

Referee - Delegate COOPERATION

**2014 EHF Referee/
Delegate Seminar**



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Main topics of COOPERATION

- general preparatory talks on the venue
- **getting into the team spirit**
- **prepare for the individual match and particular topics**
- **cooperation during the match**
- **assisting the referees right after the match if necessary**
- **feedback / debriefing session**

Principles for the cooperation

- **positive and encouraging**
- **the delegate assists and supports the referees**
- **to appear and work as a team**
- **no disputes in public**



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Main topics for the Delegate DURING the match

- Cooperation with the local table staff (correct performance)
- Observe and control the speaker
- Observe safety situation and behaviour of spectators
- Time-Outs!
- Observe substitution area / coaches behaviour



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Main topics for the Delegate AFTER the match

- Be the first to “show the face”
- Supervise when the referees leave the playing court
- Finishing of the match report with table staff
- be the last to leave the playing court
- Insert match report in EHF-Family and confirm
- evaluation session with referees of their performance
- after returning home: - reporting to EHF and referee evaluation sheet in EHF family



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Delegate's support of the referees

- Before the match
- During the match
- After the match



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Delegate's support of the referees BEFORE the match

- Talk with the referees, coaches and officials of both teams, create a good vibration before the match
- Last check with the referees about task distribution
 - Benches
 - 3 times suspension, show the red card from the table
 - Time keeper/secretary problems
 - In case of problems have a good communication before a decision is announced



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Delegate's support of the referees DURING the match

- Good contact
- Support the referees, no matter what!! Even if they do a mistakes (see later)
- Intervene if the referees are going to do a mistake with the possibility to have a protest.
- Reduce unsporting conduct on the benches without creating much “noise”
- Have the courage to “give” the bench a progressive punishment



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Delegate's support of the referees AFTER the match

- Assist the referees on the court in case of problems
- Supervise their leaving from the court to the locker room
- Later on: Pick them up from the locker room to leave the venue or go for food/drink at the venue



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Delegate's support of the referees AFTER the match

- **Evaluation session about the performance of the referees:**
 - Positive communication, but the referees must be able to answer
 - - what was good
 - - what could be better / where to improve
 - - Delegate adds “wishes” for the next matches
- Important for the Delegate:
 - Have the courage to talk about a performance which was not so good, BUT IMPORTANT: the delegate must propose solutions how the performance can be improved in the next match



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Relationship between Delegate and Referees

Delegate is the coach of the referees, who helps and supports the correct refereeing work

Task of delegate in case of exceptional location

Correct information about expectation of the delegate – open talk before the match

Information by the referees about their strong and less strong aspects in refereeing

Preparing for special task in refereeing (defense one – on one, tall pivot players, etc.)



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Relationship between Delegate/Referees and local staff

Responsibilities after the match (guest team, referees leaving to locker room, other issues)

The delegate should present information about his cooperation concept before the match with time keeper and secretary.

Keeping a good contact during the match

If needed talking during halftime



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Intervention / Interruption

Substitution or incorrect entry by a player

Timekeeper or delegate interrupts the game, game is already interrupted



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