



STRUCTURE IN THE FIELD OF REFEREEING EHF – POLICY IN NOMINATIONS

By Andorka Sándor



1. STRUCTURE:

- Competitions Commission is responsible
- Members of commission prepare the nomination – cooperation with office



2. COOPERATION CC AND MC / EDUCATION GROUP

- Close cooperation between CC and MC for a successful work on:
- Education of referees and delegates
- Rules and interpretation advices
- Proposal for rule changes
- Observation criteria
- Young and female referees
- Mentoring system
- Materials for website
- Examination
- Regional and national courses



3. EDUCATION

- Basic responsibility with the national federation and chief of referees
- Education of young and female referees/special programme
- Event education-qualification tournaments, Younger Age Category competitions
- European Championship mini course
- IHF Global Training Programme



4. RULES AND RULE INTERPRETATION

- Basically IHF is responsible
- Task of EHF in the field of rule interpretation : collection of proposals, opinions from experts
- External experts:
 - Mentors
 - Coaches
 - Players
 - Media
 - National Federations



5. DELEGATES

- Main problems are:
 - Language knowledge
 - Often not detailed evaluation
 - Too friendly
- Delegates are representatives of EHF
 - Nomination
 - Security delegates
 - Event delegates
 - Delegates for mentoring
 - Delegates



6. NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Performance in national championship – feedback from national chief of referees
- Feedback from EHF delegates
- Language knowledge
- Who is a good referee – encl. !



7. NOMINATION GUIDELINES

- Short and long term goals for several competitions
- Building-up a new generation
- EHF / IHF cooperation and relationship
- Young referees' programme
- Female referee programme
- Travel conditions
- Level of match
- Language knowledge
- Geographical- , political relationship



EHF REFEREE EDUCATION STRATEGY

LEVEL 1: EHF Young Referees = Option 1.

EHF Referee Candidates = Option 2.

Option 1.: - Entry age 18 – 24 Years

- Max. 2 couples per season
- Max. 3 years in programme without badge
- Referees awarded with „Referee of the Future” badge automatically EHF Referee Candidates !
- 3 more years in programme
- Nomination strategy
- Teaching procedure / Mentoring



- Option 2.: A. Referees coming out from Option 1.
B. Directly applied for by the National Federation
/max. 2 couples per year

Qualification only on the basis of:

- A. National Federation initiative
- B. successful passing of the course system



Level 2.:

- for the further training of the talents
- cooperation with National Federations

Target group:

- satisfying progress in career and realistic chance for level 3. !
- realistic chance for Younger Age Category Championships
- IHF Global Referee Training Programme: realistic chance for World Championship
- all „others”



Level 3.: EHF perspective referees

- responsibility of Competitions Commission
- max. 20 couples selected from level 2
- selection prior to every season, careful selection after intensive mentoring/monitoring
- regular observation by mentors
- regular contact with the national federations
- communication, feedback
- max. two seasons in programme
- consequent nomination



Level 4.:EHF Top Referees

- performances on highest level
- decision by Competitions Commission
- qualified to participate in any of the EHF competitions
- standard for senior ECh / WCh



Nomination criteria for ECh

W17/M18 :

- maximum age 32 years
- referees with potential and competence
- good performances in European Cup and Qualification tournament
- good English language knowledge
- perfect physical condition
- „homework” related to rule interpretation
- female referees – depending on quality
- cooperation with own national federation



W19/M20:

- maximum age 35 years
- referees with potential and competence
- good performances in different kind of matches(EC,Q)
- good English knowledge-communication !
- physical condition and ability
- interactive work with DVD
- cooperation with the national federation

Women's ECh: referees from the group behind the top referees and 3 – 4 very experienced couples

Men's ECh: only the „creme de la creme”



Nomination tasks:

- must be announced 3 months prior to the final tournament
- Consequent EC assignments of nominated referees
- Contact and cooperation EHF – National Federation / chief of referees is important
- Theoretical and physical preparation
- Interactive work with DVD
- Information letter concerning the main problem cases in rule interpretation
- Officials' conference before the start of the tournament
- Daily evaluation meetings with the highlights
- Publishing the evaluation of performances
- Publishing the best presentations on the EHF website



IHF Global Referee Training Programme

- Recommendation by the National
federation/confirmation by the continental fed.**
- Age limit max.32 years**
- Questionnaire+DVD**
- Min.2 times participating in training**
- YWCh max.35 years old,JWCh max.39 years old
potential candidates for senior WCh**