



Event Management Legal System and Reporting

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Event Management and reporting

Phase 1

From the nomination to arrival

Travel organization

Contact with the home club / home Federation

Contact with the referees

Contact with the EHF

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Phase 2

Presence at the venue from arrival to departure

First contact with clubs and referees

Check of playing hall and hotel

Technical Meeting

Match

Referee evaluation and informal talks with clubs



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Phase 3

After departure

Reporting to EHF

Evaluation of referees to EHF

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Work of the Delegate

is essential

- for carrying out legal proceedings
- for developing the sport and handball events



EHF Legal Bodies

- **EHF Administration**
- **EHF Arbitration Tribunal**
- **EHF Dispute Resolution Chamber
(currently Congress motion)**



EHF Legal Bodies

❖ EHF Administration

- **Decisions on situations which allow direct application of EHF Regulation points**

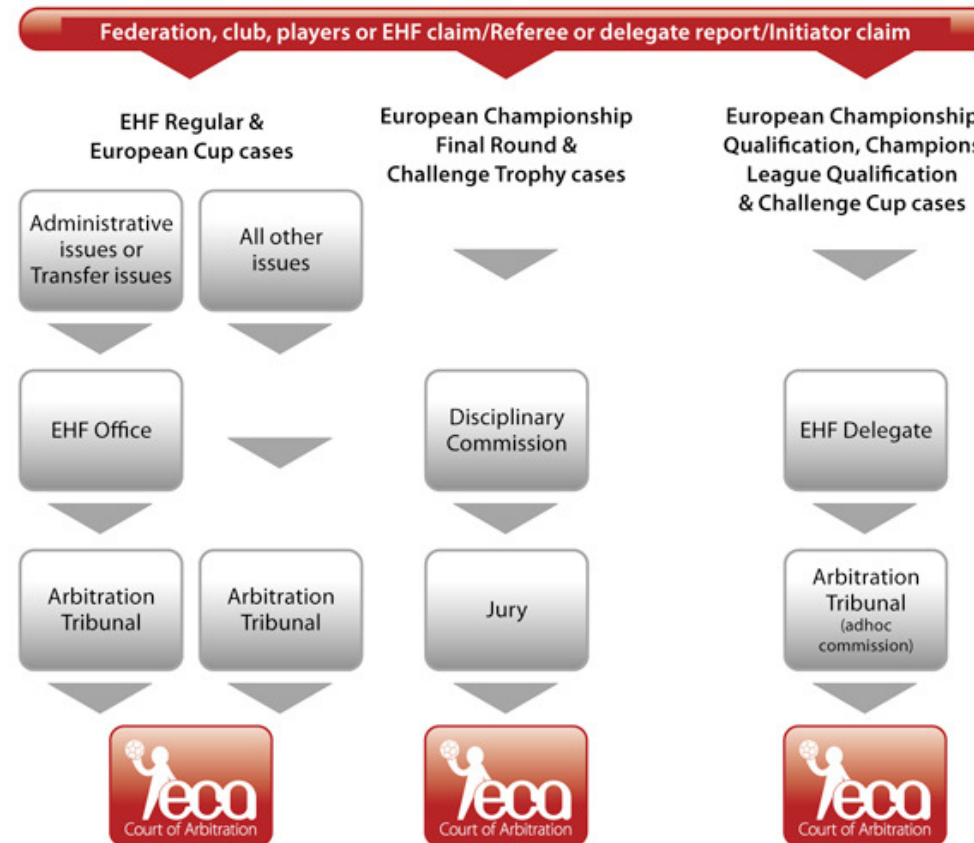
❖ EHF Arbitration Tribunal

- **Decisions on regular cases and competition cases; 2nd instance in administrative cases**
- **8 members / panel of 3 members to decide**

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The new EHF internal and external legal system



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EHF Legal Bodies



❖ Dispute Resolution Chamber:

- New legal body proposed as first instance in regular/competition cases: motion to the 2010 Congress (24.09.2010)**
- 7 members / panel of 3 members to decide**
- Secures a two instances system for all cases**

Proceedings and Requirements



- **Initiation of Proceedings**
- **EHF Delegate Role**
- **Relevant Regulations**

Initiation of Proceedings



➤ **Current Regulations:**

- **Via EHF Officials' reports (point 7.2. Arbitration Regulations - Art. 25 new regulations): Officials (all persons nominated by the EHF) have the duty to report in writing any incident and any violation of EHF Regulations taking place during an EHF event**

Proceedings during tournaments



**European
Championship
Qualification**

**Champions
League
Qualification**

**Challenge
Cup
Tournaments**

- **Responsibility for cases on the spot – EHF Delegate as first instance**
- **Competition related matters, protests, disciplinary matters, etc.**
- **Appeals against first instance decisions during a tournament (European Championship Final Tournaments excluded)**
 - **Take over the appeal**
 - **Note the time and the place of receipt**
 - **Collect appeal fee or prove for transfer of payment**
 - **Pass on the appeal to the EHF office as soon as possible**

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Procedure Delegates Decision



- **Protest to be filed by 1h after the match together with protest fee of € 1000**
- **Reasons to be provided by the protesting party by 09:00 next day**
- **Delegate decision by 12:00**
- **Appeals by 20:00 the same day (decision making body ad hoc commission together with appeal fee of € 1000)**
- **ARB ad hoc body decision by 12:00 next day**



Protests

- **Protests to be filed within 1h after the match**
 - **Exceptions: Protests in EC matches shall be communicated to the EHF office within 24 hours**
- **Reasons for the protest to be filed by 09:00 the day after the protest**
 - **Inform protesting party on deadline for reasons**
- **A protest fee of € 1000 applies**
 - **Payment together with protest**
 - **Confirmation for bank transfer sufficient**

EHF Delegate Role

Obligation to report



- **EHF Delegates are obliged to provide a report after each event/match within 24 hours**
- **Reports are the basis for the initiation of legal proceedings and a correct and equal treatment and appearance of all matches**
- **Reports have to be written after analysis and check of the respective circumstances**
- **Report obligation applies without regard whether the new regulations proposal is adopted by the Congress or not**

Extent of report



- **Preparation period**
- **Support by home federation/club**
- **Language knowledge**
- **Venue set-up**
- **Conditions in the arena (including Media, VIP, TV facilities)**
- **Advertising set-up (exception in case of Marketing Supervisor) – major short comings in any case need to be reported**
- **Conditions for guest team**
- **Accommodation and accompanying activities**
- **Carrying out of the match**
- **Support to the Marketing Supervisor**

Report details



- **Make an individual report for all relevant/listed areas; in case a report form is provided – tick your remarks**
- **Do not give just the key word or mark only the flag – give your personal comment and make a short description of the situation**
- **In case of a specific problem, please make an additional detailed report and add it to the overall report**
- **EHF Officials are the eyes and ears of the EHF – a detailed and correct input has to be guaranteed**

Example Excerpt Sample Report



Catch Net:

- Size (min 26x8)
- Colour (black)
- Set-up (behind advertising boards – fixed 3m right&left of the goals)

☐ OK ☒ NOT OK

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Remarks:

WRONG

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Remarks: catch net just covering the area behind the goal, approx. length 12m (icehockey net)

CORRECT

Example Excerpt Sample Report



Part 2: Playing hall	no remark	Remark (report obligatory)
Playing court (lines, goals, substitution area, safety zone, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Infrastructure (goals, catch net, set-up, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	X
Time keeper's table (reserve clock, TTO cards, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

WRONG

Example

Excerpt Sample Report



Part 2: Playing hall	no remark	Remark (report obligatory)
Playing court (lines, goals, substitution area, safety zone, etc.)	X	
Infrastructure (goals, catch net, set-up, etc.)		X catch net too small
Time keeper's table (reserve clock, TTO cards, etc.)	X	

Additional remarks: catch net just covering the area behind the goal, approx. length 12m (icehockey net)

CORRECT

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Implementation of obligations **and consequences**

- **Check all requirements according to the relevant regulations immediately upon arrival**
- **Different obligations depending on the category of the match/event**
- **Inform home federation club on required corrections and adaptations, give them a time limit for their implementation**
- **If you feel it is necessary point out the relevant regulation points and the related consequences**

Exceptions



- ❖ **In case of slight discrepancies without major impact on the event you are entitled to grant an exception for one single time (Attention: eg. a wrong catch net – too small, wrong colour, wrong position, etc is not a small discrepancy) – in this case point out**
 - **That it is a one time exception**
 - **That it has to be corrected next time**
 - **That the EHF will be informed accordingly**

Note: The EHF accepts your decision and relies on it!



Follow up

- **Make a remark for all areas – ok is enough, if this is the case.**
- **Any non-compliances to be reported and explained**
- **Provide report within 24 hours**
- **Reporting in due time is a basic requirement of your nomination**

Relevant Regulations



- **Competition Regulations (ECh, EChQ, CL, EC, etc.)**
- **Regulations related conditions and requirements (manuals, guidelines)**
- **Arbitration Regulations**
- **List of Penalties**
- **Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions**
- **Regulations on Advertising on Clothing**
- **Rules & Procedures on Safety and Security**
- **Anti Doping Regulations**



Competitions Regulation

- **Basis for the handling and appearance of EHF events**
- **All obligations to be checked**
- **Non obedience to the obligations of the EHF Competitions Regulations have to be reported to the EHF without regard whether a specific sanction in this respect can be found in the List of Penalties or the Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions**

Arbitration Regulations



- **Define EHF legal bodies competence**
- **Specify EHF legal proceedings**
- **Include disciplinary sanctions (List of Penalties + Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions)**
- **Relevance:**
 - **To be used to inform the clubs of the consequences in case of violation of the EHF Regulations**

List of Penalties



- **Part of the Arbitration Regulations**
- **Defines sanctions to violations of EHF Regulations obligations (wide categories, e.g. improper conduct, fundamental violations)**
- **If sanction not defined or if range: EHF legal bodies determine the adequate penalty.**
- **Update (to be adopted by the Congress 24.09.2010)**
 - **New categories included**
e.g. “Marketing/Advertisements/Media“

Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions



- **New proposal to be adopted by the Congress (24.09.2010)**
- **Part of the Arbitration Regulations**
- **Defines sanctions to violations of EHF Regulations obligations of administrative nature**
- **Infringements and amount of fines precisely defined**
- **Automatic sanction upon violation/report (limited proceedings steps/no case examination required)**
- **e.g. Incorrect set-up catch net: 1,000€
Failure to send match pictures: 300€**
- **If proposal not adopted: administrative cases dealt according to the List of Penalties**

An aerial view of a handball match taking place in a large, crowded stadium. The court is blue with black end zones. Several players in different colored uniforms are visible on the court. The stands are filled with spectators. The text "YOUR CONTRIBUTION" is overlaid at the top.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Treat parties equal

Be fair

**Legal and technical means help us to further
develop the sport**

Your contribution ensures the right steps