the season's final EHF Club Ranking Table (after dividing by the number of clubs playing) then the position shall be decided by:

- (i) Goal difference (the accumulated goal difference of the clubs of a National Association divided by the number of its clubs playing in EuroHockey Club Champions Cup and Trophy that season).
- (ii) Most goals scored (again dividing by the number of clubs from that National Association).

**6. Ranking in lower divisions**

Ranking points will be awarded only to clubs playing in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) and Club Champions Trophy (Women).

National Associations ranked 5-8 are qualified for 1 club in the EuroHockey Club Champions Cup (Women) and 1 club in the Club Champions Trophy (Women).

There will be two direct promotions into the Club Champions Trophy from the Challenge I tournament. The 2 lowest ranked National Associations in the EHF Club Ranking Table will be relegated to the Challenge I to make room for the two promoted from Challenge I for the next season.

Direct promotion and relegation (2 up, 2 down) will apply in the Club Challenge Tournaments at all times, subject to the number of participating teams in each division. See Club Competitions Regulations (Trophy and Challenge Tournaments) for further information.

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**APPENDIX B - PENALTY SHOOT-OUT COMPETITION**

1.
  - (a) 3 players from each of the 2 teams, chosen by their respective team manager from the players listed on the team list for that particular match, except as excluded hereunder, shall take a one-on-one penalty shoot-out alternately against the goalkeeper of the other team, unless the latter has been incapacitated or replaced, making a total of 6 penalty shoot-outs, 3 for each team. The players must take the penalty shoot-out in the same sequence as the list of 3 players nominated and communicated by the team managers to the Technical Officer on duty before the start of the penalty shoot-out competition.
  - (b) The penalty shoot-out will be taken under the following conditions:
    - i. the defending goalkeeper will start from behind their own goal line, between the goal posts;
    - ii. the ball is placed on the nearest 23m line in a position opposite the centre of the goal
    - iii. an attacker will start from behind the 23m line near the ball;
    - iv. the umpire blows their whistle to signal the start of the shoot-out. The attacker and the goalkeeper may then move in any direction.
    - v. the shoot-out is completed when any of the following first occur:
      - 8 seconds has elapsed;
      - the attacker scores a goal;
      - the attacker commits an offence;
      - the goalkeeper commits an offence in which case a goal shall be awarded;
      - the ball goes out-of-play over the back-line or side-line; this includes the goalkeeper who may intentionally play the ball over the back-line to end the shoot-out.
  - (c) No player who has been suspended by the Tournament Director or has been excluded permanently (red card) from the field of play during that same match by the umpires, shall take part in a penalty shoot-out competition.
  - (d) If during a penalty shoot-out competition a player (either an attacker or a goalkeeper) is suspended, then that player shall take no further part in that penalty shoot-out competition and, unless a defending goalkeeper, cannot be replaced. If an attacker, any shoot-out the player should have been entitled to take will be counted as no goal.
2. The umpires, after consultation with the Technical Officer on duty, shall choose the goal to be used, and shall toss a coin with the captains, the winner having the choice to take or defend the first penalty shoot-out. The team having scored or been awarded the highest number of goals shall be the winner and the competition will cease once an outright winner has been established.
3. After each team has taken 3 shoot-outs, then in the event of an equal number of goals having been awarded, a second series of penalty shootouts shall be started with the same players, subject to incapacitated goalkeeper(s) being replaced, and shall cease after a team shall have scored or been awarded one more goal than the opposing team after an equal number of shootouts (no minimum, no maximum) have been taken by each team. That team shall be the winner of the second series.
 

The sequence in which the attackers take the shoot-outs does not need to be the same as in the previous series and the team manager has the freedom of choice at the time of each shoot-out as to which of the nominated players shall take the shoot-out. In this (unlimited) series, all three nominated players shall take a shoot-out before any of them are eligible to take a further shoot-out.
4. The team whose player has taken the first penalty shoot-out of the first series must defend the first penalty shoot-out of the second (unlimited) series.
5. During a penalty shoot-out competition all persons who appear on the team entry form, and are entitled to sit on the team bench for that match, are permitted on the field of play **only in an area designated by the TO on duty**, which shall be outside the 23m area used for the shoot-out (or in the case of a Goalkeeper on the goal-line but outside the circle, if so directed by the umpire). A player who is

authorised by an umpire or technical official to take or defend a penalty shootout may enter the 23m area for that purpose.

**Note:** that this rule provides for a penalty shoot-out in place of a penalty stroke competition, in a match in which the scores remain level after extra time. If, in any match, a penalty stroke is awarded during normal time or during extra time, then a penalty stroke will be taken in the normal way, in accordance with the Rules of Hockey.

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**APPENDIX C - VARIATIONS TO USUAL FORMAT OF MATCHES AND RULES OF HOCKEY**

To add to the excitement of matches, and particularly to add to the attraction of the game, a number of variations in format shall apply during EuroHockey Club Champions Cup matches.

The variations are:

**1. Match Time and Time-Out**

Each match will be played in 2 halves, each of 35 minutes. However, in each half (at 17½ minutes and 52½ minutes) there will be a centrally controlled *time-out* of 2½ minutes.

Half-time will be 7½ minutes (subject to pitch watering requirements). Teams will change ends at half-time (only).

The team which has taken the first push off, will also take the push off after the first half time-out. The other team will push off after half time and after the second-half time-out.

**2. Penalty Corner Penalties**

Any defender penalised by the umpire for breaking the line before the injection of a Penalty Corner will be sent to join the defenders on the halfway line. She may be replaced on the goal-line by another player of the defending team from the halfway line. Similarly, if the injector is penalised by the umpire (for making a body fake or for movement inducing the defenders to break) then the injector will not be allowed to take the injection for that PC and will be replaced by another attacking player. (No substitutions allowed, as per Rules of Hockey)

**3. Temporary Player Suspensions**

A player who receives a green card from an umpire will be automatically suspended for 2 minutes. A player shown a yellow card will be suspended for a minimum of 5 minutes (in each case the suspension to be timed and controlled by the technical table).

If the seriousness of the offence requires it, the umpire may suspend the yellow-carded player for 10 minutes by signalling, at the time of the suspension, to the table to indicate the time of the extra period of suspension.

**4. Final Result of Matches/Penalty Shoot-Out**

If, at the end of full-time, the score remains level (a draw) then, in a match in Rounds 2-5, after a break of 5 minutes, the teams shall play up to 2 periods of 5 minutes extra time (silver goal). If one team is leading at half-time in extra time then that team shall be the winner and the game shall end there (Silver Goal). If no team is ahead, then the second half of extra time will be played in full.

If, at the end of extra time in a match in Rounds 2-5 the scores remain equal, then which team shall progress as the winner of that match will be decided by a *penalty shoot-out*. See Appendix B.

**5. Final Result of Matches/Penalty Shoot-Out**

If, at the end of full-time, the score remains level (a draw) then, in a match in Rounds 2-4, after a break of 5 minutes, the teams shall play up to 2 periods of 5 minutes extra time (silver goal). If one team is leading at half-time in extra time then that team shall be the winner and the game shall end there (silver goal). If no team is ahead, then the second half of extra time will be played in full.

If, at the end of extra time in a match in Rounds 2-4 the scores remain equal, then which team shall progress as the winner of that match will be decided by a *penalty shoot-out*. See Appendix B.

**6. Own Goal**

A goal is scored when the ball is played within the circle by an attacker, or is played from outside the circle and touches the stick or body of a defender within the circle (and does not travel outside the circle again) before passing completely over the goal-line and under the cross-bar.

**7. Team Lists (Match)**

Teams can comprise up to 18 players, which includes 2 fully kitted goalkeepers. If a team has only one fully kitted goalkeeper available, then only 17 players in the team will be allowed. If a player has been permanently excluded from a match (e.g. following the issue of a red card), then that team will have one player less on the team bench.

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## APPENDIX D - RESPONSIBILITY CHART

Competition/ Division	No of Teams	EHF Rep	Tournament Director	Technical Officers	Umpires Manager	Neutral Umpires	National Umpires	Judges	Media Officer	Medical Officer	No of Medals	Entry Fees	Licence Fee
<b>Cup (Round 1-2)</b>	12	1	1	1	1	2	10 (1)	6 (3)	1	1 (1)	-	€750	-
		-	T+FB	T+FB	T+FB	T+FB	FB	FB	T+FB	T+FB			
<b>Cup (Round 3-4)</b>	4	1	1	-	1	5 *	-	4 (2)	1	1 (1)	22 x 3	-	-
		-	T+FB	-	T+FB	T+FB	-	FB	T+FB	T+FB			

**Key:**

- T: return travel (economy class) from port of departure
- FB: full board (room and all meals)
- 4 (2): 4 people of whom 2 may be from the host nation
- : no appointment, or no provision to be made by the host country/club
- \*: plus a Video Umpire if required