

Helsinki, Finland 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2023

## IFF Central Board meeting 2/2023 21.05.2023 as a physical meeting in Malmö, in Sweden

Place: **Quality Hotel View, Hyllie Stationstorg 29, 215 32 Malmö, Sweden**  
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<b>Participants:</b>	<b>Tomas Eriksson</b>	<b>President</b>
	<b>Filip Suman</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
	<b>Monica Birdal</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
	<b>Jörg Beer</b>	
	<b>Tamuz Hidir</b>	
	<b>Steen Houman</b>	<b>(remote participation)</b>
	<b>Calle Karlsson</b>	<b>(remote participation)</b>
	<b>Stephen King</b>	<b>(remote participation)</b>
	<b>Martin Klabere</b>	<b>(remote participation)</b>
	<b>Pakkamol Siritwat</b>	<b>(remote participation)</b>
	<b>Kaarina Vuori</b>	
	<b>Veli Halonen</b>	<b>Operations Manager</b>
	<b>Stefan Kratz</b>	<b>Competition Manager (remote participation)</b>
	<b>John Liljelund</b>	<b>Secretary General</b>
<b>Excused:</b>	<b>Agata Plechan</b>	<b>ATC Chair</b>
	<b>Carlos Lopez</b>	

## Agenda

### § 1. Opening of the meeting

Mr. Eriksson welcomed all members to the second CB meeting of the year 2023 in Malmö and thanked the participants for an excellent workshop on Saturday. Mr. Eriksson opened the meeting at 09:00.

### § 2. Approval of the agenda

Mr. Eriksson concluded that there are the following updated or new appendix for the meeting.

Appendix	12	-	Euro Floorball Championships 2026 interest (new)
Appendix	14	-	Champions Cup 2024 Streaming guidelines (updated)
Appendix	18	-	Member Service Knowledge Sharing
Appendix	21	-	Fit4Future Project report (new)
Appendix	23ac	-	IOC Development support applications 2023 (new)
Appendix	27	-	IFF App financial report 2/2023 (updated)

**CB decided:** To approve the report, the new and updated appendixes and the agenda for the meeting

§ 3 **Minutes from the CB meetings: 01/2023 Prague, Czech Republic (26.02.2023)**

The minutes from the last CB meeting 01/2023 were scrutinized, approved and put ad acta. (**Appendix 1**)

**CB decided:** To approve the minutes of the IFF CB meeting 01/2023

§ 4. **Financial questions**

a) **Financial report 2023 by 15.05.2023**

Mrs. Birdal presented the financial report and balance sheet by the 15.05.2023 (**Appendix 2**).

The outcome per 15<sup>th</sup> of May is CHF 162.066, which is some CHF 112.383 (2022: CHF 274,449) lower than last year basically due to the IFF events (U19 & WFC 2023 qualifications and the U19 WFC 2023 final round) having been played during this period which was not the case last year.

The forecast currently points at a negative outcome of CHF 39.286 taking height for the higher-than-expected cost for the SEA Games 2023, higher than budgeted cost for the WFC 2023 TV production and uncertainty on marketing income for the Champions Cup home and away edition starting in August.

The liquidity per 15<sup>th</sup> May is CHF 468.076, some CHF 124.074 lower than the same time last year (2022: CHF 592,150) which is due the IFF events played during this period.

The finances are continued to be monitored on a daily basis, and possible saves will be considered if and when we see signs of possible less income than now budgeted.

Mr. King asked **if** there are any implications on the financial situation with the WFC 2023 in Singapore and Ms. Vuori expressed that it is very good that the IFF Office has found a cheaper solution for the TV production taking the crew and equipment from Europe.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

b) **Information on IFF claims – License system and WFC 2023 – status May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mrs. Birdal presented the claims situation by the 15.05.2023 for Associations participating in the WFCs 2023 and separately for those not participating in any of the IFF Events. (**Appendix 3 and 4**).

Since last CB meeting no payments have been done in accordance with the pay-off plans for Cote d'Ivoire, Malaysia, Russia and Ukraine whilst Slovenia has paid according to their plan (**Appendix 5**).

Mr. Kratz reported that it continues to be a lot of financial struggling after Covid and difficulties to live up to the license system. In some countries the system for state funding has been halted alternatively lowered which causes huge problems for these Associations to pay their invoices, not only to the IFF. There have been some new situations with how the member federations can receive governmental support, which can cause new problems.

Ms. Birdal stressed that the Office needs to follow this up. Mr. Eriksson gave the example of the discussion held with the Malaysian federation during the SEA Games.

Mr. Kratz further reported that he has reminded the Associations having not paid the fees for the WFC's in 2024. All of the associations having debts are still paying but lagging behind. Mr. Suman asked if we should not set a final date when the debts have to be paid and maybe even later remove the possibility to register if you have a payment plan.

Ms. Vuori asked what the situation is for the events for 2024. The following teams have not paid the registration fees for the U19 WFC and WFC. U19 WFC; Canada, Hungary, Latvia, Latvia & USA and for the WFC; France, Great Britain, Hungary, Latvia, Philippines and Slovakia.

**CB decided:** To approve the reports and to continue to follow up on the pay-off plans for Canada, Cote d'Ivoire, Malaysia, Russia and Slovenia, to continue to follow up on the debts of the non-participating Associations and, taking into account the reported financial difficulties, to confirm the registrations for the WFCs 2024 with the addition that the registration fees have to be paid by the 30<sup>th</sup> of August and to follow up on the payments for these.

**c) European Core Country meeting 19<sup>th</sup> of May**

Mr. Eriksson informed that IFF had invited for the CC13 meeting in Malmö, Sweden on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May, after a decision was made not to hold the meeting in Frederikshavn, due to the difficult travel to the city. There have been 13 member associations invited for the meeting and 10 member associations present. **(Appendix 6a)**

IFF prepared an Agenda for the meeting **(Appendix 6b)** to which a total of 11 member associations participated. The main topic for the meeting was a general discussion of the Future of Floorball, how to cooperate between the member federations and the future of the international competition calendar. In addition, IFF provided some additional information on present topics for the member federations.

Mr. Eriksson and the other CB members having participated in the meeting reported on the outcome and feedback from the meeting. The right people participated from 11 countries, mainly presidents and secretary generals, and it was a good discussion that everybody participated in the discussions with an open mind and good spirit, even if Estonia, Latvia and Poland missing. "

The objective of the meeting was to set a common ground with the European Core Countries, so that now everybody agrees where we want to go with the Future of Floorball process. The opinions will then differ on how to reach the goals that will be set. This will need an investment of time to go forward and running the process. We presently have a good product for the players, Coaches and Referees. And we need to be able to convince the Floorball community to make changes that will help to make the sport more entertaining/attractive and more equal. The participants all agreed that the main target groups for the changes are the Spectators, Media and Sponsors.

The CB workshop concluded that process forward is that the IFF CB will in its next CB meeting concentrate on the analysis of the data collected through the IFF questionnaire, the input from the Core Countries CB's and further surveys to be made (Spectator, Sponsors and Media) The CB workshop in September will build a first draft of the proposal for the IFF Association Meeting in December in Singapore, with three levels. The first are the changes to be taken in 2024, the second are the ones that still need more testing or discussions within the community and in the third level the ideas which can only be changed in the future, as more analysis is needed. This

first draft will then be sent to the IFF committees and the National Associations for a remiss during September. The IFF CB will then based on the feedback in October further develop the proposal.. This first proposal will then be discussed in the European, Asia-Oceanian and North American Core Country meetings in November, based on which the IFF CB will in November finalise the presentation for the IFF Association meeting.

The CB workshop also concluded that IFF needs, with the help of the National Associations, to prepare the following additional surveys for the analysis.

- A Sponsor and Media survey for the IFF and the National Association sponsors and Media partners (June/August)
- A Spectator survey for how they feel about Floorball as a spectator sport (September/October)
- A survey for younger spectators

The next Core Country Meeting Europe will be held in Berlin, Germany on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November. The IFF will discuss with the Asia-Oceania and Americas federations to organize similar meetings before November.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

## § 5. World Championships

### a) Women's WFC 2023, Singapore

Mr. Kratz reported on the preparations of the WFC 2023 to be played in Singapore on the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2023. The ballot was held in beginning of April, with a really good production and output made by KIN Productions, the SFA LOC Events partner. The first version of the Match schedule has been prepared (**Appendix 7**) but the publishing has been delayed due to the question of venues. The IFF has informed that due to delays of other sports, mainly FIS-Ski's calendar planning, there will be two occasions when the match schedule can be changed due to TV takers needs, as for example both the Czech and Swiss TV's don't know what times they have for floorball. The first date is in end of June and the second in October, to avoid too many changes of the match program.

The preparation for the ticket launch has been delayed to the end of May, due to the uncertainty of the playing venues. The LOC has again had second thoughts about playing the later part of the WFC, the semi-finals and medal matches, in the larger Singapore Indoor Stadium, due to very high costs for the venue and the instalment costs for the infrastructure and build-up of a Field of Play. The LOC has due to financial reasons requested that the complete event shall be played in the OCBC (**Appendix 8**).

The IFF Event manager Ms. Sarah Mitchell and the IFF secretary general has discussed this issue in detail and finds, that even if it may cause a number of other issues in the field of ticket sales and promotion of the event, it is extremely difficult to force the LOC to take a deficit of over 1 million SGD for the use of the larger Singapore Indoor Stadium.

During the SEA Games in Cambodia, the IFF secretary general approached the SFA committee members and asked about the situation and it was agreed that a meeting should be held with the SportSg CEO Mr. Alan Goh. In the meeting on Monday 15.5. Ms. Mitchell and Mr. Liljelund conveyed the issues IFF had with the KIN Production, namely the ticket sales issues and how to secure that all international guests have the possibility to get tickets for the event, the fact that it would not be good for the sport to play a WFC in Singapore in a smaller venue than in 2005, when the last game of Singapore had over 4.000 spectators and the fact that with limited tickets to be sold, it will affect the marketing of the event negatively. In the meeting Mr. Alan Goh

expressed that SportSg feels that having the finals in the Singapore Indoor Stadium is very important. IFF received the information from KIN Production later on Monday 15<sup>th</sup>, in which KIN Production confirms that will retract their Letter of Appeal pertaining to withdrawing Singapore Indoor Stadium for the Final Weekend. They will continue to work with the initial arrangement of having OCBC Arena Hall 1 & 2 for the Group Stage, Play Offs and Quarters, and Singapore Indoor Stadium for the Semis & Final.

Due to the uncertainty of where to play the final weekend the publishing of the schedule and the ticket release have been postponed to 25<sup>th</sup> May.

Mr. Suman felt that it is really important the IFF has been very firm in this question, as playing only in the OCBC would have been the totally wrong signal and not good for the Singapore Floorball.

Mr. Liljelund reported on the TV situation. It has been a little of a negative surprise that the prices of TV production in Singapore is extremely much higher than in Europe. IFF has made inquiries with the help of KIN Productions in Singapore for the production of the Event and found that the prices are 2,5 times higher than with contracting Spring Media/PolarHD and having them transporting all material from Europe. IFF is finalising the negotiations with Spring Media, but unfortunately the price for the TV production will be much higher than in previous events. IFF has already secured the broadcast in the following countries, even if all agreements are not signed: Czech Republic/CTV, Finland/YLE, Norway/TV2 Slovakia/ArenaTV, Sweden/SVT and Switzerland/SRF. The discussions with Protocol Sports will start still in May.

Mr. Liljelund further reported that through the IWGA contacts with the International Sports Broadcaster company ISB, IFF is investigating different possibilities for the signal transfer over IP from the Singapore to the different takers with the Singaporean based company Caton Technology Ltd. This would seriously reduce the cost for the signal transfer, if this will work out and the TV's will approve this approach (**Appendix 9**)

**CB decided:** to approve the reports.

#### **b) U19 WFC 2023, Frederikshavn, Denmark**

Mr. Houman reported from Men's U19 WFC 2023 played in Frederikshavn, Denmark. The event can be considered a huge success for the organiser with a new total spectator's record for U19 events with 18,316 spectators and a ticket sale clearly exceeding the planned budget. (**Appendix 10**).

For Danish Floorball it is a remarkable achievement that the event was so successful, taking into account all the issues the federation has faced during the last year and even during the final preparations of the event. Floorball Denmark is really proud of having been able to create this good atmosphere together with the teams, and Arena Nord where the tournament was hosted is an almost perfect arena for WFC at U19 level, with both arenas under same roof and other arenas for training. It has been a very busy start for the new Floorball Denmark secretary general Troels Jensen.

The city of Frederikshavn is the real capital of Floorball in Denmark, where floorball really is seen in the daily life of Frederikshavn, and the mayor was really happy to host the U19 WFC. Floorball Denmark would like to send a huge thank you to the IFF staff and volunteers who were at the tournament, as always IFF is there to support the local organiser. We had some issues during the tournament, but overall Floorball Denmark is very pleased with the U19 WFC.

The budget for U19 WFC was 217.600 euro, and in order to get break even, there had to be sold tickets for 66.000 euro, though there was a deficit guarantee of 20.000 euro.

In total ticket sales ended at 670.000 DKK which is almost 90.000 EUR, so though the finances is not finalized, Floorball Denmark feels that it looks good, and though there was some extra costs, it looks like it will balance and Floorball Denmark will not lose any money.

With the challenges Floorball Denmark has been through the last six month, it's a relief with such a positive U19 WFC

Mr. Liljelund reported on the TV, where in the end the Danish LOC was not able to have a local channel streaming the event in the end, when the Danish Floorball channel, did not agree to the terms provided by the IFF. The IFF sold the signal to the Czech TV/Tipsport for the Czech semi-final and the Czech medal match. The Slovak Arena TV also broadcasted the last match of the Slovak team in the 5<sup>th</sup> placed match.

The IFF could now for the first time actually test the strength of the Sportswik IFF App and could reach a total sales of just over 56.900 CHF, which after the Stripe payment service costs had been reduced shows a net sales of just under 54,000 CHF.

After U19 WFC 2023 we have 43'132 registered users for the IFF App and sold a total of 1850 Event passes and sold some 3000 single game passes for the U19 WFC.

	Registered users		Event passes U19 WFC	
	431312	TOTAL	1850	TOTAL
1	9063	SWE	381	SWE
2	9063	SUI	301	DUI
3	5181	CZE	184	FIN
4	3681	FIN	135	DEN
5	1723	NOR	128	CZE
6	1454	GER	114	NOR
7	1431	SPG	88	LAT
8	1304	DEN	81	SPG
9	1183	LAT	79	GER
10	1134	SVK	71	AUS

Mr. Eriksson felt that the sales of the streams and single game passes was really good.

**CB decided:** to approve the reports.

### c) **SEA Games 2023**

Mr. Liljelund gave a brief report on behalf of the IFF Event Manager MS. Sarah Mitchell on the SEA Games played in Cambodia 11<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Indonesia withdrew their men's team from participation in the event quite late in the process and it turned out that the women's team had actually never even registered, so the event was played with 5 teams for each gender. During the SEA Games it become clear that Floorball will be on the program of the next three SEA Games in Thailand 2025, Malaysia 2027 and Singapore 2029.

As the Cambodian Floorball Federation is in its infancy, the local organisers required a lot of assistance from other associations in the region. In particular, Floorball Thailand and the Singapore Floorball Association provided expert support for the event. This support was for both the event delivery and the team preparations for participating in the event. The IFF wants to convey special thanks to TaiShan Sports for providing the flooring.

Mr. Eriksson wanted to convey the IFF gratitude for the support provided by Thailand and Singapore in helping the Cambodian federation and the organiser to conduct a very good event. The growth of the sport in the Asian region is very important for the whole Floorball community, as both the SEA Games and the Asian Indoor Martial Arts Games (AIMAG), which are run by the NOC's and the AIMAG by the Olympic Committee of Asia.

The tournament provided some of the highest quality matches that we have seen in the Asian region and showed that Floorball continues to develop well in the AOFC countries. Considering that most of the Cambodian players had only begun playing Floorball a number of weeks prior to the event, the level of play that they started at was very high, partly due to coming from field or indoor hockey backgrounds. The IFF will work to ensure that this good start is built upon in the coming years, including securing them as an IFF Member Association.

Thailand won the Men's event and Singapore won the Women's event.

Mr. Houman asked if Floorball can have more teams in the future events and Ms. Pakkamol informed that this will be possible.

Mr. Eriksson reported on the meetings held by IFF during the SEA Games.

**Steve Hontiveros, Chairman Philippines Olympic Committee**

Mr. Hontiveros was very pleased with the Floorball development in the Philippines and the national teams. He stressed the necessity to promote Floorball in more Asian countries and would assist in facilitating this with his vast experience.

**Tran Van Manh, Vietnamese Olympic Council secretary general and Hockey Federation President**

Mr. Tran was thankful to Floorball being promoted in Hanoi by IFF in conjunction with the Swedish Embassy at the Europe Festival and informed that he with TaiShan Sports are having fruitful discussions on development in Vietnam, and they need coaching assistance and support with equipment. He informed that they are looking to put Floorball together in one NSA having all recent new sports in one NSA in Vietnam.

**Saw Lu Lu Htaw, Myanmar Hockey Federation President and EXCO Myanmar NOC**

Mr. Lu Lu informed that he knows that IFF has facilitated Floorball equipment to Myanmar in conjunction with the 2013 SEA GAMES. He is together with Mr Chaiyapak looking on possible Hockey/Floorball cooperation.

**Zuraimi Abdul Sani, secretary general Brunei Olympic Council**

Mr. Zuraimi introduced HRH Prince Haji Sufri Bolkia, and informed that Brunei is promoting sports. Since it is surrounded on Borneo by Malaysia's states Sabah and Sarawak their might be a potential in cooperation with Malaysia Floorball Association.

**Dato'M. Rajasekaran, SEA GAMES federation mediator and legal counsel, from Malaysia**

Mr. Raja introduced HRH the Crown Princess of Perlis Tuanku Syed Faizuddin Putra Jamalullail showing a huge interest in Floorball, visiting the Malaysia – Cambodia women's game. The Crown Prince is genuinely interested in sports. Mr Raja is a legal counsel to the SEAGAMES Federation, and is a good contact point in his network to Malaysia and the SEA Games countries in general.

**Mr. Vath Chamroeun, SEA Games 2023 CEO, Minister of state, and NOC secretary general, and Hockey Cambodia President**

Mr. Vath informed that Floorball has now entered Cambodia, IFF thanked Mr. Vath for excellent SEA Games and for having both men and women teams having performed well in Floorball despite recently born in Cambodia. Cambodia will be registering to 2023 AIMAG in Thailand.

**CB decided:** to approve the reports

**d) Upcoming Events**

**U19 WFC 2024, WFC 2024, WFC 2026 and WFC 2027**

Mr. Liljelund reported on the WFC 2024 contract discussions and a meeting held in Frederikshavn to conclude the discussions and settle the open matters. The aim is to have the WFC 2024 agreement still in May.

Mr. Kratz further concluded that 32 teams have registered for the WFC 2024. Discussions are ongoing with three organisers for EUR (Latvia, Poland and Slovenia), one for Americas (Canada) and one for AOFC (Philippines).

The IFF CB has on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of May received an application from the Colombian Floorball Federation to join the WFC 2024 (**Appendix 11**). The IFF Competition department will check with the Canadian and US federation about the possibility to include Colombia into the WFC 2024 qualifications and then to inform the Colombian federation of the requirements to participate. If all parties are favourable, then the IFF Competition department will propose to include Colombia in the Americas qualification. The USA was positive to include Colombia, but Canada was not very positive as it would bring more costs for the organiser and some concerns concerning the competitiveness of the Colombian team.

Mr. Suman felt that we need to find a long-term solution to include these new countries to the existing WFC's qualifications. The organisation of some more matches will not cost too much, but there needs to be guarantees for them actually participating.

Mr. King asked if there could be an idea to include Colombia in the AOFC qualifications. Mr. Kratz answered that this would not be feasible from an organisational perspective.

Ms. Vuori asked if the inclusion of Colombia would change the quota for the Americas in the WFC and Mr. Kratz informed that this would not be the case.

Mr. Kratz concluded that 18 teams have registered to the U19 WFC 2024 and that only one qualification is needed to play for two EUR spots. The qualification will be played with 4 teams as a single round event (Denmark, France, Hungary and Italy) in Besancon, France 25-27.08 2023.

Mr. Halonen reported that the bidding processes for the WFCs 2025, 2026 and 2027 have been carried out and the bids have been evaluated. The IFF office launched three separate bids in March and the deadline to answer the bids was set to be the 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2023. The evaluations made by the IFF CB, RACC and staff members were due on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April. The bids were for the WFC 2025, WFC 2026 and WFC 2027. There was one bidder for each event. Czech Floorball bid for the Women's WFC 2025, Finnish Floorball Federation for both WFC 2026 and WFC 2027.

The plan for the WFC 2025 is to split it between two cities, Brno and Ostrava. The group stage to be played in Brno and the Play Off games in Ostrava. The concept is the same as it was for the WFC 2013 and the finals to be played in Ostrava arena and the competition days to be 5<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Spectator capacities in Brno 2900 and in Ostrava 10 000 +. Mr. Suman explained that the Czech Floorball will try to build the same set-up for the WFC as in 2013. As there is a collision of the dates with the South-East Asian Games (SEA Game 2025), the LOC will be looking into the possibility to have the dates changed. This will need to be coordinated between the IFF and the Czech Floorball.

The WFC 2026 is planned to be played in Tampere in Finland from the 4<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2026 and there will be three arenas. From the start the Hakametsä Ice Hall will be the A-arena

and Kauppi sports hall the B-arena. From the play off stage the new Nokia Arena will become the A-arena and Hakametsä stays as the B-arena. Capacities; Kauppi 1300, Hakametsä 7000 and Nokia Arena 13 000. The City of Tampere is building the Hakametsä Campus venue for approximately 2500 spectators.

Ms. Vuori felt that it would be ideal if the Hakametsä Campus would be ready as there would be two venues close to each other.

The WFC 2027 is planned to be played in Turku in Finland. The main venue being the Gatorade Arena, which is the same venue which was used in the MU19 WFC 2009 and the B-arena being the Kupittaa Sports hall. The planned playing days 3rd to 12th of December 2027. Spectator Capacities Kupittaa 2850 and Gatorade 11 800.

The office proposes to the CB to grant the WFC 2025 to Czech Floorball and the WFC 2026 and WFC 2027 to the Finnish Floorball Federation.

Mr. Liljelund explained that IFF needs to look over the way to have more income from the WFC, from the Ticket sales, larger share of TV product costs carried by the LOC and a cooperation on the sales of sponsorship for the Event. Mr. Suman and Ms. Vuori felt that this could be a positive way to move forward.

Mr. Kratz further reported that there as of now is no letter of interest for the organisation of the Euro Floorball Championships 2025 Men, Slovakia has informed that they can earliest in September inform if they will bid for the event. The IFF CB will need to make the decision of the Euro Floorball Championships 2025 latest in the CB meeting in December 2023.

For the 2026 Women, where Sweden has shown interest, the formal bidding process was intended to start before this CB meeting but Sweden has informed that more time is needed to prepare their bid (**Appendix 12**)

Mr. Suman expressed that as we are in The World Games with both genders, it might be a challenge to start with the Euro Floorball Championships in 2025 from the resources. Mr. Beer asked if the decision could be made earlier than in December, as the National Associations need to make plans. Mr. Liljelund expressed that as the IFF has asked for bids for the Euro Floorball Championships and need to wait for the decision of the Slovak federation if they can make the bid or not, to which Mr. Suman answered that the Slovak federation need to wait for the result of the elections in the autumn, as they will only then know if they can get some governmental support.

Mr. Vuori asked when the system for the qualification for the WFC 2025 will be decided. Mr. Suman answered that it needs to be discussed in depth and Mr. Liljelund answered that it will be the task for the RACC to prepare this for the next CB meeting.

The Swiss federation has proposed that IFF would open up for a prospect list for coming organisers, so that member federations could better plan for what Events to apply for. The IFF Office is positive to this proposal. Mr. Suman felt that it is important that the system is built in a way so that it doesn't scare off potential organisers.

**CB decided:** to approve the reports and appoint Czech Republic as organiser of the WFC 2025 and Finland as organisers of the WFCs 2026 and 2027. Further the IFF CB is to decide to create a prospect list for coming organisers on the web page. The CB did not approve the Colombian application but hoped that they will register for the upcoming IFF Events in 2025.

#### e) **Covid-19 and other Event Status Update**

Mr. Kratz reported the WHO has decided that Covid-19 is no longer a global threat and due to this no travel or local restrictions affecting our events are expected.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

§ 6. **Club competitions**

a) **Champions Cup**

Mr. Kratz reported that the invitation to the Champions Cup 2023-2024 has been sent with deadline 31<sup>st</sup> of May to register and that the detailed planning regarding match schedules and related matters will start thereafter.

Mr. Kratz further reported that the Champions Cup Steering Group, the CC stakeholder countries competition departments, the RACC and the competition office have prepared a final proposal of the Champions Cup Home & Away Regulations (**Appendix 13**).

Mr. Liljelund reported that the draft Streaming Guidelines for the Champions Cup has been prepared and the proposal has been updated after some feedback from the stakeholders (**Appendix 14**)

The IFF office & RACC are still to create the guidelines for the Technical Delegates that will be appointed for each home and away match. This will include details on how disciplinary matters will be dealt with during the event.

Mr. Klabere informed that the IFF has asked for the nominations for the Technical Delegates for the National Associations.

**CB decided:** To approve the report and approve the CC Home & Away Regulations 2023

b) **Euro Floorball Cup**

Mr. Kratz reported that Germany and Slovakia have shown interest to organise the EFC 2023. A general problem to get organiser in an earlier stage is that the Associations are fully dependent on their Champions to organise and the Championships in several Associations ends late May.

Mr. Kratz further reported that the EuroFloorball Challenge for Men is planned to be played 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> of August in Besancon, France in conjunction with the U19 WFC 2024 EUR qualification and that contract discussions are ongoing.

Ms. Vuori asked if we can contact the champions directly and Mr. Kratz answered that we have to go through the member federations.

**CB decided:** To approve the reports

§ 7. **ExCo, Strategy Implementation and Ad Hoc group reports**

a) **ExCo reports**

Mr. Eriksson reported on the activities of the ExCo since the last meeting. The ExCo has mainly worked on two separate topics, namely the preparation of the Future of Floorball questionnaire and then the preparations for the Core Country meeting, which was held on the 19th of May.

Mr. Halonen reported that the IFF launched the Future of Floorball questionnaire in April and by the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> of April has received a total of some 1000 answers. The questionnaire was

published in the following languages: Czech, English, Finnish, French, German and Swedish. **(Appendix 15)**.

We received replies from 28 member associations and there were total of 1024 replies and approximately 75 % of the respondents were male. The survey in German language received the biggest amount of replies, 350 in total. About half of the respondents were players on some level and the age groups which were mostly represented were the age groups 18-29 and 30-39. The office will start deeper analysis after defining what information is needed and how to cross tabulate the replies. The outcome and actions needed will be presented to the IFF Associations Meeting in December 2023 in Singapore.

Mr. Eriksson reported that in the CB workshop the CB discussed the further process for the Future of Floorball project.

The IFF Ethics Commission has held its spring meeting over Teams, discussing the IFF Code of Ethics, which regulations and guidelines needs updating, how to deal with betting in IFF Events among other things. **(Appendix 16)**

The IFF ETC has made a proposal to enlarge the scope of the IFF Ethics Code, to include also the elected officials and the employees of the national associations. The need for this change comes from the recent cases the IFF Ethics Commission has dealt with. As the Code of Ethics is decided by the IFF General Assembly, the IFF CB has to approve the proposal and put it forward to the IFF General Assembly 2024. **(Appendix 17)**

Mr. Suman asked to add a comment to the Art 2.2., that this doesn't include any remuneration or commission of the National Association.

Mr. Kratz reported that due to the change of the time for providing information about organising Friendly Internationals from 90 to 60 days in advance, there needs to be made the same kind of changes in IFF Juridical Regulations article 73.2 sanctions for late submission of Information Form.

16. Late or incomplete submission of Information form for International Matches and Request of Referees	59-30 days prior to event: 300 CHF
	29-15 days prior to event: 500 CHF
	Less than 15 days prior to event: 1000 CHF

In addition there needs to be made the following two changes as well; there are references in the Juridical Regulations to Match Penalty 3, which we no longer have, so these need to be updated to match the Rules of the Game 2022. Furthermore gender is not included as a category of discrimination, which should be corrected.

Quantum Analytics have finalised the WFC 2022 Evaluation Report, even though there are some parts missing from the sustainability part, due to the difficulties my.climate has had to provide results for the Swiss organiser. **(Appendix 19)**

Mr. Suman wanted to highlight the need to look through the Quantum Consultancy Strategy analysis in a coming CB workshop.

**CB decided:** To approve the report, the IFF ETC proposal for the updated IFF Code of Ethics with the small change proposed, and the proposal for an update to the IFF Juridical Regulations

**b) Strategy Implementation**

Mr. King reported on the work of the IFF Strategy Implementation, where the IFF Committees and the Office is working with the Suggestion Actions table and updating that ongoingly. The link to the Strategy Implementation table:

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hRw\\_iAWuPDdTGsAaiPXZ6Ysn3QJI\\_Z4?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hRw_iAWuPDdTGsAaiPXZ6Ysn3QJI_Z4?usp=sharing)

The Strategy Working Group has not convened as planned in March-April due to a number of reasons. A meeting is planned for June to discuss the present progress and if some other actions need to be taken.

As a part of the Quantum Consultancy evaluation report, they have also made an analytical report of how we are meeting the Strategic goals with our major events. The IFF Strategy Working Group will analyse the QA Implementation report and take the needed actions (**Appendix 20**)

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**c) CB Member responsibilities**

Mr. Houman reported about the Six Nations cooperation and that the six nations are very close to send out the first info letter to the six nations tournament for 2023. At the time for the IFF CB meeting, all six nations will have received it. Slovakia is the host for this tournament, which are for women and will be held in the IFF international weekend in October.

Together with the tournament, there will be arranged a seminar for the role of being an observer for referees. This will be together with IFF referees committee. there will also be held a seminar for coaches, which will be open for other nations as well, where the Czech Floorball will do the seminar on how they work with talent development. Invitations will be sent out, and the seminar itself is free, those who will participate need to cover travel and accommodation.

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Mr. Lopez reported on the situation in Latin America. The Future of Floorball questionnaire has been translated into Spanish and sent to the countries. In Brazil the planned schedule for educational programs has been followed and the federation is asking for some kind of seminar lead by IFF in September.

In Colombia a lot is going on, some good work in reorganizing the staff and promotional activities. The federation are reaching schools and universities with educational seminars. An exhibition match with the board of directors of the Colombian Floorball Association is planned, where government entities and the media will be invited. They would recreate a World Floorball Championships match with players that we have been training, to show the growth and progress of Floorball.

They also want to see the possibility that the IFF could hold an American or Latin American "light championship", in which the region could join forces, get to know each other, bring their teams, creating an impact in each country, with high-level awards and logistics.

They, finally, would like to be able to receive a formal invitation in time, addressed to the Colombian Floorball Association to attend the next IFF general assembly, in order to request financial support in Colombia for travel costs on that date.

In Mexico, which has been really active latterly, the focus is on the execution of the development program. In the last cooperation meeting with the Mexican CB three main topics were discussed: how to speed up the help from IFF with equipment, how to proceed with education and the

presentation of a project of Culture and Peace linked to Floorball. This is a project that they are finishing (will be probably presented to me in a coming meeting in June) and is about mediation, prevention of conflicts. The President and another member of the CB are part of CAS and also members of the Ibero American Organization of Mediation.

At a national level they have had meetings with: Universities, Mexican Olympic Committee, and also with some Business organizations for the implementation of floorball within their activities. Very good advances in promotion with presence in more than six states of the Republic.

The persons that keep the official representation in the Argentinian federation are simply lost. Mr. Lopez have recovered the contact from some "old enthusiast" but they are not in the board nor in contact with any of them.

Mr. Lopez further reported on start of the cooperation of the EuroPower country group, The EuroPower Country group has finally got with five members: Belgium and France (starting in 2024) and Italy, Spain and Ukraine.

The schedule of the first two years period has been set as follows:

	MEN'S	WOMEN'S	MU19	WU19
June 2023				
Sep 2023	Spain (Madrid)			QUAL
Oct 2023		Spain (Madrid)		
Nov 2023	Italy (Lignano)			
Feb 2024	QUAL		Spain (Madrid)	Event1
April 2024		Event 2	Belgium	
Sep 2024	Event 3		QUAL	
Oct 2024				
Nov 2024		Italy		Event2
Feb 2025	Belgium	QUAL	Event 3	
April 2025				Event3

The first event will take place in Guadarrama (North of Madrid very close to El Escorial) with the participation of Belgium, Italy, Spain and Ukraine men's teams.

Still to decide if we start with education seminars on this first event or plan it to start in October (due to the difficulties being in early September).

Mr. Suman reported on the progress of the Czech Erasmus+ project Floorball - Fit for Future (**Appendix 21**), which had a very good project workshop meeting in Madrid in May. The main tool, the Maturity Matrix is now ready for use and Germany, Poland, Slovakia and Spain have started to use the tool. The

Mr. Hidir reported on the situation in East-Europe and in the Middle East. In Kazakhstan there has been some good development, with a 3vs3-tournament with 6 teams participating, There has been a number of webinars organised. In Moldova there has been a national championship played in three categories U10, U13 and Adults, with three teams in each category.

In Ukraine there has been the adults championships played this year and the youth championships have been played for the U14 and U16 categories. There will be a tournament played with Great-Britain, Iceland, the Netherlands and Ukraine in Västerås, Sweden in end of May. The government has informed that Ukraine should not participate in any competition in any Belarus or Russian would participate.

The IFF had a meeting with Floorball4All and Floorball4All have now provided a proposal for cooperation between the organisation. Mr. Liljelund answered that the IFF Office will look into proposal and get back to Floorball4All to see in which ways we could cooperate.

Ms. Vuori reported on the plans for the Membership Service function and an idea for a Knowledge sharing system between the IFF Member Associations., based on the working group consisting of Ms. Vuori, Mr. Halonen, Mr. Kihm and Mr. Varecka. (**Appendix 18**) The objective of the project is to increase the communication and the interaction between the members federations and increase the knowledge sharing. As IFF presently has only very few meeting points for the member federations, the General Assemblies/Association Meetings, the regional Core Country meetings and the Core Country Marketing Network Group, the aim is to create new forums for interaction on specific.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

## § 8. International Sports

### International Olympic Committee/IOC

Mr. Eriksson reported that the IFF has received a letter of confirmation from the IOC President Mr. Thomas Bach that IFF is obliged to apply for the IOC Development support for the ARISF federations. (**Appendix 22**).

The IFF Office has handed in the proposals for the applications to the IOC Sport department for the three different projects we are running this year; Future of Floorball, Floorball 3vs3 and the GoGirls. The deadline for the applications is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May. (**Appendix 23a-c**)

The IOC Executive Board has in March given a recommendation for how to treat Belarusian and Russian individual athletes (**Appendix 24**). The IOC EB recommendation does however not change the situation for the team sports, which still are under suspension. For IFF this new recommendation means that IFF needs to find a solution to allow individual Russian or Belarusian players living abroad to make transfers to a club in this country. The IFF Office is preparing a proposal for an updated transfer regulation to deal with these athletes.

Based on the updated IOC recommendations, the suspension of the Russian & Belarus associations should continue. We still cannot accept teams from Russia or Belarus in international competition. Support personnel can participate as neutral individuals with no reference to the Russian federation, meaning that any coaches, team managers etc who are with other national teams are allowed to participate. Referees or other technical officials from Russia could participate in events (as long as they meet other neutrality criteria) but would be under the IFF flag and/or listed as Athlètes Individuel Neutres (AIN). This however needs further evaluation before decided by IFF, as Mr. Eriksson feels that there are still no possibilities to include any Belarus or Russian teams in IFF competitions.

### General Association of International Sport Associations/GAISF & SportAccord

Mr. Eriksson reported that there has not been too much development of the dissolution of GAISF, the SportAccord council is preparing the first draft of the SportAccord new statutes, which are to be sent to the umbrella organisations later in May. As Mr. Liljelund has the task to prepare the updated statutes for ARISF, based on the new SportAccord statutes, he has been following the process.

There is apparently not going to be held any SportAccord Convention in 2023, as SportAccord has not invited for any. SportAccord is instead organising the IF Forum on the 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> of November in Lausanne.

### Association of IOC Recognised International Sport Federations/ARISF

Mr. Eriksson reported that ARISF has slowly started the strategy process based on the changed situation due to the dissolution of GAISF. The process is led by Mr. Tom Hollowell/IOF and Ms. Clare Briegal/INF and Mr. Liljelund are part of the process. A first proposal will be brought to the next ARISF Council meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June.

As GAISF has terminated the employment contract of Mr. Rohit Ramesh, who was supporting ARISF in the GAISF Office in April, the ARISF secretary general Mr. Riccardo Fraccari has kindly appointed an employee in the Baseball-Softball federation to support the ARISF council for the time being. The ARISF council is to discuss how to move forward in this new situation, even if thing seems to develop quite slowly under the leadership of Mr. Chiulli.

### **International World Games Association/IWGA**

Mr. Eriksson reported about the IWGA AGM held in Madrid, Spain on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May. The International World Games Association held its Annual General Meeting in Madrid and made a decision of the ratification of the Sports Programme for the next World Games to be held in Chengdu, China in 2025. There will be a total of 30 sports on the program and Floorball has now been given a quota for both Women and Men with eight teams each with 14 athletes and one coach, and 21 Technical Officials (which will be comprised of referees and IFF staff). In the two previous World Games Floorball has just had the quota for the Men's tournament, in Wroclaw six teams and in Birmingham eight teams.

The fact that Floorball was given the quota for both Women and Men, and for the full 8 teams which we applied for, is a great achievement for Floorball and clearly shows that the IWGA is highly appreciating what IFF has brought the games. This achievement brings us forward to a new level and is the result of the work done by the IFF and our member federations in promoting the World Games

The IFF Office proposes that due to the inclusion of the female competition with 8 teams in the Chengdu World Games 2025, we need to change the present qualification system for the female side as the teams had already qualified for the WFC, before we got the information. The proposal is that only the top 3 teams from WFC 2023 are directly qualified and we will play separate TWG qualifications in Europe (with 4-6 teams) with the two best teams qualifying In Asia-Oceania, the winner of AOFC Cup 2024 would qualify, and a separate American qualification with the winner qualifying.

The qualification event on the male side will be the WFC 2024, Here the top 5 teams, the best Asia-Oceanian team and the best American team will qualify.

The Chinese teams will be directly qualified, as long as they participate in the male WFCQ 2024 and the female in the AOFC Cup 2024.

Mr. Houman asked if there will be a risk for Floorball if China would not participate in the set tournaments, Mr. Liljelund answered that this is not really a risk.

Mr. Suman feels that the logic works for the Asia-Oceania and the Americas qualifications but finds the extra tournament for the European teams is not financially ideal. Mr. King felt that we need to clearly clarify what happens if there would be some issues to not be possible to play the qualifications, to avoid misunderstandings. Ms. Vuori and Mr. Beer feels that there is no idea to play an additional tournament and it would be better to just qualify the best 5 teams from the WFC. The main reasons for this is that there is no tournament organised in 2024 for the female category. Mr. Liljelund expressed that it would from a sporting perspective have been better to play the separate qualifications, but the CB is free to decide accordingly.

Mr. Eriksson was extremely pleased to be able to report that Mr. Liljelund has been elected to the IWGA Executive Committee for the period 2023-2026, which proves that the support IFF provides to the IWGA has been successful and that we have been able to provide added value to the TWG.

During the IWGA AGM the election of the President, vice-president, treasurer and four Executive members. The IWGA President Mr. Jose Perurena was re-elected, Mr. Tome Dielen (World Archery) was elected as the vice-president and Mr. Lukas Hinder (Dance Sport) re-elected as the treasurer. For the election for the Executive Committee members there were seven candidates for four positions. The result of the election was:

Anna Arzhanova, World Underwater Federation – CMAS president 25 votes  
Volker Bernardi, World Flying Disc Federation – WFDF secretary general 23 votes.  
Jan Fransoo, International Korfball Federation – IKF president 19 votes  
John Liljelund, International Floorball Federation – IFF secretary general 18 votes

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Joachim Thumfart, Ju-Jitsu International Federation – JJIF Director general 17 votes  
Pablo Serena, World Squash Federation – WSF secretary general 8 votes  
José Antonio Pere Priego, International Waterski & Wakeboard Federation president 6 votes

IFF has communicated with the Chinese Floorball Union concerning help for Chinese social media posts to prepare for the Chengdu 2025 World Games. As the Chengdu organising committee will only start the preparations after the FISU Universiade in August, IFF will revert to the topic then.

### **International Master Games Association/IMGA**

Mr. Eriksson reported that the European Master Games LOC (EMG 2023) has sent out the invitation for Floorball tournament, which the IFF have forwarded to the member association media contacts with the kind request to publish this in their national news channels.

The problem seems to be that the Masters Floorball teams feels that the price of 1300 EUR for the participation in the tournament is far too expensive compared to the other tournaments where these teams can participate. There are still some teams registered for the EMG in Tampere, so the Floorball tournament will be played.

### **University Sport/FISU**

Mr. Lopez reported that IFF has had a meeting with the FISU Sports Director Mr. Juan Carlos Holgado and Mr. Alejandro Guerra - FISU Sports Manager. FISU has also invited the EUSA Sports manager Mr. Miha Zvan. The meeting was held to discuss the situation caused by the FISU decision to remove Floorball from the World University Championship program.

IFF informed that there has been some interest shown from China for the WUC 2026 (also the one sent before from Korea for 2024). IFF informed that the IFF CB had disappointing feelings since "FISU has opted with us" in the decisions that have been taken. There is really no major interest in IFF member countries to organise own university championships. FISU fully understands the situation and how we feel. They keep the requirement on having teams from 3 to 4 continents to come back into the program

IFF will not be able to convince our member federations, if we just keep the status as it is. (Not national teams, etc...). Top 8 countries have already started to work with their U23 squads and

that was something that was good to work within FISU but now they have managed to do it outside FISU. So they do not see the need to join FISU or support teams to participate.

EUSA would be in favor of having Floorball as a sport in a very similar way that FISU (just Europeans) the main difference is the eligibility of the players that goes up to 30 years old.

IFF could offers a “new concept” connected with the 3vs3 + goalie format. What if we celebrate our World Championships 3vs3 and we include as a side Championship the “FISU Championships” so the teams can have more matches and make like a join competition. Combine both events. This would be acceptable for FISU.

## **Multi-Sport Games**

### **Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2023, Bangkok, Thailand**

Ms. Siriwat reported on the preparations of the 2023 AIMAG in Thailand, which is running as planned with Floorball on the program. The event will be organised between the 13<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> of November. The 2025 edition in Saudi Arabia is decided and here it is vital for Floorball to appear that there is a need of a build-up of a NSA of Floorball in Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Eriksson reported that for the IFF there might be a channel into the Saudi Sports ministry, through a Finnish Ex-patriot working with the Ministry of Social Health in Saudi Arabia.

IFF has provided its feedback to the Floorball Handbook for the AIMAG 2023.

### **SEA Games 2023**

Ms. Siriwat reported on the execution of the Southeast Asian Games (SEA GAMES) 2023 in Cambodia, where Floorball is on the program, which was played in May 11<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Phnom Penh Cambodia with five team for Men and Women.

The four next hosts are decided by the SEAGF Council, that means 2023 in Cambodia, 2025 in Thailand, 2027 in Malaysia, 2029 in Singapore. The implication of this is that Floorball will after the Cambodia Games be in category 2 and will automatically be on the future program. Thailand facilitated the Cambodian Team with a training camp in Thailand prior to the even and also assisted together with Singapore with goals and a rink sent to Phnom Penh for the 2023 SEA Games. President Chaiyapak Siriwat is CEO of the SEAGF.

**CB decided:** To approve the reports and the qualification system for The World Games 2025, so that the five best ranked teams are directly qualified and there will be separate qualifications be organised as proposed in Asia-Oceania and Americas.

## **§ 9. Committees and Commissions**

### **a) Rules and Competition Committee (RACC)**

Mr. Klabere reported that no formal meeting has been held with the RACC since the last CB meeting but that various matters have been communicated via e-mail.

Mr. Kratz reported that to clarify and streamline the handling of the different ages, and also minimize the applications for exceptions, some administrative additions/clarifications in 3.8 and

3.9 of the Competition Regulations Friendly International Matches have been made:

**3.8.** All players must be aged as follows to be eligible to participate in each age category:

- a) U17: players shall be aged at least 14 years old at the start of the event and turn 17 years no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event
- b) U19: players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event and turn 19 years no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event (see 3.9 for exceptions)
- c) U23: players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event and turn 23 no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event
- d) Adults: players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event (see 3.9 for exceptions)

**3.9.** For events involving teams that are preparing for an upcoming WFC or U19 WFC, the ages of the players in the respective adult or U19 team can be the same as the official age eligibility for the final round event. This only applies for Friendly International matches held after the WFC or U19 WFC qualifications and before the WFC or U19 WFC final rounds.

The Organiser challenges of IFF qualifications and Club events are still on the agenda and a proposal is not yet completed. Some of the cost reduction points are however already implemented in the contract proposals for the qualifications to the WFCs 2024.

The work with rules for 3vs3 is ongoing and the IFF rules experts are discussing these based on one version with adaptations from current game rules and one lighter multisport-game version based on the IFF proposal,

**CB decided:** To approve the report and to confirm the updates of the Competition Regulations for Friendly International Matches.

**b) Referee Committee (RC)**

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Mr. Lopez that the Physical Play working group had a live meeting in Prague from the 15th to 16th of April 2023. In the meeting the physical play documents were updated for the educations of the upcoming season 2023-2024. The working group has also evaluated the outcome of the referee work from the MU19 WFC 2023. Basically, the working group is satisfied to see that the referees are adopting the new interpretations as planned even though there are still work to be done. During the meeting the working group discussed the updating of the educational materials, the definition of offences in different levels more specifically the production of a educational material for the IFF Silver referees. As the project as such is over now the working group is a basic function of the IFF.

The six nations have asked for a referee seminar from the IFF RC during the International weekend in October in Slovakia. The nominations to different events have been handled accordingly.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**c) Medical committee**

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Mr. Varecka that Ms. Anna Jacobson is working on the WADA Code Compliance Questionnaire and that the new WADA Code requires some new Anti-Doping Policies to be adopted. The IFF CB needs to approve the following IFF Anti-Doping Policies:

Sample retention policy and Sample gathering policy (**Appendix 25ab**). The WADA Code Compliance questionnaire has to be returned by 20<sup>th</sup> of May.

Mr. Halonen further reported on behalf of Ms. Sarah Mitchell that the IFF medical committee has together with the IFF Office prepared a proposal for a Transgender policy. The IFF currently has no policy regarding the participation of transgender athletes, but the need for such a policy has been highlighted by a request from a transgender athlete for approval to participate in a national team for the Men's WFC Qualifications. The new policy is designed to act as a guideline for athletes and National Associations to enable them to understand what may or may not be allowed, and the process that needs to be followed to request approval to participate. This policy only relates to participation in IFF international events. Different guidelines and assessment criteria will apply for female-to-male and male-to-female athletes.

The policy has been developed in consultation with the IFF Medical Committee. It should be made clear that these are NOT regulations but rather a policy that will guide the decision process for applications. Each case must be assessed individually, and some may need to be referred to a specialist committee.

Each IFF Member Association should be encouraged to develop their own transgender policies for floorball in their own countries. It is hoped that all Member Associations will find some level of Floorball where the participation of transgender athletes can be allowed, without restrictions, to ensure inclusion in our sport. The IFF Transgender Policy should be used by Member Associations when setting the rules for their own national team pathways to ensure that only those athletes who are eligible to participate at international level are included in pathway programs. (**Appendix 26**).

Mr. Klabere feels that it is amazing that Ms. Mitchell has been able to put this together.

**CB decided:** To approve the report and the policies

**d) Athletes commission**

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of the Ms. Plechan ATC Chair Ms. Agata Plechan participated in an online course 'The Athletes Voice For Athletes Commissions' conducted by the IOC. The ATC further aims to have an on-line meeting still before the summer.

**CB decided:** To approve the report,

**e) Development Committee (DevC)**

Mr. Houman informed that there is nothing to report from the Development Committee.

Mr. Halonen reported that the 3rd edition of Africa Cup is planned to be played in Cote d'Ivoire from the 15th to 16th of September 2023. Eight African nations have shown interest to participate to the Cup, but so far, the IFF office has not received any information regarding the participating nations. The nations agreed that each participating country would deposit the sum of 500 USD to a joint account in order to secure their participation. The office is regularly in contact with the organisers.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**f) Entourage Commission (ENC)**

Mr. Hidir reported on the work in relation to the IFF Entourage Commission and the ideas that has been prepared. Mr. Hidir has held a meeting with the IFF Athletes Commission member Mr. Junoh Lee and proposed to have a meeting with the IOC Entourage department. Mr. Eriksson asked for a written report concerning the Entourage.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

## § 10. Functions

### a) Communication & Media function

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Mr. Kihm that IFF Media department was fully represented in Denmark for the U19 WFC, as Mr. Kihm acted as a second lead commentator. The media department was very happy to have all three-office staff at the event. Due to understaffing from the LOC there were several tasks where our media persons helped the LOC a lot. Mainly, IFF media was taking all the post-match interviews for the LOC. There were 8 games per day and 6 of the games per day were provided with English commentary. The main commentators were Olly Hogben, Juerg Kihm, James Varecka and we had a pool of experts (Monika Kraus, John Liljelund, Tero Kalsta, Ryan Alexandrakis, Pascal Leu, Juerg Kihm). We believe that providing the commentary was also a part of being successful with our IFF app during the U19 WFC.

To clarify the situation when a Local organiser can stream on a local OTT or another streaming platform the IFF media department in cooperation with IFF Marketing and IFF Office is suggesting the following proposal with immediate effects:

Currently the local organisers have the TV/streaming rights for the domestic market and can use the video signal for selling those rights to a (linear) TV station, if they sell it here, the TV station may also in addition stream the signal on their own OTT. If the LOC is not able to sell signal to a TV station, they can for the qualification events sell them to a streaming platform, which is geo-blocked for only the organising country. This as they are paying for the production cost for the event, which is different for the major events.

Over the last few events it was shown that many of the organisers struggle to find a buyer for those TV rights. In the current process then the streaming rights then go over to IFF – followers from within the organising country must purchase the game/event pass from the IFF app if they want to watch the live stream.

For the future the proposal is that, if the local organiser can't sell or find a TV station which is keen to purchase/broadcast the event within the organising country - the local organiser can also sell/market this live web streaming (via IFF app) to potential sponsors and the access for viewers will be free for the qualification events. This will be only for viewers with the mobile pre-fix from the organising country of the qualification event. If the local organiser isn't able to find a sponsor for this stream – then they still can offer the stream free within their country (the restriction management is still done via the mobile phone pre-fix from the respective country). This is only applicable to organisers for Men's WFCQ, Women's WFCQ, Men's u19 WFCQ, Women's u19 WFCQ.

The overall sales of the IFF app for 2023 is currently 91.052 CHF, which means that IFF has now covered the first 60.000 CHF for this year that Sportswik will take directly. The net income for IFF after the Amazon, storage and video delivery costs have been deducted is presently 12.672 CHF. In order to be able to fully cover all the Sportswik related costs in 2023, we would need to sell still for a gross value of 56.000 CHF in the rest of the year. (**Appendix 27**)

Ms. Vuori asked for how long the agreement is in force and Mr. Liljelund answered that agreement is valid for the years 2023 and 2024. Mr. Suman asked if it is correct that we need to sell a total of around 110.000 CHF, before we can have any real revenue for IFF. In the future we can make the income larger, and this can be a major income for the IFF. We need to force the federations to promote the tool. Ms. Vuori felt that the U19 is the event we can have a good sales, as there is not TV available and agrees that we need to promote it more.

**CB decided:** To approve the report and the proposal for how to handle LOC streaming rights

**b) Marketing function**

Mr. Beer, reported about the current sales and marketing situation. **(Appendix 32)**

To replace the withdrawal of our sales agency (RCBA pulling out) the IFF has been more active in discussing cooperation with national federations. The fruitful work with the Swedish Federation has continued and there are also plans to create a joint offering to several potential customers together with the Finnish Federation. This model will be investigated further.

As part of sales work, we are continuously in contact with companies that have been sponsors for past events (just in a specific event). Once there is information about future event host countries these efforts can also be accelerated. Contact has been kept up with FROMM, Dachser, Duscholux and Fisherman's Friend (local representatives in each respective country). As of late the IFF has also been able to submit couple of new offers (Nordic Minds, Active O2 water).

Protocol Sports will be pushing to find more takers for the WFC 2023 signal, especially in the AsiaOceania region. Several employees of the company attended the Women's WFCQ match in Toronto and received first-hand experience from a live floorball match.

The IFF has finalised all agreement negotiations with UNIHOC, Swerink and Gerflor. The agreement with Gerflor is still on comment-round as they roughly a month back submitted a new agreement template. The agreement with PUMA was finalised in April and the transition to equip all referees with their garments is on-going. The logistics and printing has been a fairly time-consuming process. The first championship event since the agreement was signed (U19 WFC 2023) was a success and the partner is satisfied. The goal to create additional sales in form of leads has also been fruitful (volunteer clothing, national teams). On the 6th of July the IFF will, with the assistance of Floorball Deutschland, organise a floorball try-out day at PUMA headquarters in Herzogenaurach. PUMA employees can test playing floorball on a rink which will be set up by the German Federation on the outdoor basketball court (fix installation of the Gerflor Powergame+ surface).

The negotiations to find sponsors for the new Champions Cup concept are on-going. The IFF office has organised branded promotion and marketing templates for the CC 2024 which will be distributed to national federations and participating clubs along other information most likely early summer once the registration phase has closed.

The next CCMNG meeting will take place on the 31st of May in Malmö (Arena). Positively, we have eight countries registered for the meeting, so the discussion is expected to be lively and fruitful. The main topics on the agenda are results and experiences of the new IFF media platform (Sportswik), the new Champions Cup format and sharing success cases from national federations. Also to be discussed, the first streams for the Czech and Swiss Superfinals on the IFF platform.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**c) Material function**

Mr. Liljelund reported that IFF has held the yearly meeting with RISE discussing the present topics concerning the cooperations. The cooperation with Mr. Lars-Åke Henriksson is working very well, but as Mr. Henriksson will go in pension in a few years discussions has started of how this will be handled in the future. (**Appendix 28**)

Even if the sales of materials shows a significant upswing compared to 2022, the market has not fully recovered from the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Development of pre-sold markings:

The amount of pre-sold marking stickers for total year 2022:

From the start of the year 2022:

Balls	1.843.902 pcs	(1.361.083 pcs)	35,5 %
Sticks	468.998 pcs	(341.743 pcs)	36,6 %
Goals	1.570 pcs	(1.590 pcs)	- 1,3 %
Rinks	389 pcs	(322 pcs)	20,8 %
Face masks	300 pcs	(500 pcs)	-40,0 %

The Floorball manufacturers are quite displeased with the services of the RISE Certification, in regard to the goalkeeper face masks and protective eyewear (googles), which needs a CE certification, which is not owned by IFF. Both IFF and Mr. Henriksson has pointed this out to the RISE Certification department, but for various reasons nothing has happened.

IFF and RISE has updated the Material Regulation and IFF has changed this on the IFF web-site Material Equipment page in January 2023.

Mr. King asked what the level of materials sales was in the pre-covid period. Mr. Liljelund answered that we are some 15 percent from the level for sticks and balls. For goals and rinks the level is closer to the pre Covid-levels.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**d) Equality function**

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Ms. Sarah Mitchell on the international launch of the Fifty-Fifty program, that the Swedish federation has created. Fifty/Fifty is a digital education package developed in Sweden by the Värmland's Floorball Association and RF SISU Värmland to inspire and spread knowledge about gender equality in sports. In six digital lessons inspiration, facts, discussion, and reflection are mixed. The goal is to increase knowledge and achieve greater gender equality in floorball. The IFF was first introduced to the tool in 2019 and saw the potential of it for a wider international Floorball audience. We are very grateful for the work done by the Swedish Floorball Federation to now be able to fully launch this tool in English. It is a great example of the knowledge sharing that we expect to see from the top Floorball nations. The IFF hopes that National Associations, and clubs, throughout the world will take advantage of this great tool in developing their own equality work. <https://www.fifty-fifty.nu/en/>

**CB decided:** To approve the report

**e) Parafloorball function**

Mr. Houman reported that during the U19 WFC in Denmark, there was arranged demo matches with teams from Special Olympics in Denmark and also Powerchair floorball teams, which was much appreciated from Para Sport Denmark, where Special Olympics is organized.

There have been some Floorball seminars organised in the USA, where the interest is gaining in order to start floorball. Latest a seminar was conducted in California.

The allocation for World Winter Games in Torino 2025 is soon to be announced, and floorball will receive a record number of spots for the games. The final number is not official yet, but from 41 teams last World Winter Games and 10-15 more teams, and demand for several more spots. Floorball will be the sports with most participants for the World Winter Games in Torino. Contacts with Floorball Italy has been established, and when Special Olympics Summer World Games in 2023 has been completed, the work for 2025 starts.

The Covid19 pandemic really hit the athlete at Special Olympics, so the total numbers of athletes in all sports at Special Olympics decreased, but the numbers are on the rise again. In total 59 programs (nations) offers Floorball at Special Olympics, and within a few year this would hopefully be 100, and the total number of athletes should hopefully within a few years be 100.000.

Those programs who are offering floorball and not member of IFF is: Guadeloupe, Ghana, Namibia, Bangladesh, Chinese Taipei, Azerbaijan, North Macedonia, Bulgaria, Gibraltar, Isle of Man, Tajikistan and Lebanon.

There are more programs offering floorball, but they have not submitted data to Special Olympics especially in Latin America, South America and Africa

Ms Yui Takahashi, who is a member of the IFF Athletes Commission, is due to return to live in Japan in the second half of this year and will take up a job with Special Olympics Japan.

Mr. Liljelund reported that IFF has held meetings with a group of ParaFloorball organisations and groups, coordinated by the Swedish ParaFloorball, which is a part of the Swedish Floorball federation. In these discussions have been Special Olympics, Manual wheelchair floorball, Powerchair hockey and Volt Hockey. The aim is for the group to decide upon whether they will join IFF as one entity or as single organisations. The discussions are continuing in 2023.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

#### **f) Sustainability function**

Mr. Halonen reported on behalf of Mr. Kalsta that IFF has begun the next reporting cycle for 2021/2022 regarding the UN Sports for Climate Network (S4CA). This concerns the carbon footprint of the IFF office.

The IFF has official joined the Sports For Nature Framework. Signatories pledge to adhere to four key principles that will safeguard nature and contribute to the new global goals for biodiversity, which governments agreed to at the Convention on Biological Diversity 15th Conference of the Parties meeting (COP15) in Montreal. Communication plans to publish this are being prepared and will probably go out early summer.

FairFloorball was strongly promoted at the U19 WFC 2023 as an integral part of IFF communications. In Denmark the LOC distributed the last green, promotional "Say NO! To Doping" floorball balls into the spectator stands during intermissions. The LOC had also organised intermission exhibition matches for Special Olympics athletes and wheelchair floorball

teams. The IFF has also applied for funding from the IOC to further develop the FairFloorball initiative.

PUMA sponsored a new award at the Men's U19 WFC – the FairFloorball Player award. This award was given to one player from each team who best showed the qualities of FairFloorball – respect, sportsmanship, teamwork. The team management nominated the player from their own team to receive the award, which was a PUMA backpack. IFF would like this to be a permanent award for future WFC events if possible.

The IOC and IFF are still waiting for the final report of myclimate regarding the Green Goal initiative of the WFC 2022. It is quite apparent that myclimate have lack of personnel resources as the report has been pending for a very long time. This said, this is an important document delivering facts on how the goals were achieved and will also act as corner stone for a sustainability guideline for IFF event organisers. Swiss Unihockey received special sustainability prize for the Green Goal initiative (category Responsibility) by Sponsoring Switzerland during the annual Sponsoring Excellence Night end of March.

The IOC WFC 2024 is working on a sustainability project and they cooperate with consultation company called Greentime (specialised in sustainability concepts and measurement). The IFF has strived to provide any useful info to support the concept and especially facts about the commuter traffic usage by event visitors during WFC 2022 has been very helpful. The Swedish Federation has finalised the English Fifty/Fifty equality education material and it is now available for the whole floorball community and was also promoted by the IFF when it was launched on the 3rd of May.

As the IFF partner UNIHOC has not, at least yet seized the first-mover opportunity to join the carbon fibre recycling pilot (Carbon Fibre Circular Alliance (CFCA)) the idea is to distribute the information to all floorball equipment manufacturers (the membership fee is proving to be a hurdle (£5000 p.a.). Eventually it is in everyone's interest that this would become standard or would at least be evaluated more closely.

The IOC has published new sustainability cases on the IOC website and the IFF is among them (IF Sustainability Project: Floorball's Development Towards Sustainability).

As part of the EU Erasmus+ project (Green Approaches in Management for Enhancing Sports / Improve Good Governance in sport) the IFF is working together with the Swedish Floorball Federation to define the goals / outcomes it wishes to have from the project. The latest status calls was in late April and the next meeting will take place in June. The project lead (Sant'Anna) made an environmental event evaluation at WFC 2022 as part of the GAMES project (**Appendix 33**).

**CB decided:** To approve the report

## § 11. IFF Office

Nothing reported

**CB decided:** To approve the report

## § 12. Members

### Membership questions

Mr. Halonen reported that there are some major issues in Burkina Faso ongoing at the time. Several clubs resigned from the original IFF member association and created a new association. The reason they informed was that the official association did not offer the possibilities to play any tournaments nor any other kind of support. The clubs have now been running their own events under the wings of the new association.

Neither of the association has recognition from the sports authorities in Burkina Faso. In Burkina Faso new sports are recognized only every four years and the next option is next year, in 2024. The ministry of sports has, however, started the mediation between the two existing associations and the IFF office has been in touch with both parties and urged them to find a solution, which will secure the wellbeing of Floorball in the country. The latest messages are somewhat promising that they would eventually find a solution.

Mr. Halonen is further reported that the IFF CB has received a letter from the National Pierre de Coubertin Committee in Cameroon (**Appendix 30**), where one of the parties in the struggle for the ownership of the sport of Floorball Mrs. Elise Kana, which is not representing the IFF member organisation is claiming the right to represent Floorball in Cameroon. This dispute has been ongoing for a longer period of time. Mr. Halonen has answered the letter and explained the situation.

The problem in Cameroon has been ongoing for several years already and the IFF has been trying to find the solution in order to secure the wellbeing of Floorball and Floorball players in Cameroon. This is the standard policy of the IFF if disputes like this occur. The outcome has unfortunately been that Floorball in Cameroon has not developed the way it could have and Cameroon, being one of the oldest African members within the IFF, has not been able to participate to any IFF events, nor Africa Cups due to the lack of co-operation.

The organization of Ms. Manong is a member of the IFF, and they have applied for the membership within the IFF and the IFF Central Board has granted the membership in 2013. The organization of Ms. Kana has never applied for the membership within the IFF. According to the statutes of the IFF, Floorball can only have one official member association per country.

The IFF has urged the two parties to find a solution where they can all work for Floorball no matter who leads the organization and the IFF has had meetings with them as well. If they could join their forces that would be the best option for Floorball and the IFF is really looking forward to that solution. The fact being that the more they unite, the more they gain.

Mr. Hidir asked what weight the IFF recognition plays in the African countries. Mr. Halonen answered that the importance is the recognition of the NOC and the Ministry of Sports.

Mr. Halonen informed that the IFF Office will monitor the situation for these countries.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

### **Members under suspension**

Nothing reported

### **New Member applications**

The IFF office has received the membership application from the Solomon Islands and the application included all the required documents and according to the sports authorities of the Solomon Islands, the Floorball Federation Solomon Islands will be eligible to receive the official

recognition after the IFF grants the provisional membership. In their system the association needs to be a member of an international organ before receiving the recognition. (**Appendix 31a-c**)

The proposal is to approve the report and approve Floorball Federation Solomon Island as the IFF member number 79.

Mr. King informed that the Solomon Islands have already discussed participation in Australian tournaments.

**CB decided:** To approve the report and to approve the Solomon Islands as the IFF provisional members number 79.

### § 13. **Next meeting**

Mr. Eriksson concluded that the next planned ordinary CB meeting (M3), has been planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> of September in Helsinki, Finland.

The plan for the CB meetings in 2023 looks like the following

M4 11.-12.11. Berlin, Germany

M5 07.-10.12. CB meeting 7.12. and Association meeting 8.-9.12., WFC final 10.12.

**CB decided:** To approve the report

### § 14. **Closing of the meeting**

Mr. Eriksson closed the meeting at 12:40 CET

**John Liljelund**  
Secretary General

**Tomas Eriksson**  
President

Financial Report 31.08.2023

COSTS		Budget	Outcome	Compared	Expectation	Forecast	Outcome
Cost Centre			31.08.2023	31.08.2022	01.09-31.12	31.12.2023	/Ann.budget
10	Central activities	28600	23277,99	17604,82	6622,01	29900,00	-1300,00
11	Office	831000	491687,45	438071,71	324312,55	816000,00	15000,00
12	CB	35700	16913,06	21260,03	18786,94	35700,00	0,00
13	ExCo	4600	1052,16	0,00	3547,84	4600,00	0,00
14	GA/AM	10000	0,00	0,00	10000,00	10000,00	0,00
15	External meetings	16100	9451,31	3629,35	6648,69	16100,00	0,00
17	Parafloorball	3000	0,00	0,00	3000,00	3000,00	0,00
18	Equality Function	9900	0,00	0,00	9900,00	9900,00	0,00
19	Athletes Commission	10000	3297,11	535,08	6702,89	10000,00	0,00
20	WFC	239700	131849,25	90499,96	107850,75	239700,00	0,00
21	U19 WFC	89100	89545,31	26902,83	1554,69	91100,00	-2000,00
22	EFC	44000	13031,30	0,00	2968,70	16000,00	28000,00
23	Champions Cup	184000	38675,74	21217,55	185324,26	224000,00	-40000,00
24	World Games	10000	0,00	78888,47	10000,00	10000,00	0,00
25	WUC	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
26	Regional Games	16000	15099,44	0,00	900,56	16000,00	0,00
29	Anti-Doping	33600	13423,18	9163,70	20176,82	33600,00	0,00
30	WADA and Edu. Meetings	3000	1250,99	0,00	1749,01	3000,00	0,00
40	RACC	12800	0,00	0,00	12800,00	12800,00	0,00
50	RC	16500	3095,48	2347,32	13404,52	16500,00	0,00
60	Development	25150	4201,01	2194,64	20948,99	25150,00	0,00
61	Development mtrl	120000	120000,00	120000,00	0,00	120000,00	0,00
70	Material*	112100	20236,81	6071,90	91863,19	112100,00	0,00
80	Marketing	32750	8956,57	3880,25	23793,43	32750,00	0,00
81	TV	171200	1277,73	268,24	196922,27	198200,00	-27000,00
82	Internet TV	0	73121,00	0,00	23879,00	97000,00	-97000,00
83	Information	75700	50615,19	15479,15	25084,81	75700,00	0,00
89	MC	6000	17,76	0,00	5982,24	6000,00	0,00
91	AC	1000	0,00	0,00	1000,00	1000,00	0,00
92	DC	1000	0,00	0,00	1000,00	1000,00	0,00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>CHF 2142500</b>	<b>1130075,84</b>	<b>858015,00</b>	<b>1136724,16</b>	<b>2266800,00</b>	<b>-124300,00</b>

INCOME		Budget	31.08.2023	31.08.2022	01.09-31.12	31.12.2023	
3011	Transfers	120000	69190,00	62130,00	50810,00	120000,00	0,00
3012	Participation fees	332500	300000,00	219000,00	2500,00	302500,00	-30000,00
3013	Organizers fee	368000	286100,00	159300,00	70000,00	356100,00	-11900,00
3014	Shared cost payments	91500	70500,00	55500,00	21000,00	91500,00	0,00
3015	Part.fees - non-competition	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
3019	Temporary play	6000	8305,00	5390,00	0,00	8305,00	2305,00
3020	Sports Nationality	1500	2728,43	2002,50	0,00	2728,43	1228,43
3210	Membership fees	198000	193500,00	194800,00	0,00	193500,00	-4500,00
3219	Fines	10000	900,00	100,00	9100,00	10000,00	0,00
3250	Sponsors & advertisements	256000	30713,97	42192,72	225286,03	256000,00	0,00
3251	Value in kind	120000	120000,00	120000,00	0,00	120000,00	0,00
3260	TV	170000	21695,58	0,00	148304,42	170000,00	0,00
3261	Radio	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
3270	Internet-TV	20000	85737,57	0,00	60000,00	145737,57	125737,57
3300	Office support	120000	120000,00	140000,00	0,00	120000,00	0,00
3310	Development support	40000	30292,70	31881,73	9707,30	40000,00	0,00
3320	Contributions	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
3510	Sales	25000	146,93	7393,39	24853,07	25000,00	0,00
3860	Material approval income	258000	83189,50	78911,45	174810,50	258000,00	0,00
3861	Material exemptions	3000	668,98	692,81	2331,02	3000,00	0,00
3899	Other incomes	3000	4000,00	0,00	0,00	4000,00	1000,00
8020	Interest	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
8080	Exchange rate gains	0	164,12	262,37	0,00	164,12	164,12
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>CHF 2142500</b>	<b>1427832,78</b>	<b>1119556,97</b>	<b>798702,34</b>	<b>2226535,12</b>	<b>84035,12</b>
<b>RESULT</b>		<b>CHF 0</b>	<b>297756,94</b>	<b>261541,97</b>	<b>-338021,82</b>	<b>-40264,88</b>	<b>-40264,88</b>

Balance sheet

ASSETS	01.01.2023	31.08.2023
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash	1340,00	1340,00
Credit Suisse 559200-11	525267,69	547502,56
Credit Suisse MasterCard guarantee	16812,60	16800,00
<b>Receivables</b>		
Deferr.exp. and accr.income	0,00	0,00
Claims 2019	41281,88	37681,88
Claims 2020	24200,00	24200,00
Claims 2021	63730,00	62730,00
Claims 2022	58441,23	45150,00
Claims 2023	0,00	65100,00
Receivables from rel.parties	17888,31	31253,03
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>748961,71</b>	<b>831757,47</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Accr expenses and deferr income	-353300,68	-189900,68
Other current liabilities	-23912,98	-28362,53
Loan	-60000,00	-45000,00
Transfers to reserves	-155739,09	-118328,36
Material Board reserves	-19800,57	-16200,57
<b>Equity</b>		
Retained earnings	-136208,39	-136208,39
Outcome 31.08.2023	0,00	-297756,94
<b>Total liabilities &amp; equity</b>	<b>-748961,71</b>	<b>-831757,47</b>

Outcome of the material appr. system:

Income

Costs

Profit

80%

20%

Liquidity calculation 01.01-31.12

Liquidity 31.08	547502,56
Diff.	-338021,82 Forecasted 1.9-31.12
	209480,74

Pre-payments, refunds etc

WFCs 2025 fees	80000,00
	0,00
	0,00
Liquidity 31.12	289481





**Follow-up IFF claims (updated 31.08.2023) - Associations not participating in WFC and/or U19 WFC 2023**

**Appendix 4**

Association	Total debt	IFF Events organising	Pay-off plan is followed	Pay-off plan is not followed	Comments
Argentina	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Armenia	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Belarus	7500	0			Annual fees 2019-23. Suspended
Brazil	2000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2020-23
Burkina Faso	2900	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2020-23
Cameroon	3700	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Central Africa	2000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2020-23
Colombia	1000	0			Annual fee 2022-23
Cote d'Ivoire	12500	0		X	Annual fees 2017-2018,2021-23, WFCQ 2020&2022. Plan: 500 per quarter starting March 2020.
Croatia	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Georgia	2500	0			Annual fees 2019-23
Haiti	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Hong Kong China	500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2019.
India	2500	0			Annual fee 2023
Indonesia	5000	0			Participated in SEA Games. Annual fees 2019 & 2021-23.
Iran	4200	0			Annual fees 2019-23
Ireland	1500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-21. On hold
Israel	0	0			Have not participated in any IFF event
Jamaica	2000	0			Annual fee 2020-23
Kazakhstan	500	0			Annual fee 2023
Kenya	7500	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2019-23
Kiribati	2000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2020-23
Kuwait	2000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2020-23
Lithuania	0	0			Have not participated in any IFF event.
Malaysia	6600	0		X	Annual fee 2020, 2022-23
Malta	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Moldova	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Mongolia	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Mozambique	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Nigeria	2500	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fees 2019-23
Pakistan	6200	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Portugal	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Romania	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Rwanda	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Serbia	4500	0			Annual fees 2019-23
Sierra Leone	4000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Somalia	2000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2019, 2021-23
South Africa	1500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-21. On hold
Togo	2000	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2020-23
Turkey	7500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Uganda	4600	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2019-23
Venezuela	3700	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
	<b>134 400</b>	<b>0</b>			

DEBTS PAY-OFF PLANS (IFF Events participants)

APPENDIX 5

Association	Canada Plan	Cote d'Ivoire Plan	Malaysia Plan
Debt 13.12.2019	18000 17.2.2023 CAD	2000	3700
New/Additional	3600 31.7.2023 5000	3500 WFCQ, ann.fee 2020	2200 Ann.fee 2020
Payments	31.7.2024 5000	1500 Annual fee 2021	2200 Ann.fee 2021
	31.7.2025 5000	7000 WFCQ,ann.fee 22-23	4400 Ann.fee 2022-23
	31.7.2026 5000	500 06.11.2020 (1st pay)	1500 31.01.20
	31.7.2027 6000	500 01.02.2021 (2nd pay)	2200 13.05.20
		500 21.01.2022 (3rd pay)	2200 14.12.21
<b>Debt 31.08.2023</b>	<b>14400</b>	<b>12500</b>	<b>6600</b>

Association	Russia Plan	Slovenia Plan	Ukraine Plan
Debt 13.12.2019	1000 U19Q 2019	4000 1000 each 31.1,31.7.22	8500
New/Additional	6000 U19/WFCQ/Ann fee 20	0 31.1,31.7.23	2200 Annual fee 2023
Payments	8000 Annual fee 2022-23	1000 31.01.22 (1st pay)	1700 09.12.21 1700
	1000 18.11.20 U19Q 2019	1000 22.11.22 (2nd pay)	31.10.22 1700
	2000 20.07.21 U19/WFCQ20	1000 03.04.23 (3rd pay)	Paused
<b>Debt 31.08.2023</b>	<b>12000</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>9000</b>



**Women's World Floorball  
Championships 2023**  
2 Dec - 10 Dec | Singapore

Ref No.:	Report No.:	Report Date	Report Title
-	4	30.08.23	Reporting 14 <sup>th</sup> Women's World Floorball Championship 2023 IFF CB Meeting 03.09.2023

#### Accreditation Plans

- a. Aligned data entry responsibility of IFF's Gate system between IFF & LOC
- b. Registration of interest for Media Accreditation commenced on 22 Aug 2023, and will be closed on 31 Oct 2023, as published on <https://www.wfc2023.sg/media/>
- c. Accreditation Access Zone and Accreditation Seating allocated developed in line with Venue Layout planning.

#### Anti-Doping

- a. LOC receive mission order from IFF.
- b. LOC & Anti-Doping Singapore are in communication with IFF's Anti-Doping Representative for development of Anti-Doping execution plan.

#### Ceremonies

- a. LOC established communication with IFF's representative for Prizes (Trophy and medal) delivery to Singapore.
- b. Opening Ceremony and Prize Ceremonies in developmental process.

#### Communication with Teams

- a. Information Letters have been sent out to participating countries, with key information on securing of hotel, transportations, flight, competition schedule and training matters
  - First Information Letter: 10 Mar 2023
  - Second Information Letter: 26 Jul 2023
- b. All participating team have confirmed their choice of hotel.
- c. LOC working with all participating team on preferred transportation requirement (on ASAP basis), official training and daily training schedule (cut-date on 2 Oct 2023).
- d. Team Guide allocation in development stage. LOC received interest from 02 x International volunteer who is interested to be team guide. Prelim arrangement will be for mentioned international volunteer to be paired up with local team guide.

## **IFF Officials**

- a. Arrangement for IFF Officials flight and per diem under 'Organiser Buyout' with IFF.
- b. IFF Officials Hotel is confirmed to be at Park Royal on Beach Road. IFF VIP & guest will also be arranged to stay at mentioned hotel.
- c. LOC is working with IFF representative to firm up rooming list, flight and transportation

## **LOC**

- a. LOC composition, key contact and responsibilities updated in Eventello.

## **Marketing**

- a. Sponsorship drive is currently on-going. LOC's approach is to sort after both Cash and Value-In-Kind sponsorship, however, with the current economic climate, Cash sponsorship have proven to be a challenge, thus, will focus more on Value-in-Kind sponsorship instead.
- b. Current confirmed sponsors & partners:
  - Kallang Alive Sports Management (Singapore Sports Hub) – Official Venue Partner (Partial Venue VIK)
  - SISTIC – Official Ticketing Partner (Marketing VIK)
- c. Established contact with UNIHOC Singapore's representative on UNIHOC's preferred location of Merchandise Booth.
- d. LOC have developed a set of marketing assets to be featured on IFF App for Call to Action on ticket sales for WFC '23, in line with upcoming tournament and championships in month of Sep '23.

## **Match Schedule**

- a. Match Schedule published. LOC will work with IFF on any change in Match Schedule due to TV.

## **Match Statistics**

- a. Pending kick off discussion between LOC & IFF

## **Materials**

- a. LOC established communication with IFF's representative for Floormat, rink boards, goal cages and goal ball delivery to Singapore

## **Media**

- a. LOC established communication with IFF on media related matters. LOC will have 01 x Team focusing on Social Media, and another team focusing on PR & Media Operation.

b. For Social Media

- Content Calendar for Sep '23 is developed, with focus driving local ticket sales during Singapore's Sep '23 school holidays, featuring of referees and some local fun facts (total of 9 post count and 3 story count)
- Paid media to promote Singapore as an end year travel destination in line with WFC '23

c. For PR & Media Operation

- Establish facilities for Media Operation, and in progress of further fine tuning of mixed zone and TV flash interview location
- Press Kit will be digital for WFC '23
- Registration of interest for Media Accreditation commenced on 22 Aug 2023, and will be closed on 31 Oct 2023, as published on <https://www.wfc2023.sg/media/>, and LOC will subsequently work with IFF on approving registered interest.
- Captain Photo Shoot plan in development to align with the last team arrival, who will arrive on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2023.

### Meetings

- a. Meeting rooms for 1<sup>st</sup> Technical Meeting, Daily Referee Meeting and Association Meeting secured at Park Royal on Beach Road.

### Other Events

- a. Development underway for Fun Zone & Special Olympics. More details to be provided when plan is more firmed up.

### Transportation

- a. Planned transportation system confirmed and shared details with participating teams on entitlements and ad-hoc transportation arrangement.
- b. Participating teams who choose to use their own transport and not the LOC's transportation will not be compensated.

### Ticketing

- a. Overall Ticket Sales as of 28.08.23 is 3.91% of total available sold (1,286 tickets)
- As of Jul '23
    - Out of total sales, Adults tickets (age 18 & above) is at 81.66%, while Youth & Children tickets (age 6 – 17) is at 18.34%. Child below 6 will have free admission.
    - The highest purchase of ticket was from Singapore (82.5%), followed up Switzerland (6.1%), with a tie for Finland (2.4%).
    - Majority of patrons are aged between 25 – 34 (40.8%), followed by patron's aged 35 to 44 (22.3%)

- b. LOC will continue the following effort, with understanding that the local consumer market pattern usually have a higher pick up and interest 3-month before date of event
  - Reaching out to local schools in Sep '23 during their holidays with ticket promos
  - EDMs for Call To Action for ticket purchase to International Expat Club and International School
  - Development of ticket promos tied in with occasions (i.e. xx-days to WFC)
  - Reminder to participating countries' NSA (NSAs and their associated travel agency) on reminder for ticket purchase at 20% discounted rate. Reminder will be done via information letter.
- c. IFF tickets and participating countries' NSA ticket entitlements based on contract are already set aside.

### **TV Production**

- a. As of 29.08.2023, LOC have informed IFF on confirmation of having PolarHD for full broadcast production, with assistance to look into possible adjustment on package cost.

### **Venue**

- a. Venue layout plan have been developed for both OCBC Arena and Singapore Indoor Stadium. Both venue have sufficient facilities to support the operational requirement for the Championship.
- b. Fine tuning work in progress for the following area within competition venue:
  - Mixed Zone, TV Flash Interview and Studio position @ OCBC Arena Hall 1 & 2
  - Studio Position @ Singapore Indoor Stadium
  - Extension of Changing Room 7 & 8 @ OCBC Arena
  - Finalised Client Flow
  - VIP Lounge area allocation and capacity
- c. Training Venue arrangement will be determined once LOC receive participating countries' interest in their individual training schedule.

### **VIP**

- a. VIP Lounge and seating capacity updated. LOC is looking for way to increase capacity.

### **Volunteer**

- a. LOC will be working with 02 x entity for recruitment of volunteers, and recruitment work is in progress.
  - ITE (local Institute of Technical Education) – Roles of Team Liaison Officer, Rink Squad, Ball Kids, Training Hall Helpdesk and Match Secretariat Support
  - Team Nila (Singapore's sporting event volunteers) – Any other roles for championship not indicated above.
- b. LOC received interest from 02 x International volunteer who is interested to be team guide. Prelim arrangement will be for mentioned international volunteer to be paired up with local team guide.

## Others

- a. Merchandise
  - LOC have submitted and received comments on design of Event Tee and Team Fans Tee. Adjustment based on comments in progress.
  - Other potential LOC merchandise items is under development.
- b. LOC have linked up with Quantum Consultancy, and will be discussion with Quantum on how to integrate other questions and method of survey (i.e. from Singapore Tourism Board) with the preliminary survey developed by Quantum.



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### **Match Schedule WFC 2023**

Dear John,

We hope this letter finds you well. From the side of swiss unihockey, we thank you for the explanation of how the match schedule came about. We appreciate your effort and are aware that this is not an easy task.

However, we are clear in our opinion that the sporting aspect must have priority in the allocation of the quarterfinal places! It is a decisive advantage if the quarterfinals can be played on Thursday and not on Friday evening. According to the match schedule, the team that wins the group will get this advantage. For this reason, we will not accept that Finland gets the Thursday game fixed because of TV reason, and we have to play on Friday.

From our point of view, the mentioned sporting aspect must be above the aspect of television, because the timing of the quarterfinal can have a great influence on the decisive semifinal and final matches (which are much more important for TV as well). The team that plays at 8 p.m. on Friday has to play three matches in a maximum of 48 hours, which is to be honest not fair for anyone (also not for the group runner-up).

We kindly ask you to reconsider the schedule, so that the winner of the group A and B will play on Thursday and the runner-up on Friday, which brings a fair and sportsmen-like chance for everyone.

We reserve ourselves the right to make further steps if needed.

Regards from Switzerland,

**swiss unihockey**

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President

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Roger Lötscher  
Director of Elite Sports  
and National Teams

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Flurina Marti  
Head of National Teams Women

# IFF Sportwik App - Financial report for the initial Events 2022 and 2023

Sales per Event	Sales	Days	Matches	Revenue/Day	Revenue/Match	Observations
WFC 2022	40779,68	9	48	4531,08	849,5767	No Google Play
WFCQ	20361,95	5	63	4072,39	323,21	
U19 WFC	7583,83	5	25	1516,77	303,35	
CC	4763,34	2	8	2381,67	595,42	
U19 WFC 2023	56901,82	5	36	11380,36	1580,61	
Others	1441,97					
<b>CC/EFCh/U19 WFCQ</b>	<b>7640,87</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>1091,55</b>	<b>263,48</b>	
Total YTD 2023	98693,78	24	161	4112,24	613,00	
Total Sales	139473,46	33	209	4226,47	667,34	

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Financial Summary 2023			
Costs		Income	
- Yearly costs	-40000		
- First 60000	-60000	Initial 60000	60000
- Sportwik provision	-8439	Real revenue	15960
	-108439		75960,4
		Result	-32479
		To Sell	56400

IFF Revenue	TOTAL	Net Revenue	Stripe payment	Sportwik 60000 CHF revenue	Need to sell for IFF real revenue	Deduction of Amazon, storage and video delivery costs	IFF True Revenue for 2023	Sportwik provision 30%	Nr of payments	Avg payment	Stripe cost %	First comp day revenue	First comp day revenue %
WFC 2022	42121,00	40001,60	2123,66	20037,64	20037,64		20037,64		3015	13,97	5,0	17703	42,0
<b>Year 2023 sales</b>													
Champions Cup	4763,34	4417,85	326,17	4417,85	-55582,15		0		634	7,48	6,9	2662	56,1
U19 WFCQ	7583,83	7143,18	440,65	7143,18	-48438,97		0		741	10,23	5,8	3854	50,8
WFCQ	20361,95	19263,72	1098,23	19263,72	-29175,25		0		1629	12,50	5,4	10554	51,8
SuperFinals	1441,97	1369,3	91,99	1369,3	-27805,95		-3730,49						
U19 WFC	56901,82	53639,54	3262,28	27805,95	25833,59	3960,38	15311,25	6561,96	<b>4850</b>	<b>11,73</b>	5,7	27485	48,3
<b>CC/EFCh/U19 WFCQ</b>	<b>7640,87</b>	<b>7173,47</b>	<b>467,4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7173,47</b>	<b>916,90</b>	<b>4379,60</b>	<b>1876,97</b>					
<b>YTD</b>	<b>98693,78</b>	<b>93007,06</b>	<b>5686,72</b>	<b>60000</b>	<b>33007,06</b>	<b>4877,2844</b>	<b>15960,35</b>	<b>8438,9327</b>	<b>7854</b>	<b>12,57</b>	<b>5,76</b>		

Sales vs Estimated IFF income model		NR of events	Tot Sales	Proposed	Optimistic	Best	Index	Index
Event	WFC 2022	1	42198	25520	55292	93580	165,4	76,3
	CC 2023	1	4763	11695	27642	44656	40,7	17,2
	Men's U19 WFCQ	2	7584	9682	18244	41256	78,3	41,6
	Women's WFCQ	4	20362	11695	27642	44656	174,1	73,7
	Men's U19 WFC	1	56902	11695	27642	44656	486,5	205,9
	Other Events	7	9083	4841	11786	20628	187,6	77,1
	Women's WFC	1		23390	51033	85060	0,0	0,0
	YTD		98694	49607	112956	195852	199,0	87,4
	<b>Total 2023</b>		<b>98694</b>	<b>72997</b>	<b>163989</b>	<b>280912</b>	<b>135,2</b>	60,2

To Sell 56400  
 Stripe cost 53298  
 Deductions 46369,3  
 To sell 32458,5  
 57,5505

# FUTURE OF FLOORBALL QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES

Responses from the recent Future of Floorball study (2023) that was sent out earlier this year to all floorball stakeholders.

The survey was available in 7 different languages (English, Czech, Swedish, Finnish, French, German & Spanish)



# FUTURE OF FLOORBALL QUESTIONNAIRE CONTENT

Gender of Respondents – 3+4

Age of Respondents – 5+6

Country/Location – 7

Role of Respondents – 8+9

Ranking development factors  
– 10, 11+12

Most important stakeholders –  
13+14

Playing Time Questions – 15,  
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IFF Event Format  
Changes – 22+23

Key to development– 24

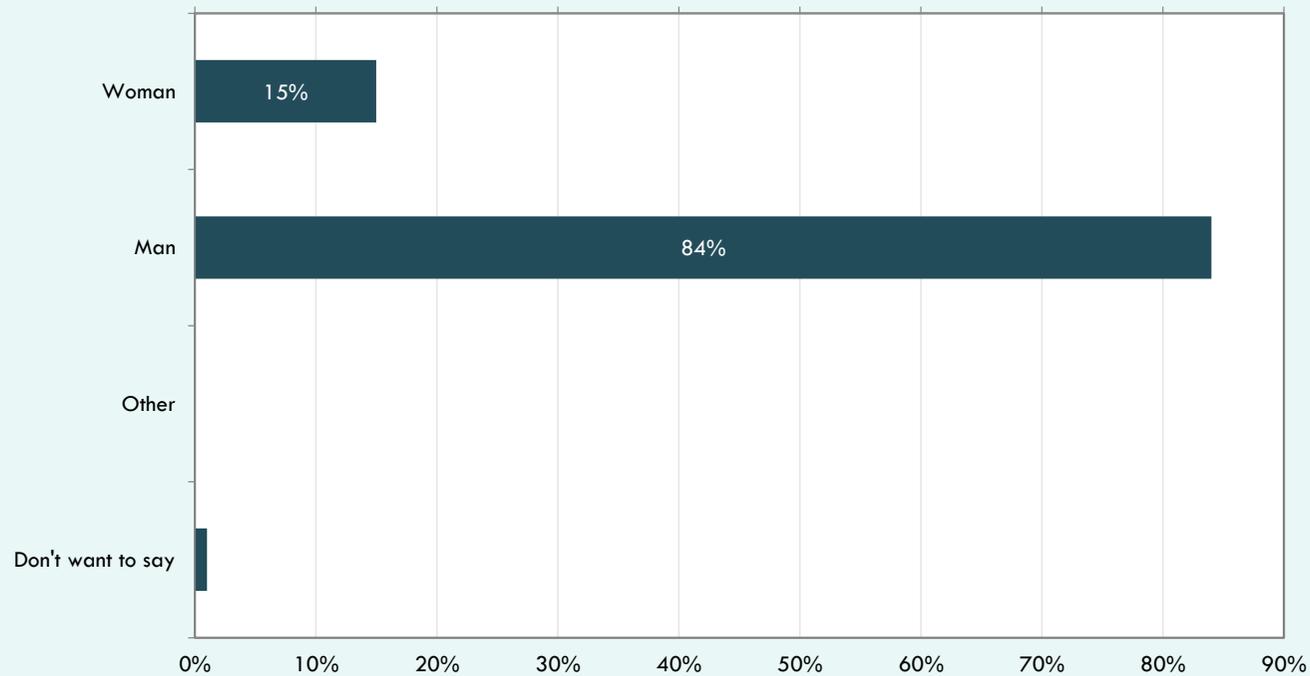
Making the sport more interesting–  
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Statement Responses – 27+28



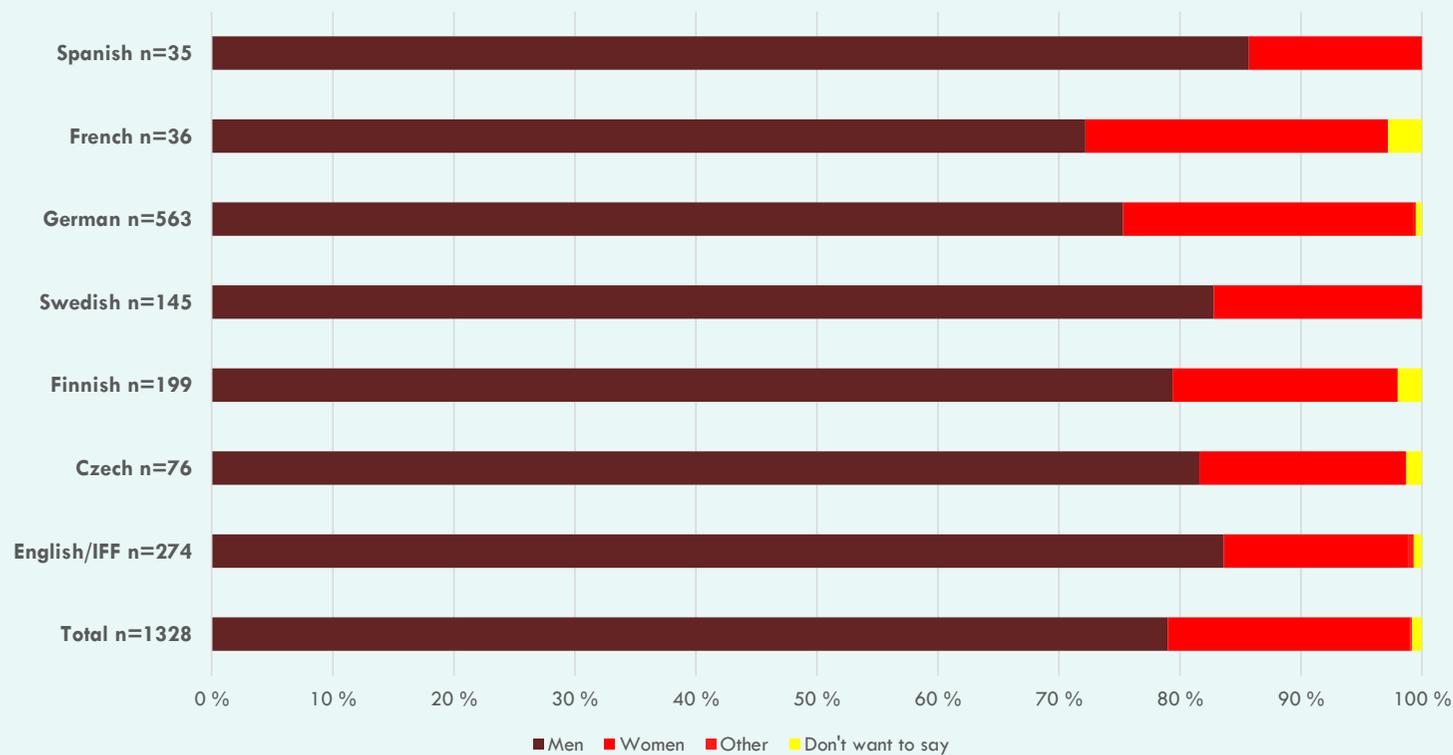
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Future of Floorball questionnaire  
Split by gender



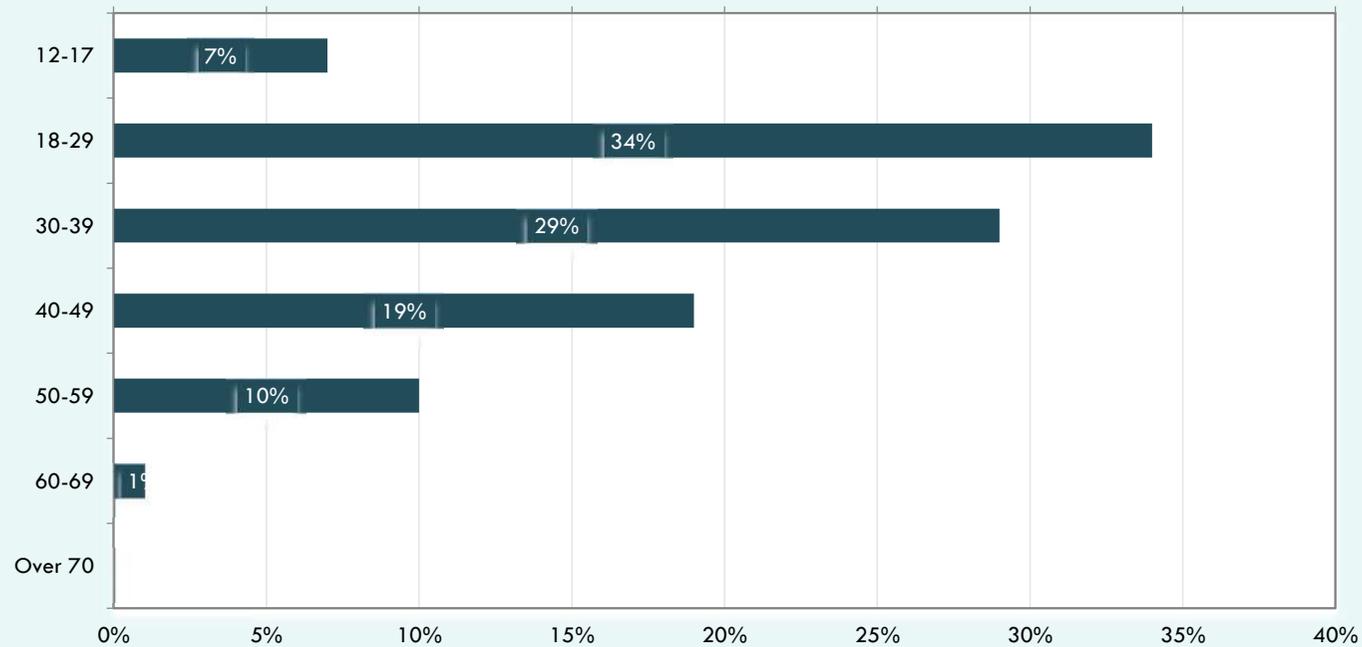
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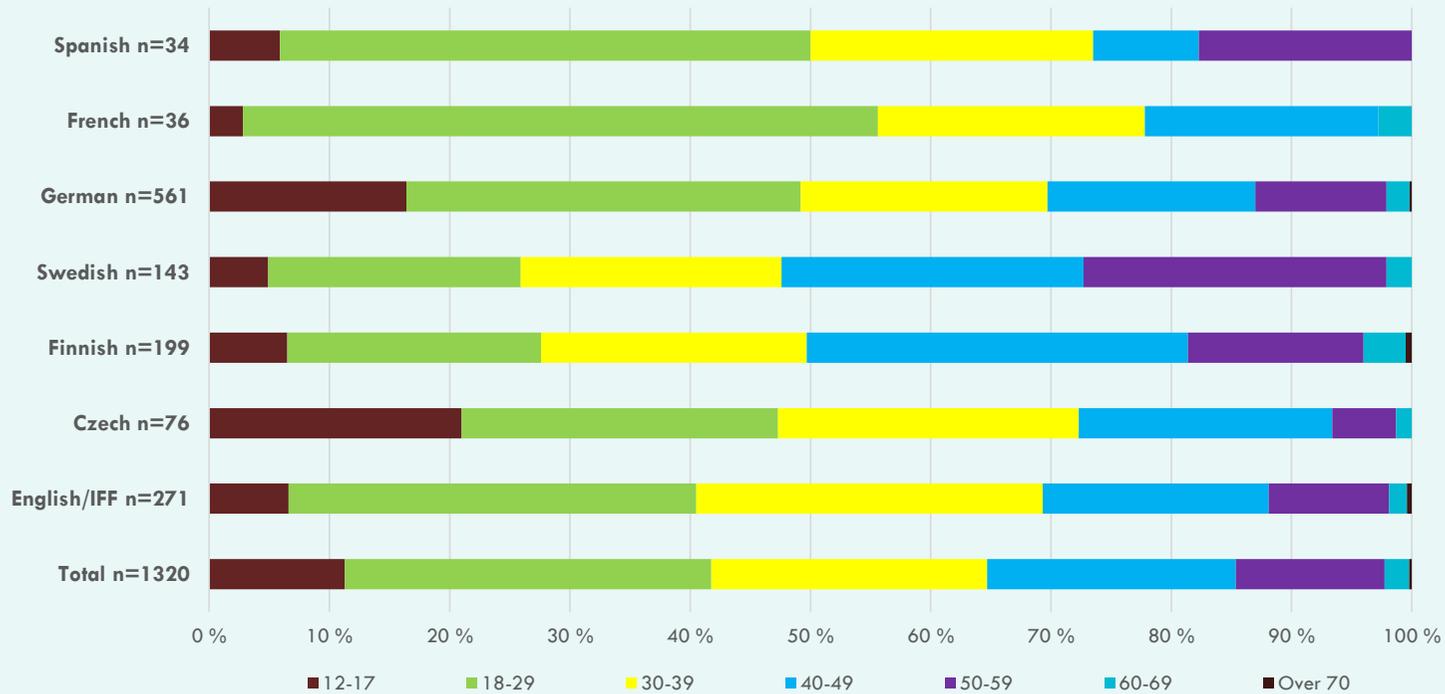
# Age of Respondents Q2

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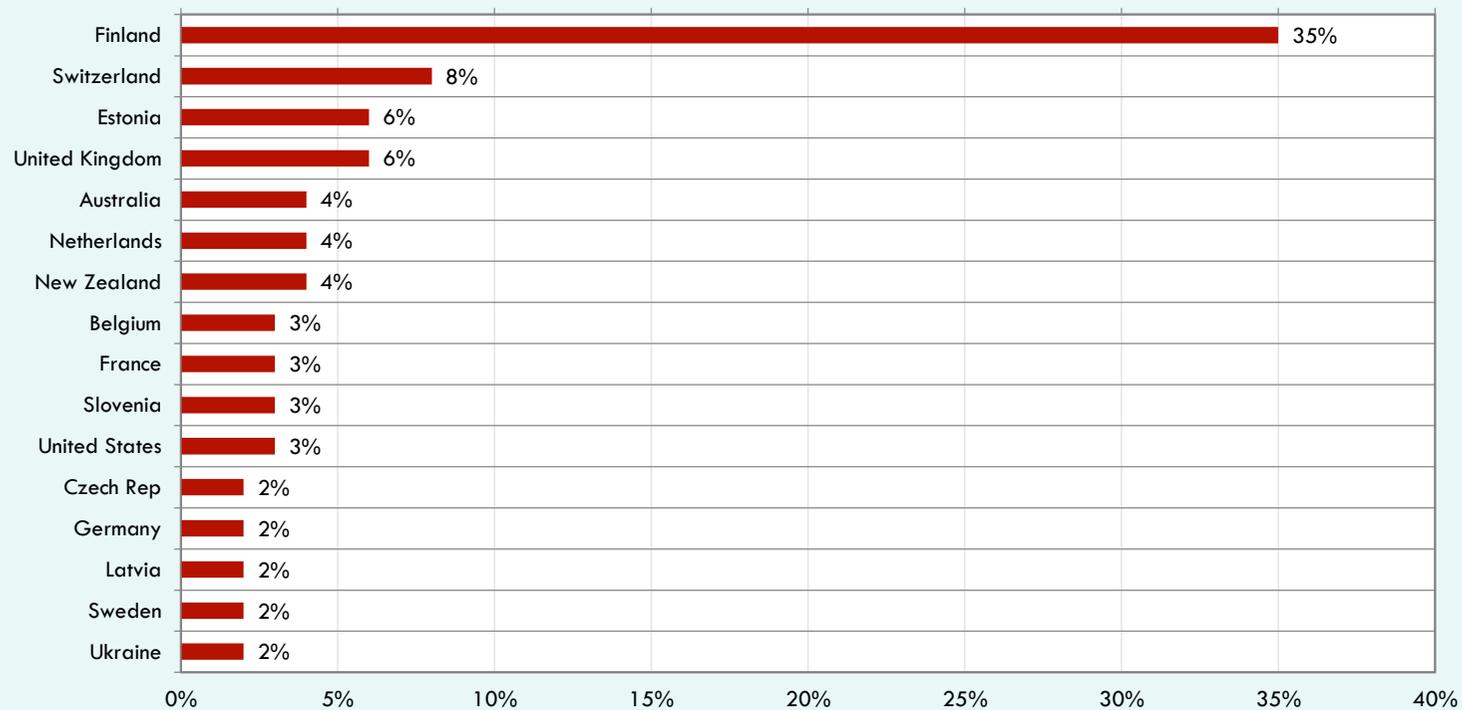


# Age of Respondents Q2

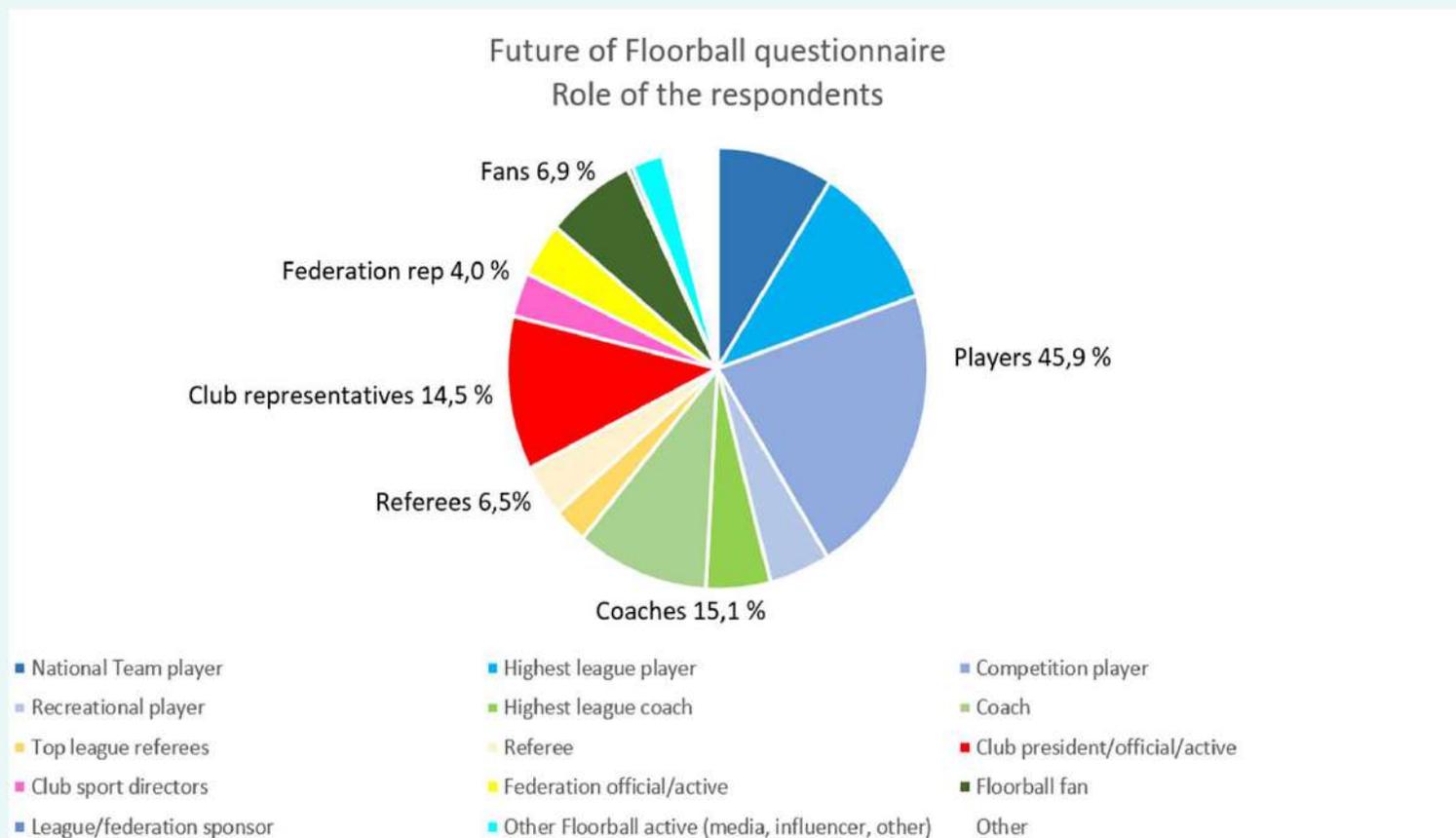
Future of Floorball questionnaire  
Age of the respondents



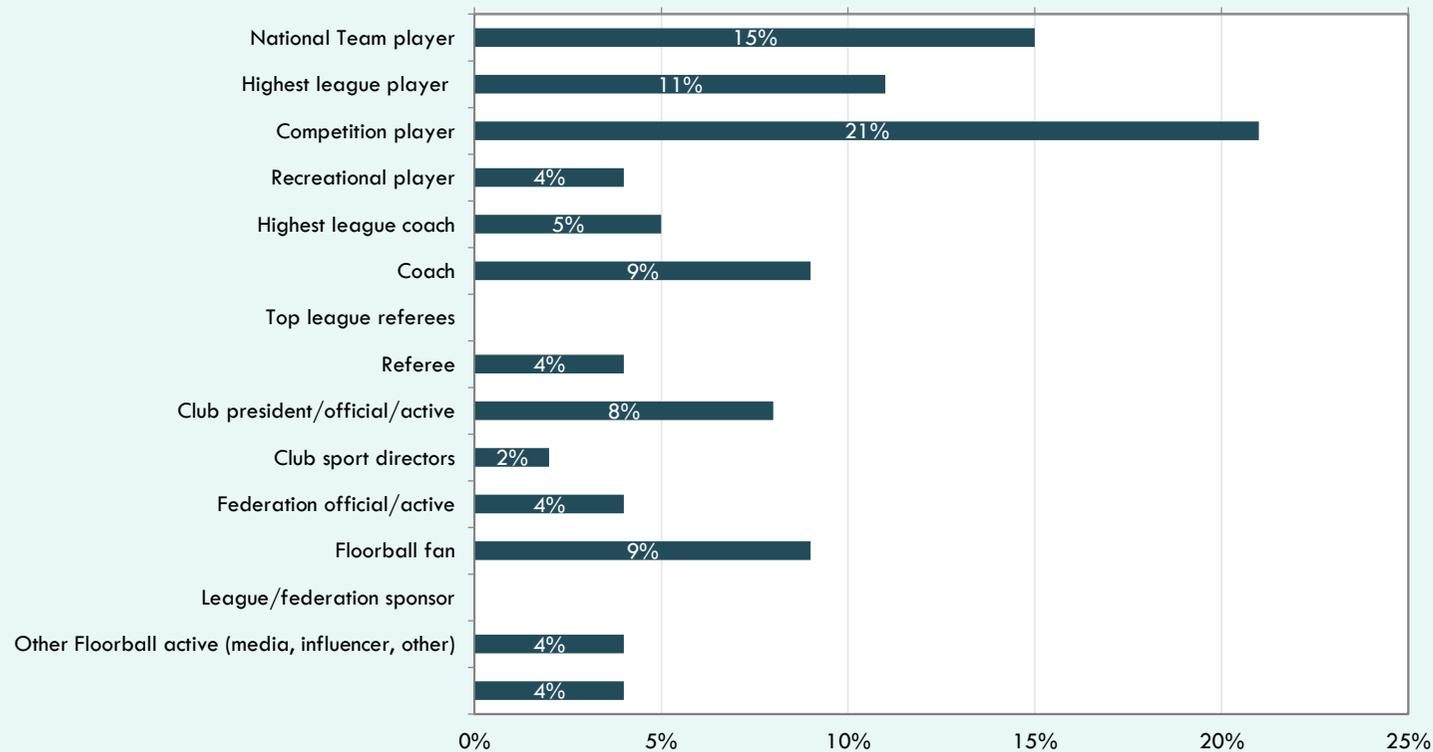
# Country of Respondents Q3



# Role of Respondents Q4



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# Goal for Development of Floorball Q5

What do you think is the ultimate goal for the holistic/overall development of Floorball? Multiple answers



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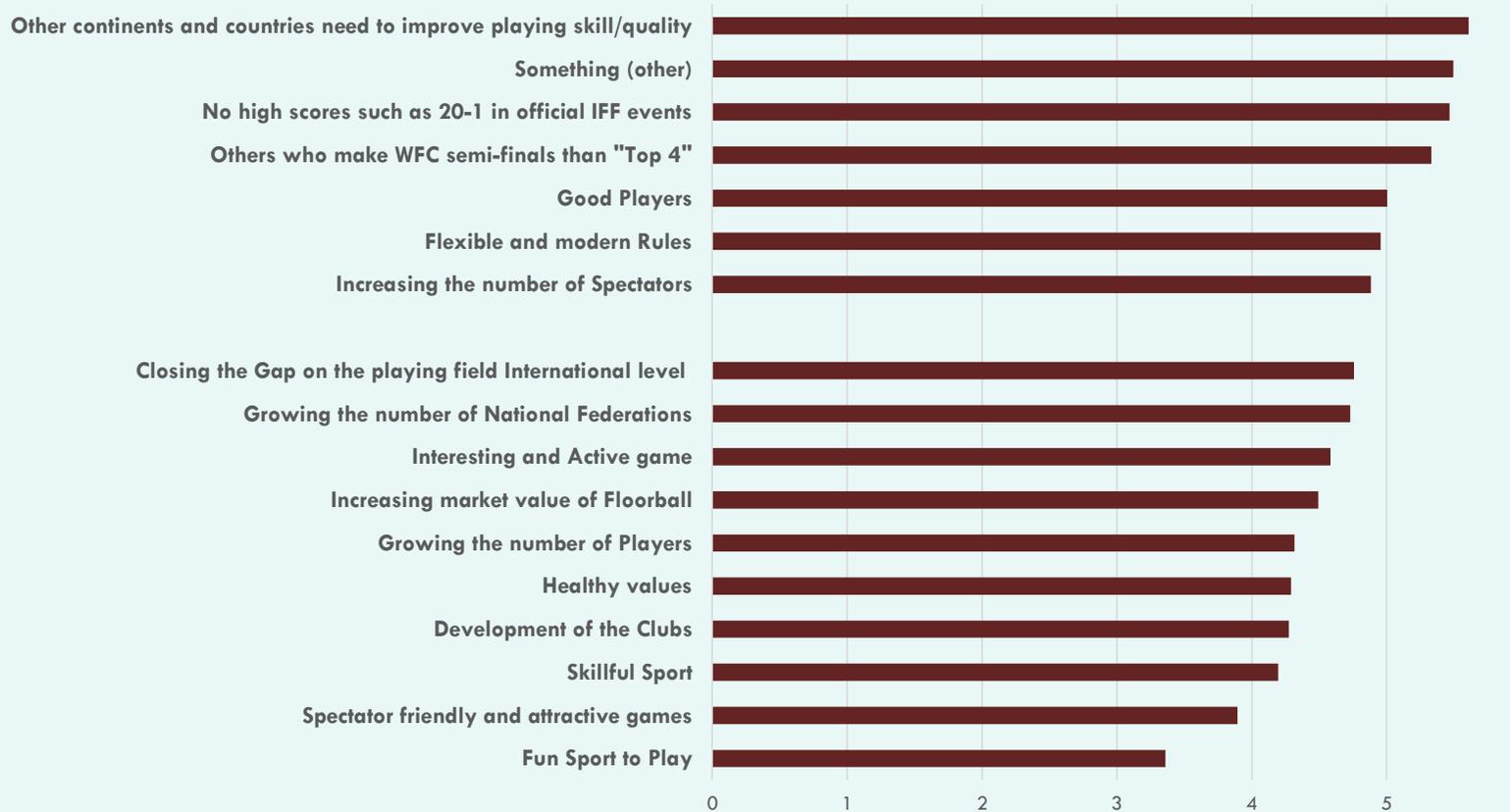
What do you think is the ultimate goal for the holistic/overall development of Floorball?

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
Easier access to equipment worldwide	0,9	2,6	0,7	0,0	2,7	0,2
Increase the overall development in all sectors	6,2	8,5	11,2	6,6	5,3	2,6
Getting more children and schools involved	5,3	9,2	6,7	2,0	4,0	3,8
More players	11,3	19,0	19,5	9,6	10,7	4,0
Rules to support fast, skillful and safe game	5,1	2,9	9,7	15,2	0,0	1,2
Keep the sport as it is, no changes to game time or number of players	2,9	3,6	1,1	6,1	13,3	0,9
Need for professional leagues and players, at least in top countries	10,1	5,2	5,2	5,6	5,3	17,1
Closing the gap	1,8	2,9	1,1	6,1	2,7	0,0
Different divisions in the WFC, more teams	1,1	0,7	0,0	3,0	4,0	0,9
More playing formats, 3 vs 3, 4 vs 4	1,5	2,6	1,5	2,0	2,7	0,5
More female(girls and women) players	2,8	2,9	1,1	3,0	6,7	3,0
Better facilities, safe venues	7,5	5,9	4,9	5,1	13,3	9,6
Free live coverage, no system, where the spectators have to pay	4,2	2,6	0,0	2,5	1,3	8,0
More visibility	11,6	2,0	1,5	17,2	9,3	19,9
Increase awareness by adding visibility and streaming	17,0	16,0	23,6	9,6	10,7	17,9
Increase awareness by entering Olympic games	4,3	2,9	1,1	2,5	4,0	7,1
Social media campaigns and promotions	2,7	3,3	6,0	3,0	1,3	0,9
Promote the WFC	1,2	3,3	1,5	0,0	0,0	0,5
Make Floorball a worldwide sport	2,5	3,9	3,4	1,0	2,7	1,9



# Development Factors Q6

Top ranked Factors for by Importance for developing the Sport Top eight ranked  
The lower the figure is the higher it has been ranked

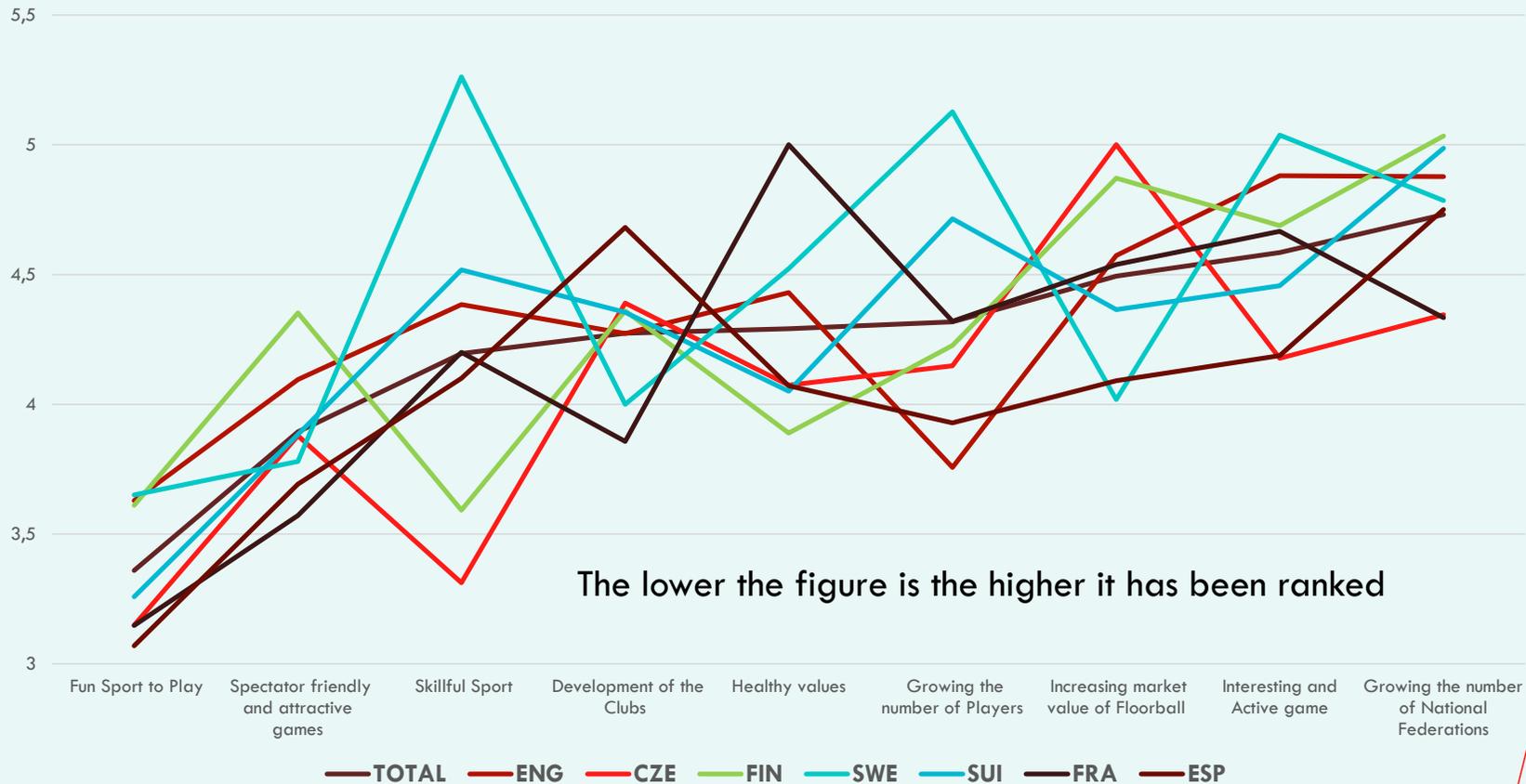


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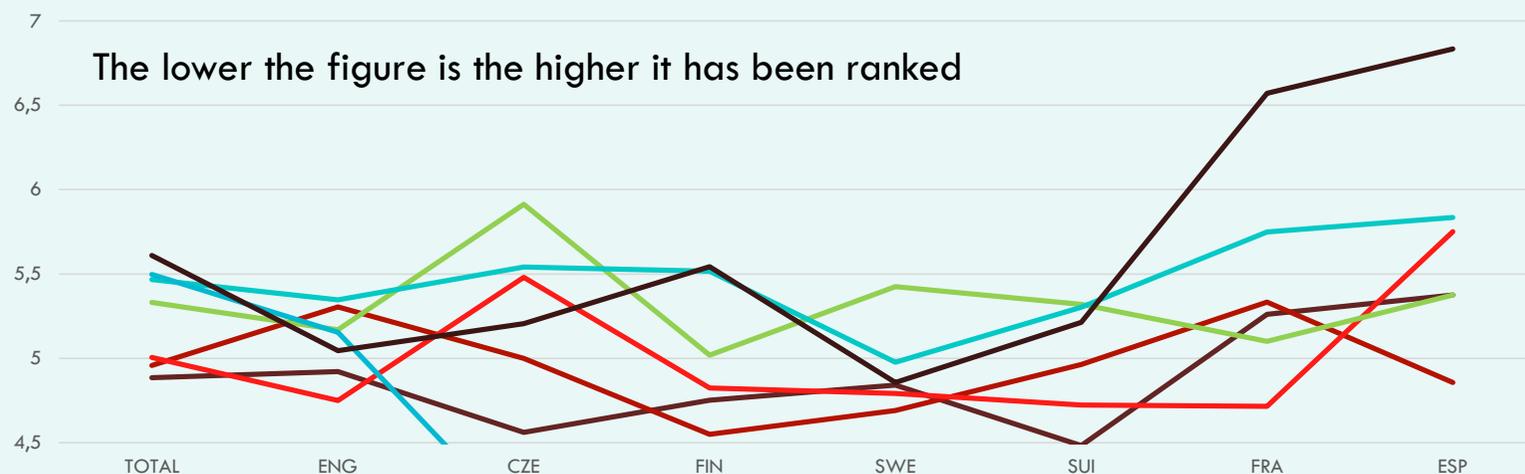
# Development Factors Q6

Top 10 ranked development factors



# Development Factors Q6

Bottom 7 ranked development factors

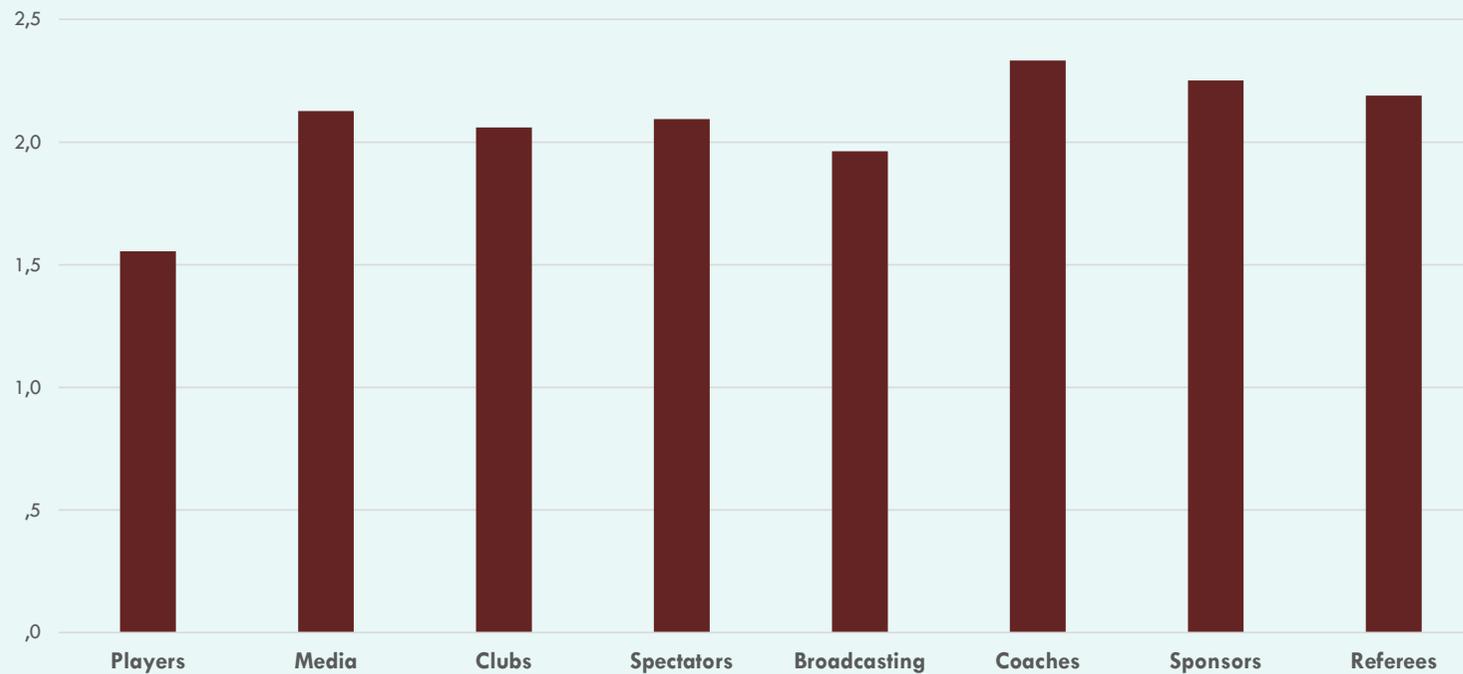


- Increasing the number of Spectators
- Flexible and modern Rules
- Good Players
- There should be other national teams who make it for the WFC semi-finals than the current 4
- There should not be as high results as 20-1 in official IFF events
- Something other, what
- Other continents then Europe need to improve playing skills/quality



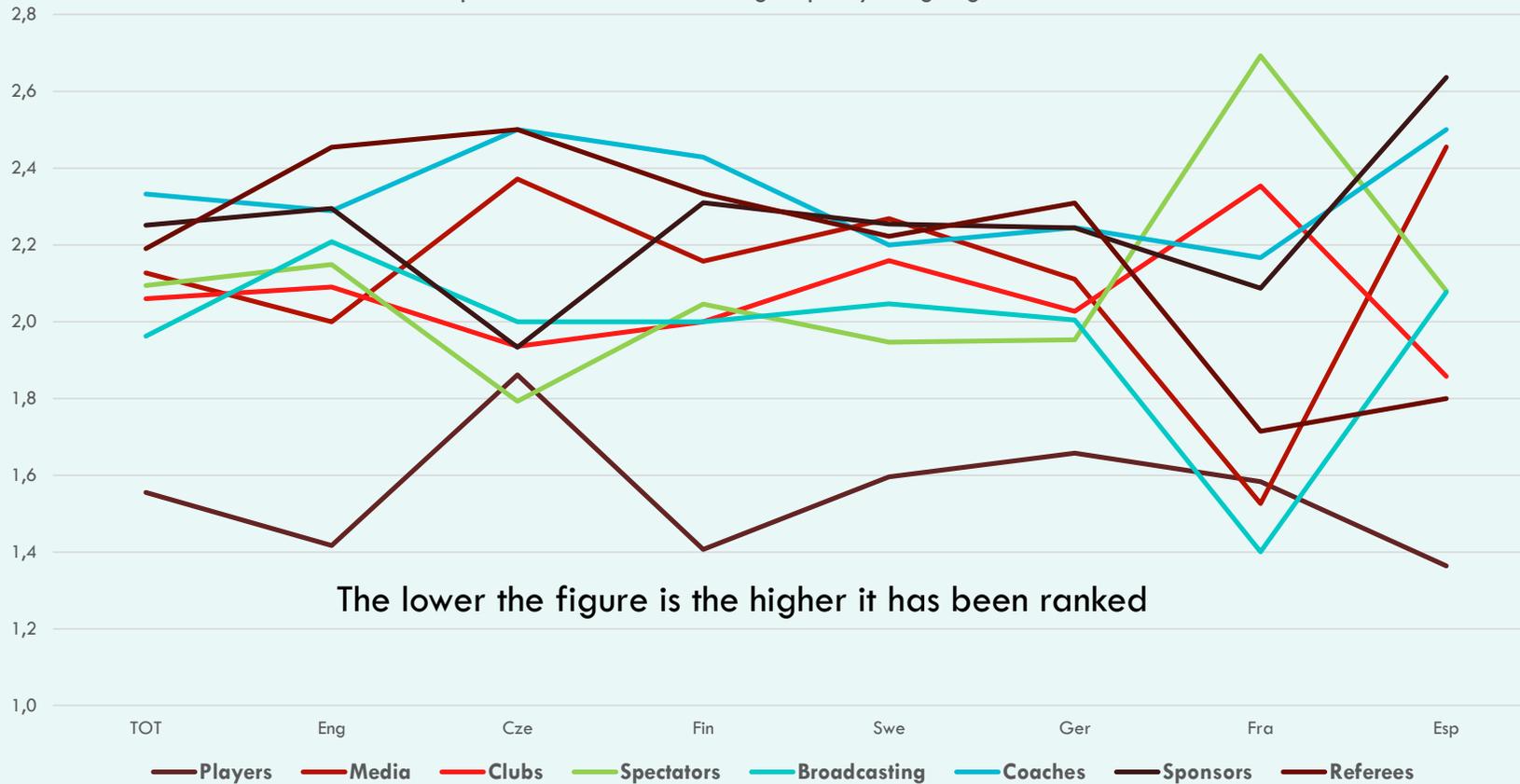
# Stakeholder Groups Q7

Rank the Top 3 most important stakeholder groups when trying to make Floorball better. The smaller the value the more important the stakeholder group is

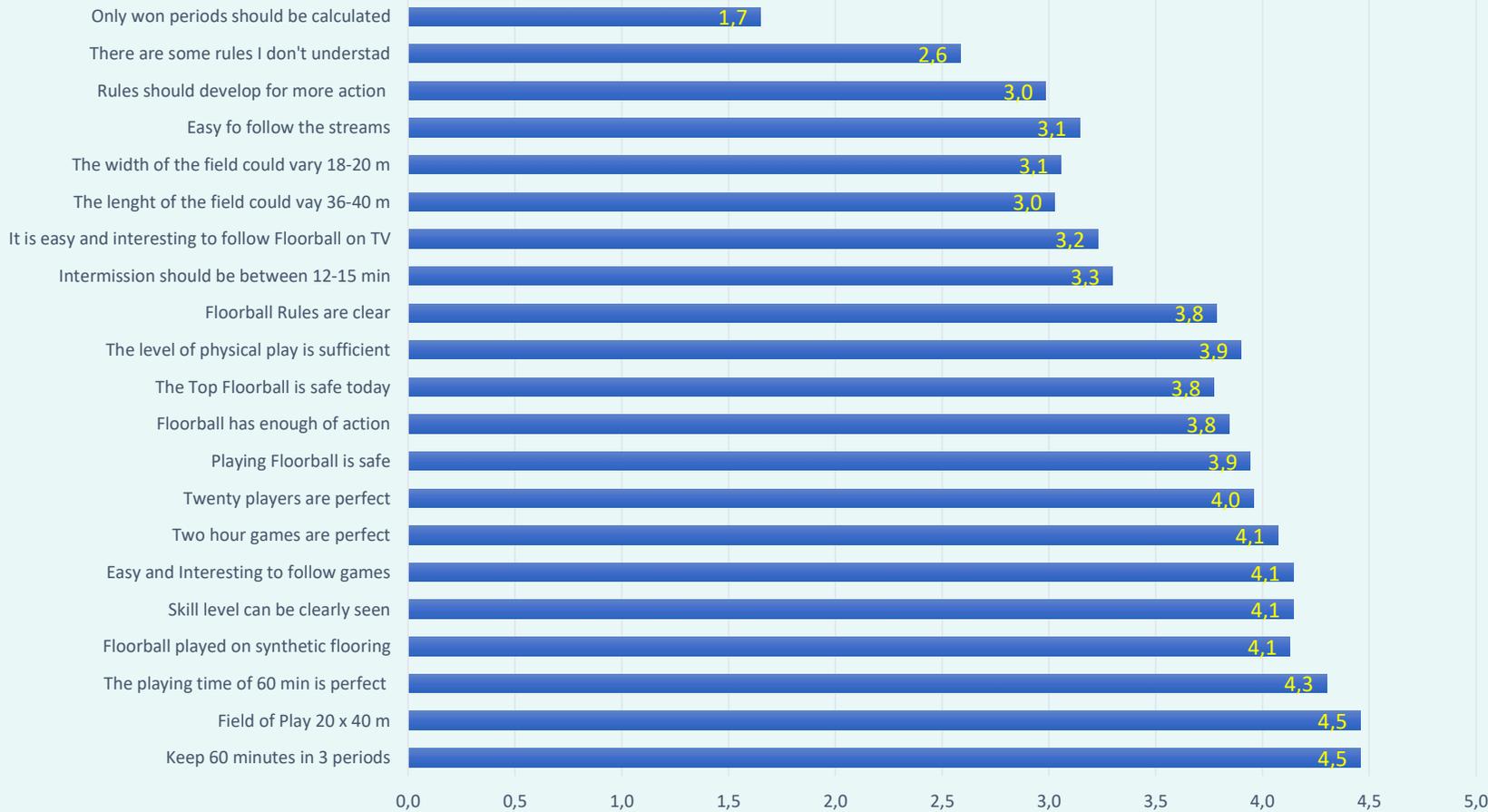


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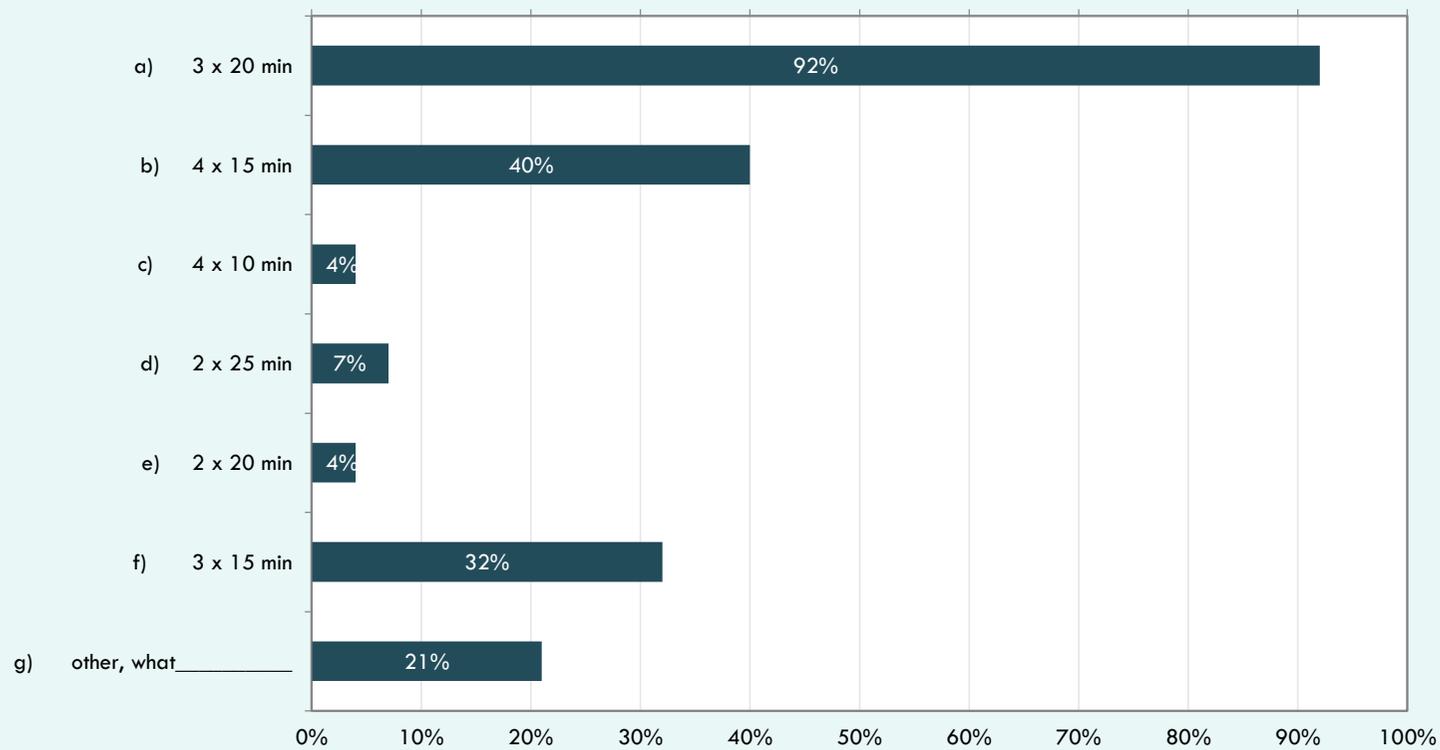
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Top 3 ranked stakeholder groups by language



# Playing time Question Responses Q8

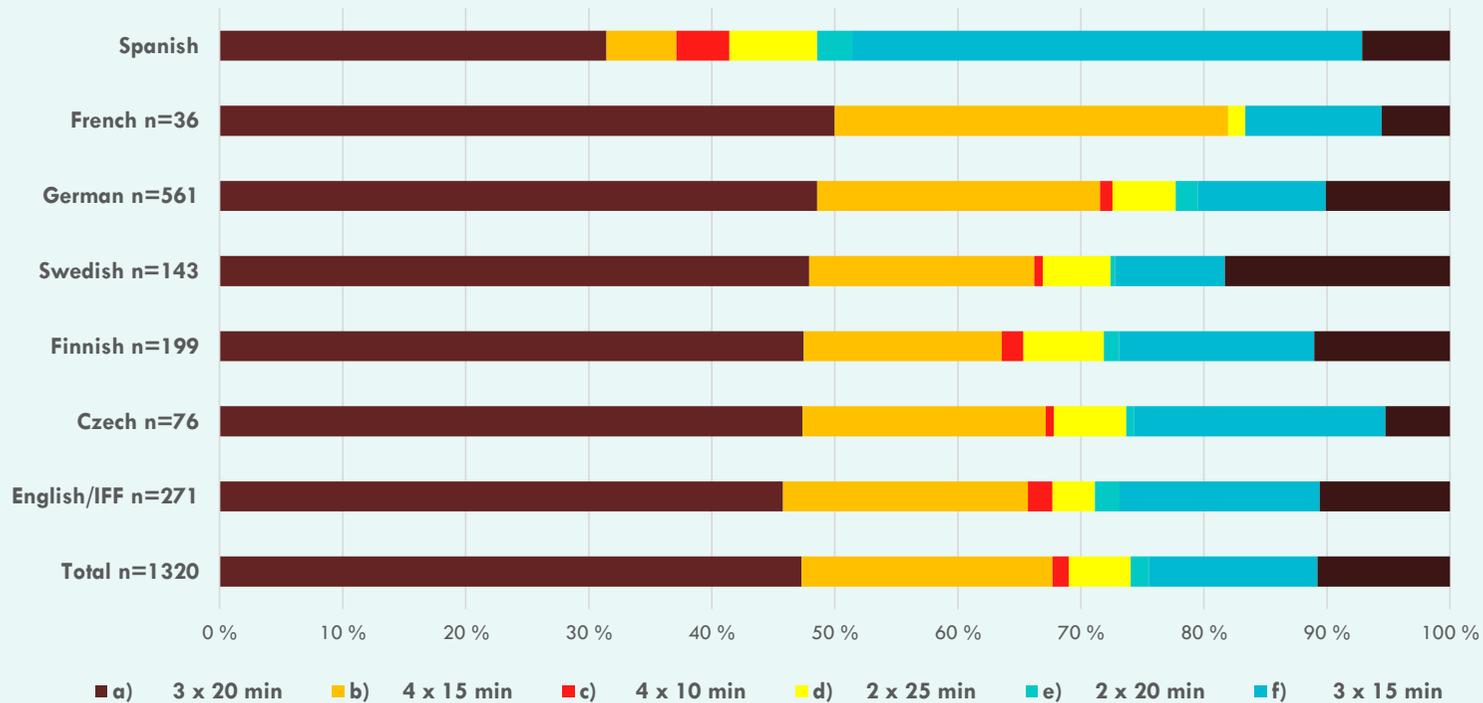


# Playing time Q9



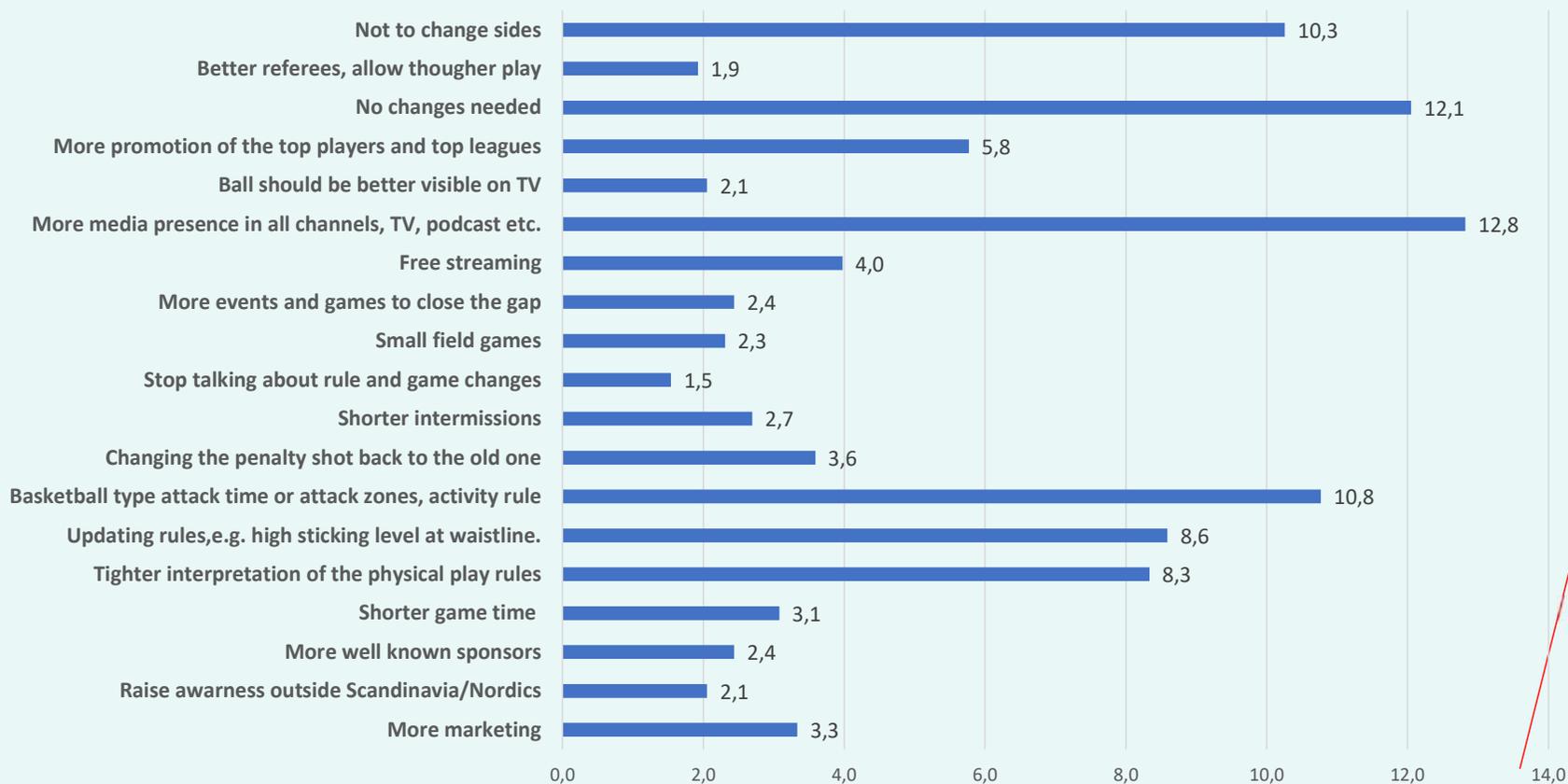
# Playing time Q9

Best Playing time for Floorball  
in percentage of all respondents (By Country)



# Interesting Sport Presentation Q10

In order to develop Floorball and make the sport presentation more fluent and interesting, I would make the following changes?



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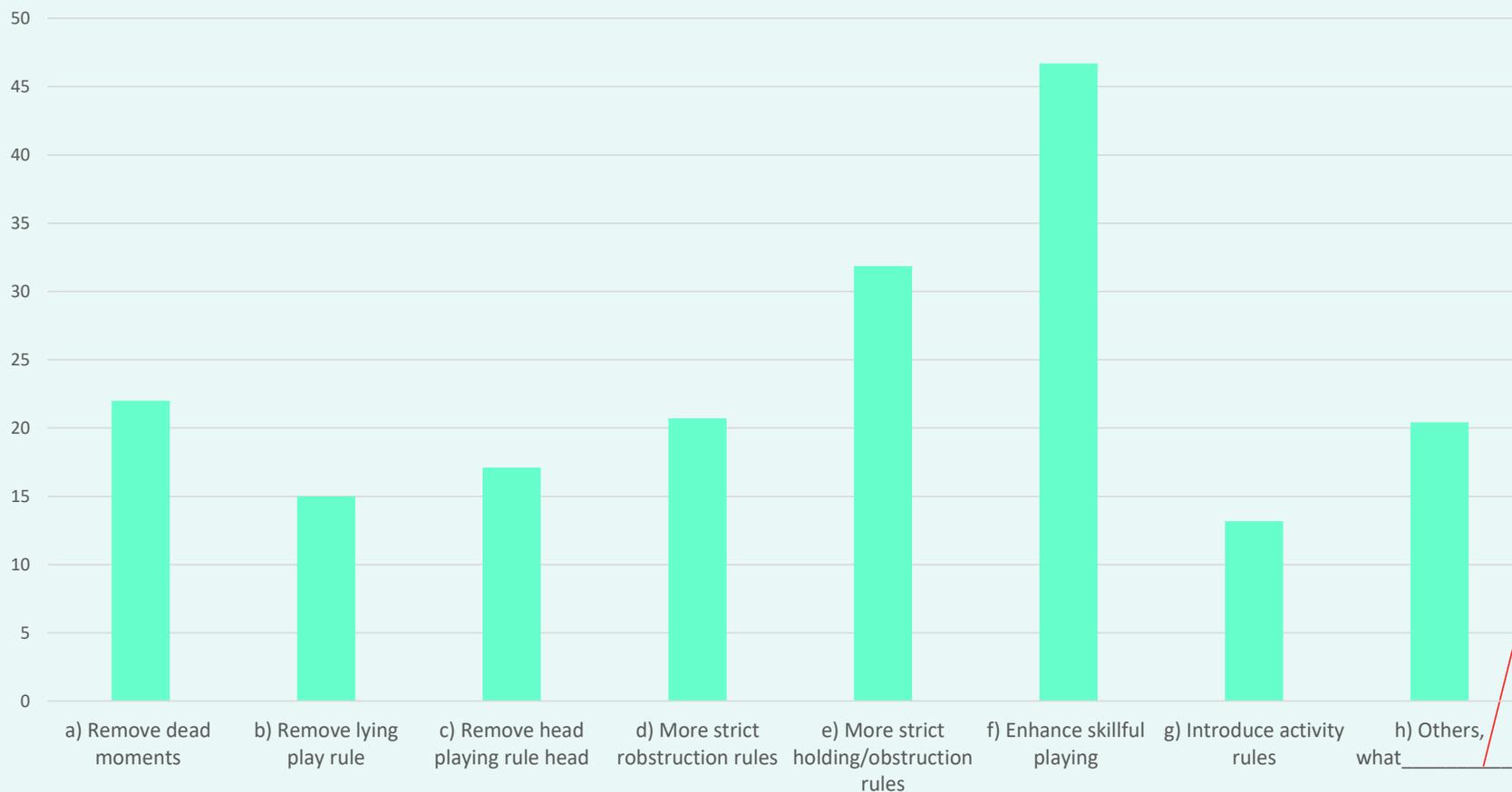
# Interesting Sport Presentation Q10

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
More marketing	3,3	3,9	2,5	6,3	7,1	1,5
Raise awareness outside Scandinavia	2,1	2,0	0,0	3,7	4,3	2,6
More well known sponsors	2,4	1,5	0,0	3,7	4,3	4,6
Shorter game time	3,1	5,4	4,2	1,6	1,4	2,6
Tighter interpretation of the physical play rules of the game	8,3	5,9	29,7	7,3	12,9	2,1
Updating the rules, for example high sticking at waistline	8,6	3,9	8,5	13,6	7,1	11,8
Basketball type attack time or attack zones, activity rule	10,8	10,3	9,3	17,3	1,4	9,7
Changing the penalty shot back to the old one	3,6	3,4	6,8	5,2	0,0	1,5
Shorter intermissions	2,7	2,0	2,5	2,6	4,3	4,6
Stop talking about rule and game changes	1,5	2,0	1,7	3,1	10,0	0,0
Small field games	2,3	3,9	3,4	2,1	2,9	1,0
More events and games to close the gap	2,4	6,9	0,0	2,6	8,6	0,0
Free streaming	4,0	9,3	0,0	0,0	4,3	6,2
More media presence in all channels, TV, podcast etc.	12,8	11,8	16,9	7,9	7,1	21,0
Ball should be better visible on TV	2,1	2,9	1,7	1,0	0,0	3,1
More promotion of the top players and top leagues	5,8	8,3	12,7	4,7	7,1	2,1
No changes needed	12,1	16,7	0,0	5,2	15,7	25,6
Better referees, allow tougher play	1,9	0,0	0,0	7,9	1,4	0,0
Not to change sides	10,3	0,0	0,0	4,2	0,0	0,0



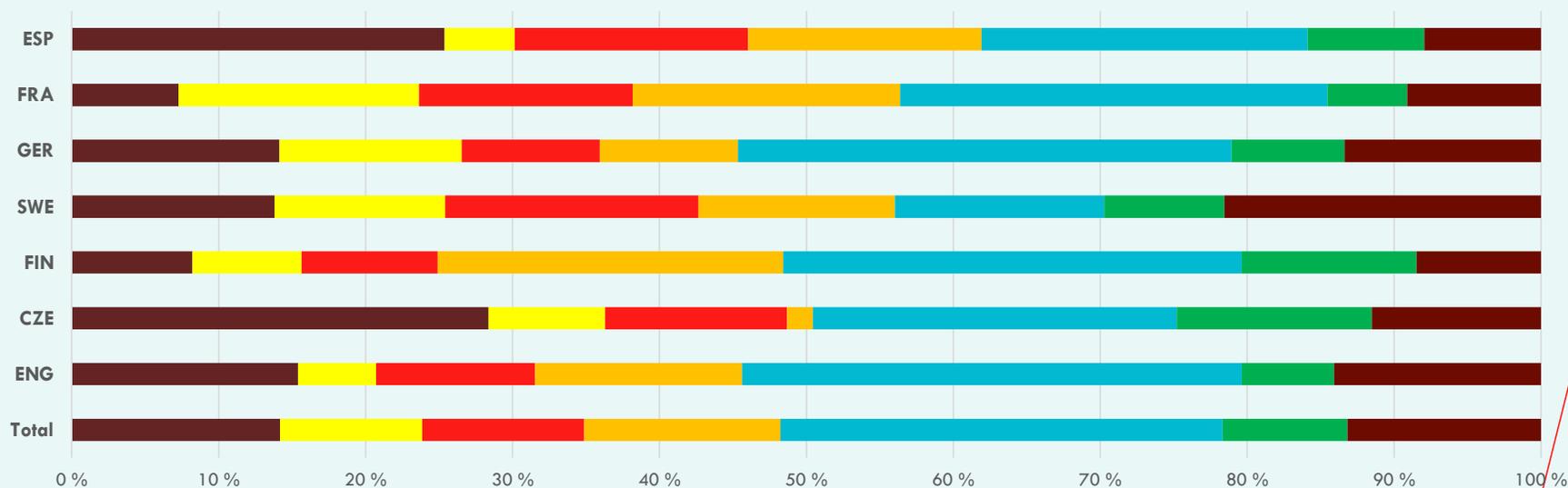
# New rules for increased entertainment and interest Q11

What rules should be developed to increase the entertainment and interest level of Floorball



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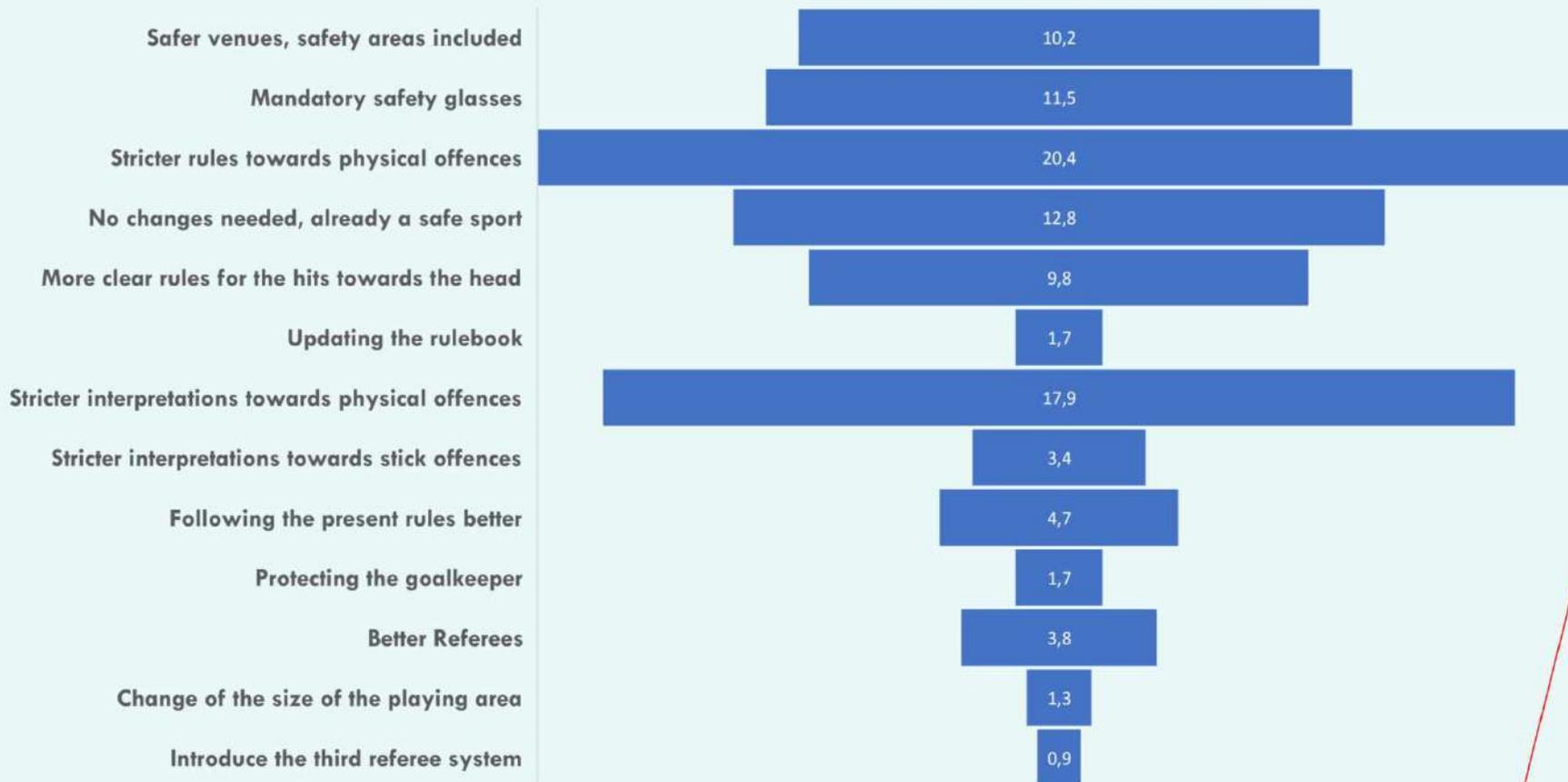


- a) Remove dead moments of the game
- b) Remove the rule of lying play
- c) Remove the rule playing with the head
- d) More strict rules to prevent the obstruction by the boards
- f) Enhance skillful playing on the field
- g) Introduce activity rules, where the ball can't be brought back after you have crossed certain line
- h) Others, what \_\_\_\_\_

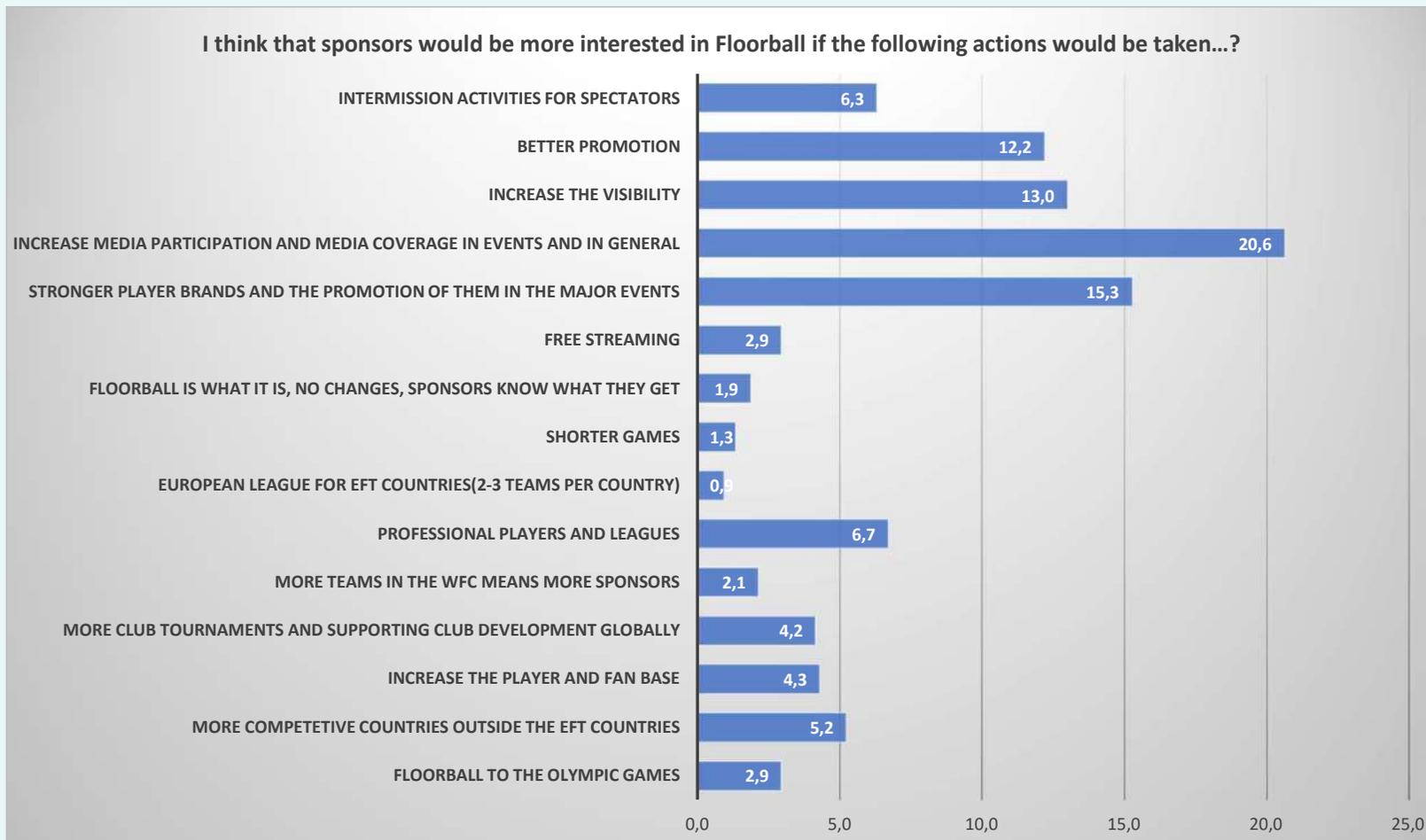


# How to Increase Safety in Floorball Q12

In order to increase the safety of Floorball, I would make the following rule changes?



# How to increase the Sponsors interest Q13



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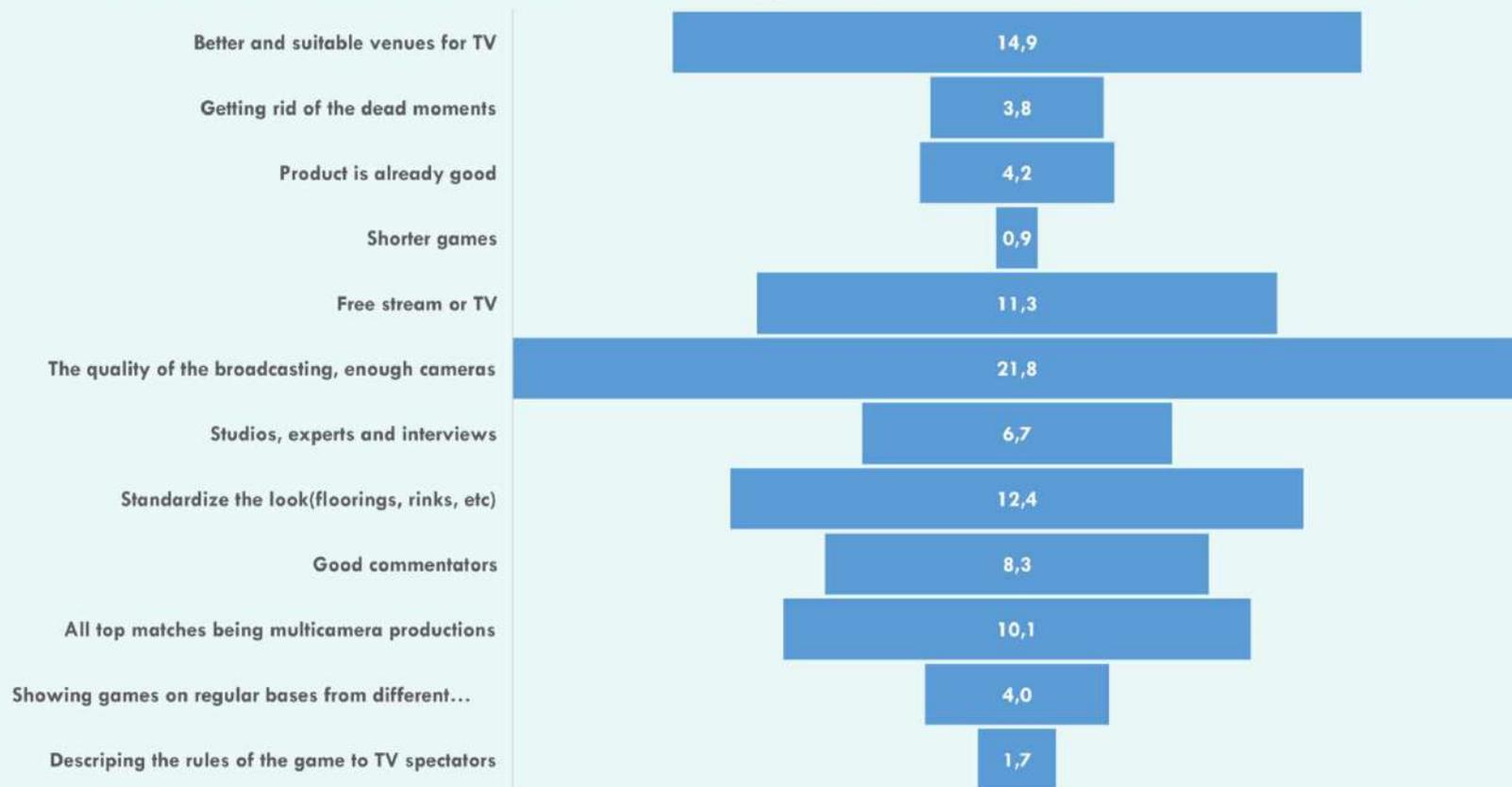
# How to increase the Sponsors interest Q13

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
Floorball to the Olympic games	2,9	3,6	0,0	0,8	9,9	2,8
More competitive countries outside the EFT countries	5,2	2,6	1,5	5,4	13,6	6,6
Increase the player and fan base	4,3	7,7	4,6	3,1	8,6	0,0
More club tournaments and supporting club development globally	4,2	9,8	2,3	3,1	6,2	0,0
More teams in the WFC means more sponsors	2,1	2,6	0,0	2,3	4,9	1,9
Professional players and leagues	6,7	6,2	2,3	8,5	8,6	8,0
International (European) league for EFT countries(2-3 teams per country)	0,9	2,6	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,9
Shorter games	1,3	3,1	0,0	2,3	1,2	0,0
The sport is what it already is, no changes, sponsors know what they get	1,9	2,1	2,3	3,1	3,7	0,0
Free streaming	2,9	5,2	0,0	2,3	1,2	3,8
Stronger player brands and the promotion of them in the major events	15,3	22,7	20,0	10,1	12,3	9,9
Increase the media participation and media coverage in events and in general	20,6	20,1	18,5	35,7	14,8	15,6
Increase the visibility	13,0	5,2	36,9	10,9	11,1	7,5
Better promotion	12,2	3,1	9,2	10,1	2,5	27,4
Intermission activities for spectators	6,3	3,6	2,3	2,3	1,2	15,6



# How to make better TV/Streaming Q14

I think Floorball would become a better TV/streaming product, if the following actions would be taken...?



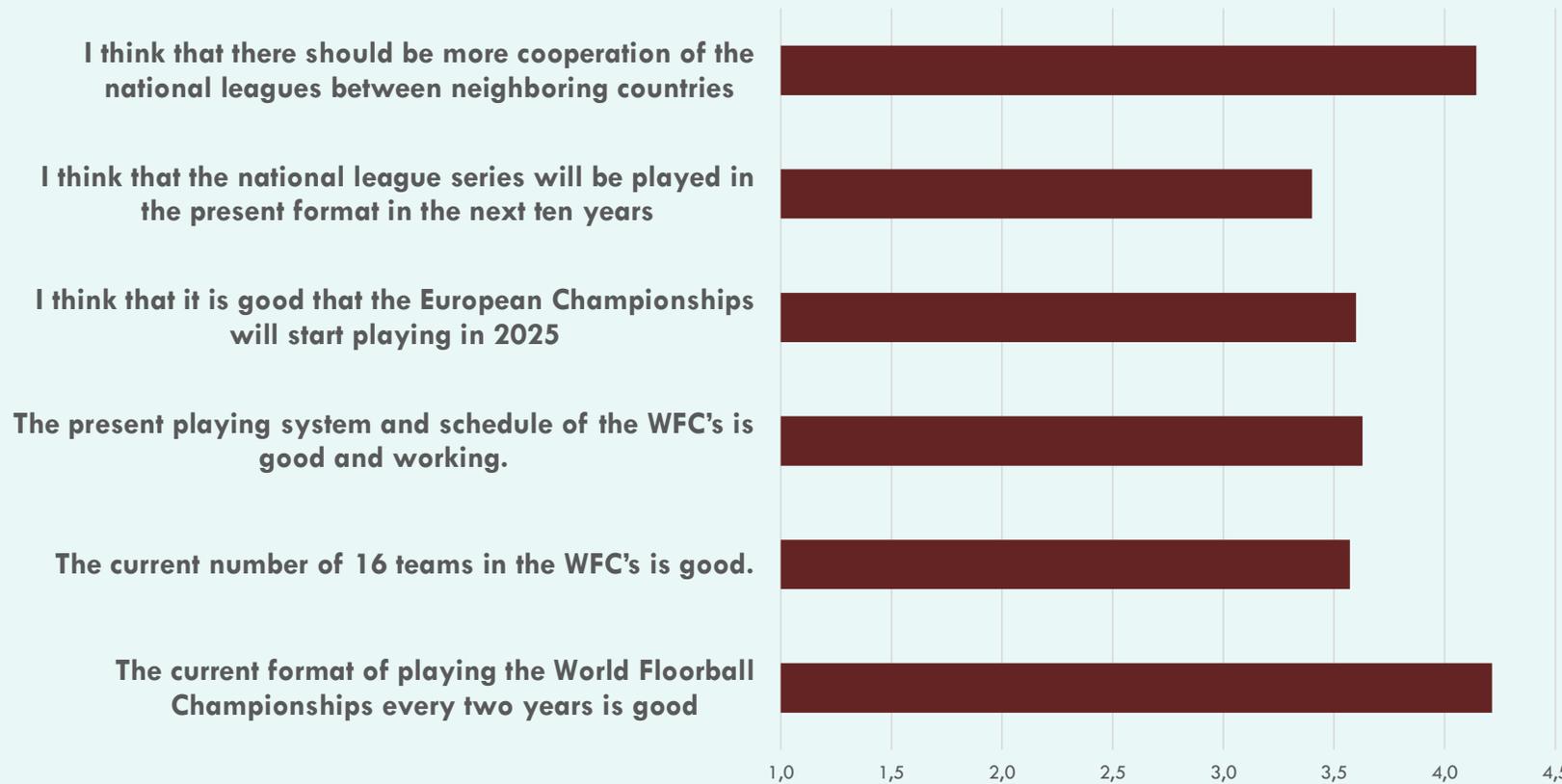
# How to make better TV/Streaming Q14

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
Better and suitable venues for TV	14,9	11,9	23,7	5,0	25,9	17,2
Getting rid of the dead moments	3,8	3,4	7,9	4,4	6,9	0,7
Product is already good	4,2	5,1	2,2	3,3	10,3	3,7
Shorter games	0,9	1,7	0,0	0,6	1,7	0,7
Free stream or TV	11,3	19,6	5,8	2,8	3,4	14,2
The quality of the broadcasting, enough cameras	21,8	20,0	27,3	22,1	31,0	18,4
Studios, experts and interviews	6,7	11,1	8,6	6,6	1,7	3,0
Standardize the look(floorings, rinks, etc)	12,4	8,9	5,0	11,0	6,9	21,3
Good commentators	8,3	6,4	8,6	9,4	3,4	10,1
All top matches being multicamera productions	10,1	4,7	7,9	27,6	3,4	5,6
Showing games on regular bases from different leagues	4,0	5,1	2,9	4,4	5,2	3,0
Describing the rules of the game to TV spectators	1,7	2,1	0,0	2,8	0,0	1,9



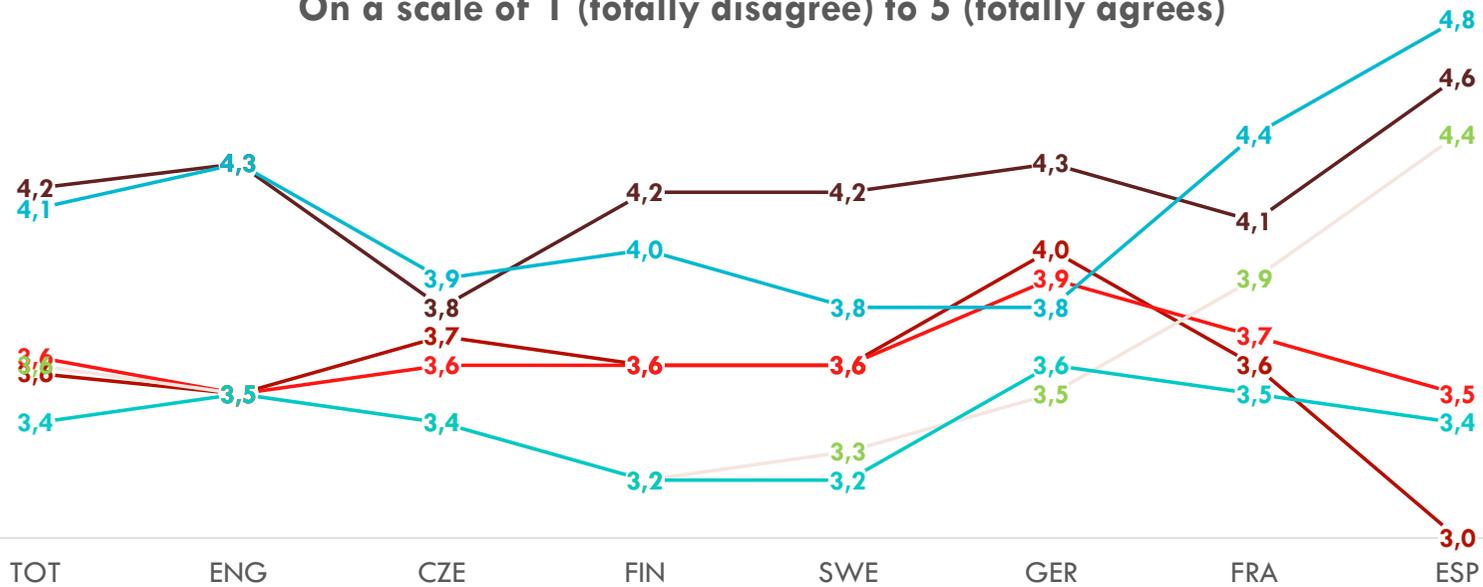
# Evaluation of IFF Events Q15

The respondents evaluation of the IFF Events  
On a scale of 1 (totally disagree) to 5 (totally agrees)



# Evaluation of IFF Events Q15

On a scale of 1 (totally disagree) to 5 (totally agrees)

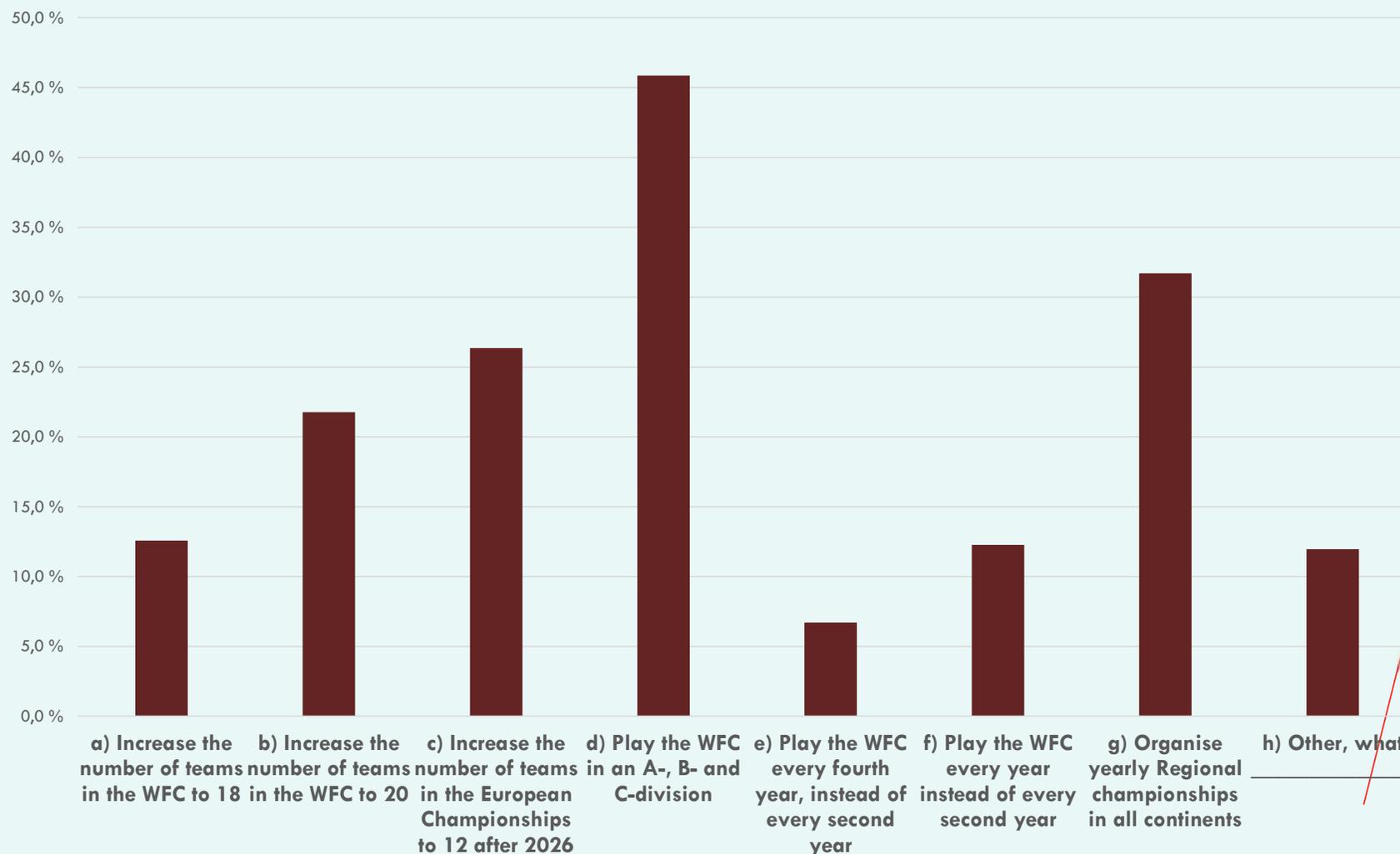


- The current format of playing the World Floorball Championships every two years is good
- The current number of 16 teams in the WFC's is good.
- The present playing system and schedule of the WFC's is good and working.
- I think that it is good that the European Championships will start playing in 2025
- I think that the national league series will be played in the present format in the next ten years
- I think that there should be more cooperation of the national leagues between neighboring countries



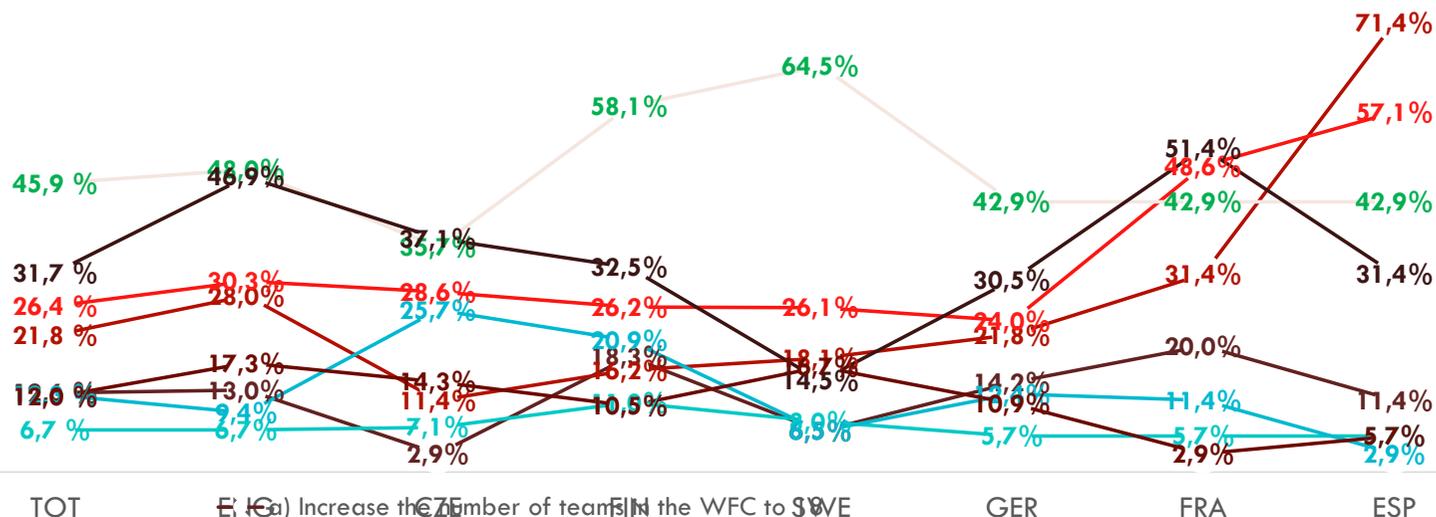
# Format of IFF Events Q16

How would the respondent want to change the IFF major International and Regional Events (TOTAL)



# Format of IFF Events Q16

HOW WOULD THE RESPONDENT WANT TO CHANGE IFF MAJOR INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL EVENTS

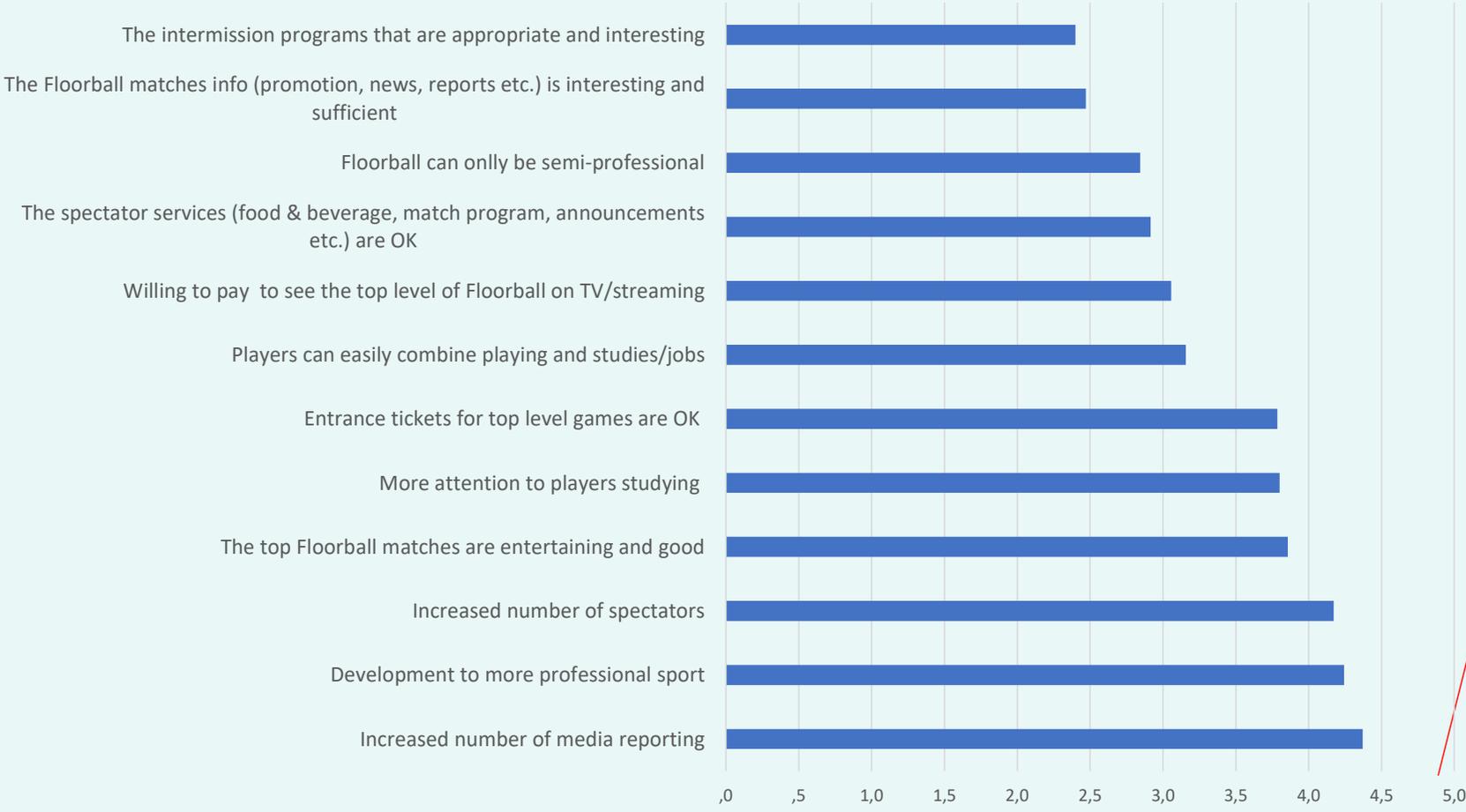


- -a) Increase the number of teams in the WFC to 12
- -b) Increase the number of teams in the WFC to 20
- -c) Increase the number of teams in the European Championships to 12 after 2026
- -d) Play the WFC in an A-, B- and C-division
- -e) Play the WFC every fourth year, instead of every second year
- -f) Play the WFC every year instead of every second year
- -g) Organise yearly Regional championships in all continents
- -h) Other, what \_\_\_\_\_



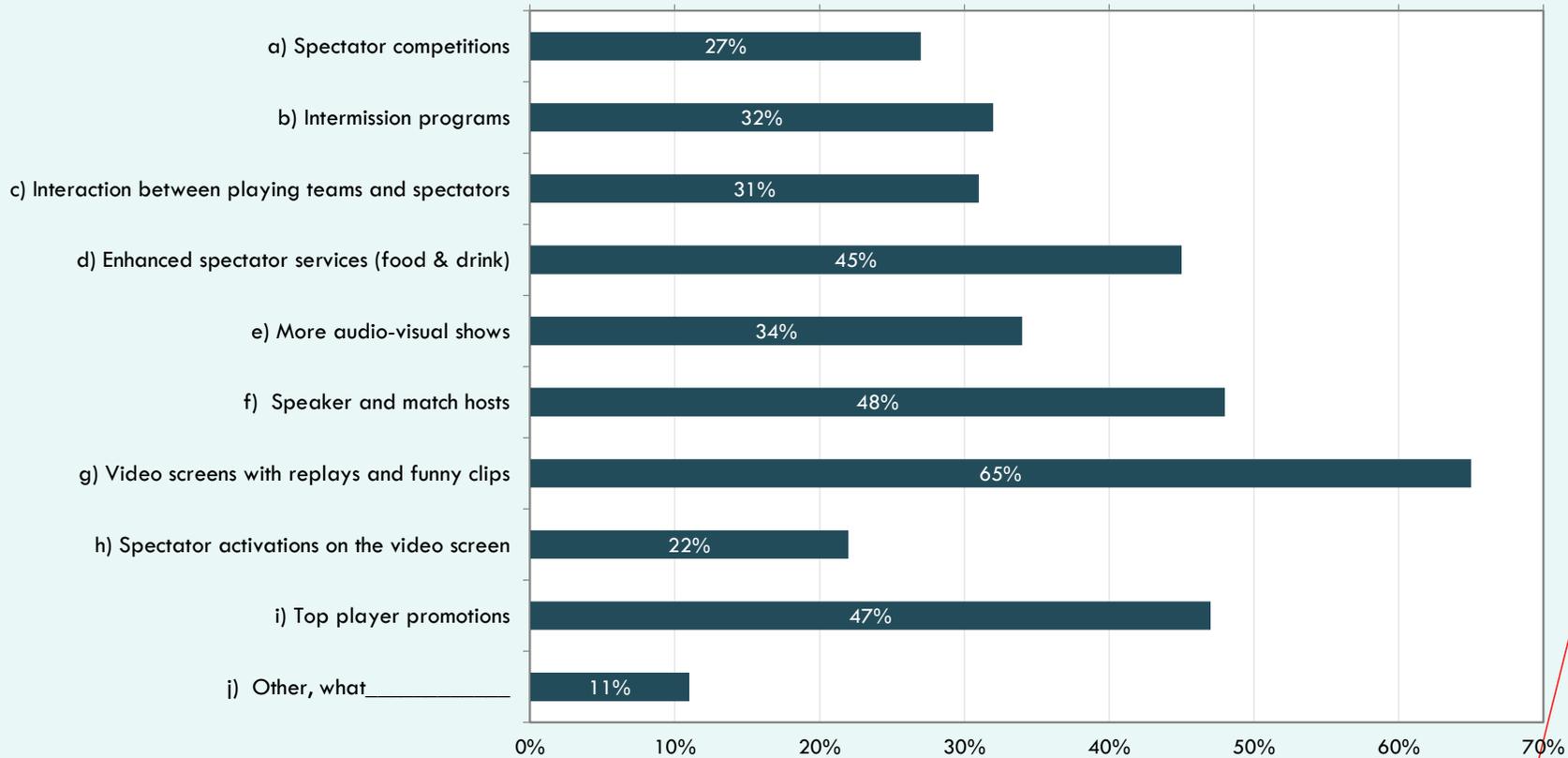
# The key to development of the sport Q17

The Respondents average evaluation on a scale from 1 to 5 on development



# Making the sport more interesting Q18

I think the top level of Floorball match events would be better and more interesting, if...?



# What kind of Spectator or Intermission program

## Q19

I think the perfect general spectator program or intermission program should consist of...?



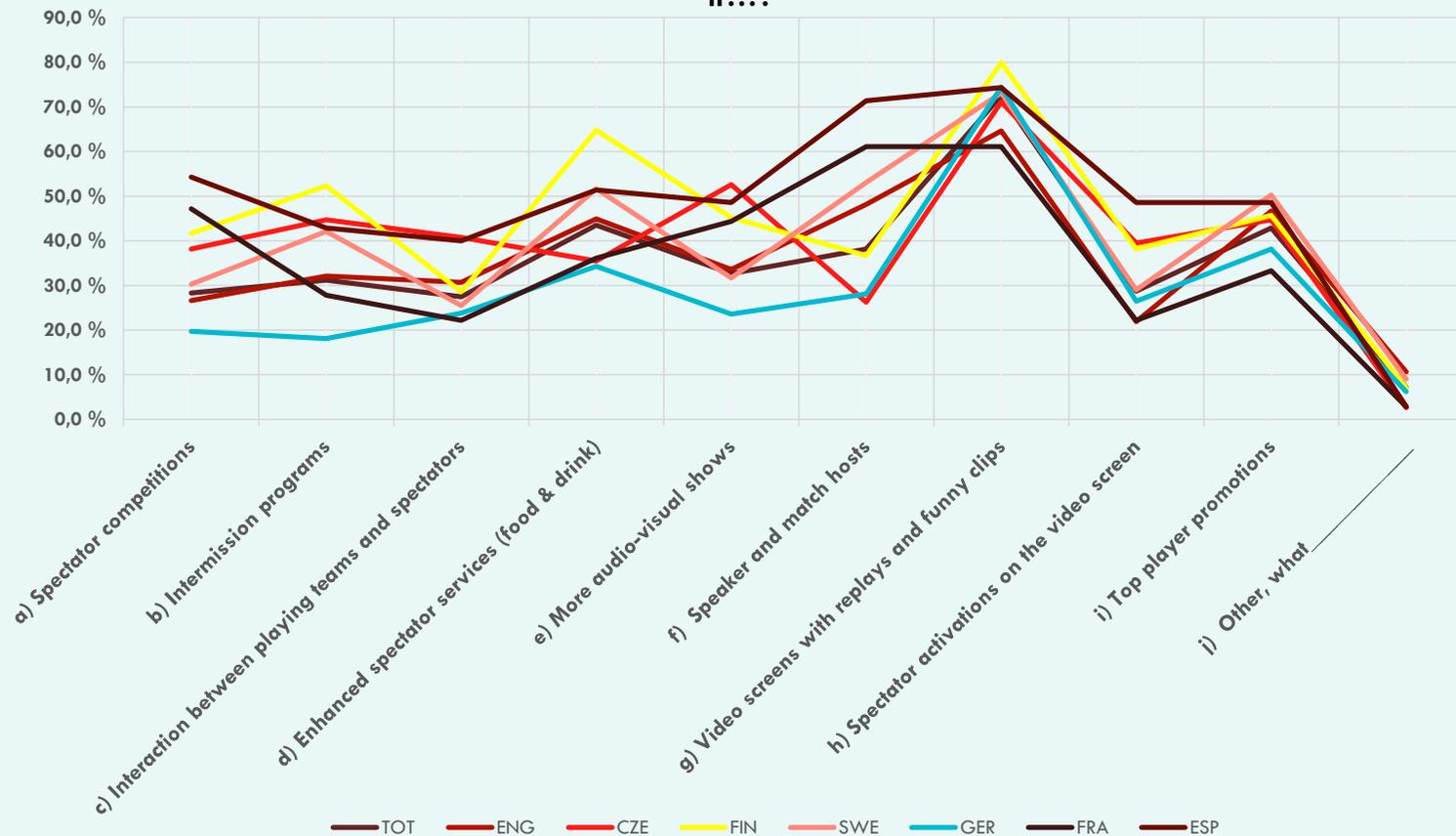
# What kind of Spectator or Intermission program Q19

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
Background information/Statistics (Rules, Facts and Development)	3,1	7,3	0,0	4,4	1,3	1,7
Player interviews/introduction	9,3	6,4	9,4	11,1	11,7	9,7
Analysis of the Game	3,8	5,6	1,4	2,2	3,9	4,1
Player presentations (Individual and Team)	3,3	1,7	7,2	4,4	2,6	2,7
Special guests	1,1	1,3	2,9	2,8	0,0	0,0
Meet the Player/Photo opportunities	0,7	1,3	0,0	2,8	0,0	0,0
Audience/Skill Competitions	18,6	20,1	31,9	16,7	37,7	11,8
Different minigames	13,1	9,4	8,0	10,0	5,2	18,8
Activation zone/Try Floorball,	2,7	7,7	0,0	1,7	2,6	1,4
Entertainment/Interactive event,	6,4	5,6	2,9	7,8	6,5	7,2
Live performance	3,9	5,1	2,9	2,8	1,3	4,3
Good show like in Basketball/Ice Hockey (light&sound)	4,5	3,4	12,3	4,4	2,6	3,1
Cheerleaders	1,5	3,4	0,7	1,1	1,3	1,0
T-shirt cannons	0,4	1,3	0,0	0,6	0,0	0,0
Best Player celebrations	0,2	0,4	0,0	0,6	0,0	0,0
Replays/Highlights of the game	9,1	7,3	1,4	6,1	3,9	14,0
Funny clips,	4,1	1,3	0,0	3,3	0,0	7,6
Better Food & Drinks - Alcohol	11,0	6,4	17,4	8,3	10,4	12,4
Sponsorship/Good ads in arena	1,3	1,7	0,0	2,8	6,5	0,0
Floorball material	0,4	0,9	0,0	1,1	0,0	0,0
Better games	1,7	2,6	1,4	5,0	2,6	0,0



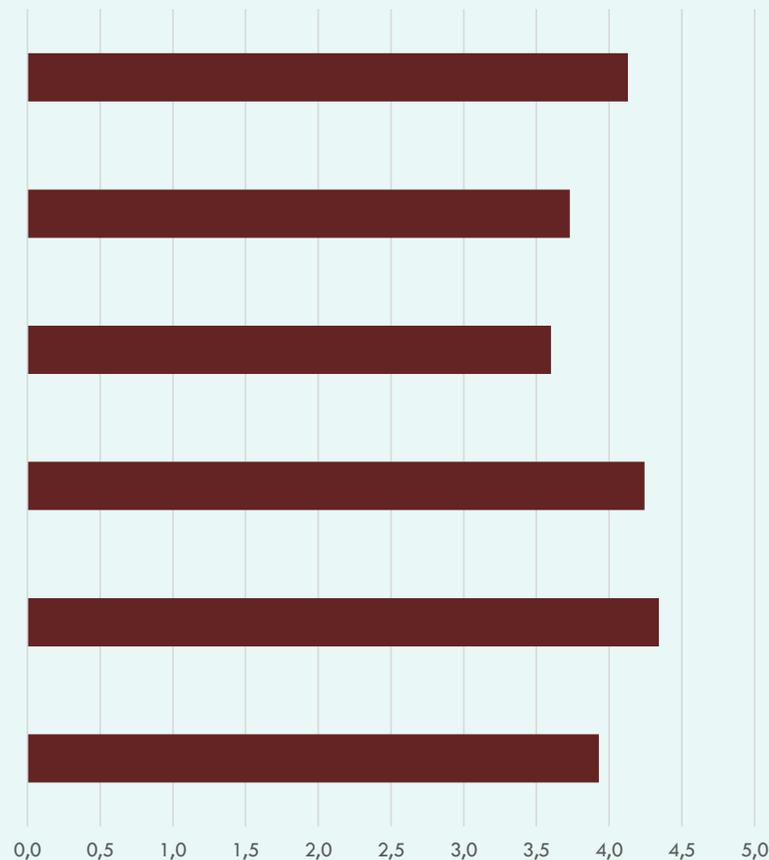
# Making the sport more interesting Q20

I think the top level of Floorball match events would be better and more interesting, if...?



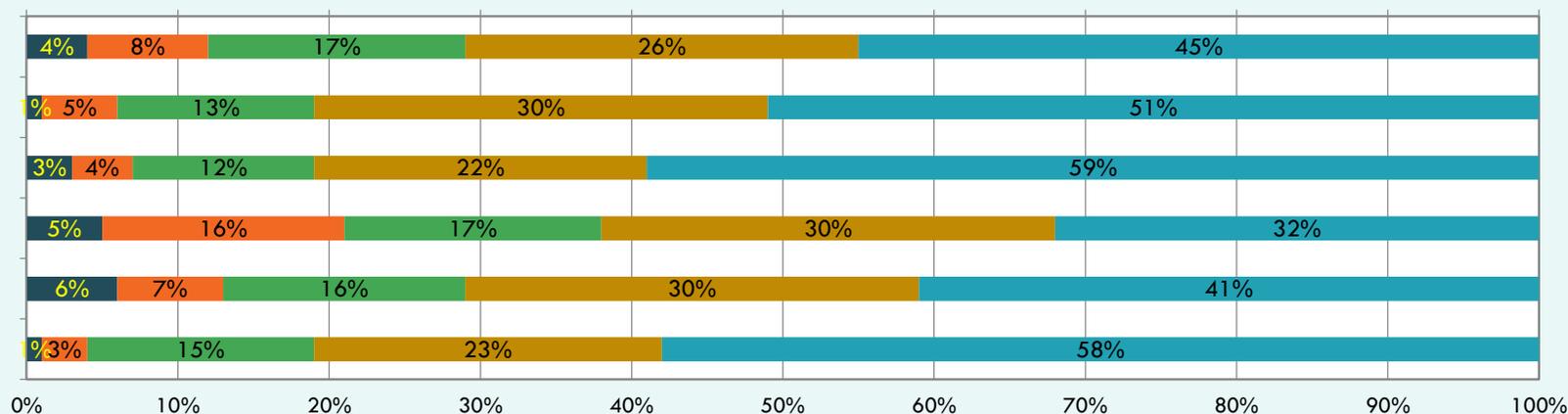
# General Questions Q21

- It is important that there is focus also on closing the gap between middle and lower ranked countries**
- The top four (EFT countries) should do more to help to close the gap on the field of play to nations that are ranked below them**
- I believe that there will more of the “top level” Floorball countries in the world in 2033.**
- I think it would be good if there would be more countries competing for the medals in the IFF championships**
- I think that it is important that all IFF members would have a regular national league**
- I think it is imperative that the mid and lower ranked countries focus more on internal organisational development, than just...**



# General Questions Q21

How do you feel about the following statements on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 = totally disagree, 2 = somewhat disagree, 3 = indifferent, 4 = somewhat agree and 5 = totally agree)



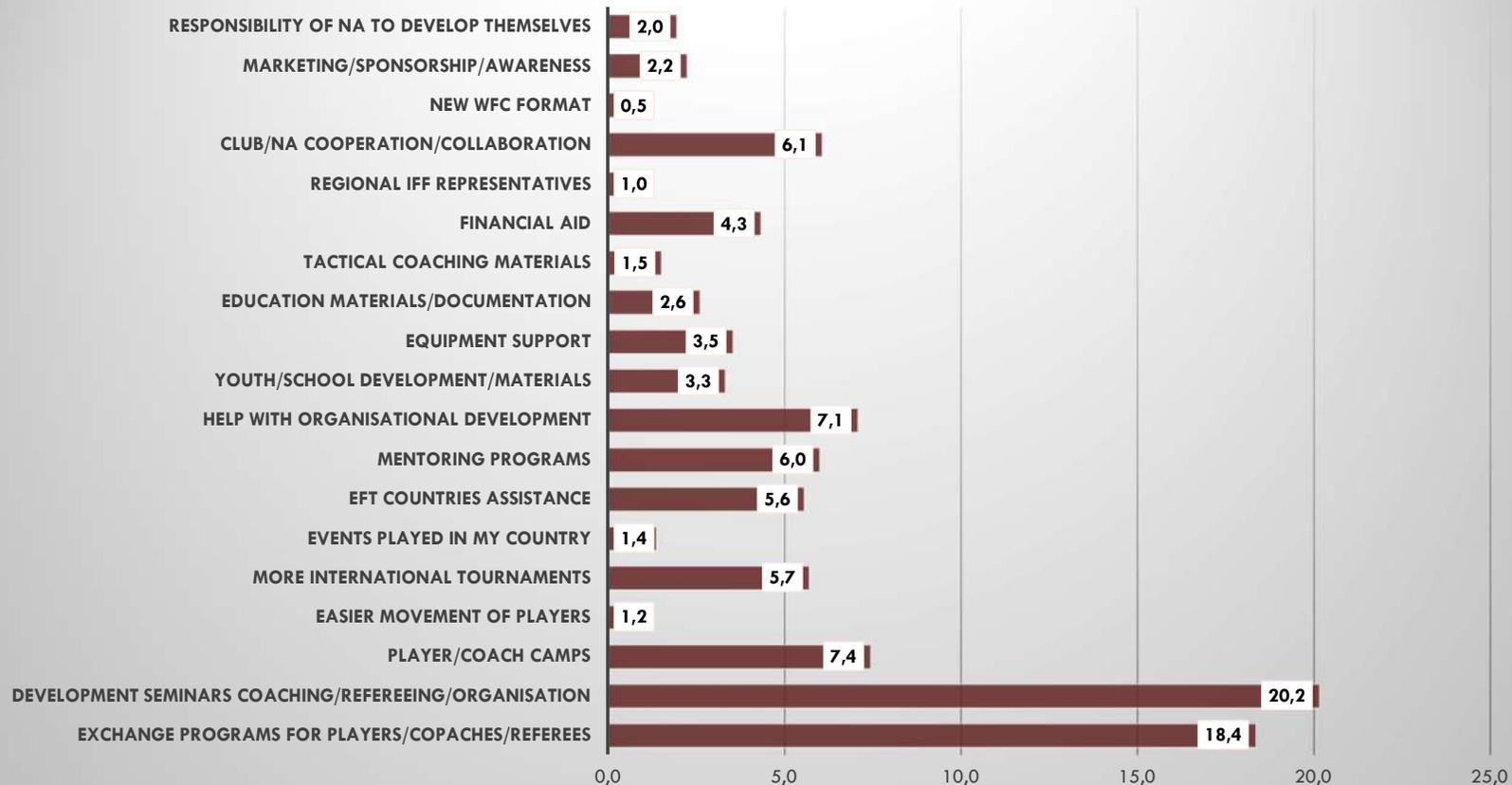
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1	1%	6%	5%	3%	1%	4%
2	3%	7%	16%	4%	5%	8%
3	15%	16%	17%	12%	13%	17%
4	23%	30%	30%	22%	30%	26%
5	58%	41%	32%	59%	51%	45%

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# Help from the more developed countries Q22

In which way should the more developed member countries help the less developed?



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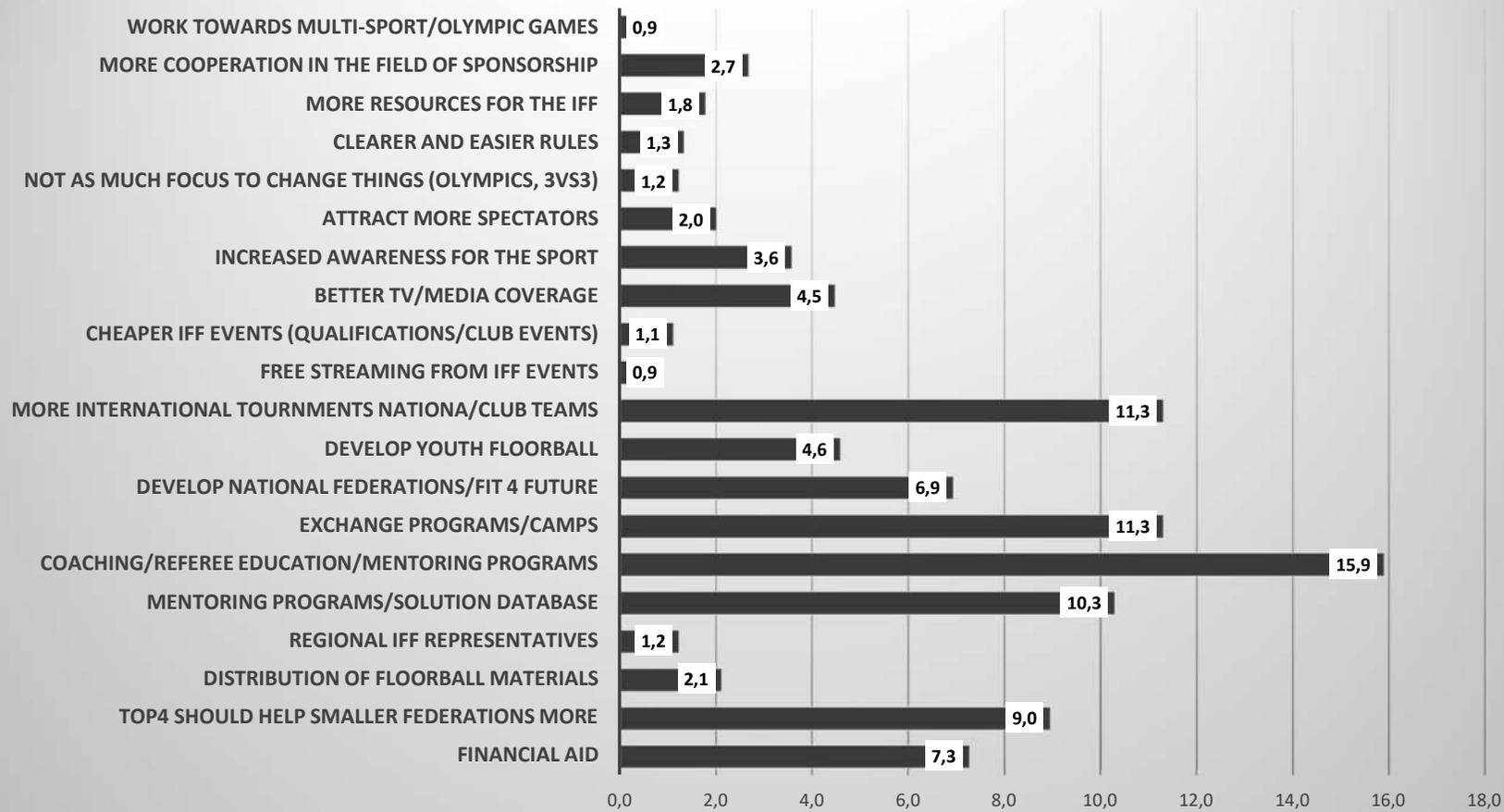
# Help from the more developed countries Q22

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
<b>Exchange programs for Players/Coaches/Referees</b>	18,4	17,4	19,2	20,5	9,1	19,0
<b>Development Seminars Coaching/Refereeing/Organisation</b>	20,2	14,7	42,4	12,8	15,6	20,1
<b>Player/Coach camps</b>	7,4	7,7	2,3	6,2	3,9	9,7
<b>Easier movement of Players</b>	1,2	1,9	0,0	0,5	1,3	1,5
<b>More International tournaments</b>	5,7	6,0	1,2	8,7	14,3	6,3
<b>Events played in my country</b>	1,4	2,2	0,0	4,1	1,3	0,2
<b>EFT countries assistance</b>	5,6	4,8	2,9	3,1	5,2	7,8
<b>Mentoring programs</b>	6,0	4,3	10,5	11,8	3,9	3,9
<b>Help with Organisational development</b>	7,1	2,7	2,3	3,6	7,8	13,0
<b>Youth/School development/materials</b>	3,3	6,3	1,2	3,1	6,5	1,3
<b>Equipment support</b>	3,5	5,6	2,3	4,1	3,9	2,0
<b>Education materials/documentation</b>	2,6	4,6	1,7	2,6	1,3	1,5
<b>Tactical coaching materials</b>	1,5	3,4	0,0	0,5	0,0	1,1
<b>Financial aid</b>	4,3	5,1	4,7	2,1	10,4	3,5
<b>Regional IFF representatives</b>	1,0	2,9	1,2	0,0	0,0	0,0
<b>Club/NA cooperation/collaboration</b>	6,1	2,7	5,2	5,6	9,1	8,6
<b>New WFC format</b>	0,5	0,7	0,0	1,5	1,3	0,0
<b>Marketing/Sponsorship/Awareness</b>	2,2	3,6	2,9	2,6	5,2	0,4
<b>Responsibility of NA to develop themselves</b>	2,0	3,4	0,0	6,7	0,0	0,0



# Direction of Development work Q23

The cooperation to increase International Floorball development should be increased/developed in the following ways?



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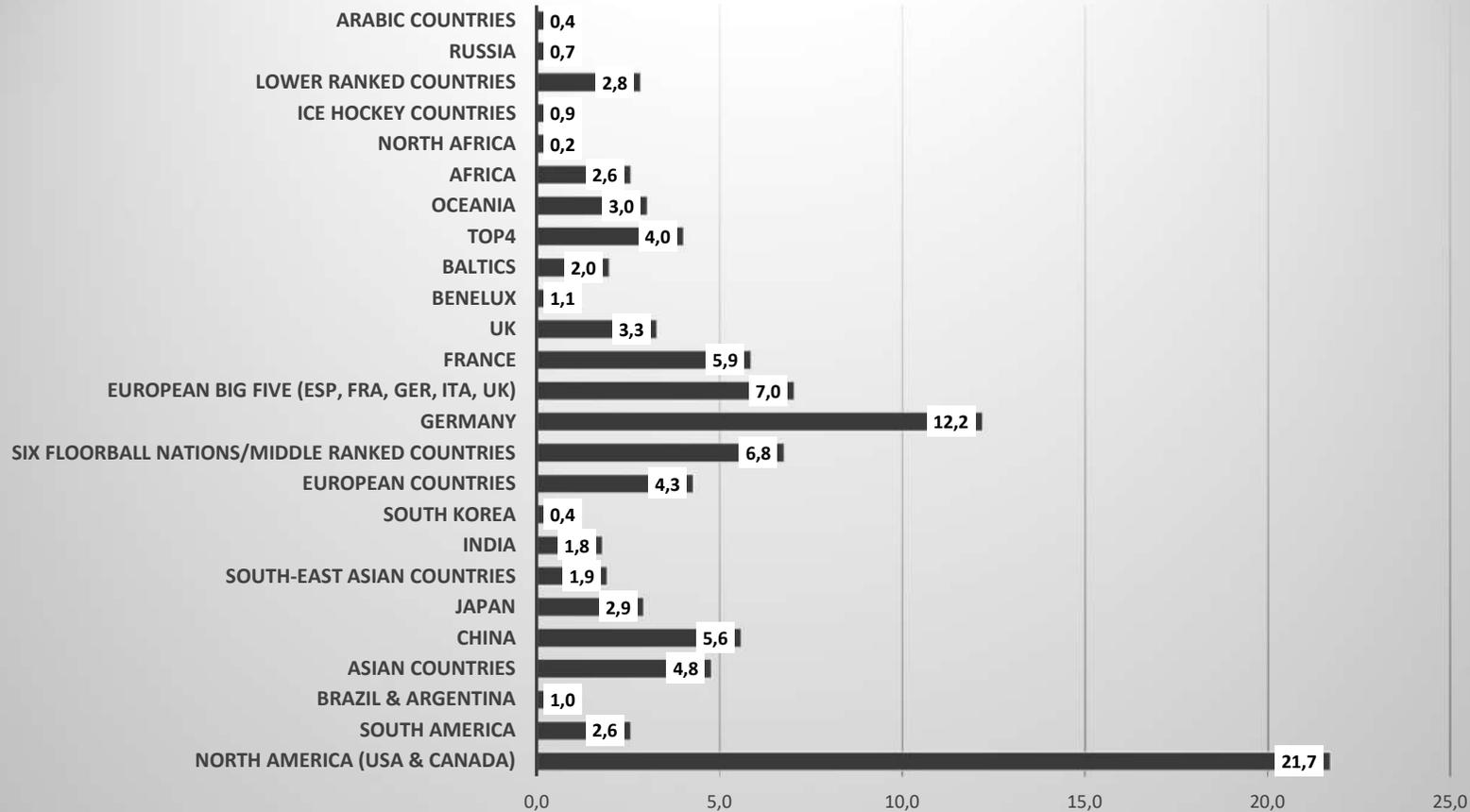
# Direction of Development work Q23

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
Financial aid	7,3	7,7	0,0	5,0	6,0	11,0
Top4 should help smaller federations more	9,0	8,8	0,0	7,9	2,4	14,7
Distribution of Floorball materials	2,1	4,2	1,8	2,9	2,4	0,0
Regional IFF representatives	1,2	2,7	0,0	2,9	0,0	0,0
Mentoring programs/Solution database	10,3	9,6	20,9	5,8	4,8	10,7
Coaching/Referee education/mentoring programs	15,9	13,8	26,4	15,1	16,7	14,0
Exchange programs/Camps	11,3	13,8	8,2	16,5	7,1	9,0
Develop National federations/Fit 4 Future	6,9	5,0	23,6	6,5	2,4	4,0
Develop Youth Floorball	4,6	3,4	3,6	1,4	14,3	4,7
More International tournaments Nationa/Club teams	11,3	9,6	10,0	12,2	11,9	12,7
Free streaming from IFF Events	0,9	1,5	0,0	2,2	0,0	0,3
Cheaper IFF Events (qualifications/club events)	1,1	3,1	0,0	1,4	0,0	0,0
Better TV/Media coverage	4,5	7,7	0,0	2,2	8,3	3,3
Increased awareness for the sport	3,6	1,5	2,7	1,4	6,0	6,0
Attract more spectators	2,0	1,1	0,0	1,4	6,0	2,7
Not as much focus to change things (Olympics, 3vs3)	1,2	1,9	0,0	2,2	3,6	0,0
Clearer and easier rules	1,3	1,1	0,0	3,6	4,8	0,0
More resources for the IFF	1,8	1,1	0,0	5,0	0,0	2,0
More cooperation in the field of sponsorship	2,7	1,1	2,7	4,3	2,4	3,3
Work towards Multi-Sport/Olympic games	0,9	1,1	0,0	0,0	1,2	1,3



# Preferred Countries to Develop the Sport Q24

It would be crucial for the International Floorball that the sport would grow significantly in these countries?



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# Preferred Countries to Develop the Sport Q23

	Total	ENG	FIN	SWE	CZE	GER
<b>North America (USA &amp; Canada)</b>	21,7	20,3	23,5	23,9	26,5	20,5
<b>South America</b>	2,6	3,0	0,0	1,4	0,0	4,0
<b>Brazil &amp; Argentina</b>	1,0	1,6	0,0	0,7	0,0	1,4
<b>Asian countries</b>	4,8	3,7	2,7	4,3	2,9	6,5
<b>China</b>	5,6	8,8	4,3	5,8	0,0	5,0
<b>Japan</b>	2,9	4,4	1,8	5,1	0,0	2,3
<b>South-East Asian countries</b>	1,9	4,4	0,6	2,9	0,0	1,3
<b>India</b>	1,8	3,5	1,2	2,9	0,0	1,1
<b>South Korea</b>	0,4	0,7	0,2	0,0	0,0	0,5
<b>European countries</b>	4,3	2,8	4,9	0,4	29,4	4,9
<b>Six Floorball Nations/Middle ranked countries</b>	6,8	8,3	8,2	5,1	11,8	5,7
<b>Germany</b>	12,2	7,4	10,2	14,9	14,7	14,9
<b>European Big Five (ESP, FRA, GER, ITA, UK)</b>	7,0	5,8	15,1	8,7	2,9	3,2
<b>France</b>	5,9	3,7	3,5	5,8	0,0	8,2
<b>UK</b>	3,3	4,2	2,9	4,3	0,0	2,9
<b>Benelux</b>	1,1	1,6	1,8	1,4	0,0	0,5
<b>Baltics</b>	2,0	1,6	3,3	1,1	0,0	1,8
<b>Top4</b>	4,0	1,2	13,5	1,1	0,0	1,5
<b>Oceania</b>	3,0	4,4	1,2	2,2	0,0	3,6
<b>Africa</b>	2,6	3,9	0,2	1,4	2,9	3,4
<b>North Africa</b>	0,2	0,7	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,2
<b>Ice Hockey countries</b>	0,9	1,4	0,8	1,8	5,9	0,2
<b>Lower ranked countries</b>	2,8	1,4	0,0	3,3	2,9	4,8
<b>Russia</b>	0,7	0,9	0,0	1,4	0,0	0,7
<b>Arabic countries</b>	0,4	0,5	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,7



# END OF SURVEY RESPONSES

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## IFF CODE OF ETHICS

## Appendix 10

### Proposed by the IFF Ethics Commission to be decided by the IFF Central Board on 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2023.

#### Definitions and interpretation

In this Code of Ethics the following words and expressions have the meanings set out for hem:

Federation / IFF	The International Floorball Federation
Members	Those National Floorball Associations who are members of the IFF
Staff	The Staff employed by the Federation including consultants and contractors.
IFF Officials	All those individuals involved with the Federation, including the President, the elected members of the Central Board, elected members of the Commissions, appointed members of Committees and Working Groups and any other volunteers acting for or on behalf of the Federation.

#### National Association officials

All those individuals involved with the National Federation, including the President, the members of the Central Board, ~~and the appointed officials~~ and ~~including the employed staff.~~

Participants	Those attending Events as part of a national or club team, including players, managers, coaches or other playing support staff, together with referees, technical and other appointed officials.
IOC	The International Olympic Committee
LOC	The Local Organising Committee of any IFF Event
MSG	Multi Sport Games organizer

#### § 0. PREAMBLE

It is the aim of the International Floorball Federation, its member associations, members of the staff and the entire Floorball family to promote and maintain the highest possible ethical values within sport of Floorball.

The IFF and each of its members, the Organising Committees of the IFF Events restate their commitment to the Olympic Charter and in particular its Fundamental Principles.

The IFF, as the other Olympic parties affirm their loyalty to the Olympic ideal inspired by Pierre de Coubertin.

Consequently, at all times the IFF, and in the framework of any Multi-Sport Event and of events organised or sanctioned by the IFF, the participants and the local organiser undertake to respect and ensure respect of the present Code.

This Code of Ethics applies to all IFF Officials, IFF Staff, National Member Association officials, National Member Association staff, Participants and Organisers of Events and their staff, in any capacity whatsoever, in particular Players and the Players' Entourage.

The IFF, as an International Federation which is part of the Olympic movement, adopts this Code of Ethics based on the principles and rules of the IOC Code of Ethics.

## § 1. DIGNITY AND EQUALITY

- 1.1. Safeguarding the dignity of the individual is a fundamental requirement of Olympism.
- 1.2. There shall be no discrimination on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, religious belief, philosophical or political opinion, ability, marital status or other grounds.
- 1.4. All forms of harassment, be it physical, professional-psychological or sexual, and anything behavior which causes any physical or mental harm? injuries to participants, are prohibited.
- 1.7. The IFF and Olympic parties shall guarantee the players' conditions of safety, well-being and medical care favorable to their physical and mental equilibrium.

Kommentoinut [HSF1]: Is this the right wording?

## § 2. INTEGRITY

- 2.1. All persons bound by this code shall use due care and diligence in fulfilling their duties. At all times, they must act with the highest degree of integrity, and in particular, by when taking decisions, they must act with impartiality, objectivity, independence and professionalism. They must refrain from any act involving fraud or corruption. They must not act in any manner likely to tarnish the reputation of IFF, the Floorball family and the Olympic Movement.
- 2.2. All persons bound by this code shall not, directly or indirectly, solicit, accept or offer any form of remuneration or commission, nor any concealed benefit or service of any nature, that may unduly influence any decision connected with the daily operations of the IFF and/or the organisation of the IFF Events, Multi-Sport Games or of events sanctioned by the IFF.  
This does not apply to any official remuneration, allowance or other benefit that is granted for work done as an official employee or volunteer in a transparent way.  
An exception may be granted if such remuneration, commission, benefit or service is pre-approved by the IFF Central Board upon recommendation of the Ethics Commission according to the IFF Rules concerning Conflict of Interest.
- 2.3. Only gifts of nominal value, in accordance with prevailing local customs, may be given or accepted as a mark of respect or friendship. Any other gift must be passed on to IFF.
- 2.4. The hospitality shown or granted shall only be connected with and proportionate to the specific duties and must ensure that no undue influence on any decision or a conflict of interest can arise as a result of such hospitality-of-it. Any impression of undue influence has to be avoided. ▸
- 2.5. If a personal or business interest influences or may influence a decision to be taken in the interest of IFF ("conflict of interest") this has to be disclosed according to the conflict of interest policy.
- 2.6. IFF officials and staff, National Member Association officials and staff, participants, their agents or their representatives must not be involved with institutions, companies or persons whose activity or reputation is inconsistent with the principles set out in the Olympic Charter and the present Code.
- 2.7. All possible types of doping at all levels are strictly prohibited. The provisions against doping in the World Anti-Doping Code shall be scrupulously observed.

- 2.8. All forms of participation in, or support for, betting related to Floorball games and all forms of promotion of betting related to such events are prohibited.
- 2.9. Also, in the context of betting, participants in relation to IFF Events or events sanctioned by the IFF must not, by any manner whatsoever, infringe the principle of fair play, show non-sporting conduct, or attempt to influence the course or the result of a competition or any part thereof, in a manner contrary to sporting ethics.

### § 3. GOOD GOVERNANCE AND RESOURCES

- 3.1. The "Basic universal principles of good governance within the Olympic movement" in general, in particular transparency, responsibility and accountability, must be respected.
- 3.2. The income and expenditure of the IFF shall be recorded in their accounts, which must be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. An independent auditor elected by the IFF General Assembly shall audit these accounts.
- 3.3. The IFF and Olympic parties recognize the significant contribution that broadcasters, sponsors, partners and other supporters of sports events make to the development and prestige of the Multi Sport Games and the IFF sanctioned events throughout the world.

However, such support must be in a form consistent with the rules of sport and the principles defined in the Olympic Charter and the present Code.

[Broadcasters, sponsors, partners and other supporters of sports events](#) They must not interfere in the running of sports institutions. The awarding, organisation and staging of international Floorball competitions are the exclusive responsibility of IFF, and the independent sports organisation recognized by the IOC.

### § 4. RELATIONS WITH STATES AND CITIES

- 4.1. The IFF shall work to maintain harmonious relations with state authorities, in accordance with the principles of autonomy, universality and political neutrality of the Olympic Movement.
- 4.2. The IFF is free to play a role in the public life of the states of its Members. They may not, however, engage in any activity or follow any ideology inconsistent with the principles and rules defined in the Olympic Charter and set out in the present Code.
- 4.3. The IFF shall embrace sustainability principles – economic, environmental and social aspects – in all activities. It shall especially protect human rights and endeavour to protect the environment on the occasion of any events they organise and undertake to uphold generally accepted standards for environmental protection.
- 4.4. The cities' representatives bidding for the organisation of an IFF event shall refrain from approaching CB Members, NAs' representatives or another party with a view to obtaining any financial or political support inconsistent with the provisions of the IFF Code of Conduct.

### § 5. CONFIDENTIALITY

- 5.1. The Members, [and](#) officials and staff of IFF [and](#) ~~National Member Associations officials and staff~~ shall not disclose information entrusted to them in confidence.

- 5.2. Disclosure of other information shall not be for personal gain or benefit, nor be undertaken maliciously to damage the reputation of any person or organization. In particular, Especially insider information that may influence the outcome of a competition must and thus any bet placed on it has to be kept confidential. protected.

## § 6. IMPLEMENTATION

- 6.1. The IFF shall ensure see to it that the principles and rules of the Olympic Charter and the present Code are applied.
- 6.2. The Ethics Commission, including its chair, will be elected by the IFF General Assembly. The Commission it will be composed of the chair and up to four additional independent members.
- 6.3. Nominations to the Ethics Commission can be made by each IFF member association and/or Olympic Movement Party.
- 6.4. The Ethics Commission shall be informed of any breach or suspicion of a breach of the present code, with a view to an investigation and possible disciplinary action by the IFF. In minor cases the general secretary (with regard to staff) or the specific chair (with regard to officials) may be informed.
- 6.5. Any disciplinary procedure recommended by the Ethics Commission to the IFF Disciplinary Committee shall follow the procedures as outlined in the IFF Juridical Regulation.

**Helsinki, Finland 26<sup>th</sup> of June, 2023**

## **Strategy Implementation working group (SWG) meeting M1**

**Time:** 13:00 CET 26.06.2023

**Place:** Teams

**Participants:** Stephen King, Chair  
Teo Turay  
Helén Wiklund-Wårell  
Kaarina Vuori  
John Liljelund, secretary

**Excused:** Filip Suman  
Teo Turay

### **Meeting report**

1) **Opening**  
Mr. King opened the meeting and welcomed the members to the 1<sup>st</sup> IFF Strategy Implementation working group (SWG) meeting of the year. Mr. Teo Turay and Mr. Filip Suman are excused for business reasons.

The meeting is to discuss the present status of the Strategy Implementation and the preparation for the Association meeting in Singapore in December.

2) **Present status of the Strategy Implementation**

Mr. Liljelund reported that the tasks and suggested actions are moving forward as planned, even if not all are in time. The Strategy Implementation Plan is followed, but not used to its full and there could be a more structured use of it. From a guidance point of view there would need to be some more focus given to the importance of fulfilling the targets set in the Strategy.

It would maybe be good to have some more support for the from the SWG in running the process. The SWG felt that it would be a good include the Strategy targets in the Office PPR discussions in September/October.

The SWG felt that the Implementation is working really well overall.

3) **How to organize the work of the SWG in the future?**

The SWG discussed how to work with the Implementation and to which parts it would need to be done to better.

The SWG thinks that it would be good if there were be more fixed dead-lines for the reporting in the Implementation plan, so that the Implementation Plan should be updated by the IFF Office at least one week prior to the IFF CB meetings. So 28.8 and 6.11. for this year.

The SWG will have a more thorough discussion on the specific Targets and Suggested Actions on the 1st of September starting at 16:00 EET in Helsinki, Finland.

- 4) An evaluation of the Quantum Consulting Strategy report from the WFC 2022**  
Quantum Consultancy have as a part of our agreement with them also made a report which is analysing the Implementation of the IFF Strategy in regard to the WFC related KPI targets.

Mr. King felt that some of the KPI's are really tough and the SWG should maybe have a look on these. Ms. Wiklund-Wärell felt that for the WFC 2024 the report could work as a guideline for the LOC and Ms. Vuori stressed that the Quantum report could be used as a part of the presentation for the Association Meeting.

The SWG discussed how to look on the different tools to reach the targets in cooperation with the member federations.

- 5) How to prepare for the Association Meeting in December**  
The SWG discussed that the Implementation Traffic lights analysis should act as the base for the presentation highlighting they way we are moving forward. The table should be simplified for the presentation, even if it works really well as a tool for the Office, the SWG and the IFF CB.

One idea could be to discuss the KPI Targets in the Quantum Report in a groupwork session and how the member federations could help in reaching this

- 6) Next Steps**  
The next meeting of the SWG is planned to be held in conjunction to the IFF CB meeting in Helsinki on Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of September. The aim is to have a face-to-face meeting, if at all possible.

- 7) Closing**  
Mr. King thanked the members for a lively discussion and closed the meeting.

Helsinki, Finland 1<sup>st</sup> of September, 2023

## Strategy Implementation working group (SWG) meeting M2

**Time:** 16:00 – 18 :00 CET 01.09.2023

**Place:** Sokos Hotel Flamingo, Vantaa, Meeting room Flow  
Tasatie 8, 01510 Vantaa  
[Break Sokos Hotel Flamingo | Hotelli Vantaa - sokoshotels.fi](https://www.sokoshotels.fi)

**Participants:** Stephen King, Chair  
Filip Suman  
Teo Turay (virtual participation)  
Helén Wiklund-Wårell  
Kaarina Vuori  
John Liljelund, secretary

**Excused:**

### Meeting report

#### 1) Opening

Mr. King opened the meeting and welcomed the members for the 2<sup>nd</sup> IFF Strategy Implementation working group (SWG) and first physical meeting of the year. Mr. Teo Turay joined virtually.

The meeting was planned to discuss the present status of the Strategy Implementation and the preparations for the Association meeting in Singapore in December.

#### 2) Present status of the Strategy Implementation

Mr. Liljelund reported that the tasks and suggested actions are moving forward as planned, even if not all are in time. The Strategy Implementation Plan is followed, but not used to its full and there could be a more structured use of it. From a guidance point of view there would need to be some more focus given to the importance of fulfilling the targets set in the Strategy.

The SWG had discussed in the previous meeting that it would be good to have some more support for the from the SWG in running the process. It would be a good include the Strategy targets in the Office PPR discussions in September/October. The SWG asked if there should be given some more support in the process.

#### 3) Office and Reporting for CB meetings

The SWG decided in the previous meeting there need to be more fixed dead-lines for the reporting in the Implementation plan, so that the Implementation Plan should be updated by the IFF Office at least one week prior before each of the IFF CB meetings. Due to the tough start of the season with both the new Champions Cup and the EFCh and the U19 WFCQ there has been limited updates after the summer vacations. Therefore the next update has to be done in advance of the next CB meeting by the 6<sup>th</sup> of November.

The SWG discussed that there needs to be given more focus to the work with the development of the tasks in the Implementation table and also to report on the development more rigorously. Ms. Vuori felt that there should be some kind of a summary report made out of the Implementation table. Mr. King volunteered to build a summary report and Mr. Liljelund is to help as this will be the basis for the presentation to the Association meeting

**4) How to prepare for the Association Meeting in December**

Based on the discussion held at the last meeting the elements that are now considered for the reporting of the Strategy implementation for the Association Meeting are the Quantum Report KPI's and the Traffic Light report. From these reports we will need to target some questions to work with.

The SWG discussed the structure of the presentation and what type of working groups or activity session should be used in the Association meeting. The objective of the Association meeting is to get the stakeholders reengaged with the process and get them more involved and also looking at the main topics for the next period of the Strategy process (2025-2028).

The SWG felt that it would be imperative to make a gap analysis between the Future of Floorball "shopping list" and the Strategy Implementation Plan, to secure that they are in-line.

The objective of the Strategy presentation is more to show how successful we have been in the implementation and the activation part should focus on the tasks where we will need the involvement of the member federations. Mr. Suman felt that we should just choose two or three tasks to work with. The SWG would need a total of 2 hours for running the session. Mr. King promised to look at the possible topics. SWG would prefer to have the Strategy presentation on Friday, in connection to the Future of Floorball part.

The idea is also to use Mentimeter or a similar tool, to activate the participants in various ways. If there will be some pre-workshops before the Association Meeting, the SWG could present a list of potential topics to the participants and they could choose which they want to discuss, so that they can be better prepared.

**5) Next Steps**

The plan is to have the next meeting in connection to the IFF CB meeting in November

**6) Closing**

Mr. King closed the meeting.

LATIN AMERICA REPORT – AUG 2023

As usually, I have contacted via mail to all the contacts from all countries. This time I have included two documents with the education coach system that we use in Spain (specially the levels and how to work part of it online); and also same in the referee side. That was something that has been asked in our conversations. This time just got answer from two of them.

- **COLOMBIA**

Mr. Osneider Ortega is starting some lectures at University and I have suggest him how to do it.

- **MEXICO**

Once again the most extensive and complete report comes from our Mexican friends. They also include a new “institutional image” that I attach.

At the *international level*, they were requested by the Haitian Federation of Floorball, in the sense of generating joint activities in this 2023, proposing that due to the recent creation of the project in Mexico, that would be able to happen in 2024.

National level;

there have been various working meetings of the CB to implement the actions to be developed and the respective actions for it.

An informal meeting was held with various Committee Members of the Mexican Olympic Committee to review the issue of admission as a Federative Member of MOC.

Various presentations were made by Teijo Vienola and the CB Members between 19th and 21<sup>st</sup> of May 2023 in the following places:

§ Ibeoamerican University,

§ National Polytechnic Institute,

§ Public spaces in Mexico City, and

§ A roller skating rink located in the State of Mexico

Various meetings have been held by the CB members with various businessmen to discuss the scope of your Corporate Social Responsibility in order to delimit the programs of Floorball Mexico, particularly the one referred to Floorball in Culture of Peace.

New project to be developed in the State of Nuevo León in the last quarter of this 2023.

The Federation, through Teijo Vienola, trained in June to some people to be the first floorball monitors in Mexico.

At the Universidad Iberoamericana on August 13th, 2023, was presented the first official Floorball class in Mexico. That will be implemented next semester of this University, attended by Lic. Sirenia Ilanit Nava Flores.

They spoke with the Rector of the San Sebastián University in Mexico City and with the Rector of the YMCA University, there being the possibility of including Floorball as an activity for both universities.

Also some talks were made with businessmen in order to review the possibility to create a Floorball Center in Mexico City.

Agreements and contracts entered into by Floorball México

Last details of the institutional image are being finalized.

Follow-up has been given to the Notary Public hired to protocolize the acts authorized by the IFF.

This coming Monday (28<sup>th</sup>) I will have our third online meeting with the CB.

## 4F Erasmus+ Project: Status report (August 2023)

### Main tool “Matrix” finalized. Countries creating first draft of their Development Action Plans

- Maturity Matrix finalized including 2nd phase remarks from all federations
- Evaluation meetings in mentee countries successfully held (Denmark is step behind and plan to organize its evaluation meeting still in August)
- Phase of working with the tool and Creation of Development Action Plans entered
  - Way how to create National Development Action Plan agreed at meeting in Madrid
  - Special form for National Development Action Plan (DAP) created and distributed to all the Mentees
  - 4 countries provided their first draft of DAP
  - All 4 countries chose different approach = a lot work is needed
- On-line meeting with mentee countries held in the middle of August
  - Development action plans discussed
- Continuation of work on the last pillar of the project - Handbook
  - Form
  - Contributors
  - Deliveries
- Work on digitalization of the Matrix toll has started with the aim to have the digital version ready until the end of 2023
- Dissemination activities of the project held in
  - Spain, Slovakia, Germany
- Discussion how to secure continuation of the project and long term usage of the Maturity Matrix”
- CoreCountries meeting with discussion regarding the 4F project

Next 3 days workshop to be held on September 8-10 in Warsaw, Poland.

# REPORT East Europe and Middle East

3.9.2023 by Tamuz Hidir



Photo: From the a school in Tajikistan (floorball4all)

## East-Europe

**Kazakhstan** - Ongoing floorball activity and development. Floorball activities are starting up in many cities. Tournaments are planned for autumn with Taras Open and a tournament in October in Temirtau 180 km south of the capital Astana. A team from Kazakhstan will participate in an international event in China at the beginning of September. And coaches from Kazakhstan participated in the All Star mission camp in Jönköping, Sweden in August 2023. The National

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Floorball Federation of Kazakhstan is also continuing its process to get national recognition. On the 18th of August a joint online referee seminar was organized between Kyrgyz, Kazakh and Ukrainian referees. And floorball clinics are planned for October 2023. The National Floorball Federation of Kazakhstan has established working contacts with AOFC.

**Kyrgyzstan** - 23.7.2023 I had an online call with Danil Prokofiev, who together with his father started floorball in Kyrgyzstan. As of today, floorball is played in the capital Bishkek and mainly in Tokmok, a town 60 km east of the capital. They have a plan to create a Kyrgyz Floorball Federation and cooperation with Kazakhstan floorball community is very close.

**Moldova** - Camps, tournaments and start-up activities have been ongoing during the summer. The leadership of the Moldovan Floorball Federation was in Jönköping, Sweden and participated in the All-star mission camp in August 2023. Very inspiring event and a great possibility to see next steps for further growth.

**Tajikistan** - floorball has been started in a couple of schools and the first tournaments have been organized.

**Ukraine** - Ukrainian Cup will be played 16-17 of September in Uzhgorod near the border with Hungary. 16 men's teams and 3 women's are registered. Ukrainian Men Champions FBC Lemberg participated in EuroFloorball Challenge 2023 and one referee pair was nominated for the event. Ukrainian Floorball Club FBC Skala Melitopol participated with a Men's and Women's team at Czech Open 2023.

The Ukrainian Floorball Federation is working hard to participate in the EuroPower League project. And many clubs plan start-up activities in connection to the school starting 2nd of September.

The financial situation is of course tough, the goal is just to keep floorball activities going on and find some normality.

Ukraine has changed its rules, as of now Ukrainian athletes can participate in competitions where Russian and Belorussians compete under a neutral flag.

**Russia and Belarus** are left out because of the current suspension.

## **Middle-East**

**Iraq** - playing on school level floorball clinics are planned for October 2023.

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**Floorball4all** - After the last IFF CB in May 2023 an MoU has been composed and signed by the Central Board of Floorball4all.

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**between the**  
**International Floorball Federation (IFF) and**  
**the NGO “Unihockey für Strassenkinder” (floorball4all)**  
**concerning the cooperation for Floorball development International level**

The following Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) shall serve to develop and to promote floorball worldwide. Both organisations are pursuing different goals and values, but they commit in supporting each other in the common areas of activities.

**Preliminary agreements**

1. Between floorball4all and the IFF a regular, informal exchange of information will take place (at least twice a year) in which the two organisations will update each other on the status of projects and developments.
2. Both organisations are financially, ideologically, and personally completely independent of each other. Both are accepting the statutes and guidelines of the others.

**Services of floorball4all**

3. Floorball4all establishes contact between the local key persons in new countries of assignment (for example teachers, universities, schools, ...) and the IFF.
4. At larger floorball4all meetings (like “Copa Sudamericana” or Eurasian development meeting), representatives of the IFF are invited to attend. Content such as referee training, organisation of series, receiving equipment support from the IFF, founding a national association or championship could be topics led by the IFF’s representatives.
5. Floorball4all is ready to support the IFF by organising transportation of floorball equipment to floorball developing countries. As a NGO floorball4all reaches good conditions to several destinations because of a worldwide network of contacts and transport companies.

**Services of the IFF**

6. When the IFF receives inquiries from new, potential member countries, they ask back, whether floorball4all has contacts in this country and if there exist such, they could be passed on to the IFF.
7. Floorball4all representatives are included in the further development of floorball in a suitable manner and explicitly invited to the general assemblies as guests. A (global or specific) reporting from floorball4all’s side can be requested if required.

This MoU have been discussed in both organisations Central Boards.

## APPENDIX 17

Dear Presidents,  
Dear Secretaries General,

Hope this e-mail finds you well.

I am pleased to introduce you to a new member of the team, **Tania Tchea**, Head of Recognised Federations and Organisations (replacing Andrew Hofer).

Tania joins us with over 19 years of sport and corporate experience, most recently within the IOC Television & Marketing Services department, where she played a key role in the commercial management of the Organizing Committees. Prior to that, she spent many years within the sport strategy, risk advisory and business development space of organisations including Ernst & Young, UEFA, Tennis Australia and NBC Universal (Sports and Olympics). With a strong understanding of the Olympic and sports world, she is very much looking forward to working alongside you and your respective teams, especially in continuing the collaboration between the IOC and the Recognised IFs and Organisations.

While Tania has met some of you already, we look forward to furthering introductions, once she is fully on-boarded. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out, in case of any questions.

Thank you for your attention as always and see you soon.

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Lausanne, 27 July 2023

Dear Sir or Madam,

Today, during its meeting, the IOC Executive Board approved the recommendations by the IOC Ethics Commission, which enters into force as of today, 27 July 2023.

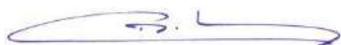
Please find hereafter the full decision by the IOC Executive Board:

- 1) To confirm the seriousness of the breach of the provisional suspension imposed on Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah, in particular regarding his involvement in the Olympic Council of Asia's activities;
- 2) Consequently, to sanction Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah by suspending all the rights, prerogatives and functions deriving from his quality as an IOC Member for a period of three (3) years, starting from the date of the decision by the IOC Executive Board;
- 3) To recommend, as a consequence of this sanction, the Olympic Parties, including the IOC Members, to refrain from interacting with Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah, in particular to avoid any risk of any perception of influence on any decisions regarding the Olympic Movement;
- 4) To note that the IOC Ethics Commission reserves its right to review the individual situation of Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah as an IOC Member following the decision by the Court of Appeal of Geneva;

- 5) To consider the undeniable impact on the OCA's elections of Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah's behaviour, and consequently not to recognise these elections until a full review of the OCA's elections process is carried out at a later stage;
- 6) To ensure that the Olympic contributions to the OCA, such as, but not limited to, the Olympic Solidarity Funds, to be distributed to the Asian NOCs directly by the IOC (and not through the OCA) until the OCA's elections have been recognised by the IOC.

Please find attached a copy of the IOC Executive Board decision, including the recommendations by the IOC Ethics Commission.

Yours sincerely,



Christophe De Kepper  
IOC Director General

Encl.: IOC Executive Board's decision  
IOC Ethics Commission's recommendations

To all Members of GAISF

By email

Lausanne, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Formal Calling Notice**

**Final Extraordinary General Assembly of Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF),  
in liquidation**

**Virtual meeting in accordance with art. 17.5 of the Statutes**

**September 14, 2023, 10.00 am CET**

Dear GAISF Members,

Further to the Extraordinary General Assemblies which took place on 29 November 2022 in Lausanne, the liquidation process of Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF) has been overseen by Ernst & Young SA.

This liquidation process is now coming to an end and the final steps necessary to complete the winding-up of GAISF can now be taken.

Therefore, we are pleased to send you this formal calling notice and the Agenda of the final GAISF Extraordinary General Assembly, which will be held on September 14, 2023, at 10.00 am CET.

The Extraordinary General Assembly will be conducted electronically pursuant to art. 17.5 of the Statutes. The link to register and other technical details to join the meeting will be transmitted to you in due course.

**Agenda:**

- 1. Opening and welcome by the President of GAISF**
- 2. Approval of the final liquidation balance sheet**

The Council proposes to approve the final liquidation balance sheet of GAISF.  
The final liquidation balance sheet will be presented during the General Assembly.

- 3. Proposal for the allocation of liquidation proceeds**

The Council proposes to distribute the remaining liquidation proceeds, which as at the date of this Calling Notice amount to approximately CHF 4 million. Please note that the final amount of the liquidation proceeds proposed for distribution will be confirmed upon the completion of the audit of the final

liquidation balance sheet. The final amount of the liquidation proceeds will be presented at the Extraordinary General Assembly on 14 September 2023.

The liquidation proceeds will be distributed in accordance with the allocation approved during EGA on November 29, 2022 as follows:

- ASOIF : 42%
- AIOWF : 18%
- ARISF : 30%
- AIMS : 10%

If this proposal is approved, we will make all the efforts to ensure that the remaining liquidation proceeds will be paid out to the respective beneficiary organisations no later than 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

#### 4. Discharging the liquidator

The Council proposes to discharge the liquidator now that they have performed the winding-up process of GAISF, Ernst & Young SA, Av. de la Gare 39a, 1002 Lausanne, Switzerland.

#### Miscellaneous:

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the rules relating to delegates in the applicable GAISF Statutes:

19.2 All delegates other than the President/Chairman, Vice-President or Secretary General/Director General of the Member shall send to the Administration (time permitting) a power of attorney document signed by one of the above mentioned 3 (three) Officers, which has to be received at the latest by the day of the General Assembly (before its scheduled beginning).

21.1 Each Full Member who has satisfied all its financial obligations toward GAISF at the time of the meeting is entitled to one vote.

I am looking forward to meeting you virtually on September 14, 2023.

Best regards,



Ivo Ferriani  
President

Cc: GAISF Council



*Secretary General*

## **Announcement of the 2023 ARISF General Assembly**

Dear ARISF Members,

I hope to find you in good health and spirit.

The Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations, in accordance with Article 10.3 of its Statutes, officially announces the organization of the 2023 ARISF General Assembly to be held in Lausanne, Switzerland on November 13, 2023, from 10:00 to 12:00 am.

The General Assembly will be convened at the Olympic Museum where SportAccord will host the 2023 IF Forum. The ARISF Council believes this is a great opportunity to maximise participation and reduce burden to our members.

The agenda and related supporting documents will follow in due time according to our Statutes deadlines.

Please feel free to contact the new ARISF Staff Matteo Cito, who will be in charge to coordinate our General Assembly, at [matteo.cito@arisf.sport](mailto:matteo.cito@arisf.sport).

Sincerely yours,



Riccardo Fraccari



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## **Appendix 21**

### **Report RACC 2-3.09.2023**

#### **RACC meetings**

Unfortunately, RACC and groups within RACC, didn't have any meetings during a longer period since I had health issues. This also effected the tempo in a lot of topics which we will try to compensate during the autumn if there are enough resources.

My plan is to have meetings as follows:

14 September

15-16 October - physical meeting since many topics are problematic to solve in teams meeting.

23 November

18 January

Rest of the meeting schedule will be done when I know the plan for the CB meetings for 2024.

#### **August and beginning of September – workload this year and forward.**

Office have made a very good report regarding CC and the new challenges that this tournament put to a lot of people on all levels but especially on the office.

This year we also had U19Q and EFChallenge the same period. EFCc also had more teams than usual which is positive from the floorball family perspective. But for the office and other parts of the organisation it created more challenges.

2025, as the plan is now, we will have TWG for men and women and Euro Floorball Championships for men in August and beginning of September (and later WFC for women). This of course an extreme year but without TWG it is still a very big challenge for everyone involved and of course for the IFF Office that will have a big workload.

#### **New playing formats**

As you can see in the appendixes there is proposals regarding new playing formats.

They are built up in collaboration with our present rules, which is necessary for official IFF versions, that will be used in world championships in 'development' countries and in multisport events of different kind.

Of course, we will need to test the rules on the level where they belong to be able to evaluate and do changes if necessary. Especially since we have similar versions in developed countries where the tactical, physical, and technical skills is on a totally different level and the matches won't be played like in more developed countries.

Regarding 'youth' versions 3vs3 and 4vs4 is to have first edition for discussion for the November meeting where the plan is to invite Development Committee for a part of the meeting (or other suitable time)

### **Appointed Jury 2023/2024**

Appointed Jury for 2023/2024 is partly done but will be set to the next CB meeting for the bigger part of the season.

### **RACC plan for 2023/2024**

I am starting to make the plan for 2023/2024 for the activities that RACC/office can see now.

It is a big workload and since office need to be the 'engine' in a lot of topics and their resources are limited it is uncertain what we can achieve.

In the end we cannot do all the tasks that is on RACC/office table without having more resources. So there will be a need of prioritising among the topics during the year since we cannot do them all.

*Martin Klabere 2023-08-28*

# EVENT ORGANISER & PARTICIPANT CHALLENGES and RECOMMENDATIONS

## ORGANISER PROBLEMS

- Understaffing problems in smaller federations, no extra people hired to organise event which leaves the federations with the question whether to organise the event or run the federation
- Budgeting problems - difficult finding sponsors, supporters, federations afraid to take the risk of organising the event and experiencing a lot greater expenses than expected
- Venue - some federations from other disciplines have made yearly agreements with some venues and it's difficult to book a desired venue for the period
- Late announcement of need for qualification tournaments
- Lack of marketing → experience, knowledge etc support from IFF
- Covering the transport of the participating teams - the biggest expense in the budget
- U19 WFCQ
  - Low interest from all parties to organise
  - Few spectators, few possibilities to engage sponsors
  - Youth sports not being the priority in the countries, no TV or media time for youth sports
- EFC, EFCh
  - tournament not attractive for participating teams leaving the host country unknown how many teams to expect to participate
  - organiser of the tournament set too late leaving the participating team uncertain about the possible travel, accommodation etc expenses
  - = vicious circle

## ORGANISER SUGGESTIONS

- Removal of organiser fees, especially for lower-ranked tournaments
- Can encourage federations who are interested in organising with half price fee
- IFF staff hotel expenses covered by IFF
- Participation fee to cover Game officials' costs
- Referee costs covered by IFF, not shared among the participant countries
- Raised fees for participants
- Increased sponsorship demands
- A "stricter" outline of arranging a championship with best practises etc for less margin for unnecessary costs/errors.
- Make more shared expenses with IFF
- Transport costs belong to the participants and not to the organisers
- Use of public transport
- Doping tests covered by IFF
- Daily allowances paid by IFF (especially for the IFF own staff that has floorball as their everyday work)
- Bigger support in TV production to provide TV matches
- Qualifying tournaments must be announced earlier – the less time to prepare, the higher the costs

- Cost of qualifying tournaments must be reduced so that small nations have better options
- Less teams per qualification would help reduce costs for organiser
- Less teams per event (maximum 4) means shorter time which is more manageable for organisers and players
- If there are no organisers then IFF must step in as organizer
- Move U19 youth tournaments away from May - here is the most common time (in EUR) for school exams and graduations
- Reduce jury, competition office, referee observer costs - maybe not all these people are needed on lower ranking level tournaments
- Need clearer / earlier information about how many officials there will be so organiser can calculate costs and understands what is shared costs etc.

## **PARTICIPATION ISSUES**

- The participation fee, especially for countries below ranking TOP4, are too high
- Scheduling of the events – especially U19 WFC in May is bad
- U19 qualifications - smaller federations struggling to send the team to play in the event and expenses not much smaller when organising event on home ground
- Many countries (especially in AOFC) not participating due to financial issues
- Clubs want to participate to EFC / EFCh but the fee is too high and they expect support from the federation

## **PARTICIPATION SUGGESTIONS**

- To enable lesser developed countries to participate, lower the registration fees for participation of events

### **1) TIER FEES**

- Have tier annual membership fees whereby lesser developed countries can pay lesser fees but still be able to participate in IFF events
- Lower tier level could be for fixed period – eg. 3yrs
- If they qualify for the main competition, their tier membership fees will increase by a level
- Example of tiers:
  - Tier 1: Top 4 countries
  - Tier 2: Established countries that have been participating in World Championships
  - Tier 3: Lesser developed association who see participation as an exposure rather than qualification
  - Tier 4: Newly established associations

### **2) BOND AGREEMENT**

- Create a bond agreement with developing countries
- Example:
  - Country A must take part in both the U19 & adult WFCQs for 3 years
  - Country A will pay a discounted participation rate for these events
  - IFF will work with Country A to develop sponsorship and digital media strategy to drive revenue growth and expand the reach and profile of floorball in that country
- Benefits:
  - Forces Country A to think long term of their national team/youth aged group pathway development and plan on how they can participate in 3 years of competition
- Repercussion of breaking the agreement:
  - If country A is unable to participate in any of the competitions, they will need to pay the full amount of the registration fees

## **ACTIONS ALREADY TAKEN BY THE IFF FOR ORGANISERS**

### **EFChallenge**

Organisers fee balanced with support

Hotel cost for IFF officials (including referees) is paid by IFF

International travel for IFF officials (including referees) is paid by IFF

Daily allowances for IFF officials (including referees) is paid by IFF

### **U19 WFCQ**

Organisers fee balanced with support + 250 CHF per incoming team in support

Hotel cost for IFF officials is paid by IFF (or other support equivalent to this)

International travel for IFF officials is paid by IFF

Daily allowance for IFF officials is paid by IFF

Hotel, international travel & daily allowance for the referees are paid via the shared referee cost fees paid by the participants (already established procedure)

### **WFCQ**

Organisers fee balanced with support

International travel for IFF officials is paid by IFF

Daily allowance for IFF officials is paid by IFF

Hotel, international travel & daily allowance for the referees are paid via the shared referee cost fees paid by the participants (already established procedure)

## **ACTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE IFF FOR THE FUTURE**

- Introducing a tiered participation fee for events
- Increasing participation fees, especially for major events
- IFF to pay all doping test costs
- Payment of transport at all qualification events to be the responsibility of the teams or a shared cost between organiser and teams
- Inclusion of the lower club events as part of other, already established, Club events, such as Czech Open
- Consider the use of other events as qualification events, rather than having separate events (eg. AOFC Cup as qualification for WFC)
- Incentives for organisers – eg. if you organise WFCQ in 2024 then your participation fee for WFCQ 2025 is reduced or even removed
- Introduce revenue sharing between IFF and organiser of livestream income

## Draft 3 vs 3 – IFF Competition format

### Conditions

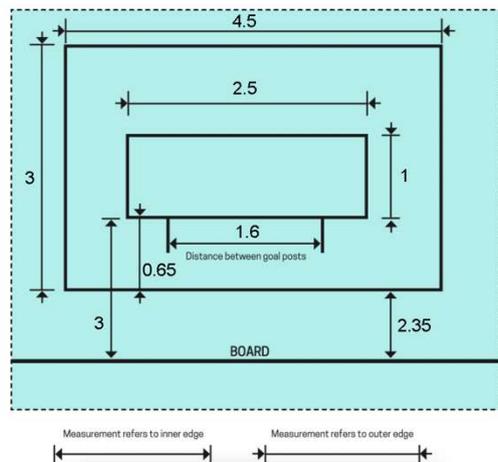
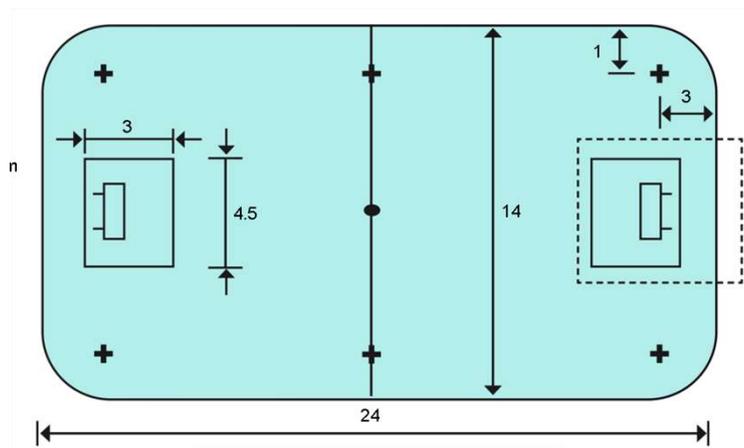
The game is played in accordance with the International Floorball Federation (IFF) Rules of the Game 2022 edition with the exceptions of the specific adaptations noted below.

If a situation occurs that is not covered in these adapted rules or in the IFF Rules of the Game the referee is asked to make a decision based on the spirit of positive floorball.

Rules of the Game 2022 edition	Adaption – IFF Competition format
101,1 The rink shall be 40 m x 20 m and enclosed by a board with rounded corners.  The smallest rink allowed is 36 m x 18 m.	101,1 The rink shall be <b>24 m x 14 m</b> and enclosed by a board with rounded corners.  The smallest rink allowed is <b>22 m x 12 m</b> .
102,3 Goal creases measuring 4 m x 5 m shall be marked 2.85 m from the short sides of the rink.	102,3 Goal creases measuring <b>3 m x 4,5 m</b> shall be marked <b>2.35 m</b> from the short sides of the rink.
102,6 Face-off dots shall be marked on the centre line and on the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, 1.5 m from the long sides of the rink not exceeding 30 cm in diameter.	102,6 Face-off dots shall be marked on the centre line and on the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, <b>1 m</b> from the long sides of the rink not exceeding 30 cm in diameter.
104,1 Substitution zones with a length of 10 m shall be marked along one of the long sides of the rink, 5 m from the centre line, and include players' benches.	104,1 Substitution zones with a length of <b>5 m</b> shall be marked along one of the long sides of the rink, <b>4 m</b> from the centre line, and include players' benches.
105,1 A secretariat with penalty benches shall be placed opposite the substitution zones, by the centre line.  There shall be separate penalty benches for each team, placed on each side of the secretariat. The penalty benches shall have room for at least two persons each. The penalty bench zones with a length of 2 m and placed at least 1 m from the centre line shall be marked and visible on both sides of the board.	105,1 A secretariat with penalty benches shall be placed opposite the substitution zones, by the centre line.  There shall be separate penalty benches for each team, placed on each side of the secretariat. The penalty benches shall have room for at least two persons each. The penalty bench zones with a length of <b>1 m</b> and placed at least 1 m from the centre line shall be marked and visible on both sides of the board.
201,1 Regular game time shall be 3 x 20 minutes with two 10-minute intermissions, when the teams shall change ends.	201,1 Regular game time shall be <b>2 x 15 minutes</b> with one 10-minute intermission, when the teams shall change ends.
203,1 If a match that has to be decided ends with an even result 10 minutes extra time shall be played until one team scores.	203,1 If a match that has to be decided ends with an even result <b>5 minutes</b> extra time shall be played until one team scores.
204,1 Five field players from each team shall take one penalty shot each. If the score after this is still equal, the same players shall take one penalty shot each until a decisive result is achieved.  A team that is unable to note five field players shall only be allowed to take as many penalty shots as they have noted players. This is also valid during possible extra penalty shots.	204,1 <b>Three</b> field players from each team shall take one penalty shot each. If the score after this is still equal, the same players shall take one penalty shot each until a decisive result is achieved.  A team that is unable to note <b>three</b> field players shall only be allowed to take as many penalty shots as they have noted players. This is also valid during possible extra penalty shots.

Rules of the Game 2022 edition	Adaption – IFF Competition format
301,1 Each team is allowed to use a maximum of 20 players.	301,1 Each team is allowed to use a maximum of <b>12</b> players.
<p>301,2 During play six players in each team, at the most, including only one goalkeeper or six field players only, may be on the rink simultaneously.</p> <p>For the referees to start a match, each team shall have at least five field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper, or the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team.</p> <p>During play, each team must be able to play with at least four players, or the match shall be stopped, and the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team, or the achieved result if this is more advantageous for the non-offending team.</p>	<p>301,2 During play <b>four</b> players in each team, at the most, including only one goalkeeper or <b>four</b> field players only, may be on the rink simultaneously.</p> <p>For the referees to start a match, each team shall have at least <b>three</b> field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper, or the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team.</p> <p>During play, each team must be able to play with at least <b>three</b> players, or the match shall be stopped, and the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team, or the achieved result if this is more advantageous for the non-offending team.</p>
305,1 Each team shall note, at the most, five members of the team staff in the match record.	305,1 Each team shall note, at the most, <b>three</b> members of the team staff in the match record.
306,1 A match shall be led and controlled by two equally authorised referees.	306,1 A match shall be led and controlled by <b>one or two</b> equally authorised referees.
502,4 All players, except those taking the face-off, shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least 3 m from the ball, sticks included.	502,4 All players, except those taking the face-off, shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least <b>2 m</b> from the ball, sticks included.
504,2 A hit-in shall be taken from where the ball leaves the rink, 1.5 m from the board, but never behind the imaginary extensions of the goal lines.	504,2 A hit-in shall be taken from where the ball leaves the rink, <b>1 m</b> from the board, but never behind the imaginary extensions of the goal lines.
504,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least 3 m from the ball, sticks included.	504,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least <b>2 m</b> from the ball, sticks included.
<p>506,2 The free-hit shall be taken where the offence was committed, but never behind the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, or closer to the goalkeeper areas than 3.5 m.</p> <p>A free-hit closer to the board than 1.5 m may be moved out to this distance.</p>	<p>506,2 The free-hit shall be taken where the offence was committed, but never behind the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, or closer to the goalkeeper areas than <b>2.5 m</b>.</p> <p>A free-hit closer to the board than <b>1 m</b> may be moved out to this distance.</p>
506,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least 3 m from the ball, sticks included.	506,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least <b>2 m</b> from the ball, sticks included.
603,3 No more than one bench penalty per player and two bench penalties per team shall be measured simultaneously.	603,3 No more than one bench penalty per player and <b>one</b> bench penalty per team shall be measured simultaneously.
603,4 A team, which has more than two players with carried out bench penalties, shall still have the right to play with four players on the rink.	603,4 A team, which has more than <b>one</b> player with carried out bench penalties, shall still have the right to play with <b>three</b> players on the rink.
605,11 This shall be considered an offence only if the field player is inside the goal crease or closer to the goalkeeper than 3 m, measured from where the goalkeeper gains control of the ball.	605,11 This shall be considered an offence only if the field player is inside the goal crease or closer to the goalkeeper than <b>2 m</b> , measured from where the goalkeeper gains control of the ball.
605,20 At the end of the intermission the teams shall have at least four players ready for the game to be resumed and any penalised players shall be on the penalty bench.	605,20 At the end of the intermission the teams shall have at least <b>three</b> players ready for the game to be resumed and any penalised players shall be on the penalty bench.

### Illustrations of the rink - IFF Competition format



## Draft 3 vs 3 – Multisport format

### Conditions

The game is played in accordance with the International Floorball Federation (IFF) Rules of the Game 2022 edition with the exceptions of the specific adaptations noted below.

If a situation occurs that is not covered in these adapted rules or in the IFF Rules of the Game the referee is asked to make a decision based on the spirit of positive floorball.

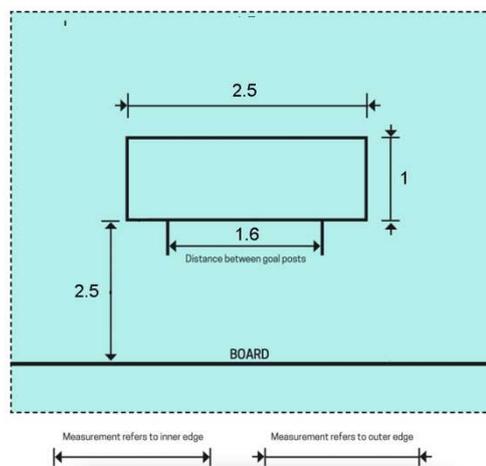
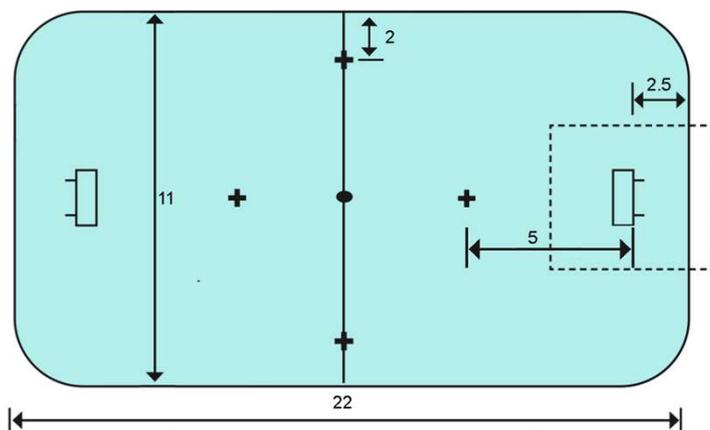
Rules of the Game 2022 edition	Adaption – Multisport format
101,1 The rink shall be 40 m x 20 m and enclosed by a board with rounded corners.  The smallest rink allowed is 36 m x 18 m.	101,1 The rink shall be <b>22 m x 11 m</b> and enclosed by a board with rounded corners.  The smallest rink allowed is <b>18 m x 9 m</b> .
102,3 Goal creases measuring 4 m x 5 m shall be marked 2.85 m from the short sides of the rink.	102,3 <b>No goal creases shall be marked.</b>
102,4 Goalkeeper areas measuring 1 m x 2.5 m shall be marked 0.65 m in front of the rear limits of the goal creases. The goalkeeper areas shall be rectangular, and the measures indicate length x width including the lines. The goalkeeper areas shall be centred in relation to the long sides of the rink.	102,4 Goalkeeper areas measuring 1 m x 2.5 m shall be marked <b>2.5 m from the short sides of the rink</b> . The goalkeeper areas shall be rectangular, and the measures indicate length x width including the lines. The goalkeeper areas shall be centred in relation to the long sides of the rink.
102,6 Face-off dots shall be marked on the centre line and on the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, 1.5 m from the long sides of the rink not exceeding 30 cm in diameter.	102,6 Free-hit dots shall be marked on the centre line, <b>2 m</b> from the long sides of the rink not exceeding 30 cm in diameter.
	<b>102,7 A penalty shot spot shall be marked 5 m from the goal line. The penalty shot spot shall be centred in relation to the long sides of the rink.</b>
103,1 Goal cages, approved by the IFF and marked accordingly, shall be placed with the posts on the prescribed marks. The openings of the goal cages shall face the centre spot.	103,1 Goal cages, approved by the IFF and marked accordingly, shall be placed with the posts on the prescribed marks. The openings of the goal cages shall face the centre spot. <b>A ball bag shall be hanged behind the goal cage.</b>
104,1 Substitution zones with a length of 10 m shall be marked along one of the long sides of the rink, 5 m from the centre line, and include players' benches.	104,1 Substitution zones with a length of <b>5 m</b> shall be marked along one of the long sides of the rink, <b>4 m</b> from the centre line, and include players' benches.
105,1 A secretariat with penalty benches shall be placed opposite the substitution zones, by the centre line.  There shall be separate penalty benches for each team, placed on each side of the secretariat. The penalty benches shall have room for at least two persons each. The penalty bench zones with a length of 2 m and placed at least 1 m from the centre line shall be marked and visible on both sides of the board.	105,1 A secretariat <b>with penalty benches</b> shall be placed opposite the substitution zones, by the centre line.  <del>There shall be separate penalty benches for each team, placed on each side of the secretariat. The penalty benches shall have room for at least two persons each. The penalty bench zones with a length of 1 m and placed at least 1 m from the centre line shall be marked and visible on both sides of the board.</del>  <b>No separate penalty benches shall be placed. The seat closest to the centre line of the</b>

Rules of the Game 2022 edition	Adaption – Multisport format
	<b>players' benches serves as penalty bench while a penalty is carried out.</b>
201,1 Regular game time shall be 3 x 20 minutes with two 10-minute intermissions, when the teams shall change ends.	201,1 Regular game time shall be <b>2 x 10 minutes</b> with <b>one 2-minute</b> intermission. <b>The teams shall not change ends.</b>
203,1 If a match that has to be decided ends with an even result 10 minutes extra time shall be played until one team scores.	203,1 <b>No extra time shall be played. Game shall be decided with penalty shots.</b>
204,1 Five field players from each team shall take one penalty shot each. If the score after this is still equal, the same players shall take one penalty shot each until a decisive result is achieved.	204,1 <b>Three</b> field players from each team shall take one penalty shot each. If the score after this is still equal, the same players shall take one penalty shot each until a decisive result is achieved.
A team that is unable to note five field players shall only be allowed to take as many penalty shots as they have noted players. This is also valid during possible extra penalty shots.	A team that is unable to note <b>three</b> field players shall only be allowed to take as many penalty shots as they have noted players. This is also valid during possible extra penalty shots.
301,1 Each team is allowed to use a maximum of 20 players.	301,1 Each team is allowed to use a maximum of <b>10</b> players.
301,2 During play six players in each team, at the most, including only one goalkeeper or six field players only, may be on the rink simultaneously.	301,2 During play <b>four</b> players in each team, at the most, including only one goalkeeper <del>or six field players only</del> , may be on the rink simultaneously. <b>The goalkeeper may not be replaced with a field player.</b>
For the referees to start a match, each team shall have at least five field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper, or the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team.	For the referees to start a match, each team shall have at least <b>three</b> field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper, or the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team.
During play, each team must be able to play with at least four players, or the match shall be stopped, and the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team, or the achieved result if this is more advantageous for the non-offending team.	During play, each team must be able to play with at least <b>two field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper</b> , or the match shall be stopped, and the final score shall be 5-0 to the non-offending team, or the achieved result if this is more advantageous for the non-offending team.
303,2 If a goalkeeper entirely leaves the goal crease during play, they shall, until returning, be considered a field player, yet without a stick.	303,2 If a goalkeeper entirely leaves the <b>goalkeepers area</b> during play, they shall, until returning, be considered a field player, yet without a stick.
305,1 Each team shall note, at the most, five members of the team staff in the match record.	305,1 Each team shall note, at the most, <b>three</b> members of the team staff in the match record.
306,1 A match shall be led and controlled by two equally authorised referees.	306,1 A match shall be led and controlled by <b>one or two</b> equally authorised referees.
502,1 When play has been interrupted, it shall be resumed with a fixed situation, according to what caused the interruption. Fixed situations are face-offs, hit-ins, free-hits and penalty shots.	502,1 When play has been interrupted, it shall be resumed with a fixed situation, according to what caused the interruption. Fixed situations are face-offs, <b>goalkeeper throw-out</b> , free-hits and penalty shots. <b>Goalkeeper throw-outs replaces hit-ins in all applicable situations.</b>
502,3 A face-off shall be taken at the nearest face-off dot, according to where the ball was at the interruption.	502,3 A face-off shall be taken at <b>the centre spot</b> .

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502,4 All players, except those taking the face-off, shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least 3 m from the ball, sticks included.	502,4 All players, except those taking the face-off, shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least <b>2 m</b> from the ball, sticks included.
504,1 When the ball leaves the rink a hit-in shall be awarded to the non-offending team.	504,1 When the ball leaves the rink a <b>goalkeeper throw-out</b> shall be awarded to the non-offending team.
504,6 A hit-in may go directly into the goal.	504,6 A <b>goalkeeper throw-out</b> may go directly into the goal.
506,2 The free-hit shall be taken where the offence was committed, but never behind the imaginary extensions of the goal lines, or closer to the goalkeeper areas than 3.5 m.  A free-hit closer to the board than 1.5 m may be moved out to this distance.	506,2 The free-hit shall be taken <b>from the nearest free-hit dot where the offence was committed.</b>
506,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least 3 m from the ball, sticks included.	506,3 The opponents shall immediately, without summons from the referees, take a position at least <b>2 m</b> from the ball, sticks included.
507,13 When a goalkeeper entirely leaves the goal crease during a throw-out.	507,13 When a goalkeeper entirely leaves the <b>goalkeepers area</b> during a throw-out.
508,2 The penalty shot shall be started with the stick and taken from the centre spot.	508,2 The penalty shot shall be taken from the <b>penalty shot spot.</b>
508,3 All players except the player taking the penalty shot and the defending goalkeeper shall be in their substitution zone during the entire penalty shot. The goalkeeper shall be in the goalkeeper area when the penalty shot starts.	508,3 All players except the player taking the penalty shot and the defending goalkeeper shall be in their substitution zone during the entire penalty shot. The goalkeeper shall be <b>on the goal line</b> when the penalty shot is taken.
508,4 The player taking the penalty shot may play the ball an unlimited number of times and shall follow a continuous movement towards the goal cage.	508,4 The player taking the penalty shot <b>may play the ball once. The ball shall be played with the stick. It shall be hit, not dragged, flicked or lifted on the stick.</b>
603,3 No more than one bench penalty per player and two bench penalties per team shall be measured simultaneously.	603,3 No more than one bench penalty per player and <b>one</b> bench penalty per team shall be measured simultaneously.
603,4 A team, which has more than two players with carried out bench penalties, shall still have the right to play with four players on the rink.	603,4 A team, which has more than <b>one</b> player with carried out bench penalties, shall still have the right to play with <b>three</b> players on the rink.
604,1 A minor bench penalty consists of one bench penalty served by the player committing the offence.	604,1 <b>When an offence leading to a minor bench penalty is committed, the minor bench penalty is replaced with a penalty shot awarded to the non-offending team.</b>
605,11 This shall be considered an offence only if the field player is inside the goal crease or closer to the goalkeeper than 3 m, measured from where the goalkeeper gains control of the ball.	605,11 This shall be considered an offence only if the field player is inside the goal crease or closer to the goalkeeper than <b>2 m</b> , measured from where the goalkeeper gains control of the ball.
605,15 When an incorrect substitution takes place. The player leaving the rink has to be passing over the board before a new player may enter the rink. If the case is close, action shall only be taken if play is affected. It is also incorrect substitution when a player changes outside the team's own substitution zone when play is interrupted. The player entering the rink is the one to be penalised.	605,15 When an incorrect substitution takes place. The player leaving the rink has to be passing over the board before a new player may enter the rink. If the case is close, action shall only be taken if play is affected. It is also incorrect substitution when a player changes outside the team's own substitution zone when play is interrupted. The player entering the rink is the one to be penalised.

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	to be penalised. <b>This also includes when the goalkeeper is replaced with a field player.</b>
605,20 At the end of the intermission the teams shall have at least four players ready for the game to be resumed and any penalised players shall be on the penalty bench.	605,20 At the end of the intermission the teams shall have at least <b>two field players and a properly equipped goalkeeper</b> ready for the game to be resumed and any penalised players shall be on the penalty bench.
606,1 A major bench penalty consists of two bench penalties served consecutively by the player committing the offence.	606,1 <b>When an offence leading to a major bench penalty is committed, a penalty shot shall be awarded to the non-offending team and the player committing the offence shall serve a bench penalty.</b>
702,2 When the entire ball passes the goal line from the front, having been played in a correct way with a field player's stick, and no offence leading to a free-hit or a penalty has been committed by the attacking team in connection with, or immediately before, the goal.	702,2 When the entire ball passes the goal line from the front, having been played in a correct way with a field player's stick <b>or thrown by the goalkeeper</b> , and no offence leading to a free-hit or a penalty has been committed by the attacking team in connection with, or immediately before, the goal.
703,5 When a goalkeeper throws or kicks the ball into the opposing team's goal even if the ball touched an opponent, an opponent's equipment or a player in the attacking team.	703,5 <b>When a goalkeeper throws or kicks the ball into the opposing team's goal even if the ball touched an opponent, an opponent's equipment or a player in the attacking team.</b>

#### Illustrations of the rink - Multisport format



# Corrective Action Plan

**Questionnaire** IF CCQ 2022-2023  
**Organization** IFF - International Floorball Federation  
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- **Critical** program areas require implementation within **3 months** after receiving the Corrective Action Report from WADA:  
**04 actions with DEADLINE** 30 Sep 2023
- **High Priority** program areas require implementation within **6 months** after receiving the Corrective Action Report from WADA:  
**07 actions with DEADLINE** 30 Dec 2023
- **General** program areas require implementation within **9 months** after receiving the Corrective Action Report from WADA:  
**04 actions with DEADLINE** 30 Mar 2024

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## INTRODUCTION

This is the Corrective Action Report (CAR) following the Code Compliance Questionnaire (CCQ) completed by your organization.

WADA reviewed your organization's CCQ against the requirements of the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) and the International Standards (IS). As a result, the objective of the CAR is to provide clear and helpful corrective actions to address the non-conformities identified. Where possible, WADA has included links to relevant documents and resources to assist you in addressing the areas identified.

The CAR categorizes the findings as either 'Critical', 'High Priority' or 'General'.

Critical findings are of the highest importance in terms of their implementation and are mandatory, core requirements of the Code and IS. Your organization has three months from the date of this CAR being issued to implement the relevant corrective actions in these program areas, procedures or processes. High Priority findings represent the next level of priority, and your organization has six months to implement these corrective actions. General findings represent the final level of priority, and your organization has nine months to implement these corrective actions. The specific deadlines are outlined above.

The CAR also includes a Best Practice Recommendation section. These recommendations do not have a timeframe for implementation.

Throughout the implementation of the corrective actions, please upload all relevant documents in the CCC so that all information, feedback, and guidance is centralized.

Should you require any assistance or guidance at any point, please contact Laetitia Zumbrunnen, Senior Manager, Sport Movement Relations (Laetitia.Zumbrunnen@wada-ama.org) at the European Regional Office.

Finally, we wish to thank your organization for its cooperation in this process and to remind you that, in accordance with the International Standard for Code Compliance by Signatories (ISCCS), failure to implement the corrective actions by the deadline can lead to a compliance procedure being opened, in line with WADA's Prioritization Policy (<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/resources/isccs-prioritization-policy-0>) and can eventually lead to a declaration of non-compliance.

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# Corrective Actions

**CRITICAL**

## 2. Testing & Investigations

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**1.** Have you conducted and documented a Risk Assessment that includes all nine mandatory criteria under the International Standard for Testing and Investigations (ISTI)? Guidelines for Implementing an Effective Testing Program / Template Risk Assessment and TDP **\*ISTI 4.1.3** **\*ISTI 4.2.1**

← Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

**1.1** Please attach your current Risk Assessment.

← Answer type: ATTACHMENT

- IFF Risk Assessment document.pdf

**1.2** Have you monitored, evaluated, and updated (as required) your Risk Assessment during the reporting period in light of changing circumstances? **\*ISTI 4.1.4** **\*Reporting period**

← Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

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### Corrective Action Plan

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We will update the risk assessment document, specifically with the points about the athlete's career, and with sports categories and genders. We will further re-check that the risk assessment and the TDP correlate in the actions planned based on the risk assessment. / Anna Jacobson

### Corrective Action for 1.

While you have conducted a Risk Assessment, it does not meet the minimum requirements as outlined in International Standard for Testing and Investigations (ISTI) Articles 4.1.3 and 4.2.1. Specifically, your Risk Assessment does not include:

- At what points during an Athlete's career in the sport/discipline an Athlete would be most likely to benefit from Prohibited Substances and/or Prohibited Methods; and
- All relevant "sport categories"/gender under your jurisdiction. In particular, and based on the Risk Assessment provided, Adult Women and U19 categories have not been assessed.

As such, it is important that your risk assessment has clear outcomes and subsequently be applied to your TDP.

Please submit your 2023 Risk Assessment in the CCC ensuring that the missing requirements are included and assessed.

You can use WADA's Risk Assessment and TDP template and consult WADA's Guidelines for Implementing an Effective Testing Program (Chapters 1 & 2) for further guidance.

### Reference

[Risk Assessment and TDP template](#)  
[Guidelines for Implementing](#)

an Effective Testing Program

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Thank you for your response.

We await your revised risk assessment and TDP for review.

**2.** Have you developed and documented a Test Distribution Plan (TDP)? Template Risk Assessment and TDP \*WADC 5.4.1 \*ISTI 4.1.3

**Answer type: YES\_NO**

- Yes

**2.1** Please provide a copy of your TDP for the current year/cycle.

**Answer type: ATTACHMENT**

- 2023 test plan & stats.xlsx

**2.2** Have you monitored, evaluated, and updated (as required) your TDP during the reporting period in light of changing circumstances? \*ISTI 4.1.4

**Answer type: YES\_NO**

- Yes

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**Corrective Action for 2.**

As per Code Article 5.4.1 and ISTI Article 4.1.3, your organization shall develop and implement an effective, intelligent, and proportionate Test Distribution Plan (TDP).

Specifically, after review, your TDP does not appear to be based on the outcomes of your Risk Assessment (ISTI Article. 4.2). As indicated for Question #1 in the Testing Section, given that your risk assessment needs to be revised, please provide your 2023 TDP based on your revised risk assessment. In doing so, your TDP must clearly reflect the outcomes of the risk assessment (i.e., assign tests based on the assessment of the sport categories/gender, higher risk countries, etc.).

Furthermore, 22 tests are allocated to "Men's WFC 2023", when this event is not being held in 2023 according to IFF's website. Please confirm whether the intention is to allocate these tests to the Women's WFC, which is scheduled to be held in 2023.

Please revise your 2023 TDP, ensuring that the missing requirements are included, and once you have done so provide it in the CCC for review. WADA will also monitor TDP

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**Corrective Action Plan** Uncompleted

It is mentioned in the WADA CAR that our TDP does not appear to be based on the outcomes of our Risk Assessment document. We will re-check whether there need to be made adjustments to the TDP, as we were under the impression that we have followed the risk assessment when planning our tests. Refining may be needed.

We will correct the mistake where referring to "Men's WFC". Every uneven year, we test at the Women's WFC and every even year in the Men's.

We will use WADA's Risk Assessment and TDP template and consult WADA's Guidelines for Implementing an Effective Testing Program for further guidance where needed.

Responsible: Anna Jacobson

implementation.

You can use WADA's Risk Assessment and TDP template and consult WADA's Guidelines for Implementing an Effective Testing Program (Chapters 3 & 4) for further guidance.

**Reference**

- [Risk Assessment and TDP template](#)
- [Guidelines for Implementing an Effective Testing Program](#)

**WADA**

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**9.** Do you enter Doping Control Forms (DCFs) into ADAMS within 21 days of sample collection? \*WADC 14.5.1 \*ISTI 4.9.1 b)

Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

**Corrective Action for 9.**

As per Code Article 14.5.1 and ISTI Article 4.9.1.b), your organization shall enter DCFs into ADAMS within 21 days of sample collection.

Specifically, and according to ADAMS data as of 19 May 2023, 2 DCFs are missing for 2022 (sample codes 3632168 and 3632228).

Please adjust your procedures and practices to ensure that all DCFs for which you are the Testing Authority are entered into ADAMS within 21 days of sample collection.

Please enter those missing DCFs into ADAMS and confirm in the CCC once this is done.

You can consult WADA's 'Reporting Guide to Monitor Testing' to generate reports that will assist with monitoring ongoing compliance with DCF entry.

**Corrective Action Plan**

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Will locate and find the two missing Doping Control Forms (3632168 & 3632228) and input their findings into ADAMS. Will also make sure that in the future other DCFs will be input into ADAMS by myself or a colleague at the IFF.  
Responsible - James Varecka



[Reporting Guide to Monitor Testing](#)

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 **WADA** Comments shared with ADO 

Thank you for your response.

Please confirm once missing DCFs are entered into ADAMS.

## 5. Education

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17. Do you provide accurate and up to date information on the following topics on a website? Please select all that apply.

\*WADC 18.2 \*ISE 5.2 ISCCS Annex A

Answer type: MULTI\_YES\_NO

- a) Principles and values associated with clean sport: Yes
- b) Athletes', Athlete Support Personnel's and other groups' rights and responsibilities under the Code: Yes
- c) The principle of Strict Liability: Yes
- d) Consequences of doping, for example, physical and mental health, social and economic effects, and sanctions/anti-doping rule violations: Yes
- e) Substances and methods on the Prohibited List: Yes
- f) Risks of supplement use: Yes
- g) Use of medications and Therapeutic Use Exemptions: Yes
- h) Testing procedures, including urine, blood and the Athlete Biological Passport: Yes
- i) Requirements of the Registered Testing Pool, including whereabouts and the use of ADAMS: Yes
- j) Speaking up to share concerns about doping: Yes

### Corrective Action for

As per Code Article 18.2, information on all listed topics are required to be available on a website.

Upon review it was not evident that all topics were available at the link provided.

The topics not located or not sufficiently addressed were:

- Athletes', Athlete Support Personnel's and other groups' rights and responsibilities under the Code
- The principle of Strict Liability
- Consequences of doping, for example, physical and mental health, social and economic effects, and sanctions/anti-doping rule violations

Please confirm in the CCC once these topics and content have been added to your website for WADA to review.



### Corrective Action Plan

We will include the missing topics as readily available to read and locate on our website.  
Person Responsible - James Varecka

Uncompleted

WADA

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17. Please provide the link to the website where this information is provided:

Answer type: TEXT

- <https://floorball.sport/anti-doping-and-medical/>



# HIGH PRIORITY

## 1. General

Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 15:22 GMT by WADA

Last updated on Jul 12, 2023 10:08 GMT by Anna Jacobson (IFF)

■ 9. Do you publish an annual statistical report of your doping control activities? \*WADC 14.4

↩ Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

9.1 Please provide the link to where your report is published.

↩ Answer type: TEXT

- <https://floorball.sport/anti-doping-and-medical/iff-test-statistics/>

### Corrective Action for 9.

The report available on your website contains statistics which pertain only to testing. There does not appear to be any statistical information published in the report nor on your website regarding the other steps and processes of doping control. The Code definition of doping control is the following: "all steps and processes from test distribution planning through to ultimate disposition of any appeal and the enforcement of consequences, including all steps and processes in between, including but not limited to, testing, investigations, whereabouts, TUEs, sample collection and handling, laboratory analysis, results management and investigations or proceedings relating to violations of Article 10.14 (Status During Ineligibility or Provisional Suspension)".

Furthermore, the latest testing related statistics are for year 2021. There is no annual statistical report for the year 2022.

As per Code Article 14.4, your organization shall, at least annually, publish publicly a general statistical report of your Doping Control activities and provide evidence of such publication (in the CCC).

In order for this corrective action to be signed off, your annual statistical report must contain more than just testing statistics.

### Corrective Action Plan

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We will publish the 2022 statistics for testing, including other statistics defined in the Code. Some of the statistics already published elsewhere (whereabouts, testing pools) will be moved to the same page, and even "zero" statistics ("no investigations, no proceedings, no anti-doping rule violations") will be published. Responsible: Anna Jacobson, James Varecka

As an example of a Code compliant general statistical report, please refer to the examples linked below.

Once completed, please provide a link to your website where the most recent annual statistical reports of your organization's doping control activities can be found.

**Reference**

- [International Powerlifting Federation Annual Statistical Report](#)
- [ITA infographic for World Rowing](#)

Last updated on Jul 13, 2023 09:14 GMT by WADA

**WADA**

Comments shared with ADO

Thank you for your comment dated 12 July 2023. We look forward to reviewing the content of your organization's statistical report and seeing where it is published on your organization's website.

**13.** Do you ensure that members of your governing bodies and other staff members are compliant with Code Article 20.3.5?  
\*WADC 20.3.5

Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

**13.** Please explain how and attach applicable regulations (in Word and in one of WADA's official languages).  
\*WADC 20.3.5

Answer type: TEXT

- *It is in our anti-doping rules and there is a form the persons need to sign agreeing to comply with the IFF Anti-Doping rules and the World Anti-Doping Code.*

**Corrective Action for**

The answer provided under Q 13.2 does not clarify whether current / future members of your organization's governing bodies and other staff members who are employed in any position involving Doping Control (other than authorized anti-doping Education or rehabilitation programs) are screened for compliance with Code Article 20.3.5.

Moreover, as per Article 19.3 of the IFF Anti-Doping Rules, employees in Doping Control are required to sign a statement provided by IFF confirming that they are not Provisionally Suspended or serving a period of Ineligibility and have not been directly or intentionally engaged in conduct within the previous six (6) years which would have constituted a violation of anti-

**Corrective Action Plan**

We will provide a statement as stipulated under Article 19.3 of the IFF Anti-Doping Rules and confirm that all current and future staff members involved in Doping Control will sign this statement. Responsible: Anna Jacobson + anti-doping team + office.

Last updated on Jul 12, 2023 10:10 GMT by Anna Jacobson (IFF)

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- *IFF Anti-Doping Rules 2021 and event agreement.docx*

doping rules if Code-compliant rules had been applicable to them.

This corrective action will be signed off by providing such a statement as stipulated under Article 19.3 of the IFF Anti-Doping Rules and confirming that all current and future staff members involved in Doping Control will sign this statement.

Last updated on Jul 13, 2023 09:14 GMT by WADA



Comments shared with ADO

Thank you for your comment dated 12 July 2023. We look forward to receiving the statement as stipulated in Article 19.3 of your organization's Anti-Doping Rules for review.

## 4. Therapeutic Use Exemptions

■ 14. When you grant a TUE to an athlete, do you also notify the athlete's NADO? \*WADC 4.4.3.2

← Answer type: YES\_NO

• No

Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 15:32 GMT by WADA

### Corrective Action for

As per Code Article 4.4.3.2, when granting a TUE to an athlete, your organization shall also notify the athlete's NADO.

Please provide evidence in the CCC when this has been completed.

Last updated on Jul 14, 2023 06:55 GMT by James Varecka (IFF)

### Corrective Action Plan

We will in future notify and include all relevant NADO's in future TUE applications that come through us and not from the NADO itself. As person at the IFF responsible for TUE applications I will oversee this.  
Person Responsible - James Varecka

Uncompleted

Last updated on Jul 18, 2023 16:42 GMT by WADA

### WADA Comments shared with ADO

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Thank you for your comments. Please note that WADA cannot mark this as "SIGNED-OFF" until the ADO marks it as "COMPLETED".

## 5. Education

Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 15:36 GMT by WADA

Last updated on Jul 14, 2023 08:29 GMT by James Varecka (IFF)

- 3.** Do you have a documented Education Plan that includes the following requirements? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 2, 3, and 5) / Workbook: Developing your Education Program (incl. Education Plan Template) / Webinar (Athlete Curriculum and Education Plan Workbook) **\*WADC 18.2 \*ISE 4.1**

**Answer type: MULTI\_YES\_NO**

- a) An assessment of the current situation (including a description of the environment within which you operate, the identification of target groups, the human, financial and material resources needed and the current education activities): Yes
- b) An Education Pool : Yes
- c) Clear objectives and related activities: Yes
- d) Description of education activities for the Education Pool: Yes
- e) Monitoring procedures: Yes

- 3.1** Please upload your Education Plan. If your Education Plan is not in English or French, please upload an overview/summary of your plan in English or French.

**Answer type: TEXT**

- IFF Anti-Doping Education Plan 2022.doc



### Corrective Action for 3.

As per Code Article 18.2 and ISE Article 4.1, your organization shall develop an Education Plan. The Education Plan shall be documented as per ISE Articles 4.1.1-2, ensuring it meets the requirements of ISE Articles 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5.

Based on the review of the Education Plan, a number of items required under the ISE were not included or were not clearly articulated. The following topics will need to be addressed in the updated plan (you should refer to the ISE Guidelines for support in fulfilling the requirements):

- Rationale to be provided for target groups not included in the Education Pool and how this will be addressed in the future (ISE Guidelines Chapter 4)

Please provide your updated Education Plan in the CCC.



Reference

[Guidelines for Education](#)



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### Corrective Action Plan

We will update said Education Plan with the topic in line with the ISE Guidelines Chapter 4.  
Person Responsible - James Varecka

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Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 15:41 GMT by WADA

Last updated on Jul 14, 2023 08:51 GMT by James Varecka (IFF)

**16.** Does your Education Program include the following education components as defined in the ISE? Please select all that apply. Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 7 and 9) / Workbook: Developing your Education Program / ADeL eLearning (Sport Values in Every Classroom) \*WADC 18.2 \*ISE 5.1 \*ISE Part Two Overview \*WADC 18.1

Answer type: MULTI\_CHOICES

- Awareness raising

**Corrective Action for**

As per Code Article 18.1, your organization shall raise awareness, provide accurate information and decision-making capability to prevent intentional and unintentional anti-doping rule violations and other breaches of the Code. Education programs and their implementation shall instill personal values and principles that protect the spirit of sport.

As per the Overview of Part Two of the ISE, your organization shall incorporate:

- Values-based education activities that emphasize the development of an individual's personal values and principles, in order to build the learner's capacity to make decisions to behave ethically;
- Awareness raising activities highlighting topics and issues related to clean sport;
- Information provision activities making available accurate up to date content related to clean sport;
- Anti-Doping education activities delivering training on anti-doping topics to build competencies in clean sport behaviors and make informed decisions.

Please confirm in the CCC that you have included the education components listed above in your Education Program.

Reference

[Guidelines for Education](#)

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**Corrective Action Plan**

Uncompleted

We will include all the above components in relation to Awareness raising in the revised Education Program. Person Responsible - James Varecka

18. Did you evaluate your education program during the reporting period? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 10) \*WADC 18.1 \*ISE 6

Answer type: YES\_NO

- No

Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 15:45 GMT by WADA

**Corrective Action for**

As per Code Article 18.1 and ISE Article 6, your organization shall evaluate its Education Program annually. The evaluation shall be based on all available information and data related to the specific objectives in the Education Plan and determine to what extent these objectives have been met.

Please confirm in the CCC once the evaluation report is completed and upload.



Reference [Guidelines for Education](#)



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**Corrective Action Plan**

We will conduct and evaluate the Education program and upload it to the CCC platform.  
Person Responsible - James Varecka

Last updated on Jul 14, 2023 08:51 GMT by James Varecka (IFF)

Uncompleted

22. Is Event-based Education part of your anti-doping program at international events? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 8) \*WADC 18.2.3

Answer type: YES\_NO

- Yes

22. Please list the events (or series/type of events) where education took place.

Answer type: TEXT

- None in the past year, as all Anti Doping Education was chosen by the teams to be done themselves online or with their NADO. We offer an education session to whoever requests it but no one took up the offer.

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**Corrective Action for**

As per Code Article 18.2.3, Event-Based Education shall be a mandatory element of any anti-doping program associated with an International Event. Your organization shall ensure that education is delivered at the event for participants. It is also recommended that education be delivered before the event.

At a minimum, it is recommended that athletes receive information about the anti-doping rules specific to that event prior to the event, as well as access to information on all anti-doping topics as outlined in Article 18.2 of the Code.

Please confirm in the CCC how you will consider and deliver this requirement for future events.



**Corrective Action Plan**

We will make sure anti-doping education is available at our major events and/or to the athletes prior to the event as outlined in Article 18.2 of the Code.  
Responsible: James Varecka

Last updated on Jul 17, 2023 10:37 GMT by Anna Jacobson (IFF)

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# GENERAL

## 5. Education

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Last updated on Jul 14, 2023 08:29 GMT by James Varecka (IFF)

10. Please describe what you monitor. Please select all that apply. Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 10) \*ISE 4.5

Answer type: MULTI\_CHOICES

- Education activities
- Event-based education statistics

### Corrective Action for

As per ISE Articles 4.4, 4.5 and 6.2, information and data related to the specific objectives in the Education Plan must be collected in order to determine the extent to which these objectives have been met.

Please confirm in the CCC when you have set out monitoring procedures for all program objectives and learning objectives.

Please refer to the linked resources to support you in developing monitoring procedures.

### Reference

[Guidelines for Education \(Chapters 5 and 10\) Monitoring and Evaluation Webinar](#)

### Corrective Action Plan

We will go over our monitoring procedures again and make sure in the future all information and data is collected and displayed in the Education Plan for this. Person Responsible - James Varecka

Uncompleted

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19. Do you have trained and authorized individuals (i.e., educators) to deliver face-to-face or in-person education sessions (workshops or virtual webinars) or event-based education? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 4) \*ISE 5.8 \*WADC 18.2.2 \*Educator

Answer type: YES\_NO

- No

Corrective Action for

As per Code Article 18.2.2 and ISE Article 5.8 your organization shall provide face to face education activities to the Education Pool delivered by trained and authorized Educators. These Educators should be competent in Values-Based Education and on all topics outlined in Code Article 18.2.

We recommend that you consult Chapter 12 of the ISE Guidelines in the first instance to support you developing a training program.

Please confirm in the CCC when you have trained and authorized Educators.

Reference Guidelines for Education

WADA Comments not shared with

Corrective Action Plan

We will begin to plan and then implement a training program with trained and authorised educators. Person Responsible - James Varecka

Uncompleted

## 6. Privacy

**2.** Have you adopted internal policies and procedures reflecting your organization's adherence to the ISPPPI, including a procedure to respond to complaints made under Article 11.5 of the ISPPPI? Guidelines for ISPPPI / ISPPPI Checklist / Webinar (ISPPPI in practice) \*[ISPPPI 4.3](#) \*[ISPPPI 11.5](#)

← Answer type: YES\_NO

• No

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### Corrective Action for 2.

As per ISPPPI Articles 4.3 and 11.5, your organization must define and document the policies and procedures it will implement to meet the objectives of the ISPPPI and respond to complaints regarding your organization's compliance with the ISPPPI.

You can create and format these documents in a way that best suits your organization and its existing policies and procedures in other areas. It is important that your internal policies and procedures reflect the actual practices of your organization (or practices that you are confident can be implemented within your organization).

Once you have created your internal policies and procedures, please upload a table of contents for all relevant documents in the CCC for review.

Please consult chapter 3 (Structure your program) of the ISPPPI Guidelines, as well as the ISPPPI Checklist and the ISPPPI in Practice Webinar available on ADEL.

### Reference

[Guidelines for Privacy ISPPPI Checklist](#)  
[ISPPPI in Practice \(webinar\)](#)

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Last updated on Jul 13, 2023 03:11 GMT by Anna Jacobson (IFF)



### Corrective Action Plan

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We will define and create our policies and procedures so that they will meet the objectives of the ISPPPI, and so that they reflect the actual practices of the IFF or practices that can be implemented when needed in the IFF. Responsible: Anna Jacobson + anti-doping team.

Last updated on Jul 13, 2023 03:13 GMT by Anna Jacobsson (IFF)

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**10.** With respect to staff who have access to personal information, do you ensure: Guidelines for ISPPPI \*ISPPPI 9.1 \*ISPPPI 9.7

**Answer type: MULTI\_CHOICES**

- Access to personal information is limited to what they need to know, consistent with assigned roles and responsibilities?

**Corrective Action for**

As per ISPPPI Article 9.1, your organization shall ensure access to personal information by staff occurs on a need-to-know basis, i.e. only where consistent with their assigned roles and responsibilities, and that staff have been informed of the need to keep personal information in confidence. ISPPPI Article 9.7 also requires that your organization ensure staff are subject to enforceable confidentiality obligations (by contract or by law - e.g. doctors or lawyers). An enforceable obligation is one that can lead to disciplinary sanctions or other consequences if violated by an individual.

Similarly, ADOs commit to ensuring staff have received appropriate privacy and security training in the agreement governing the use of ADAMS. There are many ways you could achieve this objective, and many tools exist to help you, starting with free courses and webinars available on ADEL.

Please consult chapter 11 (Creating a privacy culture) of the ISPPPI Guidelines.

Please confirm in the CCC when you have updated your procedures.



[Guidelines for Privacy](#)



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**Corrective Action Plan**

Uncompleted

We will make sure that we follow all the requirements for access to personal information, according to the ISPPPI Guidelines, and create documented policies and procedures for it should we not have them all in place yet as required. Responsible: Anna Jacobsson

## Best Practice Recommendations

In addition to the mandatory requirements identified in this report, WADA has identified a number of additional best practice recommendations that, while not considered mandatory within the Code or the International Standards, are important supporting procedures and activities related to those mandatory requirements. These recommendations do not have a timeframe for implementation; however, it is strongly recommended that your organization implement them alongside other findings in this report to further enhance the quality of your anti-doping program.

### 2. Testing & Investigations

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#### Recommendation

As per Code Article 5.4.1 ISTI Article 4, your organization shall implement an effective testing program for the testing of athletes prior to their participation in major events.

We note that there was no mention of the 2022 World Games in your 2022 Risk Assessment. While we acknowledge that the World Games are not an IFF event, we assume that many IFF athletes trained and competed at this event. As such, IFF should aim to test athletes from higher risk countries (as determined by your Risk Assessment) out-of-competition in the months leading up to a major event.

Similarly, IFF could have tested a few athletes prior to their participation at the SEA Games that occurred in May 2023. According to ADAMS, only athletes from CAN and SWE were tested in 2023.



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## 5. Education

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### Recommendation

As per ISE Article 7.3.3, at international events where testing will take place and where they have testing authority, IFs shall consider delivering Event-Based Education.

It is recommended that you provide information and generate awareness to athletes at an event, via:

- An Information Booth
- Printed informational materials (available at the event such as a booth or Doping Control Station)
- Website information

In addition, as per ISE Article 4.3, Signatories shall consider the athlete support personnel of the athletes in their Education Pool also for inclusion in the Education Pool. It is recommended that all ASP be considered as part of this process for Event-based Education

As per ISE Article 7.3.3, athletes and their support personnel participating at international events should receive education in advance of the event and in accordance with ISE Article 5. It is recommended to implement this where possible. This can be achieved in a number of different ways cost effectively.

Please refer to Guidelines for Education (Chapters 7, 8 and 9) on how for considerations on how to implement Event-Based Education effectively.

### Reference

[Guidelines for Education](#)

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- 5.** Please select the following target groups who are also included in your Education Pool. Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 4 and 8) / Workbook: Developing your Education Program / Webinar (Athlete Curriculum and Education Plan Workbook) **\*ISE 4.3.4 \*WADC 18.2.1**

 Answer type: **MULTI\_CHOICES**

- International-level athletes

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### Recommendation for 5.

As per ISE Article 4.3.4, if your organization does not include all target groups you should consider, based on a clear rationale, adding them to your Education Pool or documenting why you exclude them.

### Reference

[Guidelines for Education](#)

Last updated on Jun 28, 2023 16:54 GMT by WADA

**7.** Have you used or embedded WADA's athlete pathway model/framework or an equivalent athlete/player pathway model into your education program? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 4 and 8) / Webinar (Athlete Curriculum and Education Plan Workbook) \*Athlete Pathway \*ISE 5,4

← Answer type: SINGLE\_CHOICE

- No, no model

**Recommendation for 7.**

As per ISE Article 5.4, learners are expected to demonstrate competencies and skills at each stage of their development.

Identify the key stages of athlete development in your sport/country.

We recommend that you use the WADA template model that can be used or adapted for this purpose.



[Guidelines for Education](#)

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**13.** In order to embed in your education program the principle that the athlete's first experience with anti-doping be through education, have you adopted any of the following practices? Please select all that apply. Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 1) \*ISE 1.0

← Answer type: MULTI\_CHOICES

- Requiring athletes to be educated before they attend an event

**Recommendation for 13.**

It is recommended to ensure that education occurs before an athlete is tested. Please consider the following practices:

- Adopted as a policy (education before testing)
- Requiring athletes be educated as part of induction to Testing Pool
- Collecting athletes testing history at education events
- Collecting athletes' education history during doping control
- Mandatory education for Talented Level Athletes
- Mandatory education for highest priority ASP

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**14.** Have you directly funded and/or been involved in social science research (SSR) project(s) that could inform your education program? Guidelines for ISE (Chapter 10)  
*\*WADC 19.1*

← Answer type: YES\_NO

- No

**Recommendation for 14.**

It is recommended that you consider funding or being involved in social science research projects to inform your education program.



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## 6. Privacy

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12. Did you experience one or more security breaches in the reporting period? Guidelines for ISPPPI / Template Security Breach Reporting Template \*ISPPPI 9.5 \*Security Breach

← Answer type: YES\_NO

• No



### Recommendation for 12.

As per ISPPPI Article 9.5 even if you have not yet experienced a security breach, you should implement a security breach preparedness and response plan and test it to ensure that it works. See the Guidelines for guidance about how to do so.

Download the Security Breach Reporting Form template, or create your own, to ensure you have a way to gather and record the details you will need to assess and respond to a breach, if one occurs. Remember to immediately notify the person responsible for ISPPPI compliance at your organization if you discover a security breach.



### Reference

[Guidelines for Privacy Template security breach reporting form](#)



### ADO - Improvement plan

# IFF & EERIKKILÄ.

THE INTERNATIONAL COACHING AND EDUCATION PROJECT  
"ROAD TO HEL"



# CONSEPT "ROAD TO HEL".

## BASIC IDEA

- This is a Consortium project with Eerikkilä as the applicant, IFF and SSBL as core partners and other partners as participants, i.e. other selected European floorball federations (see below).
- Focus on the European members of IFF, with the countries ranked 5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> countries: Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Norway, Poland, Slovakia and Spain among others
  - There will be a possibility for non-european countries to participate, but the financial system needs to be defined.(Australia, USA, Singapore, China?, Canada?)
- Both men's and women's coaches should be considered (depending on the situation of the participants)
- There can be between 5-8 countries participating in the education
- The main funding for the projects should be secured, in order to be able to run this (Erasmus+ or Business Finland, foundations (for example Kone foundation))
- Discussions have been started with the Finnish Ministry of Sports and the Finnish Educational Board, which are both positive towards the project and willing to support our Erasmus+ application.
- Finland has a strength in educational systems, security/trustworthiness, Research & practical execution close to each other.

# CONCEPT "ROAD TO HEL".



## OBJECTIVES

- Raising the level of elite floorball (elite sports) & expanding the level at the top
- Create an international (IFF) system that sustains training & skills development
- Helps countries develop/create (which will be the end product of the educational process)
  - A National coaching system (contents and structures)
  - National education system and structure (educational pathway), in line with the IFF level 0, 1 and 2 educations
  - Creating a national game identity/uniform playing style for national teams > creating a national operating culture
  - Increasing the number of full-time employees in the federations in order to increasing the number of players



# CONSEPT "ROAD TO HEL".



## PROPOSAL FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- "Tailored" EU certified VEAT education (Specialist Qualification in Coaching)
- Duration 30 months (can also be divided over a longer period), starting in beginning of 2025 and continuing until end of 2027
- Credits: 180 credits
- 2-3 representatives from each country ("coaching/training manager" and coaching representative)
- Representatives from both Men's and Women's National teams
- The education is run with On-site periods 6 x 3 days + 1 x 2 days examination period= 20 days
- In addition, country-specific sparring periods and remote sparring periods
- International period 3 days eg. In connection with the World Championships or other sports
- Group size approx. 20 persons, but it can be run with only 3 countries (10 – 15 persons)
- The project is built around Work packages: making it as easy/cheap as possible for participants to apply



# CONCEPT "ROAD TO HEL".



## VEAT – COMPULSORY PARTS OF THE EXAMINATION

- Management/Leadership of coaching activities
- Athlete-centered coaching

## VEAT – OPTIONAL PARTS OF THE DEGREE

- Development of Floorball playing
- Operating in the international coaching operating environment
- Development of coaching administration
  
- Requirement of the degree <https://eperusteet.opintopolku.fi/#/fi/erikoisammattitutkinto/3397331/tiedot>. The requirements of the degree have not been translated into English, but there is a Certificate Supplement (separate appendix)
- E.g. The currently ongoing VEAT/JET learning outcomes were tailored to the needs of both degrees + partner (Football Association of Finland).





<b>Title of the qualification (FI, SV)</b>
<b>Valmennuksen erikoisammattitutkinto</b> <i>Specialyrkesexamen i träning</i>
<i>Qualification requirements entered into force on 01.01.2018 (OPH-2641-2017)</i>

<b>Translated title of the qualification (EN)</b>
<b>Specialist Vocational Qualification in Coaching</b>
<i>This translation has no legal status.</i>

<b>Profile of skills and competences</b>
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<b>Composition of the qualification</b>
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The specialist vocational qualification in coaching (180 cp) is composed of compulsory units (120 cp) and optional units (60 cp). The compulsory units are Managing coaching (60 cp) and Athlete-centred coaching (60 cp). The optional units are Developing sports activities (60 cp), Acting in the international operating environment of coaching (60 cp) and Developing the administration of coaching (60 cp).

<b>Vocational skills and competences required for completion of the qualification</b>
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Holders of the specialist vocational qualification in coaching have the vocational skills necessary to manage coaching activities and to develop the quality system of coaching as well as to develop their own management and management skills and practices. Those who have completed the qualification have the vocational skills to, in an athlete-centred manner, act as an expert in coaching and to develop coaching activities utilising networks and information on coaching. In addition, those who have completed the qualification have the vocational skills to assess their own competence as a developer of coaching activities.

Those who have completed the Developing activities in the field of sport –unit have the vocational skills to manage the development of sports activities and to develop the coaching system and competitive activities and the systematic monitoring of activities in the field of sport. In addition, those who have completed the unit have the vocational skills to assess and develop their own competence as developers of activities in the field of sport.

Those who have completed the Acting in the international operating environment of coaching –unit have the vocational skills to participate in international activities around the sport in question and to develop their own competence in coaching by utilising information on coaching and international networks. In addition, those who have completed the qualification have the vocational skills to act as a coach to an athlete competing internationally and aiming at a career in elite sport and to assess and develop their own competence in an international operating environment.

Those who have completed the Developing the administration of coaching –unit have the vocational skills to develop the administration of coaching activities. They have the vocational skills to assess, lead and develop personnel in their area of responsibility, to carry out and develop operational financial steering in their area of responsibility, and to develop cooperation with sponsors.

<b>Range of occupations accessible to the holder of the certificate</b>
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Holders of the specialist vocational qualification in coaching may act as coaches and in positions related to the management and development of coaching in the third sector, the public sector, or the private sector. The most common third-sector work environments for those who have completed the

qualification are sports clubs. In the public sector, holders of the specialist vocational qualification in coaching work in sports federations, regional organisations, or sports academies. In the private sector, holders of the specialist vocational qualification in coaching work in companies in the sports sector or as independent entrepreneurs in the field of sport. Qualification holders cooperate with various stakeholders and their own work community.

<b>Official basis of the certificate</b>	
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<b>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate</b> An education provider with an authorisation to provide education and award qualifications granted by the Ministry of Education and Culture.	<b>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate</b> Ministry of Education and Culture  Finnish National Agency for Education, the national agency subordinate to the Ministry of Education and Culture
<b>Level of the certificate (national or international)</b> National Qualifications Framework (nqf) 5 European Qualifications Framework (eqf) 5 ISCED 4	<b>Grading scale/Pass requirements</b> pass/fail
<b>Access to the next level of education/training</b> The qualification confers eligibility for higher education studies.	<b>International agreements</b> -

<b>Legal basis</b> Vocational Education and Training Act 531/2017 and the decrees that complement it.
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**Officially recognised ways of obtaining the certificate**

The vocational skills required for completing the modules are demonstrated by performing practical tasks in authentic situations and work processes (demonstration of knowledge and skills). The student's knowledge and skills are assessed diversely by a teacher and a working life representative and compared to the competence defined in the qualification requirements. The education provider awards the student a qualification certificate once the qualification has been completed acceptably in accordance to the qualification requirements laid down by the Finnish National Agency for Education.

**Entry requirements**

No formal qualifications are required to take the competence test.

**Additional information**

Finnish National Agency for Education

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**Explanatory note**

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For more information on transparency, visit <http://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/themes/understanding-qualifications>

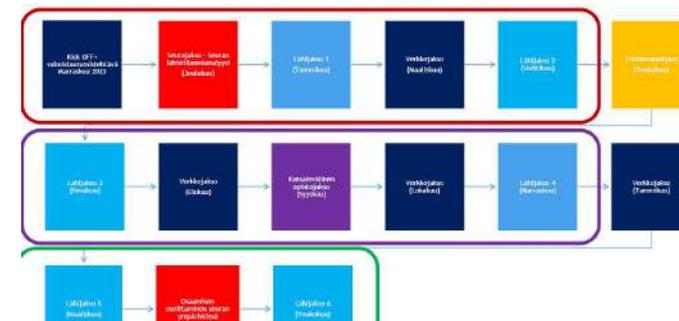
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# CONSEPT "ROAD TO HEL".

- On-site periods at the Eerikkilä Sport Institute
  - 6 x 3 days sessions + 1 x 2 days examination period = In total 20 days
- Bi-lateral sparring sessions virtually and in the participating country
- Potential Events to combine with the on-site periods:
  - WFCQ's for the WFC's 2025-2027
  - Eerikkilä Future Stars tournament (continues for 2-3 years)
  - The WFC's organised in Finland
    - On-site period during the WFC 2026 in Eerikkil/Tampere
    - Examination period in Turku, WFC 2027
  - Participation in the World Floorball Summit 2025 and 2026, as a part of the education



*Koulutuksen prosessi*



# CONCEPT "ROAD TO HEL".

## PRELIMINARY COSTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

- The Production costs are approximately some 10,000 -12,000 € / student, including full board costs during the on-site periods (still requires a lot of clarification)
- The participants would be responsible for the travel costs for the on-site periods in Eerikkilä and the international periods / deductible part
- If a participant doesn't finish the education, then the cost for participation has to be paid
  - Commitment required from the National Associations and the participants! There is a risk of a long training period, which means that drop-outs are possible...
- Open questions to be clarified
  - Can I complete only one part of the training (module, part of the degree)?
  - Can the person/participant change?

# CONCEPT "ROAD TO HEL".

## NEXT STEPS

- Presentation at the IFF CB 2.-3.9.2023
- Meeting with Finnish Ministry of Sports in October
- Eerikkilä Erasmus accreditation by 19.10.2023
- Presentation of the project to the CC13 meeting in Berliini 10.11.2023
- IFF Association meeting in Soingapore 8.-9.12.2023
  - Application form for the interested countries and DL for commitment by end of January 2024
- Based on the number of applicants the final decision to make the Erasmus application will be made
- Erasmus application DL 03/2024
- The approval of the project will be in November 2024
- The project starts in January 2025
- The project ends in December 2027

Marketing Function Report/Tero Kalsta 03.09.2023

### Sales Overview

In general, the market situation is affected from high interest rates and low consumer confidence which reflect to investment decisions. This aside, IFF can open conversations and submit offers creating opportunities for successful cases. Overall, it is also encouraging that the cooperation in sales with national federations has progressed.

### Sales Status

The terminated cooperation (the old contract is terminated) with sales agency Red Carpet Brand Alliance (RCBA) is called into life in a new format: the experienced head of the company assumes responsibility for sales himself. He will contact carefully selected leads, 5-10, of which he will conduct careful background work. The work will begin immediately. The arrangement is non-exclusive.

The fruitful work with the Swedish Federation has continued and we are just in the final rounds in some offers for the WFC 2023 and 2024 (more precisely FROMM). The plan is also to make offers to some further federation partners. The plans to create a joint offering to several potential customers together with the Finnish Federation has also come to fruition and the first offers have gone out mid-August (Nokia and Raute (big, global plywood company)).

As part of sales work, we are continuously in contact with companies that have been sponsors for past events (just in a specific event). In late August an offer has been presented to Dachser to become the IFF logistics provider and negotiations are on-going. Further active discussion with previous sponsors are ongoing (Duscholux, Fisherman's Friend) and new (e.g., Vitamin Well). As of late the IFF has also been able to submit couple of new offers (for example to Nordic Minds) which have not led to closed long-term deals but event specific deal negotiations. We are actively mapping new leads often with a strong sustainability angle and have opened discussions with Kuusakoski (Nordic recycling company (mainly metals)).

After the summer holiday season Protocol Sports will make a push to find more takers for the WFC 2023, especially in the Asia Oceania region. A status meeting is scheduled for end of August.

The IFF has finalised all agreement negotiations with UNIHOC, Swerink and Gerflor. We have a final, approved version of the agreement with Gerflor but still expecting their suggestion where it is to be signed however, they have already delivered new floorings (dark blue) for the U19 WFC 2023 and preparing to ship the next one for the WFC 2023. We have received all PUMA referee material for year 2023 (140 full referee sets (match shirts, shorts, socks, warm up (short and long sleeve), training jacket and pants, bag). They are IFF printed and stored with IFF. Distribution to referees is an on-going process. There is still a good amount of value-in-kind credit left for 2023 and IFF office is planning how to use this but at least for employee outfits. The active cooperation with UNIHOC continues and preparations for WFC 2023 are well underway. Renew has also employed a new Country Manager for Finland to develop their activities and increase market share. First joint project will during the U19 WFC 2024 in Lahti.

The negotiations to find sponsors for the new Champions Cup have been unsuccessful. Mainly sales were directed to floorball manufacturers. The offering has proven to be a bit challenging as in the quarter- and

semi-finals the available digital surface availability has been varying. Further, as the rule is that in these rounds matches are played on home teams floors and rinks there may be competing ads in the venues. Regardless, sales efforts will continue. The IFF office organised branded promotion and marketing templates for the CC 2024 which have been distributed to national federations and participating clubs. These have been implemented where possible (some venue LEDs, media screens) as well as social media and have created unified visuals for the matches.

### Marketing Status

The CCMNG meeting took place on the 31st of May in Malmö (Malmö Arena). We had representatives from six countries participating. The main topics on the agenda were streaming platforms (IFF / participating countries) and experiences thereof. The IFF shared their experiences and learnings for their new platform since its launch in November 2022. The test streams from the Swiss and Czech Superfinals were discussed and they were unfortunately not a big success however there was a very short window to promote them. Further, discussion was lead around the new Champions Cup format, the streaming thereof, clearing up topics regarding end user pricing and home team streaming responsibilities/rights. A great initiative was the plan for the next WFC 2024 that national federation sponsors will officially be brought together for networking. The next CCMNG meeting is planned for 16.1.2024 again in Malmö and has so far eight countries have signed up. The group considers this to be a good forum to exchange information and experiences also informally in breaks and after to official part.

On July 6th, the IFF in cooperation with Floorball Germany organised a “PUMA goes Floorball” try out day at PUMA head office in Germany. The day was a success and was also strongly communicated in their [channels](#). They are now planning to start a workplace floorball group and there are talks of repeating the event 2024 (or combining it with a Floorball Germany Street Floorball Tour event). PUMA Nordic is also planning to produce floorball specific marketing content for 2024 to gain maximal benefits from the partnership. This is also fuelled by the upcoming WFC 2024 in Malmö.

The IFF is supporting the WFC 2023 LOC in all possible ways to promote their event and ticket sales. There will be promos in several formats in the IFF app during events throughout the autumn. We are also able to push some venue screen promos at the EFT in the Czech Republic and Nordic Challenge in Finland.

As an indication of the growth of LinkedIn account followers, the last time (May) when this was included in the report the number has grown from 1777 to 1879.

### IFF Core Country Marketing Network Group Meeting, Malmö, 1/2023, 31.5.2023, 10:00-17:00 (CET)

<b>Participants:</b>	Jörg Beer (JB)	SUHV/IFF Board member, CCMNG Chair
	Jann Falett	SUHV Marketing and Events Manager
	Timo Toivonen	SSBL, Sales Manager
	Niklas Wangnet	Floorball Deutschland
	Roman Urbar	CFbU Marketing Manager
	Lars Buenes	NBF Floorball
	Anki Kjellberg	Swedish Floorball Federation, Sales Manager / Partners
	Tobias Linderöth	Swedish Floorball Federation, Project Manager / Events
	Tero Kalsta (TK)	IFF Sales Coordinator
	John Liljelund (JL)	IFF Secretary General
<b>Excused:</b>	Egils Sveilis	LFS Vice President
	Ilvis Peterssons	LFS President
	Peter Klapita	SvFF
	Jakub Udziela	PFF Media
	Troels Jensen	Floorball Denmark Secretary General

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#### Report on present issues

##### 1. Opening and short presentation (JB)

Mr. Beer opened the meeting and welcome the members for the first meeting of 2023. He also thanked the Swedish Federation for organising the premises for the meeting.

##### 2. Approval of the agenda (JB)

Mr Kalsta proposed one change to the agenda by replacing item 8 World Floorball Championships / content and co-communication with Future of Floorball. The change was accepted.

##### 3. Minutes from the previous meeting (JB)

The minutes of the previous meeting were sent on the 14.12.2022.

##### 4. IFF Sales situation, Quick review (IFF/TK)

Mr. Kalsta reported on the sales of IFF commercial rights, where all old sponsorship agreements have been secured with Gerflor, Swerink and Unihoc.

In addition, a sports apparel deal has been made with PUMA Nordic with the support of the Swedish Federation. IFF referees will be equipped with PUMA outfits and the agreement will run until 2027. The PUMA deal includes an option for PUMA to offer the volunteers clothing for the IFF major events.

IFF has been informed that the Marketing Agency RCBA will not continue to work with IFF, so IFF needs to find other ways of approach and secure sponsors. Here the cooperation work with the National Associations will be important. For example, cooperation already exists with the Swedish Federation and is starting with the Finnish Federation.

Mr. Beer asked if the LOC for the WFC 2023 is selling something and Mr. Kalsta answered that KIN Production which has the operational responsibility for the event is selling

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sponsorship for the Event.

## 5. New IFF media platform /(IFF/TK)

Mr. Kalsta presented the current situation of the IFF media platform and some statistics / results. The app has now some 44.000 registered users and so far, the net-sales has been 53.000 CHF in 2022 and until the end of May 2023 the sales has been some 87.000 CHF. The event passes for the U19 was 14,99 EUR of which 1850 were sold and some 3000 pay per view's bought for 5,99 EUR.

There are discussions on how to share deep links from the app to the member federations for their marketing and media persons. Mr. Urbar informed that the TV will need the EVSA for the 90 second clips from the games. There is also a need for the access for the stream to make news and promote (one or two per countries media content team). The IFF Media team will look for a solution.

There has been some new additional content on the App, with pre- and post-match studios in the WFC and the End of Day summary. We have made streams of the Czech and Swiss Superfinals in English, due to a late decision there was very little promotion of the broadcasts. Mr. Kalsta asked how to continue with this in the future.

Mr. Urbar felt that it would be possible to provide a game of the month in the future, but the financial details need to be discussed. Mr. Falett felt that there are still some issues to discuss, but in principle SUHV is willing to provide a Game of the Month to the IFF App. Ms. Kjellberg says that the Swedish federation is positive to provide the games, but presently the matches are owned by Expressen, who is showing some matches for free on the Swedish App.

Both the Czech and Swedish federations have looked into the use of the AI cameras to cut costs and have streams from more matches. Mr. Kalsta also informed that there are installed cameras in the venues in Finland.

## 6. New Champions Cup concept (TK/JL)

Mr. Kalsta gave a short update on the new Champions Cup concept, concentrating on the marketing and rights questions. The CCMNG felt that it is very important to get the clear instructions and rules for marketing. IFF is to send out the marketing rules in June.

The CCMNG discussed the prices for the Champions Cups streaming

- Total CC package	24,99 EUR
- Single game	6,99 EUR
- Final package	15,99 EUR
- Single Final game	9,99 EUR

The federations expressed that most likely the federations will be streaming the signal on their platform and most likely will ask for the signal for their countries away games.

## 7. Site visit of the Malmö Arena (before lunch)

The venue CEO Ms. Karin Mårtensson gave a tour of the WFC 2024 main venue, Malmö Arena.

## 8. Future of Floorball

Mr. Kalsta informed of the actions taken in the process in the Future of Floorball. There is a need to make a special questionnaire for the Sponsors, that the national associations will have to distribute to their present, potential and past sponsors.

Mr. Beer felt that there are a number of good questions already in the present questionnaire, but there needs to be some marketing related questions in the sponsor-specific version.

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The CCMNG discussed the possible questions to include:

- What are the main objectives for your company to be a sponsor in the field of art & culture and sports?
- Which factors have made you choose to sponsor Sports and Floorball?
- What is presently missing in the Floorball field to build the B2B sector?
- Are you interested in international sponsoring?
- Should your national floorball federation organise more international events in your country?
- Do you feel floorball addresses the topics sustainability (equality, environment, social)? If yes in what way is this visible and what do you think is missing?

Based on the above (questions from existing questionnaire + sponsor-specific questions) IFF will prepare a questionnaire suggestion to be distributed to CCMNG group as soon as possible so that a final version can be sent out early June.

Concerning the spectators, it mostly a question to understand what they want to take home from the experience when they come to the Events in the venues. Further, what are the arguments or the justification to pay for the ticket and take the time to travel to the venue to see the match.

The members of the CCMNG are to send any previous questionnaires / results they have made with spectators to the IFF, so that we can analyse the content.

Mr. Wangnet stressed that we need to ask if Floorball is present in the everyday life of the Floorball fans, especially the young target group (highlights, reels, content in general)

## 9. IFF Marketing and Sustainability (TK)

Mr Kalsta reported on the current focus areas in sustainability. Report about the success of the Green Goal for WFC 2022 is still not ready, as myclimate.com has had severe personnel issues.

## 10. Quantum Consultancy: Review on the event studies (TK)

Mr. Kalsta made a review of the event evaluation report from the WFC 2022 and how to use it in the marketing work.

## 11. Country updates (ALL)

Mr. Urbar (CZE) made a short report of the school tournaments Subterra Cup organised by the Czech Floorball for primary (700 teams) and high schools (over 1000 teams). This is a financial opportunity with the sponsorship and focus on social questions.

There is a project to find a way to consolidate all different data sets for the Czech Floorball players into one system, so that there could be just one login for these persons.

The Czech Floorball has built one ticketing system for all league games and the national team games, in order to get the data from the fans buying tickets.

The Czech SuperFinal got a sponsor for the penalty benches, based on the experience from the Zurich (WFC 2022) penalty benches.

Mr. Toivonen informed that the Finnish federation has after making a deal with the sport dealership XXL rebranded the result service page into their green colour and introduced the Inssi divari (Engineer I-division) renamed due to the sponsorship with the Engineer trade union cooperation. This season league MVP players (male and female) also now get a car for three months from the sponsor Kamux (car dealer).

Ms. Kjellberg told about the activities with their sponsors. Obos (housing company) is sponsoring branded floorball equipment for juniors and “yard” games. The goal for them is to increase their brand awareness in the floorball community. They have also extended their partnership with the recycling entity Returpack/Pantamera. The sponsor aims to increase the overall recycling activity which has proven to grow through the partnership. The cooperation

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has many facets: clubs can earn money by collecting recyclables (deposit bottles/cans) in special return bags. There are branded junior leagues, junior MVP players and clubs and activations at events (branded obstacle course).

Mr. Urbar expressed that we need to use the opportunity with the Women's FIFA World Cup in 2025 in Australia and New Zealand, so there will be more focus on women's sport in 2025.

Ms. Kjellberg asked if there has been a "Floorball family" sponsors meeting meaning national sponsor cross boarder event. As the answer was no it was agreed that such could be during the WFC 2024 to show what the Floorball family is all about. Mr. Liljelund proposed to build it so that we would have an international part and then each federation could have their own program.

Mr. Falett informed that the Swiss association is planning to build a crowd funding project for the players and clubs, via their Mobile App to support teams together with a partner, which will handle all the financial transactions.

The Swiss SuperFinal will be played until 2027, as 20 out of 24 clubs wanted to continue. The SUHV is looking to refresh the concept and play in the area of the language boarder between German and French speaking people in Fribourg in 2024. The last seven editions have been played in the same venue / location (Kloten).

Mr. Kalsta informed that with PUMA as a new IFF sponsor, IFF together with Floorball Germany will on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July organise a "Try Floorball Day" at the PUMA HQ.

### **12. Any other questions (JB)**

Mr. Niklas asked how to deal with WFC 2023 TV, as the TV times are quite problematic for the European countries. As reply Mr Liljelund explained the procedure with wishes and requests from NFs, LOC and broadcasters.

### **13. Next CCMNG meeting (JB)**

Mr. Beer proposed to have the next meeting in Malmö (Arena), Sweden on the 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2024.

### **14. Closing of the Meeting (JB)**

Mr. Beer thanked everyone for good discussions and preparations of the meeting.

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**Helsinki, Finland 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2023**

## **IFF Material Board meeting 2023**

**Place:** IFF Office/Teams meeting

**Time:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of June 2023, at 12:00 CET

**Participants:**

Exel (E-SG)	Matti Pöyry
FatPipe (Powerstick)	Sami Turtiainen
Oxdog (Evosport)	Joacim Bergström
Unihoc (Renew)	Torbjörn Jonsson
Salming (X3M)	Ulrika Heuvelman
RISE	Lars-Åke Henriksson
IFF	John Liljelund and Veli Halonen

### **Preliminary Agenda:**

#### **1) Welcome and opening of the Meeting**

Mr. Liljelund opened the meeting at 12:00 CET and made the Roll Call and welcomed the members participating both live and on-line.

##### *Principles of the IFF Material Board*

Mr. Liljelund reminded that the IFF Material Board is an advisory board to discuss and propose how to deal with issues with-in the Material questions in the IFF. The decisions of the MB will be given as advice to the IFF Central Board.

##### *Activities of the IFF during the previous season*

Mr. Liljelund made a short recap of the present IFF Activities

- The WFC played in Zurich was by far the best WFC in both arenas for venue and sports presentation, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> best spectator record of 155.000
- The Green Goal environmental project for the WFC set a new standard for environmental sustainability for future event, by halving the CO2 emissions compared to the WFC 2018 which was used as the benchmark.
- IFF has moved into using its own Media platform, containing an own OTT, match centre and the underlying match statistical system. The platform also gives possibilities to be used for fan engagement.

- The World Games in Birmingham was a success from both a sporting and political aspect. IFF has been granted participation for both Men and Women in the Chengdu 2025 World Games.
- IFF has approved two new member Mexico and Solomon Islands and now have 79 members.
- IFF has nine employees and one intern at the moment.
- IFF has with the Euro Floorball Cup countries have decided to change the format of the Champions Cup from a final 4 to an 8+8 team Cup with home and away matches in a North and South division.
- IFF has made a five-year deal with Puma Nordic for the referee apparel.
- The Women's WFC will be played in Singapore from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of December.
- IFF is looking to start a new Urban/Street Floorball 3vs3 game format as an entry point to the sport. Plans are to play the first 3vs3 WFC in connection to the WFC 2023

## 2) General update

Mr. Liljelund reported on the *Material Approval system financial outcome 2022*

The total revenue for the system 2022 was	CHF 209.266	(CHF 143.037)	and the costs
and the cost for running the system was	CHF 184.516	(CHF 155.323)	
giving a surplus of	CHF 24.750	(CHF -12.286)	
Out of this 80 per cent, which equals a sum	<b>CHF 19.800</b>		

for the use of the Material Board.

### *Number of sold sticks, balls and other material*

SP has on the request of IFF moved over to follow the marking of Floorball materials to a calendar year system, starting from 2011. The total for 2022 are:

Balls	1.809.577 pcs	(1.361.083 pcs)	32,9 %
Sticks	449.219 pcs	(341.743 pcs)	31,4 %
Goals	1 570 pcs	(1.590 pcs)	-1,3 %
Rinks	389 pcs	(322 pcs)	20,8 %
Face masks	300 pcs	(500 pcs)	-40,0 %

The result for 2022 was a little better than the bad result in 2021 for the whole industry as the report is autumn to autumn. Even if the market has recovered, the sales is still quite far from the pre-pandemic situation.

The MB was happy to see that the situation has returned to normal after the pandemic except in some countries, Finland being one of the countries, which is still suffering of the impact of the pandemic.

## 3) Approval of the Material Regulation 2024

Mr. Henriksson reported on the preparation of the IFF Material Regulation, edition 2024 has proceeded as planned. The manufacturers had until the end of February to come with their proposal, but there were not any proposal made by the manufacturers. The main updates concern the sampling collection according to the proposal.

From the IFF/RISE there was only a specification made concerning the 4.2. Testing and Inspection

The process for approval of the Material Regulation 2024 in the IFF CB is to be taken on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2023. Mr. Liljelund explained how the approval system works and after the decision of the IFF CB, the Material Regulations become valid according to the informed dates.

#### **4) MB Support Projects for 2023**

Mr. Liljelund gave a short report that there was no Support Projects for the 2022, due to the financial situation in 2022 after the pandemic.

For the 2023 there has been a discussion with Floorball Canada for a three-year development project for 2023 – 2025 to help with the re-organisation of the IFF Floorball federation. The Plan is to build the sport from the grassroots to the Elite level. The proposal is to support the Canadian event with a total of 10.000 CHF.

The objectives for the "floorball infrastructure" in 2023-2025. The main idea is to support for clubs and support and create for provincial and municipal floorball leagues which show potential for growth (with boards, nets, etc.). Partner with hockey associations to create Summer floorball leagues (with nets, goalie equipment, boards) and Implement floorball in high schools (grades 9-12). The creation of high-school leagues and tournaments in Canada's largest cities throughout the school year (with nets, goalie equipment, boards)

The Target for the project is that Floorball Canada should increase the number of licensed players from 330 members this season, which 100 more members than last season and 250 more than the year prior. The target is to grow back to pre-COVID numbers (400-500 members) next season and keep the same rate of growth into the following season. Floorball Canada will support the creation of at least one "pilot" municipal league next season and will look to grow to 3-5 municipalities by the following season.

Partner with at least 3 minor hockey associations to support the creation of summer 2024 floorball leagues. Looking to build on that the following year by supporting the creation of 5 such leagues in different locations in Canada.

Host at least 2 high-school tournaments next season in one municipality (as a pilot program), in the hope of garnering enough interest to create a pilot high school league the following season. Supporting high school floorball programs across Canada to adhere to provincial championship/festival eligibility criteria by the end of the 2026-2027 season (need about 100 schools with floorball programs in Ontario for example). The proposal is to support the Canadian event with a total of 10.000 CHF for 2023 and continue the project in both 2024 and 2025, based on the continued plans.

As the topic of sustainability and responsibility in sport is increasing, the IFF proposes to use the other part of the support funds for development of the IFF FairFloorball campaign. The proposal is to support the IFF FairFloorball campaign with 9.000 CHF.

The Material Board approved the reports and the proposed actions.

#### **5) Organisation of the collection of Materials for the SP Surveillance Tests**

Mr. Henriksson gave a short report of the collection of the materials for surveillance tests and that have worked quite well in most cases. There have however been some small issues with some of the companies, due to the lack of newer products.

As decided that the IFF and RISE will collect the materials for the surveillance tests directly from the wear-houses. IFF/RISE proposes that we will continue the collection of the materials from the manufacturer's warehouses and/or from the special stories also during this year in 2022. Mr. Jonsson asked if also the products of the smaller companies have been collected for the testing. Mr. Henriksson said that there have been some small issues and Mr. Liljelund proposed that he together with Mr. Henriksson come up with a proposal to the IFF Material Board.

#### **6) Other issues**

IFF is to inform that we will continue the process with the possibility for players 190 cm or longer to play with oversized sticks. There are now 165 players using this option.

Social Media:

It is important to embed and share the IFF videos, as we need to show the sports community that we are bringing added value as a sport and through its fans. There have been some issues with the crediting of the IFF for use of video material from the IFF Events and with the correct #hashtags. The IFF rules needs to be followed, as IFF owns all social media rights of its Events.

Mr. Turtiainen raised the question about the approval process with RISE. He felt that the present system is relatively complex and requires extra work and bureaucracy. Mr. Liljelund replied that the RISE certification department and there have been a lot of delays concerning certain materials, but the stick approval has worked much faster. Mr. Liljelund told that the IFF needs to have someone outside the IFF to test the materials. He also said that in the future be an IFF approval, safety goggles and goalkeeper helmets excluded, because they need to be official certified by a legal entity, which is legally allowed to grant certifications.

Mr. Henriksson explained that the approval system for goggles and helmets is under the umbrella of the EU for the CE-marking. Mr. Liljelund proposed that all the members of the MB would start to think about the possibilities and proposals to renovate the approval system and the IFF would invite a separate meeting in autumn 2023 to consider the new ideas.

#### **7) Next meeting**

The brainstorm meeting will take place in November 2023 and the next ordinary meeting will be held latest in May-June 2024, IFF will call the meeting at a later stage.

#### **8) Closing of the meeting**

Mr. Liljelund thanked the members for a good meeting and closed the meeting at 12:50 CET.



# Major changes to Material Regulations

Certification Rules for IFF-marking of  
Floorball Equipment SPCR 011

**Edition 2024**

## **Interpretation of the Material Regulations.**

If the need to interpret Material Regulations between two editions occurs,  
can this be done 2 times / year (in May and December).

Valid from July 1, 2024

## 4.2 Testing and Inspection

### 4.2.1 Sampling

It's decided, by the IFF Development Board, that the IFF and RISE will be sampling the materials for the surveillance tests directly from the manufacturer for free and will be carried out in co-operation with the certification holder.

Sampling shall be carried out in such a way as to ensure that all certified products are inspected approximately once in every five years.

The sampling can be done either at the certification holder's warehouse or at another place pointed out by the certification holder (e.g., sport-shop or the like) for free and in according to a specified sampling / testing plan.

The sampling of certified products can also take place by purchase on the open market. Both ways to be performed by RISE and / or IFF.

It is important that the sampling is performed in an impartial manner.

It is also important that the samples are not older than 1 year (last season) at the time of sampling, to be considered representative of today's production. Only in exceptional cases can older samples be accepted.

If the sampling is carried out at the certificate holders and his warehouse or designated place, staff from RISE and / or IFF shall perform the sampling without the influence of the certificate holder.

If the sample is taken from a warehouse that the certificate holder has rented space from, the warehouse's own staff can carry out the sampling if this can be done without the involvement of the certificate holder. Suitably, the warehouse staff hands over the sample to RISE and / or IFF directly inside or outside the warehouse.

# MATERIAL REGULATIONS

# DRAFT 2024



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# Preface

## Certification rules for IFF-marking Floorball Equipment

Certification involves confirmation by an independent third party that a product fulfils requirements set out in standards or some other form of specification. Certification by RISE is performed by RISE Certification, a department that is separate from the testing and inspection departments. Certification of products by RISE is performed in accordance with EN ISO/IEC 17065.

RISE, as an appointed certification body by IFF, can certify products for the IFF-mark. This certification means that the product fulfils technical requirements and that there is a continuous surveillance. The certification rules herein specify the conditions for certification, technical requirements for Floorball equipment. The technical requirements are verified by testing in accordance with SP-method 1506. The continuous surveillance consists of testing of samples purchased on the open market or factory samples.

The certification rules are based on applicable standards or specifications but may be subject to review henceforth e.g., for adjustment to European or international standards. A review can also be legitimate if new regulations are introduced or because of new information gained from applying certification rules.

The certification rules and reviews of the rules will always be subject to approval of IFF.

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# Conditions for Certification of Floorball Equipment

## 0 The certification processes

### 0.1 Scope

The scope of the certification rules presented in this document is solely intended for Floorball equipment used for league play in accordance with IFF's rulebook. It contains technical requirements and procedures for continuous surveillance.

These certification rules comprise the following activities:

1. Evaluation of the products properties.
2. Setting up an agreement to ensure that type tested and approved equipment for floorball are manufactured according to SPCR 011, and that the manufacturer will comply with the latest issue of SPCR 011 in all aspects, and the criteria regarding continuous surveillance.
3. Issuing of a certificate.
4. Continuous surveillance of certified products by testing of samples taken from the manufacturers warehouse or bought from the open market.

when steps 1 and 2 are completed.

If products, e.g., face protectors, are covered by other regulations, such as EU Directives / Regulations, this will not be checked through this certification procedure.

### 0.2 Application

The process starts with an application from the manufacturer or supplier.

### 0.3 Review of application

When reviewing the application, RISE review that the application is complete, and that the application can be handled within this rule. The review may mean that RISE cannot accept the assignment, which is then communicated to the applicant with a justification. If the application is adopted, this is communicated to the applicant through an order confirmation.

### 0.4 Sampling and test samples

The manufacturer is responsible for the sampling. Test samples shall be representative of the normal production. If the test samples are prototypes, they shall be representative of the intended future production and shall be selected by the manufacturer. Additional verifying testing can be necessary from production if prototype samples are type-tested. When the certification shall cover a range of sizes, testing of samples in different sizes may be necessary.

### 0.5 Evaluation

During the evaluation process, the product is checked to ensure it has been manufactured in accordance with the technical data, and that it meets the requirements in section 2. The evaluation process includes tests and examinations that are carried out to the extent that the requirements specify. The evaluation includes a review of labelling and information to the user etc. In cases where the product and/or documentation shows deficiencies, i.e., does not meet the requirements, the evaluation may be cancelled.

The evaluation process also includes a check of the agreement about that the manufacturer will comply with the latest issue of SPCR 011 in all aspects, and the criteria regarding continuous surveillance is set up and signed.

## **0.6 Review and decision**

The result of the evaluation is summarized, and the result is reviewed. If the result of the review is approved, the process proceeds to the decision phase. When a decision on certification has been taken, a certificate is issued to the applicant. The certificate will also be listed on RISE or IFFs website with information about the certified product and the manufacturer. The certificate document will not be published.

## **0.7 Certificate**

The validity of the certificate presumes that no changes are made to the certified product, that the certification rules are not modified and that the requirements for certification are continuously fulfilled. See sections 2-5.

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# 1 Requirements, general

All corresponding related to testing and certification shall be done in written English.

## 1.1 Requirements and rules

### 1.1.1 Application

Application for certification is to be made in writing and should be accompanied by:

- **Technical data** including test report, drawings, product description(s), assembly instructions if required etc. These documents are to contain the following information:
  - **Test report.** The test report is to demonstrate that the technical requirements are met in accordance with chapter 2. The report should not be more than two years old on application.
  - **Drawings.** The main drawing with the dimensions specified by SP-method 1506 being the minimum.
  - **Product description.** Description of primary material content unless included in the drawing.
  - **Assembly instructions.** Required for sideboards, goals, and face protectors.
  - **Miscellaneous.** Drawings, product descriptions and assembly instructions are to be provided with name or number and with the date as well as latest revision date.
- **Declaration** from the manufacturer that the in-house inspection will ensure that only products meeting the requirements will be placed on the market, bearing the mark.
- **Proposal for marking** according to section 1.2 (see also appendix A4, Application form for certification).

A non-complete application can mean that RISE will reject the application.

### 1.1.2 Supplier's In-House Inspection

The supplier shall have an internal inspection system and shall, on request, provide details of the system. See chapter 3.

### 1.1.3 Agreement

An agreement must be reached between RISE and the supplier. See appendix A7.

### 1.1.4 Period of Validity for Certificate

The period of validity for certificate is five years. The holder of the certificate will be notified three months before the certificate is due to expire and asked which certificates (if any) he wishes to be extended. The period of validity can be extended after application from certificate holder followed by a limited evaluation. Presuming that the products are not modified, the certification rules are not significantly changed, and the surveillance has been performed without remarks, the extension can be done without further testing. If there have been any changes, a new testing can be necessary. The testing will then be limited to the parts that are changed.

### **1.1.5 Modification of Certified Product**

The holder of the certificate shall, before making any alteration to the design or materials, notify RISE in writing of such intended alterations. RISE will decide on the resulting necessary response: examples of such response include renewed testing and modification of the certificate.

A change of product name will result in a need to modify the certificate. Certificates may show several names for the same product. It applies to balls, goals, rinks, face protectors and goggles. For sticks, all modification of brand and model names that are connected to the certificate will be done by revising the database of certified Floorball equipment.

### **1.1.6 Rules for transfer of a brand/s to other company and responsibility before new certificates can be issued**

The reason for the transfer of brand/s to other companies can be e.g., due to takeovers, license withdrawal, bankruptcy, etc.

In a transfer of a brand/s, in addition to the general rules (see section 5.6), the new company must take responsibility for the brand/s outstanding debt related to the IFF-marking system, before the new certificates can be issued.

### **1.1.7 Rules for current license holders before new certificates can be issued**

Current license holders must take responsibility for outstanding debt related to both testing / certification and the IFF-marking system, before the new or revised certificates can be issued.

### **1.1.8 Rules for current license holders with payment problems and debts to IFF/RISE over 5.000 CHF**

Any license holders, with outstanding debts for more than 5.000 CHF to IFF/RISE will be put on notice and will need to pre-pay the marking costs (see also section 1.3.1) and testing costs.

As a second step IFF will decide a final pay date for all the existing debts. If the debts are not paid by then, IFF will not allow the licence holder to test new products, Test Stop.

The Test Stop can only be lifted by decision of IFF.

### **1.1.9 Rules for exemptions**

The number of exemptions should be kept as low as possible, to simplify the situation for the referees.

Many exemptions also weaken the system of Certified Floorball Equipment.

But in some cases, dispenser may need to be used, and these cases are listed below:

Apply for an exemption is possible in the following cases:

- If a new requirement is introduced and new ways of working is needed.
- If a new requirement is introduced and engraving is needed,
- If a new requirement is introduced and long lead times are required.
- Minor deviations from the requirements that are deemed to still be safe to play with.

Apply for an exemption is not possible in the following cases:

- Requests to mix shafts and blades between different brands.
- Requests to sell out stocks.

An administrative fee of CHF 300 is to be paid for each exemption.

## 1.2 IFF-Marking, general

Marking is to contain the certification mark as shown below. Stick manufacturers can print the certification mark as a part of the Brand name / Model name sticker / print, see section 1.3.1 The certification mark's type and placement for each product type is to be in line with the following:

Stick	sticker on the shaft of the stick, between the grip binding and shaft / blade attachment point. See section 1.3.
Blade	embossed mark on the blade's surface, see section 1.3.5.
Ball	embossed mark on the ball's surface, see section 1.4.
Goals	sticker around the goal crossbar, see section 1.5.
Rink	sticker on the back of each sideboard section, See section. 1.6.

Sizes: 37±2 mm x 15±2 mm or as specified in the design below, for sticks.  
45 x 19 mm, face protectors.  
90 x 38 mm, for goals and rinks.  
(see appendix A5, Order form for certification marks).



Certification marking for Goals and Rinks



Certification marking for sticks.  
(layout of the self-printed black and white version)



Certification marking for sticks.  
(optional layout of the self-printed black and white version)



Certification marking for sticks.  
(optional layout of the self-printed black and white version)

XXXXXX = The certification- or family certification- number of the stick.  
YY = The manufacturing year.

From May 1, 2022, a slightly changed certificate numbering will be started for new companies.  
FXXXXX = The certification number of the stick.  
YY = The manufacturing year.

E.g. 105804/22 or F00101/22

Products that have been certified and began production of the period October to December are permitted to be labelled with the following year marking.

Technical information:

Size	Colour code
37±2 mm x 15±2 mm.	Teal CMYK 81 / 0 / 39 / 0
	Teal PANTONE 326

### 1.2.1 Non-acceptable brand names / model names

To avoid misunderstandings / incorrect market advantages, etc. of words or expressions that can be, without a specific IFF permission, perceived as the IFF agrees / favours one product before others. A list of non-acceptable words or expressions are listed below.  
The listing is not comprehensive, so in case of any doubt contact the IFF for a statement.

#### List of non-acceptable words or expressions

International Floorball, IFF, WFC, World Championship, Euro Championship, Asia Championship, World Floorball, Tournament, Global, Recommended, Game, etc.

### 1.2.2 Accounting reports

Three time a year the manufacturers will have to send in accounting reports of the quantity of sold Floorball sticks and balls with certification marking during the following periods:

- January – April, accounting reports must be sent in at latest May 21<sup>st</sup>.
- May – August, accounting reports must be sent in at latest September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- September – December, accounting reports must be sent in at latest January 21<sup>st</sup> following year.

The accounting report form will be available for downloading from Manufactures Information Web Site. The manufacturer's person authorized to sign for the company as well as the companies Certified public accountant must sign the accounting report. The accounting report must be RISE available within three weeks after each period. See also section 4.6.5 concerning sanctions.

It is very essential that these reports for sticks and balls are correct and sent in time.

### 1.2.3 New IFF logo

The new official IFF certification mark design is now available for download, in various formats, on the Manufactures Information Web Site. For companies who have adopted the new marking system must not later than 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2018, use the new design.

## 1.3 Stick, Shaft and Blade

Marking is to contain the certification mark as shown in point 1.2. Stick manufactures can print the certification mark as a part of the Brand name / Model name sticker / print.

The certification mark placement for each stick, blade is to be in line with the following:

Stick Sticker on the shaft of the stick, between the grip binding and shaft / blade attachment point.

Blade Embossed mark on the blade's surface.

Sizes: 37±2 mm x 15±2 mm, for sticks.  
(see appendix A5, Order form for certification marks).

### **1.3.1 Marking of stick**

For new companies, in the first year after received its first certificate the IFF-mark must be purchased and applied to the shaft.

In the first year, it is appropriate that a marking proposal include the IFF-mark are developed. The proposal must be presented and approved by the certification body (RISE).

If the company would prefer to continue to purchase IFF-mark, it is also an opportunity.

From year two and with an approved marking proposal, it is possible to switch over to self-printing the certification mark as a part of the Brand name / Model name sticker / print.

If companies do not pay for the reported number of sold IFF-marked products in time and have debts exceeding CHF 5,000, the possibility of self-marking will be withdrawn. The company must return to purchase the IFF-mark and advance payment will be used.

The brand name in question shall be included as a prefix- or a suffix in the name of the stick and the blade shall be marked accordingly with the brand name. The sticker / print must be performed in a resistant material, e.g., paper, and similar materials are not allowed. The manufacturer is not allowed to change the dimension of the mark more than within below stated sizes, not change the design, colour, grey scale, or black and white version of the mark. The background of the mark must not be white or transparent but have a good contrast to the IFF logotype, text, and number, either it is performed in colour, grey scale or black and white. The number on the certification mark is to be the same as the stick's certification number or the family-certification number followed by manufacturing year.

### **1.3.2 General Rules for the Floorball Stick**

Any combination of shafts and blades between different brands are not allowed. Further, it is not permitted to sell or use IFF-certified and approved shafts with non-approved or non-IFF-marked blades. Nor is it permitted to sell or use non-approved shafts together with IFF-marked and approved blades or non-approved blades that are still IFF-marked.

All the above combinations are therefore not allowed to be sold on the marked or used in any official matches. It is of utmost importance that these rules are to be followed.

All legal combinations of shafts/blades can be found in the database for certified equipment on IFF's homepage.

If a shaft is to be shorted; the shaft must be shorted from the top of the shaft. It is not legal to shortening the shaft from the bottom (shaft/blade connection point) of the shaft.

### **1.3.3 Name of certificate holder**

Name of certificate holder is to be printed on the sticks. The name can be shown as company name and telephone No. and/or an internet address. The font size must be readable and preferably be placed on the backside of the shaft.

### **1.3.4 Uniformed stick measurement**

The length of the stick must be uniformed. The length to be communicated to the customers is the length of the stick measured as described in appendix A1 section 5.2.4. Stick length can be but do not need to be printed on the shaft; the stick length can be shown on a separate sticker or on the knob. Make sure that all new sticks produced after July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 is carrying the new uniformed stick measurement.

### 1.3.5 Embossed mark for blade

The IFF-mark must be shown as an embossed marking on the blade. The font size must be 5 mm. Make sure that all new moulding tools are carrying the IFF-mark.

The brand name of the blade must be shown as an embossed marking on the blade. The font size must be at least 5 mm in height. Make sure that all new moulding tools have the brand name engraved and all blades are carrying the brand name. Companies can apply for an exemption from the marking for a period of maximum two years.

The IFF logo consists of the letters 'I', 'F', and 'F' in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters are closely spaced and have a slightly shadowed or 3D effect.

**Embossed Certification  
mark for blade**

IFF Embossed Certification mark

The official IFF certification mark design for embossed marking of blade is available for download, on the Manufactures Information Web Site.

### 1.3.6 Shaft certificate

All brand/model names linked to the shaft certificate are to be found both in the certificate and in the database of Certified Floorball Equipment. The shafts characteristics are only shown in the shaft certificate.

All brand/model names placed on the market must be registered both in the certificate and in the database.

## 1.4 Ball, Marking and Rules

Marking is to contain the certification mark as shown below. The certification mark placement for the ball is to be in line with the following:

Ball Embossed mark on the ball's surface.

Size: Readable.

### 1.4.1 Embossed mark for ball

The IFF-mark must be shown as an embossed marking on the ball. The font size must be readable. All new moulding tools for balls must adopt the new marking requirement.

Companies must gradual replace the old embossed IFF logo, the final date was set to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

The IFF logo consists of the letters 'I', 'F', and 'F' in a bold, sans-serif font. The letters are closely spaced and have a slightly shadowed or 3D effect.

**Embossed Certification  
mark for ball**

IFF Embossed Certification mark

The official IFF certification mark design for embossed marking of blade is available for download, on the Manufactures Information Web Site.

### 1.4.2 Ball colour

IFF reserves the exclusive right to the colour of the official IFF Match ball. If IFF decides to use its exclusive right, it will have to be made for two years at the time and included in the Material Regulations.

## 1.5 Goal, Marking and Rules

Marking is to contain the certification mark as shown below

The certification mark placement for the goal is to be in line with the following:

Goal Sticker around the goal crossbar.

Size: 90 x 38 mm, for goals and rinks  
(see appendix A5, Order form for certification marks).

### 1.5.1 Name of certificate holder

Name of certificate holder is to be printed on the goals. The name can be shown as company name and telephone No. and/or an internet address. The font size for goals must be readable and preferably be placed on the backside of the goal.

## 1.6 Rinks, Marking and Rules

Marking is to contain the certification mark as shown below

The certification mark placement for the rink is to be in line with the following:

Rink: sticker on the back of each sideboard section.

Size: 90 x 38 mm, for goals and rinks  
(see appendix A5, Order form for certification marks).

### 1.6.1 Name of certificate holder

Name of certificate holder is to be printed on the rinks. The name can be shown as company name and telephone No. and/or an internet address. The font size for rinks must be readable and preferably be placed on the backside of the rink. The rink corner sections need to be marked; all other rink sections are optionally.

## 1.7 Face Protector grille, Embossed marking

The testing and certification of the Face Protector Grille will be handled via "RISE MET 5681, Face Protectors for Floorball goalkeepers". But the IFF-mark must still be shown on the left side of the Face Protector grill. The font size must be readable, see also section 2.5.1. and RISE MET 5681, Face Protectors for Floorball goalkeepers".



**Embossed Certification  
mark for Face Protector  
grille**

IFF Embossed Certification mark

The official IFF certification mark design for embossed marking of blade is available for download, on the Manufactures Information Web Site.

## 1.8 Floorball Accessories

Floorball accessories can, on voluntary basis, be accepted for sanctioned use together with certified Floorball equipment, under special circumstances. The special circumstances and technical requirement will be published on IFF Floorball Equipment web site in each specific case. The acceptance fulfils IFF's requirements for using IFF's logotype together with following text "Recommended by IFF" on the specified Floorball accessories, package, and promotion material. All upcoming and accepted Floorball accessories will be listed on IFF's Floorball Equipment web site. The list will show type of accessories and the limitation of use and/or a recommendation when to use it.

## 2 Technical Requirements - Type Testing and Criteria

Type testing is carried out with reference to certain attributes as follows:  
(see appendix A3, Application form for testing).

### 2.1 Stick incl. the Blade

Sticks (6 items of each type) are tested according to SP-method 1506, point 5.2 (see appendix A1), and are assessed according to the following requirements.

All the tested sticks are to meet the requirements.

#### 2.1.1 Stick Design

To avoid injury to other players, the stick is to be designed without rough edges, protruding supports or other sharp parts of the shaft or blade of the stick. The stick is to be designed as one-piece. If the stick is not designed as one-piece, the blade is to have a fixed mounting to the shaft by means of prefabricated hole, using rivet or screw (unfixed, snap lock, etc. are prohibited). For straightness (see appendix B1) - the stick shaft is, when unloaded, to be fitted within two imaginary parallel lines. The distance between the lines is to be 50 mm. The grip line is to be marked for minimum 80 % of the shaft circumference. The grip line is to have a good contrast to the background colour.

The stick is to be carrying the uniformed length measuring system as described in section 1.3.2.6 and appendix A1 section 5.2.4.

The stick blade main construction and outermost surface is to be produced in thermoplastic materials without fillers or reinforcements such as e.g., milled fibres. This is to ensure that the blade does not damage the playing surface. It is permissible to use colour pigments.

Antioxidants, UV-absorbing additives etc. can also be used to prevent polymer degradation. The blade construction can consist of other plastic materials/laminates than the used thermoplastic materials.

The other plastic materials/laminates are to be centred in the middle of the blade, and may not be placed closer to the blade edge (playing surface) than the thickness of the lower blade frame or a minimum distance of 4 mm. This is to ensure that the playing surface is not damaged when the blade material is worn out. Make sure that the other plastic materials/laminates will be well anchored (moulded) into the surrounding blade structure and that all the edges are protected. The other plastic materials/laminates are limited to 1/3\* of the blades total area\* but shall not cover the entire upper part of the blade horizontally. The ability to twist and hook the blade must be maintained. Otherwise, it can be placed where the manufacturer chooses. (see appendix B6).

The largest single open area of the other plastic materials/laminates is limited to 5 cm<sup>2</sup>. The other plastic materials/laminates may have a larger total area but then need to be covered with one or more blade grooves; so, no single open areas are exceeded.

The other plastic materials/laminates should always be protected by a surrounding thermoplastic material and may never be the outermost material, which first meets the ball, another stick, etc. either on the forehand or backhand side.

The limitations will protect the playing surface, secure the blade to be able to twist when stepped upon must allow hooking of the blade.

The blade is to have embossed prints. The marking is to be of such proportions and design that the information is clearly visible and is not removed under play. The print size may not be less than 5 mm in height. The embossed print is to be uncoloured.

\* The manufacturer must provide the test house the blade's total area and the area of other plastic materials/laminates used in the blade. Preferably by a calculation performed via the CAD-program and shown in the drawing.

#### 2.1.2 Stick Weight

The complete stick incl. the blade must not weigh more than 380 g with binding.

### 2.1.3 Stick Dimensions

The stick is to be designed with dimensions according to appendices B1 and B2. The shaft may be strapped above the grip line, but approval marks or other possible official marks must not be covered. It is permissible to divide the grip binding into two or more parts. The shaft must have a knob closing it. It is permissible to have other shaping (e.g., hexagonal, octahedral) on the upper 50 % of the shaft length. The upper 50 % of the shaft length must be covered by a grip binding if the shaft's curve radius is less than 6 mm.

The dimensions must conform to the standard.

a) stick length	max 1140 mm
b) the shaft's curve radius	min 6 mm
c) the shaft's diameter	max 35 mm
d) length to grip line marking	375 <sup>+20</sup> / <sub>-20</sub> mm
e) width of grip line design	min 2 mm and max 40 mm *
f) blade bottom edge radius	max 270 mm
g) blade edge radius	min 2 mm
h) blade length	max 270 mm
i) blade thickness	min 8 mm
j) blade height	min 72 mm and max 80 mm and passing through blade height measuring device.
k) blade penetration depth	max 20 mm
l) blade concavity depth	max 12 mm
m) shaft straightness	within 50 mm

\* It is still legal to use a 10 mm wide grip line marking.

### 2.1.4 Shaft Rigidity

#### 2.1.4.1 Shaft Rigidity Method A, shafts 850mm to 1040mm (sticks 950mm – 1140mm).

The shaft should deflect by at least 23 mm under a load of 300 N measured as mean value of three deflections in each direction (horizontal and vertical). No individual value may be less than 17 mm for the most rigid direction of the shaft. The shaft should and tolerate a deflection of at least 60 mm in the most flexible direction without cracking or fracturing. The shaft's resulting deformation following deflection should not exceed 6 mm.

#### 2.1.4.2 Shaft Rigidity Method B, shafts 650mm to 849mm (sticks 750mm – 949mm).

The shaft should deflect by at least 10 mm under a load of 300 N measured as mean value of three deflections in each direction (horizontal and vertical). No individual value may be less than 8 mm for the most rigid direction of the shaft. The shaft should and tolerate a deflection of at least 30 mm in the most flexible direction without cracking or fracturing. The shaft's resulting deformation following deflection should not exceed 3,5 mm.

### 2.1.5 Shaft and Blade Impact Strength

Shaft: Visible cracks or fractures should not occur.

Blade: Visible cracks, fractures, loose parts, or parts that fall away from the blade should not occur.

### 2.1.6 Blade Radii

The blade's peripheral radius should not be less than 2 mm.

The blade's bottom edge radius should not be greater than 270 mm.

### 2.1.7 Blade Discoloration onto Playing Surface

Discoloration on the playing surface should be no more than 10%. The discoloration shall be easily removed with the help of paper, water, and simple cleaning agent. The lacquered surface may have a slightly matt finish.

### 2.1.8 Blade Torsion Strength

Visible cracks, fractures, loose parts, or parts that fall away from the blade should not occur.

## 2.2 Ball

The balls (10 of each type) are tested according to the SP-method 1506, section 5.3 (see appendix A1), and are assessed according to the following requirements. The ball can have only one colour outside and can have a second colour inside. IFF approves balls for IFF events and have reserves the exclusivity for its official match ball colours. (see paragraph 1.4.2).

National federations can approve other than white, vanilla, or red balls for play in national series. All the tested balls are to meet the requirements.

### 2.2.1 Ball Weight

The ball is to weight  $23 \pm 1$  grams.

### 2.2.2 Ball Dimensions

The ball is to be designed with dimensions according to appendix B3.

The dimensions must conform to the standard.

- |   |                |
|---|----------------|
| a) ball diameter                            | $72 \pm 1$ mm  |
| b) hole diameter                            | $10 \pm 1$ mm  |
| c) the hole's internal placement at joint   | no requirement |
| d) the hole's internal placement over joint | $c/2 \pm 2$ mm |

### 2.2.3 Ball Surface Fineness

The ball's surface is to be even, negative embossed pattern up to 0.5 mm are allowed, but the surface and negative embossed pattern fineness is to be between  $Ra\ 1-5\ \mu m$ . Any protruding unevenness over 0.5 mm from the surface of the ball should not be present at the joint.

### 2.2.4 Number of Holes

The ball is to have 26 holes.

### 2.2.5 Breaking Stress

The ball's material is to tolerate a breaking stress of  $6.0\ N/mm^2$  as a minimum, and  $1.5\ N/mm^2$  over the joint.

### 2.2.6 Rebound

The ball's rebound is to be  $790 \pm 50$  mm.

### 2.2.7 Ball Marking

The ball is to have a negative IFF embossed print (see also point 1.3.2.4). The marking is to be of such proportions and design that the information is clearly visible and is not removed under play. The negative embossed print is to have the same colour as the ball.

The ball can have one print or negative embossed print in direct connection to the joint, showing the manufactures name or the product name. The font size must be maximum 5 mm in height. The print or negative embossed print can have a different colour. The prints should not take up more than 1/10th of the ball's surface.

## 2.3 Goal

Beside the official match goal (1600 x 1150 mm) three other goal sizes (1200 x 900 mm, 900 x 600 mm, and 600 x 450 mm) can be certified. Goals (1 of each type) are tested to SP-method 1506, section 5.4 (see appendix A1), and are assessed according to following requirements.

### 2.3.1 General Design

The goals are to be red and constructed with metal tubing. The goal is to be designed without a metal bar for holding the drop-net. If the goals are not designed as single unit, the metal tubes are to have a fixed mounting to each other by means of prefabricated holes, using self-locking screws or nuts (unfixed are prohibited). The fixed mounting is to have no sharp outstanding points. The drop net is to cover the entire width of the goal, be placed  $200 \pm 25$  mm behind the goal frame bar and permanently fixed at the top. There is no restriction regarding net colours.

### 2.3.2 Goal Dimensions

The goal is to be designed with dimensions according to appendix B4. The radii of the goal, excluding those at the base of the goal, should not be under the diameter of the tubing. All the dimensions must conform to the standard.

	<u>1600 x 1150</u>	<u>1200 x 900</u>	<u>900 x 600</u>	<u>600 x 450</u>
a) goal width	$1600 \pm 5$ mm	$1200 \pm 5$ mm	$900 \pm 5$ mm	$600 \pm 5$ mm
b) goal height	$1150 \pm 5$ mm	$900 \pm 5$ mm	$600 \pm 5$ mm	$450 \pm 5$ mm
c) back bar diameter	$20 \pm 2$ mm	$20 \pm 2$ mm	$20 \pm 2$ mm	$20 \pm 2$ mm
d) goal frame diameter	$32 \pm 1$ mm	$22 \pm 2$ mm	$22 \pm 2$ mm	$22 \pm 2$ mm
e) lower goal depth	$650 \pm 20$ mm	$520 \pm 20$ mm	$480 \pm 20$ mm	$420 \pm 20$ mm
f) goal corner radius	$100 \pm 20$ mm (radius of central axis)			
g) upper goal depth	$400 \pm 50$ mm	$350 \pm 50$ mm	$300 \pm 50$ mm	$250 \pm 50$ mm

### 2.3.3 Goal Weight

The goal with net is to weigh:	<u>1600 x 1150</u>	<u>1200 x 900</u>	<u>900 x 600</u>	<u>600 x 450</u>
	$12 \pm 1.0$ kg	$6 \pm 1.0$ kg	$3 \pm 0,5$ kg	$3 \pm 0,5$ kg

### 2.3.4 Pad Discoloration onto Playing Surface

The pads should not leave traces of paint on the playing surface, apply to all goal sizes. The pads are to be white.

### 2.3.5 Drop Net Strength

Net and fastening device are to be intact, apply to all goal sizes.

### 2.3.6 Net Mesh Size

### 2.3.7 The mesh should be min 40 x 40 mm and max 50 mm x 50 mm, apply to all goal sizes. Drop Net Length and Mounting / Positioning

The drop net length is to be such that the bottom edge hangs between a min of 0 mm and a max of 50 mm from the playing surface. The drop net shall be placed and fixed  $200 \pm 25$  mm behind the goal frame bar and looking from the front the drop net shall be fixed symmetrical in the middle in the goal and cover the entire width of the goal (see appendix B7), this applies to all goal sizes.

## 2.4 Rink

Rink (2 straight sections of each type) is tested according to SP-method 1506, point 5.5 (see appendix A1), and are assessed according to following requirements. All the tested rink sections are to meet the requirements. There is no restriction regarding rink colours.

### 2.4.1 Rink Dimensions

The rinks are to be designed with dimensions as shown in appendix B5. All the dimensions must conform to the standard.

a) rink height	$500 \pm 10$ mm
b) distance from rink bottom edge to playing surface	max 6 mm (including pads etc.)

## 2.4.2 Rink Radii

The rinks are to be designed with dimensions as shown in appendix B5. All the dimensions must conform to the standard.

c) rink top edge radius	min 17.5 mm, rounded back edge
d) section edge radius	$3 \pm 1$ mm
e) rink corner radius	$2000 \pm 500$ mm

## 2.4.3 Rink Section Fitment

The rinks are to be designed with dimensions according to appendix B5. All the dimensions must conform to the standard.

f) rink width of joint	$2 \pm 2$ mm
g) rink horizontal parallelism	$2 \pm 2$ mm
h) rink vertical parallelism	$2 \pm 2$ mm

## 2.4.4 Rink Surface Fineness

To avoid injury to players, the rinks are to be designed so that no rough edges, protruding supports, or other sharp objects are present.

## 2.4.5 Impact Test

Following the carrying out of tests, no rough edges, protruding supports or other sharp objects that could cause injury to players is to be evident.

## 2.4.6 Ball Rebound against Rink

Minimum 75 % rebound factor in accordance with appendix B5, section 2.2.6.

## 2.4.7 Rink weight per running meter

Maximum 5,5 kg

## 2.5 Face Protector Grille

The protection level is intended to protect against stick blade penetration and/or a direct hit from a ball and/or accidental hits by the stick blade.

Grilles mounted on a Face Protector are tested according to "RISE MET 5681, Face Protectors for Floorball goalkeepers", and are assessed according to requirements set out in the test-method. The whole or part of the Face Protector grille can be produced of impact resistance, transparent plastic. All the tested Face Protector grilles are to meet the requirements.

Guidelines for the measurement of grille openings in the match situation (see appendix A10).

### 2.5.1 Face Protector Grille Marking

To avoid the face protector grille is changed to a non-approved grille, the grille must have a negative IFF embossed marking. The IFF-marking is to be stamped or broken through marking stamped onto or laser cut-out metal plate and welded/hard-soldered to the net, placed on the left side of the grille. The marking must be of such proportions and design that the information is clearly visible and is not removed under play.

### 2.5.2 Other Requisite Markings (only valid within the European Union)

A face Protector with a grille intended to be used in Floorball is considered as a Personal Protective Equipment, PPE. By that, it must be CE-marked and fulfil the requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/425. There is no harmonised standard for Floorball face protectors' grills, so RISE has developed an own test method, "RISE MET 5681, Face Protectors for Floorball goalkeepers" for those products, which makes it possible to issue an EU-type examination certificate.

### 3 Supplier's In-House Inspection

The supplier is to have an in-house inspection guaranteeing products marked with the certification mark meet the requirements in the certification rules. The certificate holder shall state this in a declaration.

The following testing and inspection procedures are to be included in the in-house inspection.

Product type	Attribute (testing and requirements, see chapter 2)	Min allowed frequency
Stick	design weight dimensions shaft rigidity	1/100 manufactured
Ball	weight dimensions surface fineness	1/1000 manufactured 1/100 manufactured *
Goals	dimensions weight	1/10 manufactured
Rink	dimensions radii fit surface fineness	1/10 manufactured

\* for small quantities, less than 2500 balls apply 1/100 manufactured.

#### 3.1 In-house journal

The model forms for internal records, as shown in section 3.1.1 - 3.1.5 are based on the minimum requirements in respect of manufacturer's own inspection that are required in accordance with SPCR 011. Manufacturers may naturally supplement these requirements with their own requirements or procedures.

##### 3.1.1 In-house journal - Ball

Date	Weight	Diameter	Hole diameter	Unevenness at joint					Sign

##### 3.1.2 In-house journal - Stick

Date	IFF sticker No.	Design	Weight	Length	Length to grip line	Width of grip line	Shaft curve radius	Rigidity	Sign

### 3.1.3 In-house journal - Goal

Date	IFF sticker No.	Weight	Width	Height					Sign

### 3.1.4 In-house journal - Rink

Date	IFF sticker No.	Height	Surface fineness	Top edge radius	Section edge radius	With at joint			Sign

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## 4 Continuous surveillance

### 4.1 Application

Supervisory inspection is carried out by taking / or testing samples of products at the manufacturer's warehouse or by market surveillance. Checks are also made to all sampled certified products, to see if the brand and/or model is/are noted on certificates, if marking is correctly applied etc. The certificate holder may also report defects found during own inspection (see section 4.6).

Supervisory control means that the sampling and / or testing of the products is carried out at the manufacturer's warehouse for free and in according to a specified sampling / testing plan. The sampling of certified products can also take place by purchase on the open market and can be performed by RISE and / or IFF.

Supervisory inspection includes a requirement for the certificate holder to; on request submit inspection records for inspection.

### 4.2 Testing and Inspection

#### 4.2.1 Sampling

It's decided, by the IFF Development Board, that the IFF and RISE will be sampling the materials for the surveillance tests directly from the manufacturer for free and will be carried out in co-operation with the certification holder.

Sampling shall be carried out in such a way as to ensure that all certified products are inspected approximately once in every five years.

The sampling can be done either at the certification holder's warehouse or at another place pointed out by the certification holder (e.g., sport-shop or the like) for free and in according to a specified sampling / testing plan.

The sampling of certified products can also take place by purchase on the open market. Both ways to be performed by RISE and / or IFF.

It is important that the sampling is performed in an impartial manner.

It is also important that the samples are not older than 1 year (last season) at the time of sampling, to be considered representative of today's production. Only in exceptional cases can older samples be accepted.

If the sampling is carried out at the certificate holders and his warehouse or designated place, staff from RISE and / or IFF shall perform the sampling without the influence of the certificate holder.

If the sample is taken from a warehouse that the certificate holder has rented space from, the warehouse's own staff can carry out the sampling if this can be done without the involvement of the certificate holder. Suitably, the warehouse staff hands over the sample to RISE and / or IFF directly inside or outside the warehouse.

## Sampling volume and frequency plan

Product type	Product volume / year*	Frequency and Volume	No. of items to sample
Sticks	> 250 000 st	1 time / year, 8 models	3 of each model.
	> 200 000 st	1 time / year, 7 models	
	> 150 000 st	1 time / year, 6 models	
	> 100 000 st	1 time / year, 5 models	
	> 50 000 st	1 time / year, 4 models	
	> 25 000 st	1 time / 2 years, 3 models	
	> 10 000 st	1 time / 2 years, 2 model	
	> 5 000 st	1 time / 2 years, 1 model	
	< 5 000 st	1 time / 3 years, 1 model	
Balls	---	1 time / 5 years, all models	5 of each model.
Goals	---	1 time / 5 years, all models	1 of each model.
Rinks	---	1 time / 5 years, all models	2 straight sections + 1 curve section.

\* Based on last year's production figures.

### 4.2.2 Test methods and requirements

Testing in respect of the following characteristics will be carried out in accordance with SP-Method 1506, and the results will be assessed as described in Chapter 2.

Product type	Attribute
Sticks	design dimensions (a-, b-, c-, d-, f- and h- dimensions) shaft rigidity shaft impact strength
Balls	weight dimension (the a- dimension) surface fineness (at the joint) breaking stress rebound
Goals	dimensions drop net length weight
Rinks	dimensions radii section fit

### 4.2.3 Inspection of marked equipment

Supervisory inspection of certified products involves inspection of all marked equipment at the place of sampling or purchased, to determine whether the make and/or type of equipment are recorded on the certificate, if marking is correctly applied etc.

### 4.2.4 Examination of after request submitted inspection records

Supervisory inspection includes a requirement for the certificate holder to; after request submit inspection records for inspection.

## **4.3 Responses if products fail testing**

### **4.3.1 Renewed testing**

If surveillance testing of a certified product gives negative results:

- the product shall be retested within two months.
- samples of products will be taken by market surveillance or directly from the holder of the certificate.
- the holder of the certificate will be asked to state, in writing, the reasons for the negative results, and
- to submit a copy of the company's inspection records for the product concerned.

### **4.3.2 Results of renewed testing**

#### **4.3.2.1 Positive results of renewed testing**

The holder of the certificate will be notified in writing that no further actions will be taken, except that a lower sanctions fee as described in section 4.6.1 - 4 will be applied.

#### **4.3.2.2 Negative results of renewed testing**

The holder of the certificate will be notified in writing that the IFF Central Board will decide on sanctions in accordance with section 4.6.1 - 4. The severity of the sanctions will be related to the seriousness of the negative results. The higher scale of the sanction fee will be used.

## **4.4 Responses if products fail inspection**

### **4.4.1 Failed inspection**

If inspection of the product or certified product gives negative results, the holder of the certificate will be asked to state, in writing, the reasons for the negative results.

### **4.4.2 Results of examination of the written presentation**

#### **4.4.2.1 Positive results of examination of the written presentation**

The holder of the certificate will be notified in writing that no further actions will be taken, except that a lower sanctions fee as described in section 4.6.1 - 4 will be applied.

#### **4.4.2.2 Negative results of examination of the written presentation**

The holder of the certificate will be notified in writing that the IFF Central Board will decide on sanctions in accordance with section 6.4. 1 - 4. Sanctions will be appropriate to the seriousness of the negative results. The higher scale of the sanction fee will be used.

## **4.5 Responses if submitted inspection records are not approved**

The holder of the certificate will be notified in writing of shortcomings found in the inspection records. The holder of the certificate will be asked to submit, in writing, explanations for the shortcomings, with information on corrective measures applied.

### **4.5.1 Assessment of corrective measures applied**

1. The written presentation by the holder of the certificate describing the corrective measures applied is regarded as fulfilling the requirements, and no further steps will be taken.
2. The written presentation by the holder of the certificate describing the corrective measures applied is regarded as fulfilling the requirements, but the measures will be specifically assessed in connection with the next normal surveillance inspection.
3. The written presentation by the holder of the certificate describing the corrective measures applied is not regarded as satisfactory. A further written description is required, and/or an inspection visit.

## 4.6 Sanction System

The International Floorball Federation IFF has implemented a sanction system to be applied to manufacturers in the event of failure of the surveillance inspection of material, sale of non-compliant marked equipment, not sending in accounting reports in time and not paid the invoices within the stipulated time as follows:

1. Surveillance inspection will be performed in accordance with the present system and regulations (SPCR 011 Material Regulations).
2. The manufacturer will perform in-house inspection and respond in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 3.  
If surveillance inspection finds failures of materials, the company shall in accordance with the SPCR 011 Material Regulations provide an explanation of why the material has failed and shall provide a copy of its in-house test and inspection records for examination.
3. If the explanation does not provide a clear and suitable answer to the question, the IFF Central Board Material Function will decide upon the sanction to be applied to the company in accordance with the sanction system. The sanction system consists of four different levels (see section 4.6.1 - 4).
4. If an accounting report has not been received within stipulated time, a sanction fee will be applied.  
The sanction system consists of four different levels (see section 4.6.5).
5. If an invoice has not been paid within stipulated time, a sanction fee will be applied.  
The sanction system consists of four different levels (see section 4.6.6).
6. Certificates can with immediate effect temporarily be recalled. Temporarily recalled certificates will be published on IFF's website (see section 4.6.6.4 and section 5.7).
7. Revenue from sanction penalties shall be used to develop Floorball in accordance with IFF Development Board decisions. Sanction penalties must be paid to the IFF account within 30 days of the IFF Central Board decision.

The IFF Central Board will inform its member Associations and the companies about any decision made by the Central Board in material questions. All information regarding these questions is strictly confidential until the decision is made.

IFF reserves the right to adjust and / or update the sanction system on yearly basis.

### 4.6.1 Level 0

#### 4.6.1.1 Types of non-compliances (first time discovered)

Typical examples of Level 0 non-compliances:

All items - discovered not to have name of certificate holder printed on the product, valid for stick, goal, rink, and face protector.
Stick - discovered not to have annual rate on the self-printed sticker.
Stick - discovered not to fulfil IFF-sticker design requirement on the self-printed sticker.
Stick - discovered not to fulfil the information of the new stick measuring system.

#### 4.6.1.2 Action/Timetable

- The manufacturer to find the reason for the non-compliance and correct it within four weeks.
- Documentation of corrections to be sent to RISE within the same four weeks.
- IFF to decide.

### 4.6.1.3 Penalty

- If RISE finds the non-compliance during surveillance inspection, the penalty is admonition in written.

## 4.6.2 Level 1

### 4.6.2.1 Types of non-compliances

Typical examples of Level 1 non-compliances:

All items - discovered not to have name of certificate holder printed on the product, valid for stick, goal, rink, and face protector (repeated violation).
Stick - discovered not to have annual rate on the self-printed sticker (repeated violation).
Stick - discovered not to fulfil IFF-sticker design requirement on the self-printed sticker (repeated violation).
Stick - discovered not to fulfil the information of the new stick measuring system (repeated violation).
Blade - no embossed IFF-marking on the blade (repeated violation).
Blade - no embossed brand-marking on the blade (repeated violation).
Stick - incorrect grip-line placing and/or design.
Stick - protruding screws exceeding + 1,0 mm.
Blade - protruding plastic blip exceeding + 1,0 mm.
Ball - protruding plastic blip exceeding + 0,5 mm.
Goal - protruding metallic blip exceeding +1,0 mm.
Rink - protruding plastic/metallic blip exceeding + 1,0mm.

### 4.6.2.2 Action/Timetable

- The manufacturer to find the reason for the non-compliance and correct it within four weeks.
- Documentation of corrections to be sent to RISE within the same four weeks.
- IFF to decide.

### 4.6.2.3 Penalty

- If RISE finds the non-compliance during surveillance inspection, the penalty is in the range of a minimum of CHF 500 to a maximum of CHF 2,000.

## 4.6.3 Level 2

### 4.6.3.1 Types of non-compliances

Typical examples of Level 2 non-compliances:

All items - IFF-mark exceeding rules and measurements as set out in SPCR 011.
All items - IFF-mark discovered not to have been registered.
Stick - discovered not to fulfil IFF-sticker design requirement on the self-printed sticker (if found to be intentional).
All items - IFF-mark discovered not fulfilling the requirement for the marking of brand name.
All items - IFF-mark discovered to have incorrect certification number.
Face protector - exceeding the required dimension on maximum two face protector's grille openings.
Stick - incorrect grip-line placing and/or design. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Stick - protruding screws exceeding + 1,0 mm. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Blade - protruding plastic blip exceeding + 1,0 mm. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Ball - protruding plastic blip exceeding + 0,5 mm. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Goal - protruding metallic blip exceeding +1,0 mm. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Rink - protruding plastic/metallic blip exceeding + 1,0mm. (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Stick - exceeding the total weight.
Blade - blade colour discovered not to have been tested.
Stick - exceeding the total length.
Stick - Shaft stiffer than allowed in the rules.
Stick - Breakpoint lower than allowed in the rules.
Blade - exceeding size measurements of the blade by over 1 % due to defective injection moulding.
Blade - R2 external radius, bottom radius R270.
Ball - exceeding/underpass the total weigh.
Ball - exceeding the required dimensions, breaking stress and rebound.
Goal - exceeding the total weight and required dimensions.
Rink - exceeding the required dimensions, radius, and section fitment.

### 4.6.3.2 Action/Timetable

- The manufacturer to find the reason for the non-compliance and correct it within four weeks.
- Documentation of corrections to be sent to RISE within the same four weeks.
- IFF to decide.

### 4.6.3.3 Penalty

- If RISE finds the non-compliance during surveillance inspection, the penalty is in the range of a minimum of CHF 1.000 to a maximum of CHF 4.000.

## 4.6.4 Level 3

### 4.6.4.1 Types of non-compliances

Typical examples of Level 3 non-compliances:

All items - IFF-mark discovered not to have been certified.
All items - IFF-mark discovered not to have been tested.
All items - IFF-mark items that have passed the SPCR 011 rules, and then have afterwards been changed such that they no longer comply with the rules, so that the manufacturer is in clear breach of the SPCR 011 rules.
Face protector - exceeding the required dimension on face protector's grille openings and impact strength.
Stick - Exceeding the total length (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Stick - Shaft stiffer than allowed in the rules (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).
Stick - Breakpoint lower than allowed in the rules (if found to be intentional and/or a repeated violation).

### 4.6.4.2 Action/Timetable

- The manufacturer to find the reason for the non-compliance and correct it within four weeks.
- Documentation of corrections to be sent to RISE within the same four weeks.
- IFF to decide.

### 4.6.4.3 Publication

A publication of the incident on IFF's web site

### 4.6.4.4 Publication/Penalty

- If RISE finds the non-compliance during surveillance inspection, the penalty is in the range of a minimum of CHF 2.500 to a maximum of CHF 10.000.
- The manufacturer's certificate will be withdrawn, after a written resolution from IFF, if the non-compliance has not been corrected and reported back to RISE within eight weeks
- A new certificate can be applied for to RISE or another test institute (see Appendix A2).
- Publication of a notice that the item does not comply with IFF rules and that any player should contact the company directly.
- IFF will send a list of failed items to all IFF member associations.

### 4.6.4.5 Additional rules

IFF can grant a longer timetable if it is needed to provide a fair chance of finding and correcting the non-compliance.

### 4.6.4.6 Waiver

Some players make their own sticks, swapping shafts and blades.

Some cut the shaft at the bottom to save the grip when adjusting the shaft length. This will have the effect of automatically making the position of the face-offline incorrect.

Manufacturers are responsible only for the original non-used item. If the blade, grip, or shaft is modified, the manufacturer accepts no responsibility for the result, and will not be held responsible. No penalty will be levied on the manufacturer, and no details will be published.

#### **4.6.5 Sanctions for not sending accounting reports.**

From 15<sup>th</sup> of March 2004 stick manufactures can print the certification mark directly on the stick. To ensure that the correct fee for the certification mark is calculated, the manufacturer must three times a year send accounting reports to RISE. The report for Jan-Apr must be sent before 21<sup>st</sup> of May, the report for May-Aug before 21<sup>st</sup> of Sep and the report for Sep-Dec before 21<sup>st</sup> of Jan.

Ball manufactures shall have an embossed pattern of the certification mark on the balls surface. To ensure that the correct fee for the certification mark is calculated, the manufacturer must three times a year send accounting reports to RISE. The report for the period Jan – April must be sent before 21<sup>st</sup> of May, for the period May – Aug before 21<sup>st</sup> of Sep and for the period Sep-Dec before 21<sup>st</sup> of Jan.

It is very essential that these reports are correct and sent in time.

If an accounting report has not been received, a reminder will be sent out the first working day after the report date.

Sanction fees for not paid the invoices within the stipulated time.  
Days counted from the date after the invoice due day.

#### **4.6.6 Level 1**

Sanction for being 1-30 days late; interest\* on overdue payment + CHF 50\*\*.

#### **4.6.7 Level 2**

Sanction for being 31-60 days late; interest\* on overdue payment + CHF 100\*\*.

#### **4.6.8 Level 3**

Sanction for being 61-90 days late; interest\* on overdue payment + CHF 150\*\*.

#### **4.6.9 Level 4**

Sanction for not paid the invoices after more than 90 days or non-compliance with payment for sanctions in level 1-3. All certificates will be temporary withdrawn and not be shown in the database of Certified Floorball Equipment. A publication on IFF's website will refer to the fact that the company's all certificates are temporarily withdrawn. The equipment may not be used in any international matches or sanctioned series games and that players are asked to contact the company immediately.

\* Interest = (payment x (reference rate + 8%)) / (360 x days since payment deadline).

\*\* Compensation for recovery costs.

#### **4.6.10 Supervisory inspection - Testing**

- RISE will send a written report to the holder of the certificate on completion of testing.
- If the report is favourable, IFF will not be notified.
- If the report is unfavourable, IFF will be notified in writing, with a copy of the notification being sent to the holder of the certificate.

#### **4.6.11 Supervisory inspection - Results of further testing**

- RISE will send a written report to the holder of the certificate on completion of testing and will send a copy of the report to IFF.

#### **4.6.12 Supervisory inspection - Failure of inspection**

- RISE will send a written report to the holder of the certificate on completion of testing.
- IFF will be notified in writing, and a copy of this notification will be sent to the holder of the certificate.

#### **4.6.13 Supervisory inspection - Inspection records**

- RISE will send a written report to the holder of the certificate on completion of inspection.
- If the report is favourable, IFF will not be notified.
- If the report is unfavourable, IFF will be notified in writing, with a copy of the notification being sent to the holder of the certificate.

### **4.7 Miscellaneous**

It is possible for any manufacturer of Floorball material to ask RISE or other test organisation (see appendix A2) to conduct any surveillance test of Floorball material according to SPCR 011 on their own expense.

## **5 Miscellaneous Conditions for Certification**

### **5.1 General**

The conditions in the certification rules herein are based on the principles established in RISE quality manual for certification. Subcontractors for type testing are to be approved by RISE Certification, see appendix A2.

### **5.2 Certificate Holder's Responsibility**

The certificate holder is responsible for making sure the manufactured product covered by the certificate and marked with the certification mark conforms to the certified product according to the certificate in every respect, and that the products are suitable for their purpose and not capable of causing injury or inconvenience. This applies even if the certificate holder is not the supplier of the product.

### **5.3 Certificate Holder's Right to Use IFF's Certification Mark**

The certificate holder has the right to mark the products covered by the certificate with the certification mark and, in addition, has the right to use the mark when advertising or for other promotion of the products. Advertising is not permitted where confusion could arise between marked and unmarked products.

### **5.4 RISE Responsibility**

RISE is responsible for making sure the technical requirements in the certification rules are based on available knowledge and experience, recognised standards, or corresponding specifications and those they correspond to the International Floorball Federation's rules.

RISE is responsible for making sure that certified product – in accordance with reported documentation constituting the basis for the certificate – meet the requirements in the certification rules. RISE is not responsible for manufactured products.

### **5.5 Confidentiality**

All information RISE has access to is to be confidential with the following exceptions:

- RISE – or associate partner to RISE – keep registers of applicable certificates. The registers contain information on the certificate holder, certificate number, certified products and period of validity.
- RISE has the right to make public all decisions on recall of certificate and misuse of certificate or marking.
- IFF is to be informed on an on-going basis as to applications and modifications to the certificate.

## 5.6 Certificate

Certificates are issued to the following product groups:

- Balls, where all ball models from the same brand name are placed.
- Shafts, where shaft models of the same construction type (material or shape) are placed, regardless of flex value.
- Blades, where all blade models from the same brand name are placed.
- Goals, where all goal models / sizes from the same brand name are placed.
- Rinks, where all rink models from the same brand name are placed.
- Face Protector, CE- marked, where all sizes of the same models and brand name are placed.
- Protective Eyewear, CE- marked, where all sizes of the same models and brand name are placed.

Certificates already issued will be valid until the expiration date. The merger into one certificate according to the proposal above will be done in connection with the next extension of the certificates.

The certificate is non-transferable. When transferring to another company, a new certificate is to be issued.

The design of the product certificate is outlined in appendix A8.

## 5.7 Recall of Certificate

RISE can, with immediate effect, permanently or temporarily, recall a certificate if:

- a) a written resolution from IFF state that the certificate holder has, in some other way, failed to meet the conditions of the certificate; or
- b) the certificate holder has misused RISE name in connection with products not meeting the necessary requirements; or
- c) the certificate holder has not paid the certification fees within the stipulated time; or
- d) the certificate holder has been declared bankrupt, gone into liquidation, or transferred operations; or
- e) inaccuracies in the certificate come to light. However, the certificate holder is to be given reasonable time to readjust to changed circumstances, unless special reasons for another course of action are appropriate; or

IFF can, with immediate effect, by a written resolution, request RISE to, permanently or temporarily, recall a certificate if:

- a) the certificate holder has used the IFF's certification mark in connection with products not meeting the necessary requirements; or
- b) the certificate holder has used the certification mark for products not covered by the certificate; or
- c) the subsequent surveillance resulted in failure; or
- d) the certificate holder has, in some other way, failed to meet the conditions of the certificate; or
- e) the certificate holder has not paid the invoices for the IFF's certification mark.
- f) the certificate holder has not paid the sanction fees within the stipulated time; or
- g) the product proves to be unsuitable for its purpose or can cause injury or inconvenience.

Misuse of the certification mark and/or the certificate can, in addition to the recall of the certificate, lead to legal action.

## **5.8 Certificate Holder's Undertaking on Recall of Certificate**

The certificate holder, on notification of recall of his certificate either permanently or temporarily, is to:

- a) immediately cease advertising or other promotional work relating to the certificate for the product in question.
- b) make sure that all marking is removed from products in stock, if required by RISE.
- c) pay all costs associated with replacing substandard products with those that meet the requirements in the current certification rules, if required by RISE.

## **5.9 Return of Certificate**

For return of certificate, following temporary recall, the same rules apply as those for when the certificate was initially issued, see section 1.3. A renewed type testing process is not required if less than one year has passed since the certificate was recalled unless the certification rules or production conditions have altered.

## **5.10 Revised Certification Rules**

RISE reserves the right to modify the certification rules. For extension of a certificate submitted in line with previous rules, the certificate holder is required to observe the revised rules. However, the certificate holder is to be given reasonable time to adjust to the revised rules, unless special reasons for another course of action are appropriate.

## **5.11 Fees**

Fees for the initial assessment (certification), extension of period of validity and review of certificate are reported in a special price list and are to be paid by the certificate holder.

Fees for surveillance inspection are as per the rules in the agreement between the supplier and RISE.

Costs for other inspections according to section 5.12 are only charged to the certificate holder if the inspection shows that the requirements in the current certification rules have not been met.

## **5.12 Other Inspection**

RISE has the right to carry out checks to see if products provided with the certification mark meet the requirements of the current certification rules whenever and wherever it deems necessary.

## **5.13 Appeals**

Appeals against decisions made by RISE are to be made in writing to RISE. Consequent corrective measures resulting from any appeal are determined by RISE certification board.

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# 1 Objective

The objective of this presentation is to describe applicable evaluation methods and requirement criteria for use in connection with certification of Floorball equipment. The methods described relate to sticks, balls, rinks, and goals. IFF and RISE have developed the methods, with the main emphasis on functional and safety aspects.

# 2 Background

Floorball is a new and growing sport, for which the equipment is characterised by a rapid rate of development and a richness of variety. It was against a similar background that, working in conjunction with RISE, the Swedish Floorball Association developed and introduced an approval scheme for Floorball equipment, the objective of which was to monitor and check the development of equipment. Approval of equipment was introduced in Sweden in 1993 and was progressively modified on basis of experience over the next five years.

This version of the approval scheme for Floorball equipment is based on the IFF's views of the Swedish system and on its decisions relating to the scheme. Equipment to be approved by the IFF Floorball Equipment Approval Scheme must meet the requirements in respect of initial type-testing and of subsequent unannounced inspection of/at the manufacturer's or importer's premises. The underlying methods of evaluation and performance requirement levels are, in all essential respects, the same as in earlier versions.

# 3 Purpose, Area of Use

Test methods and requirement criteria are intended to ensure the quality, characteristics, dimensions, and safety aspects of Floorball equipment, and form the basis for certification of Floorball equipment intended to display the IFF approval symbol.

# 4 References

ISO 291-1977 Standard atmospheres for conditioning and testing.

IFF Rules of the Game.

Swedish Ice Hockey Association testing methods.

ASTM D 2444-84 - Standard Test Method for Impact Resistance of Thermoplastic Pipe and Fittings by means of a Tup (Falling Weight)

ASTM D 4476-85 - Flexural Properties of Fibre Reinforce Pultruded Plastic Rods

BS 1892: Part 2: Section 2.11:1989 - Gymnasium equipment, Specification for practice and games netting and supporting trackways

ISO 8295 Plastics - Film and Sheeting - Determination of Coefficient of Friction

EN-ISO 10256 section 6.7 Determination of penetration characteristics

EN-ISO 10256 section 6.8 Face protectors - Determination of impact resistance

ISO 3274:1996 - Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) -- Surface texture: Profile method - - Nominal characteristics of contact (stylus) instruments.

ISO 11562:1996 - Geometrical Product Specifications (GPS) -- Surface texture: Profile method -- Metrological characteristics of phase correct filters.

## 5 Testing

### 5.1 In General

If the Floorball equipment cannot be tested within the scope of the valid test method, i.e., due to specific product design, the institute has right to direct the applicant to IFF for a written statement of how the valid test methods and criteria shall be adjusted.  
(see appendix A3, Application form for testing).

#### 5.1.1 Testing Climate

The tests are to be carried out at  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH unless otherwise stated.

#### 5.1.2 Length Measurement

The following accuracy and rounding off factors are applicable unless otherwise stated:

≤ 100 mm	accuracy ± 0.1 mm, rounded off to 0.1 mm
≤ 1000 mm	accuracy ± 0.5 mm, rounded off to 1.0 mm
> 1000 mm	accuracy ± 1.0 mm, rounded off to 2.0 mm

#### 5.1.3 Weight Measurement

The following accuracy and rounding off factors are applicable unless otherwise stated:

≤ 100 g	accuracy ± 0.1 g, rounded off to 0.1 g
≤ 1000 g	accuracy ± 0.5 g, rounded off to 1.0 g
≤ 10000 g	accuracy ± 1.0 g, rounded off to 2.0 g
> 10000 g	accuracy ± 10 g, rounded off to 0.1 kg

## 5.2 Stick

### 5.2.1 Scope and Application

The purpose of the tests detailed below is to guarantee the quality of the stick regarding design, weight, blade discoloration onto the playing surface and dimensions as well as certain mechanical attributes such as rigidity, impact strength and fracture susceptibility (shaft).

The dimensions of the blade of the stick and the size of the grille on the face protector are interconnected, for the purpose of preventing the blade from penetrating the face protector.

### 5.2.2 Stick Design

#### 5.2.2.1 Equipment

Sponge of polyurethane.  
(E.g., car sponge without detergent.)

#### 5.2.2.2 Samples

Three sticks.

### 5.2.2.3 Implementation

The sticks are examined both visually and with the aid of a sponge. The sponge is applied to the surfaces to detect possible rough edges and sharp objects e.g., protruding supports or an edge radius below 2 mm. Any possible coupling between the shaft and blade is inspected with respect to its design.

### 5.2.2.4 Results

The occurrence of sharp objects and rough edges is reported.

## 5.2.3 Stick Weight

### 5.2.3.1 Equipment

Scales with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.5$  g.

### 5.2.3.2 Samples

Three sticks.

### 5.2.3.3 Implementation

The weight of the sticks is determined by means of weighing scales. If the sticks weigh under 380 g including grip binding, the weight can be reported. If the sticks weigh over 380 g including grip binding, the grip must be removed, and the stick is re-weighed.

### 5.2.3.4 Results

Individual measurement values rounded off to 1 g are reported. If the value reported includes the grip binding this is to be specified in the report.

## 5.2.4 Stick Dimensions

### 5.2.4.1 Equipment

Suitable equipment for length measurements, e.g., steel rule, measuring tape, sliding callipers and equipment for measuring the blade's penetration depth as well as the blade's concavity depth and the blade height (appendix C1 and C12) with an accuracy factor specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.2.4.2 Samples

Three sticks.

### 5.2.4.3 Implementation

Stick dimensions are measured according to appendices C2 and C3.

The blade's concavity depth is measured by placing the measuring device perpendicular to the lower edge radius. This is repeated along the entire length of the blade and the largest concave depth is recorded.

- a) stick length
- b) the shaft's curve radius
- c) the shaft's diameter (max value)
- d) the shaft's diameter
- e) width of grip line / design marking
- f) blade bottom edge radius
- g) blade edge radius
- h) blade length
- i) blade thickness
- j) blade height
- k) blade penetration depth
- l) blade concavity depth
- m) shaft straightness

### 5.2.4.4 Results

Individual results reported are rounded off as specified in section 5.1.2.

## 5.2.5 Shaft Rigidity

### 5.2.5.1 Equipment

Universal testing machine with a velocity of 200 mm/min is used during testing. Printer or similar device to determine the deflection for various load factors is connected. Cylindrical supports mounted in bearings with  $35 \pm 10$  mm diameter for 3-point deflection test with:

800 mm (method A, shafts 850mm or longer) or

600 mm (method B, shafts 650mm to 849mm)

between the centres of the supports. Cylinder with  $35 \pm 10$  mm diameter is used for applying the force. All the cylindrical supports are to have a lowering mechanism with  $15 \pm 5$  mm radius (appendix C4) where the shaft is located.

### 5.2.5.2 Samples

Six sticks.

### 5.2.5.3 Implementation

The stick is placed on the support without being attached. The load is applied by 200 mm/min in the middle of the shaft to a deflection of:

60 mm (method A) or

30 mm (method B)

whilst a force/displacement diagram is taken. The stick is to be loaded in 2 directions, with the point of the blade both vertical and horizontal. The shaft's resulting deformation following deflection is registered, whereby the value is read after 10 seconds. Three sticks are tested in each direction.

#### 5.2.5.4 Results

Mean value of three deflections in each direction (horizontal and vertical) at 300 N rounded off to 5/10 mm. Any occurrence of fracture is to be reported; otherwise, the individual value of the force is reported at:

60 mm (method A) or

30 mm (method B) deflection in N.

The individual value of the resulting deformation following deflection is rounded off as specified in section 5.1.2.

#### 5.2.6 Impact Strength

##### 5.2.6.1 Equipment

Drop hammer with a weight of  $350 \pm 10$  g. The head is to be of hardened steel and have a shape of a prism with triangular profile and with a longitudinal axis oriented horizontally - perpendicular to direction of hammer movement. The bottom edge of the prism is to be a shape of semi-circle with a radius of 7 mm. A stand with a drop height of  $1000 \pm 5$  mm, from where the hammer is to be able to fall freely. A mechanism for repeat releasing of the drop hammer. Test holder of aluminium or steel and designed as a V-block with a length of 150 mm and inner  $90^\circ$  angle, with enough depth to enable the shaft to lie in the dip and not on the edges. A flat surface of thick aluminium or steel is to be used for the blade test.

##### 5.2.6.2 Samples

Three shafts and three blades. Those shafts tested as per point 5.2.5, where fracturing or any type of deformation did not occur can, in theory, be used for impact testing.

##### 5.2.6.3 Implementation

The testing is carried out in two places on the shaft, 700 mm from the end of the shaft, and 40 mm from the blade attachment. The shaft is placed in the holder with the point of the stick blade vertical. The drop hammer is released from a height of  $1000 \pm 5$  mm towards a point both 700 mm from the end of the shaft and 40 mm along the shaft taken from the blade attachment. The test is carried out on 3 shafts (appendix C5).

The blade is placed vertical by using support blocks and when placed flat on the surface. The drop hammer is released from a height of  $1000 \pm 5$  mm towards a point in the middle of the blade's top edge and when in the centre of the blade. The test is carried out on 3 blades.

##### 5.2.6.4 Results

The falling hammer could make a little spherically shaped imprint on the tested surface of the shaft and blade. This kind of imprint is permissible if neither visible cracks nor fractures occur. Any cracks, fractures, loose parts, or parts that fall away from the blade are to be reported.

#### 5.2.7 Blade Radii

##### 5.2.7.1 Equipment

Measurement devices with a radius of 2 mm and 270 mm.

### 5.2.7.2 Samples

Three blades.

### 5.2.7.3 Implementation

Using the 2 mm measuring device, the peripheral radii around the blade are checked. Using the 270 mm measuring device, the bottom edge radius of the blade is checked.

### 5.2.7.4 Results

Occurrences of radii < 2 mm are reported.  
Bottom edge radius > 270 mm is reported.

## 5.2.8 Blade Discoloration onto Playing Surface

### 5.2.8.1 Equipment

Pendulum apparatus described in appendix C6. The mass of the bar, weight and test bit are to be such

that the energy the stopping disc is met with is  $36 \pm 1$  Nm. The spring constant C is  $3.5 \cdot 10^4$  N/m. Lacquered sport parquet and Gerflor Taraflex Sport M Evolution 7,0 mm to be at least as high and at least as wide as the stopping disc. The sport parquet construction: At the bottom 6 mm plywood, intermediate layer 12 mm ribbed pinewood sheeting, wearing course 3.6 mm beech and five layers UV-hardened lacquer, Proteco (E.g., Tarkett Sport). Gerflor Taraflex construction: PVC sheets reinforced with fibreglass grid.

### 5.2.8.2 Samples

Three stick blades. The end of the blade truncated to length of 100 mm.

### 5.2.8.3 Implementation

The test bit is permanently mounted on the pendulum so that the end blade, when lowering the pendulum, moves towards the flooring sample 1/3rd from the top edge of the disc. The pendulum is released from an upright position. The flooring sample is inspected regarding discoloration – the European scale for colour coding is used as a colour reference. Three tests on each flooring samples are carried out: replacing the flooring sample or movement in the horizontal axis following each impact. Clean the flooring samples with water, a simple cleaner and paper before examination.

### 5.2.8.4 Results

Occurrence of discoloration onto the flooring samples are reported.

## 5.2.9 Blade Torsion Test

### 5.2.9.1 Equipment

An equipment to firmly secure the blade in the vertical position. An adjustable device that can be fitted over and cover the blade nose. A lever arm attached to the device as an aid when blade nose is to be twisted (as a lever, a torque wrench can be used), and a protractor.

### 5.2.9.2 Samples

Three stick blades.

### 5.2.9.3 Implementation

Mount the blade vertically, as close as possible to the shaft attachment point. Mount the adjustable device over the blade nose and adjust so that there is no clearance. Twist the blade to an angle of 45°, check with the protractor. The test is carried out on 3 blades.

### 5.2.9.4 Results

Occurrence of visible cracks, fractures, loose parts, or parts that fall away from the blade is reported.

## 5.3 Ball

### 5.3.1 Scope and Application

The purpose of the tests listed below is to guarantee the quality of the ball regarding weight, dimensions, rebound and strength.  
All colours and colour combinations may be produced with embossed certification mark. Only white or red balls are allowed for use in league play, for other colours an exemption from IFF / Contest Committee is needed.

### 5.3.2 Ball Weight

#### 5.3.2.1 Equipment

Scales with accuracy  $\pm 0.1$  grams.

#### 5.3.2.2 Samples

Five balls.

#### 5.3.2.3 Implementation

A scale is used to determine the weight of balls.

#### 5.3.2.4 Results

Results are reported as individual measured results, rounded off as specified in section 5.1.3.

### 5.3.3 Ball Dimensions

#### 5.3.3.1 Equipment

Sliding callipers, 71 mm internal cylindrical gauge and a graded measuring device with an accuracy specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.3.3.2 Samples

Five balls.

### 5.3.3.3 Implementation

The ball diameter is measured in 5 areas on each ball. The diameters of the holes are checked using the measuring device in 5 randomly selected holes for each ball. The holes' internal placement at the joint is checked using the sliding callipers. Five randomly selected holes for each ball are measured in relation to the distance to nearby holes on the opposite half of the ball (appendix C7).

- a) ball diameter
- b) hole diameter
- c) internal placement of hole at joint
- d) internal placement of hole over joint

### 5.3.3.4 Results

The results are reported as individual measurements for each ball rounded off to 0.2 mm.

## 5.3.4 Ball Surface Fineness

### 5.3.4.1 Equipment

Contact (stylus) instrument for measuring surface roughness and waviness (ISO 3274:1996) and sliding calliper.

### 5.3.4.2 Samples

Five balls.

### 5.3.4.3 Implementation

The surface fineness of the ball is determined by a contact (stylus) instrument. The negative embossed pattern fineness of the balls surface is measured if applicable as well as the depth of the pattern. Ball unevenness at the joint is measured using a sliding calliper.

Following parameters are used on the contact (stylus) instrument:

Measuring length: 6 mm

Form fit: LS-Arc (circular arc whose radius is determining according to the method of least squares)

Filter: Gaussian (ISO 11562:1996), cut-off: 0,25 mm (bandwidth 100:1)

### 5.3.4.4 Results

The average value of the surface fineness of the balls, the depth of the negative embossed pattern if applicable and possible unevenness at the joints is reported.

## 5.3.5 Number of Holes

### 5.3.5.1 Samples

Five balls.

### 5.3.5.2 Implementation

The number of holes in the ball is checked.

### 5.3.5.3 Results

The number of holes in the ball is reported.

## 5.3.6 Breaking Stress of Material and Joint

### 5.3.6.1 Equipment

Universal testing machine, with a speed of 100 mm/min under testing.  
Printer or similar device for registering the force.

### 5.3.6.2 Samples

Samples according to ISO 37, type 3, are to be used. Four samples are taken of each of the five balls, two without joint and two with joint.

### 5.3.6.3 Implementation

The balls are dissected so that the best possible level surface is achieved for perforation of the samples. Following measurement of the cross section of the sample surfaces, the samples are mounted one by one in the tensile testing machine at a tensile speed of 100 mm/min. The force is registered at point of fracture. The sample tests are run individually for samples with and without joints.

### 5.3.6.4 Results

The results from the tests are reported individually as an average value of the breaking stress rounded off to 0.1 N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

## 5.3.7 Rebound

### 5.3.7.1 Equipment

When testing, use a ball release device, which operates smoothly without imparting any spin to the ball and which allows the ball to be dropped vertically from the specified height (appendix C8).

Acoustic recording apparatus, comprising a microphone and timing device, and giving a reading accurate to within 1ms.

The device is to be activated acoustically by the sound from the first bounce of the ball and deactivated by the sound from the second bounce, the time between these events being denoted  $T$ , in seconds.

### 5.3.7.2 Samples

Five balls.

### 5.3.7.3 Implementation

Set the ball gate device at the appropriate drop height for the ball,  $2000 \pm 10$ mm.

Ensure that the drop gate has a slight inclination and a hole with  $\varnothing 73 \pm 0,5 / 0$ mm and a length of  $30 \pm 2$ mm where the ball will drop down.

Drop the ball through the ball gate onto a stable metal plate with a smooth surface of minimum size  $500 \times 500$  mm and minimum thickness 10 mm.

The ball drop is to be at random.

If the second bounce is less than 50 mm from the edge of or outside the plate, exclude the drop and perform a new drop.

Record the time, T, between the first and second bounces.

Calculate the height, H, to which the ball rebounds using the following equation:

$$H = 1,23(T - K_1)^2$$

$$1,23 = \frac{g}{2} (9,82)/8 \quad \left( H = \frac{gt^2}{2} \quad t = \frac{A}{2} \quad H = \frac{g(\frac{A}{2})^2}{2} > \frac{gA^2}{4} > \frac{gA^2}{8} = 1,23A^2 \right)$$

T = time between the first and second bounces.

$K_1$  = correction factor (for measuring the sound when the ball leaves the surface)

Repeat the test 10 times and calculate the mean value of the rebound.

### 5.3.7.4 Results

The results are reported as individual values rounded off to 1cm.

## 5.3.8 Ball Marking

### 5.3.8.1 Equipment

Sliding callipers with accuracy specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.3.8.2 Samples

Five balls.

### 5.3.8.3 Implementation

Area calculation of all text, as well as checking the embossed print.

### 5.3.8.4 Results

The results are reported as approved or failed.

## 5.4 Goal

### 5.4.1 Scope and Application

The purpose of the tests listed below is to guarantee the quality of the goal apparatus with respect to dimensions and weight, pad discoloration onto the playing surface, drop net strength and the mesh size of the net.

## 5.4.2 Goal Dimensions

### 5.4.2.1 Equipment

Steel rule and radius template with an accuracy as specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.4.2.2 Sample

One goal.

### 5.4.2.3 Implementation

The goal dimensions are measured according to appendix C9. The radii of the goal, which should not meet the playing surface, are checked using the radius template.

- a) goal width
- b) goal height
- c) back bar diameter
- d) goal frame diameter
- e) lower goal depth
- f) goal corner radius (radius of central axis)
- g) upper goal depth

### 5.4.2.4 Results

Individual results are reported with rounding off as specified in section 5.1.2.

## 5.4.3 Goal weight

### 5.4.3.1 Equipment

Scale with accuracy  $\pm 10$  g.

### 5.4.3.2 Samples

One goal with net.

### 5.4.3.3 Implementation

The goal is weighed on the scale.

### 5.4.3.4 Results

Goal weight is reported in kg to one decimal point.

## 5.4.4 Pad Discoloration onto Playing Surface

### 5.4.4.1 Equipment

As specified in section 5.2.8.1.

#### 5.4.4.2 Samples

Three pads.

#### 5.4.4.3 Implementation

The pads are mounted furthest out on the pendulum with the underside of the pad facing outwards. The tests are implemented thereafter as per section 5.2.8.3.

#### 5.4.4.4 Results

The occurrence of discoloration on the test plate is reported.

### 5.4.5 Drop Net Strength

#### 5.4.5.1 Equipment

Weight with mass  $10 \pm 0.2$  kg. Device for attachment of weight to the net.

#### 5.4.5.2 Samples

One goal with attachable net.

#### 5.4.5.3 Implementation

The drop net is attached to the goal according to manufacturer instructions. The instructions are to include a specification for the top edge of the drop net to be fixed to the goal net. The goal is positioned so that the distance from the bottom edge of the goal to the playing surface allows for the weight to hang freely. The net is to be tested once for both outer edges and once in the middle. The weight is attached to two mesh openings next to each other, one mesh opening in from the outer edge and bottom edge of the net. The weight is hoisted up to a height equivalent to  $2/3$ rd of the goal height. The weight is released and allowed to fall freely. Following each fall, the net and attachment device are inspected to see if they are intact. Three tests are carried out, one at each position.

#### 5.4.5.4 Results

Any damage that has arisen to the net or attachment devices is reported.

### 5.4.6 Net Mesh Size

#### 5.4.6.1 Equipment

Steel rule.

#### 5.4.6.2 Samples

One attachment net for one goal.

#### 5.4.6.3 Implementation

Measurement of the net is carried out according to BS 1892:Part 2: Section 2.11.

#### 5.4.6.4 Results

The mesh size is to be reported.

#### 5.4.7 Drop Net Length

##### 5.4.7.1 Equipment

Steel rule.

##### 5.4.7.2 Samples

One attachment net for one goal.

##### 5.4.7.3 Implementation

Measurement of the drop net is carried out.

##### 5.4.7.4 Results

The distance between the bottom edge of the net and the playing surface is reported.

### 5.5 Rinks

#### 5.5.1 Scope and Application

The purpose of the tests listed below is to guarantee the quality of rinks about dimensions, ball rebound, weight, strength, and durability.

#### 5.5.2 Rink Dimensions

##### 5.5.2.1 Equipment

Steel rule or metal measuring tape with accuracy as specified in section 5.1.2.

##### 5.5.2.2 Samples

Two rink sections.

##### 5.5.2.3 Implementation

Testing takes place using a steel rule with three measuring points for each rink section (appendix C10).

- a) rink height. roping needle
- b) distance from the playing surface to the bottom edge of the rink (e.g., when using pads etc.).

##### 5.5.2.4 Results

Individual results are reported with rounding off as specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.5.3 Rink radii

#### 5.5.3.1 Equipment

Steel rule or metal measuring tape and radius template with an accuracy as specified in section 5.1.2.

#### 5.5.3.2 Samples

Two rink sections.

#### 5.5.3.3 Implementation

The steel rule or metal measuring tape is used for measuring the corner radius. The measurement is made using an upright corner section (appendix C10). The radius mall is used for measuring the top edge and short end. The radii are checked at three measuring points on each section of the rink.

- c) rink top edge radius
- d) rink edge radius
- e) rink corner radius

#### 5.5.3.4 Results

Individual results are reported with rounding off as specified in section 5.1.2.

### 5.5.4 Rink Section Fitment

#### 5.5.4.1 Equipment

Steel rule with an accuracy as specified in section 5.1.2.

#### 5.5.4.2 Samples

Two rink sections.

#### 5.5.4.3 Implementation

The rink sections are mounted as per the manufacturer's instructions. The measurement is carried out with respect to the parallelism of the joint both vertically and horizontally as well as the width of the joint using three measuring points for each joint (appendix C10).

- f) rink joint width
- g) rink horizontal parallelism
- h) rink vertical parallelism

#### 5.5.4.4 Results

Individual results are reported with respect to greatest level of nonconformity for each dimension f, g and h. Rounding off as specified in section 5.1.2.

## 5.5.5 Rink Surface Fineness

### 5.5.5.1 Equipment

Sponge of polyurethane.  
(E.g., car sponge without detergent.)

### 5.5.5.2 Samples

Two rink sections.

### 5.5.5.3 Implementation

The rinks are examined both visually and with the aid of the sponge. The sponge is applied over the short sides of the rink, the top side, and the surface resting on the playing surface to detect possible rough edges and sharp objects e.g., protruding supports.

### 5.5.5.4 Results

Type and positioning of any rough edges, sharp objects or other damage is reported.

## 5.5.6 Impact Test

### 5.5.6.1 Equipment

Drop hammer with weight  $1000 \pm 50$  g. The head is to be of hardened steel and have a shape of a cone terminated with spherical top with a radius of 7 mm. Stand, where the drop hammer can fall freely from a drop height of  $400 \pm 5$  mm. Equipment for repeated release of the drop hammer. Test holder with minimum dimensions of 200 x 200 mm and thickness  $20 \pm 1$  mm. Sponge.

### 5.5.6.2 Samples

One rink section.

### 5.5.6.3 Implementation

The rink is mounted in the test holder so that the surface of the rink, which normally faces the playing area, faces upwards. The drop hammer is released from a height of 400 mm. The test is carried out in five different places on the rink. The appearance of the points of impact, where the drop hammer has hit the rink, is noted. The rink is examined both visually and with the aid of the sponge. The sponge is applied over the points of impact to detect possible rough edges and sharp objects e.g., protruding supports.

### 5.5.6.4 Results

The appearance of the points of impact, and the occurrence of protruding objects following the test are reported.

## **5.5.7 Ball Rebound from Rinks**

### **5.5.7.1 Equipment**

Test holder of aluminium or steel with dimensions of 200 x 200 mm and thickness of 10 mm. Sliding callipers and a ball.

### **5.5.7.2 Samples**

One rink section.

### **5.5.7.3 Implementation**

To begin with, a series of tests are carried out in line with point 5.3.7.3 to be used as reference values. The rebound test from the rinks is carried out in line with point 5.3.7.3, but with a piece cut out of the rink section and mounted in the test holder acting as a rebound surface. The dimensions of the cut piece are to be the same as the test holder. The test piece is mounted so that the ball rebounds against the side facing the playing area. Five rebound tests are carried out.

### **5.5.7.4 Results**

The results are reported in relation to the rebound against the steel plate according to point 5.3.7.3 as an average value in per cent rounded off to 1 %.

## **5.5.8 Rink Weight per running meter**

### **5.5.8.1 Equipment**

Scale with accuracy  $\pm 10$  g.

### **5.5.8.2 Samples**

Two rink sections.

### **5.5.8.3 Implementation**

The rink sections are weighed on the scale. The length of each rink section is measured and the weight per running meter is calculated as a mean value of the two rink sections.

### **5.5.8.4 Results**

Rink weight per running meter is reported in kg to one decimal point.

## **6 Report**

Each test report is to include the following information as a minimum requirement.

### **6.1 Name and Address**

Name and address of the testing laboratory and information on testing site, if different to that of the specified address.

### **6.2 Identification**

Unambiguous identification of the test report and of each page as well as information on the total number of pages in the report.

### **6.3 Client**

Client's name and address.

### **6.4 Test Items**

Description and identification of test items.

### **6.5 Date**

The arrival date of the test item and time of test implementation along with the issue date of the report.

### **6.6 Method**

Description and identification of method or routine.

### **6.7 Sampling**

Description of sample procedure in appropriate cases.

### **6.8 Nonconformity, Additions or Exceptions**

Information relating to each instance of nonconformity, addition, or exception from the testing method.

### **6.9 Results**

Information on measurement procedures and attained results, in appropriate cases backed up by charts, diagrams, etc. along with information on observed defects.

### **6.10 Signature**

Signature with title, or other equivalent confirmation, of personnel responsible for the tests.

## 6.11 Report

A statement stating that reproduction of the report can only be made in its entirety, unless otherwise permitted in writing from the testing laboratory.

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## **Provisions for acceptance of other testing, certification, and inspection bodies.**

The International Floorball Federation - IFF - has stated that, if other test organisations wish to be approved for initial type testing in connection with certification, they shall be inspected and approved by RISE, the Research Institute of Sweden. Such inspection by RISE Certification will be in accordance with EN-ISO/IEC 17025 and by means of comparison testing intended to ensure the consistency of test and inspection results.

If the test organisation is already accredited to EN-ISO/IEC 17025 by an accreditation body that is recognised by the European Accreditation organisation (EA), then only comparison testing intended to investigate consistency of test results will need to be performed.

Application for acceptance shall be forwarded to RISE Certification who will set up a programme for the evaluation. A contract shall be signed by the testing body and RISE Certification.

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## Application form for testing

The undersigned hereby order testing of floorball equipment.

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

VAT no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

Visit address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal no. and town: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Telefax no.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Homepage: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

### Product

Stick: numbers of models: \_\_\_\_\_ *Specify model no./name and another info*  
Ball: numbers of models: \_\_\_\_\_ *for the products the other side of this form*  
Goal: numbers of models: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rink: numbers of models: \_\_\_\_\_ Numbers of rink segment \_\_\_\_\_ per rink

### Annual production

Sticks: total quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ pcs  
Balls: total quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ pcs  
Goals: total quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ pcs  
Rinks: total quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ pcs

For testing: \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
*City and date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Sign*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Clarification of signature*



## Application form for certification

The undersigned hereby order certification of Floorball equipment.

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

VAT no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal address: \_\_\_\_\_

Visit address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal no. and town: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Telefax no.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Homepage: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

### Product

On the reverse of this form, state the model's number/name and other information for the product.

### Test report

We attach test report no: \_\_\_\_\_

Testing is being performed by: \_\_\_\_\_

### Supplier's In-House Inspection

We attach a brief description of our quality system: \_\_\_\_\_

### Marking proposal

We attach a description of how certification labelling is applied: \_\_\_\_\_

### Signature

For certification:

\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
*City and date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Sign*

\_\_\_\_\_



## Order form for certification marks

The undersigned hereby orders certification symbol labels as specified below

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

### Order of certification marks.

Product	Size	Quantity	Unit price	Total price (exclusive freight costs)
Ball			0:03 CHF	
Stick	45 x 19 mm		0:28 CHF (self-print) 0:42 CHF (buying sticker)	
Goal	90 x 38 mm		6:00 CHF (official match size) 3.00 CHF (smaller sizes)	
Rink	90 x 38 mm		110 CHF	

Order of certification marks: \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
*City and date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Sign*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Clarification of signature*

## Design of test report

XX AB  
Att. Nnnn Mmm  
Box xxx  
100 00 Xxxxxx

Handläggare, enhet/Handled by, department	Datum/Date	Beteckning/Reference	Sida/Page
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Tel +46 (0) 33 16 53 21			

## 6 Testing of floorball equipment in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506

### Items

1. 10 Floorball balls with the model's name: Nnnnnn.
2. 6 Floorball sticks with the model's name: Nnnnnn.
3. 1 Floorball goal with the model's name: Nnnnnn.
4. 1 Floorball rink with the model's name: Nnnnnn.

Test items 1 - 4 were made available to the RISE Research Institute of Sweden xx nnnnn 20xx.

### Assignment

Testing of Floorball stick in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.2.  
Requirement criteria as per SPCR 011, point 2.1.

Testing of Floorball ball in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.3.  
Requirement criteria as per SPCR 011, point 2.2.

Testing of Floorball goal in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.4.  
Requirement criteria as per SPCR 011, point 2.3.

Testing of Floorball rink in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.5.  
Requirement criteria as per SPCR 011, point 2.4.

## Testing Equipment

- Scale, Mettler
- Sliding callipers, Mitutoyo
- Steel rule
- Radius template
- Universal testing machine, Instron
- Universal testing machine, Frank
- Rebound testing equipment in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506
- Impact testing equipment in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506
- Friction testing equipment in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506
- Testing equipment for discoloration test in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506
- Stick blade measurement device in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506
- Impact testing equipment in accordance with prEN 967
- Contact (stylus) instrument

## Test Implementation

All sticks and samples taken from sticks were stored and tested at  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH.

The tests were carried out in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.2 and assessed in accordance with the requirement criteria in SPCR 011, point 2.1.

All the ball and samples taken from balls were stored and tested at  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH.

The tests were carried out in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.3 and assessed in accordance with the requirement criteria in SPCR 011, point 2.2.

The goal was stored and tested at  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH.

The tests were carried out in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.4 and assessed in accordance with the requirement criteria in SPCR 011, point 2.3.

All rink sections and samples taken from sideboard sections were stored and tested at  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH.

The tests were carried out in accordance with SP-METHOD 1506, point 5.5 and assessed in accordance with the requirement criteria in SPCR 011, point 2.4.

The test was carried out xx - xx nnnnnn 20xx.

## Results

Tested sticks with the model name “Nnnnnn” met the requirements as per SPCR 011. (See appendix 1 for individual measurement results.)

Tested balls with the model name “Nnnnnn” met all requirements except point 3.2.3 "surface fineness", as per SPCR 011 (See appendix 2 for individual measurement results.)

Tested goal with the model name “Nnnnnn” met the requirements, as per SPCR 011. (See appendix 3 for individual measurement results.)

Tested rink sections with the model name “Nnnnnn” met the requirements as per SPCR 011. (See appendix 4 for individual measurement results.)

## X - Institute

Nnnn Mmmm  
Manager

Nnnn Mmmm  
Technical Manager/Officer

**Appendices**  
Measuring results

Appendix 1 to the report

Nnnnnn		Stick 1	Stick 2	Stick 3
Design [sharp objects, rough edges]		No remark	No remark	No remark
Weight [grams]		xxx *	xxx *	xxx *
Dimensions [mm]	(a) <sup>1</sup>	xxx	xxx	xxx
	(b) <sup>2</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(c) <sup>3</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(d) <sup>4</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(e) <sup>5</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(h) <sup>6</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(i) <sup>7</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(j) <sup>8</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(k) <sup>9</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(l) <sup>10</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
	(m) <sup>11</sup>		xxx	xxx xxx
Rigidity** [mm] <sup>12</sup>		28,2 (mean value of six deflection three in each direction) 26,5 (lowest individual value)		
[N] <sup>13</sup>		602	584	586
[mm] <sup>14</sup>		1,1	0,6	0,6
[N] <sup>15</sup>		652	645	663
[mm] <sup>16</sup>		0,4	0,7	0,4
Impact strength [cracks]	700 mm	No remark	No remark	No remark
	40 mm	No remark	No remark	No remark
	blade ***	No remark	No remark	No remark
Blade radii	(f) <sup>17</sup>	No remark	No remark	No remark
	(g) <sup>18</sup>	No remark	No remark	No remark
Blade Discoloration		No remark	No remark	No remark
Blade Torsion Strength ***		No remark	No remark	No remark
Stick markings		Fulfil (New length system and contact information)		
Blade markings		Fulfil (Brand and IFF)		

\* Grip included

\*\* Rigidity test performed without taking binding grip off.

\*\*\* Blade without other plastic materials/laminates.

1 Stick length	8 Blade height	15 Force at 60 mm deflection, horizontal direction
2 Shaft's curve radius	9 Blade penetration depth	16 Remaining deformation, horizontal direction
3 Shaft's max diameter	10 Blade concavity depth	17 Blade radius
4 Length to grip line	11 Shaft straightness	18 Blade edge radius
5 Width of grip line	12 Deflection at 300 N	
6 Blade length	13 Force at 60 mm deflection, vertical direction	
7 Blade thickness	14 Remaining deformation, vertical	

## Design of agreement

### Agreement concerning material regulations SPCR 011

The following agreement has this day been reached between Research Institute of Sweden (RISE) and Company X (organisation number xxxxxx xxxx).

#### 1. Purpose

To ensure that type tested and approved equipment for Floorball are manufactured according to SPCR 011, and that the manufacturer will comply with SPCR 011 in all aspects.

#### 2. Extent

RISE will perform market surveillance in accordance with SPCR 011.

RISE will submit a written report on each supervisory inspection that it performs. If results do not comply with the required standards, measures shall be taken by Company X in accordance with SPCR 011. Company X shall keep RISE informed of the countries in which he sells his certified Floorball equipment. Company X shall, when applicable according to SPCR 011 or other information, send accounting reports concerning stick production.

#### 3. Costs and other terms and conditions

The costs of inspection in accordance with this agreement and of associated testing shall be met by IFF and if testing gives a negative result the renewed testing shall be met by Company X. This agreement is subject to the terms and conditions as set out in SPCR 011 and RISE 's General Conditions.

Company X accepts to pay fines according to SPCR 011 section 4.6 if not complying with the rules.

#### 4. Validity of this agreement

This agreement comes into force when it has been signed by both parties. Notice of termination shall be given in writing and may be given by either party. The agreement shall then cease to apply three months after notice of termination. If Company X fails to comply with the terms of this agreement, and if such non-compliance is not negligible, RISE shall be entitled to terminate the agreement with immediate effect.

Two copies of this Agreement have been prepared and signed, with one copy being retained by RISE and one by Company X.

Place and date

Borås, \_\_ \_\_ 2018

**RISE Research Institute of Sweden**  
Chemistry and Materials Technology

Nnnnnnn Nnnnnnnnnn

Place and date

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_ \_\_ 20182020

**Company X**

Nnnnnnn Nnnnnnnnnn

## CERTIFICATE

XX XX XX

**Holder/Issued to**

Company name: **Company**  
Address: Street  
Postal address: SE-123 45 City  
Country: Sweden  
Telephone: +46-00-000 00 00  
Mobile: +46-000-000 000  
E-mail: nnnnn.nnnnnn@xxxxxxx.com

**Product name**

For actual brand and model names see the website Certified Floorball Equipment Database.

**Product description**

Floorball stick shaft is made of carbon fibre and with a round shape. The stick length is between 950 – 1140 mm, the shaft's flex is XX mm and has a diameter of XX mm according to drawing No. xxxxxxxx, dated: yyyy-mm-dd.  
Approved blades according to table in certificate No. XX XX XX.

**Attribute**

Complies with the regulations of International Floorball Federation (IFF) for league play

**Performance requirements**

RISE's Certification Rules for Floorball Equipment, SPCR 011 edition 2018.

**Marking**

Every product covered by this certificate may show the symbol of IFF (reproduced at the bottom right) and the text "SPCR 011". The marking shall also include the name of the manufacturer or his logotype or the product name. The marking shall be placed as specified in SPCR 011.

**Validity**

This certificate is valid until not later than yyyy-mm-dd.

**Miscellaneous**

The certificate was originally issued on yyyy-mm-dd.  
RISE internal no. xxxxxxx.

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Certificate No. XX XX XX | issue 1 | YYYY-MM-DD

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## Guidelines for the measurement of grille openings in a match situation.

- An IFF-marked grille (embossed IFF-marking on a metal plate on the left side of the grille) should be considered as an approved grille and need not necessarily be measured; unless there are indications that the grille has been changed/mended in some way.
- An unmarked grille must always be measured to prove that the grille openings are within the set requirements.
- During the certification approval test a measuring gauge with a dimension of 70 x 8mm is used. The measuring gauge should not be able to be inserted in any of the face protector's grille openings so...

Measurement of grille openings in a match situation, by means of e.g., measuring tape, should be viewed as a rough method to measure the openings in the grille.

- The grille openings must in most cases never be measured to more than 70mm in any direction. In some grilles all grille openings are not rectangular, but have other shapes (e.g., sharply tapered, or curved forms).

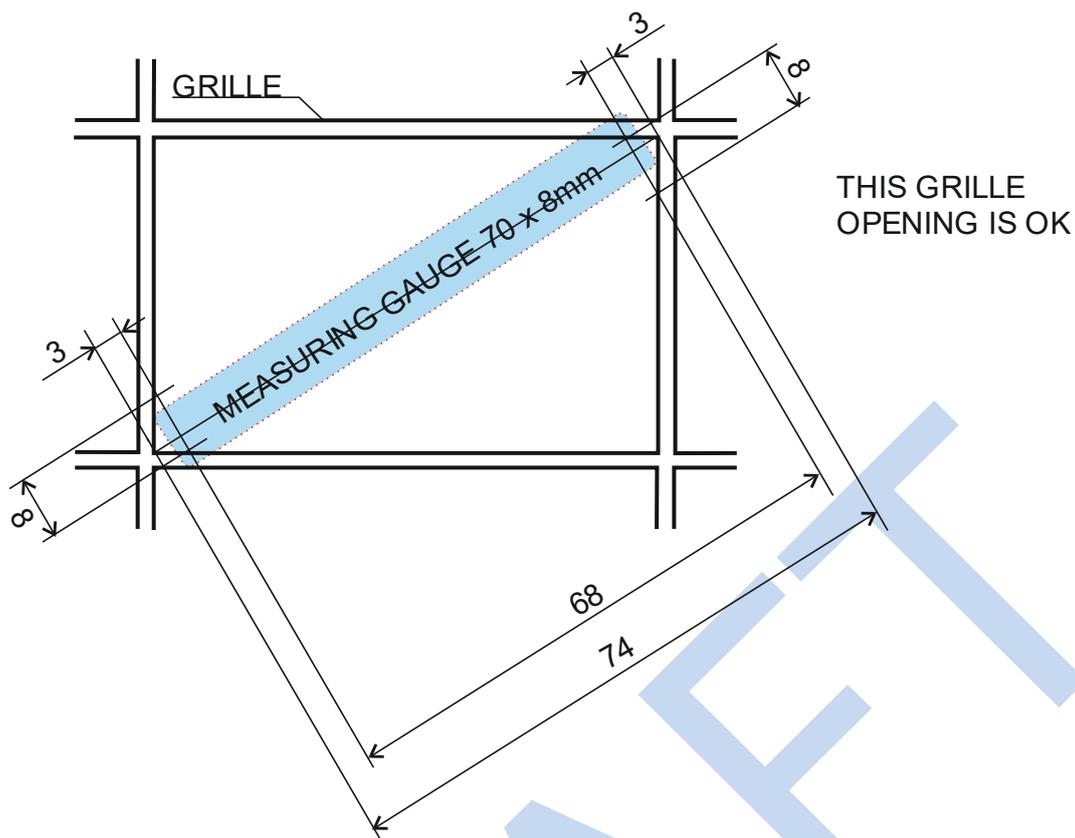
If you measure these types of grille openings to a value exceeding 70mm; then it is also important to measure the opening perpendicular (the height) to the other direction.

- If the height is measured to a value below 8 mm e.g., due to nearby parallel grille threads, the length of the part that has a height less than 8mm is to be measured.

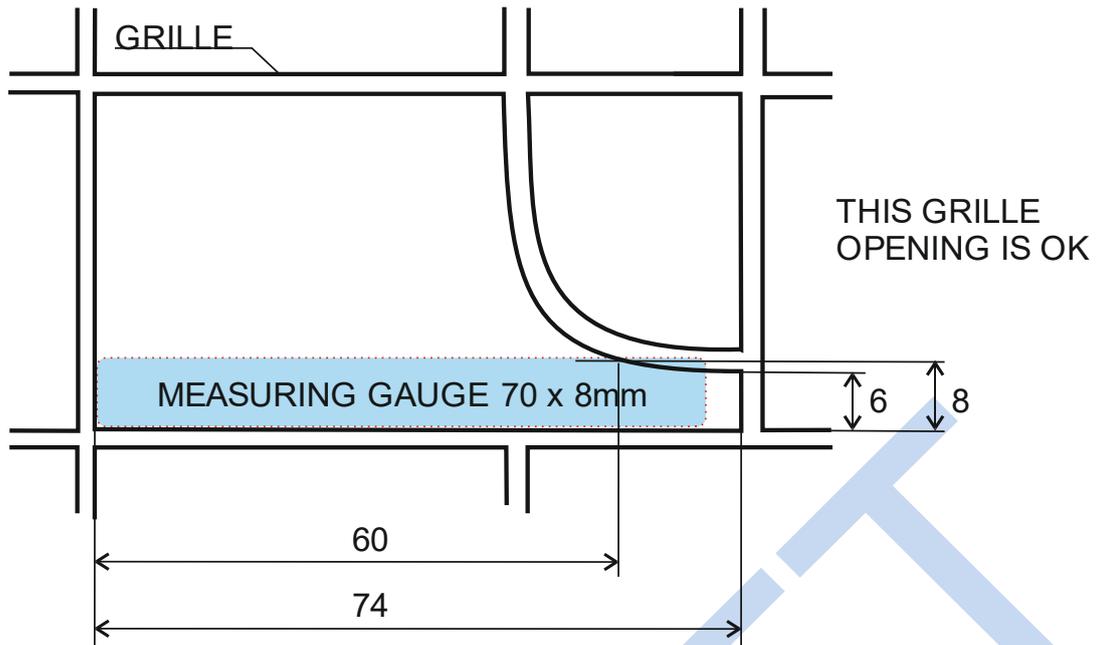
The newly measured part length shall be deducted from the previously measured grille opening value that was exceeding 70mm.

- If the result value still is found to exceed 70mm; the grille is not fulfilling the requirement. Otherwise, if the result value is below 70mm: the grille is fulfilling the requirement.

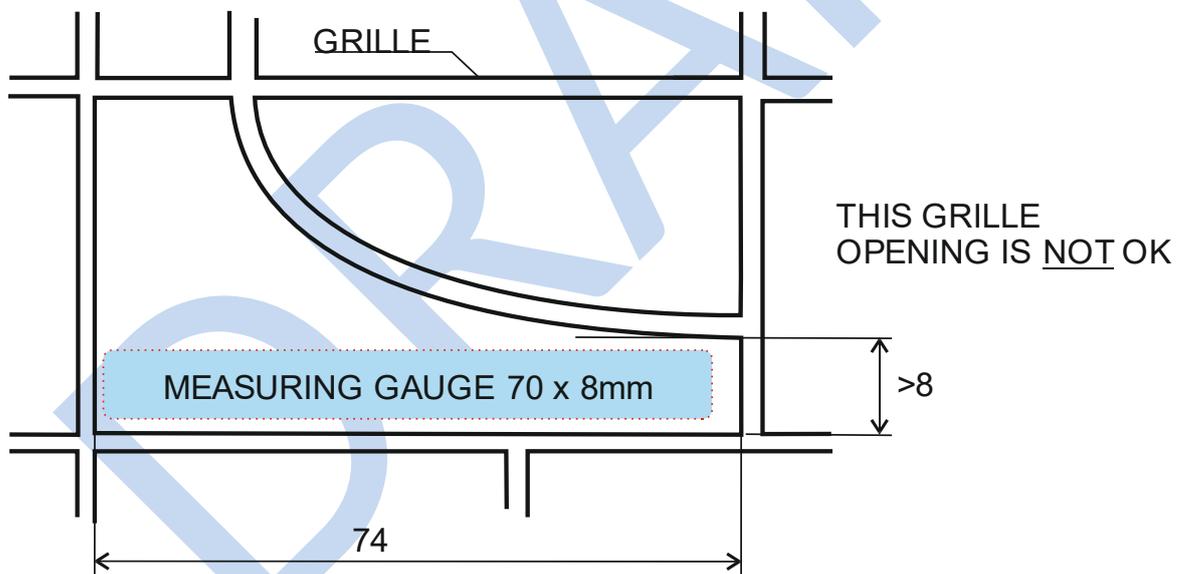
See examples below.



IN THIS EXAMPLE ONE OF THE GRILLE OPENINGS IS MEASURED TO 74mm (DIAGONAL).  
BUT THE PERPENDICULAR VALUE (THE HEIGHT) IS LESS THAN 8mm FOR 2 x 3mm OF THE DISTANCE.  
A MEASURING GAUGE WITH A DIMENSION OF 70 X 8mm CAN NOT BE INSERTED.

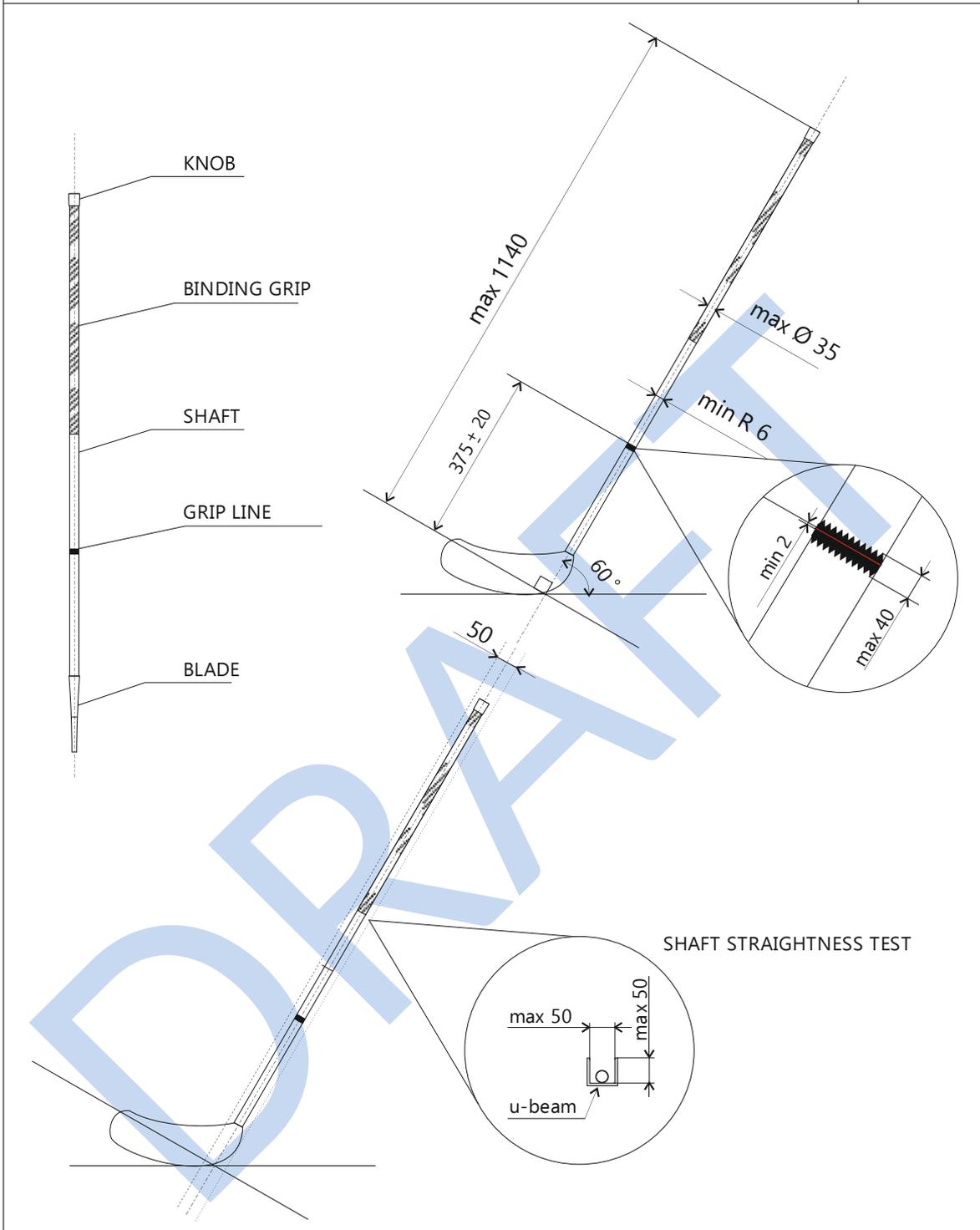


IN THIS EXAMPLE ONE OF THE GRILLE OPENINGS IS MEASURED TO 74mm.  
BUT THE PERPENDICULAR VALUE (THE HEIGHT) IS LESS THAN 8mm FOR 14mm OF THE DISTANCE.  
A MEASURING GAUGE WITH A DIMENSION OF 70 X 8mm CAN NOT BE INSERTED.



IN THIS EXAMPLE ONE OF THE GRILLE OPENINGS IS MEASURED TO 74mm.  
THE PERPENDICULAR VALUE (THE HEIGHT) IS MEASURED TO A VALUE EXCEEDING 8mm.  
A MEASURING GAUGE WITH A DIMENSION OF 70 X 8mm CAN EASILY BE INSERTED.

Description	Dimension requirements for floorball stick	Appendix B1
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<b>RISE</b> Research Institute of Sweden Chemistry and Materials Technology Section for Polymer Technology Box 857 501 15 BORÅS, Sweden				Drawn <b>110919</b>	<b>SPCR 011-B1e</b>
				Title <b>Floorball stick</b>	

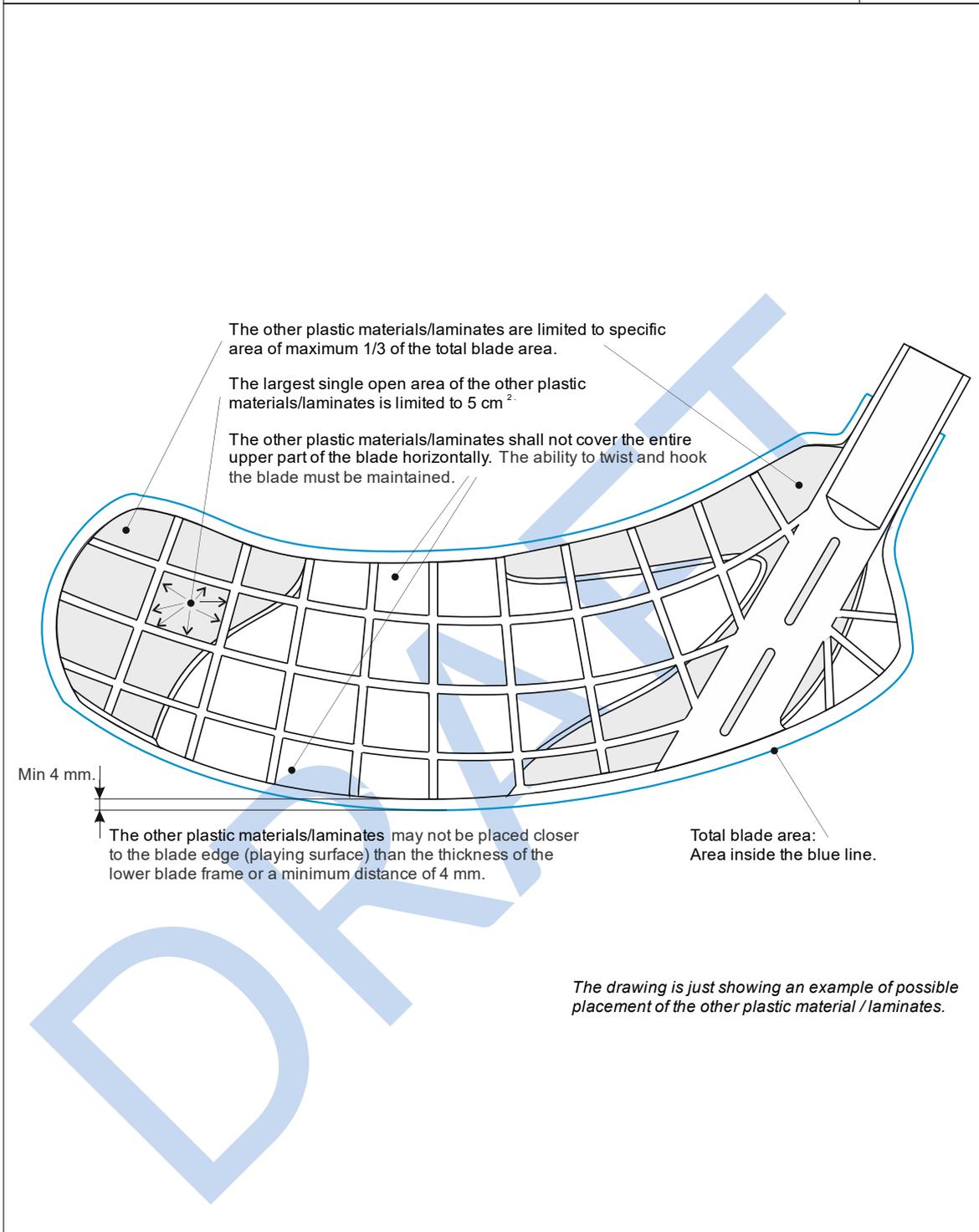
Description <b>Dimension requirements for floorball stick blade</b>				Appendix B2	
<p>CHECK OF PENETRATION DEPTH</p>			<p>BLADE HEIGHT MEASURING DEVICE</p>		
Drawn by <b>L-Å H</b>	Inspected by	Approved by	Remarks	Replaces 050103, ver 5	Version <b>6</b>
<p><b>RISE</b> Research Institute of Sweden Chemistry and Materials Technology Section for Polymer Technology Box 857 501 15 BORÅS, Sweden</p>			<p>Title</p> <p><b>Stick blade</b></p>		Drawn <b>090903</b>
					Drawing no. <b>SPCR 011-B2e</b>

Description <b>Dimension requirements for floorball ball</b>				Appendix B3	
Drawn by	Inspected by	Approved by	Remarks	Replaces	Version
L-Å H				930924, ver 2	3
<b>RISE Research Institute of Sweden</b> Chemistry and Materials Technology Section for Polymer Technology Box 857 501 15 BORÅS, Sweden	Title <b>Floorball ball</b>			Drawn	951115
				Drawing no.	SPCR 011-B3e

Description <b>Dimension requirements for floorball goal</b>				Appendix B4	
<p style="text-align: center;">OVERALL VIEW</p>					
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<p><b>RISE</b> Research Institute of Sweden Chemistry and Materials Technology Section for Polymer Technology Box 857 501 15 BORÅS, Sweden</p>	<p>Title</p> <p><b>Floorball goal</b></p>			Drawn <b>090903</b>	<p>Drawing no.</p> <p><b>SPCR 011-B4e</b></p>

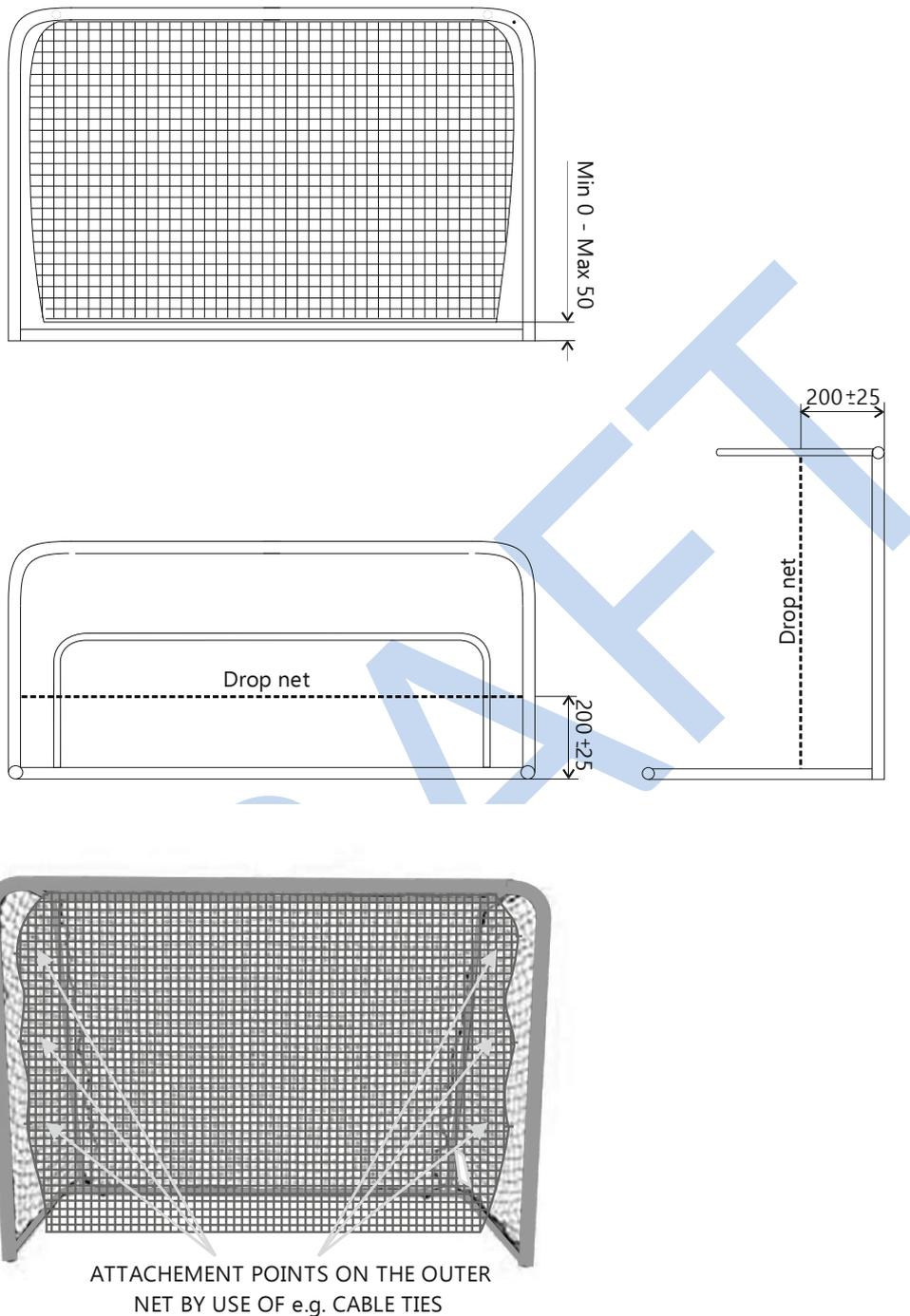
Description <b>Dimension requirements for floorball rink</b>				Appendix B5	
<p>The drawing consists of several views:         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Plan View (Top Left):</b> Shows two adjacent boards. The width of each board is <math>3 \pm 1</math>. The gap between boards is <math>\max 6</math>. The boards rest on a hatched area labeled "PLAYING SURFACE".</li> <li><b>Side View (Top Right):</b> Shows the board's profile. The height is <math>500 \pm 10</math>. The top edge has a minimum radius of <math>\min R 17.5</math>.</li> <li><b>Side View (Middle Right):</b> Shows the board's profile with a "TOP EDGE RADIUS" and an "EDGE RADIUS". The bottom edge has a width of <math>2 \pm 2</math>.</li> <li><b>Detail View (Bottom Left):</b> Shows a curved section with a radius of <math>R 2000 \pm 500</math>.</li> </ul> </p>					
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<p><b>RISE</b> Research Institute of Sweden Chemistry and Materials Technology Section for Polymer Technology Box 857 501 15 BORÅS, Sweden</p>	<p>Title <b>Floorball rink</b></p>		<p>Drawn <b>040524</b></p>		
			<p>Drawing no. <b>SPCR 011-B5e</b></p>		

Description <b>Limeted area of other plastic materials / laminate</b>	<b>Appendix B6</b>
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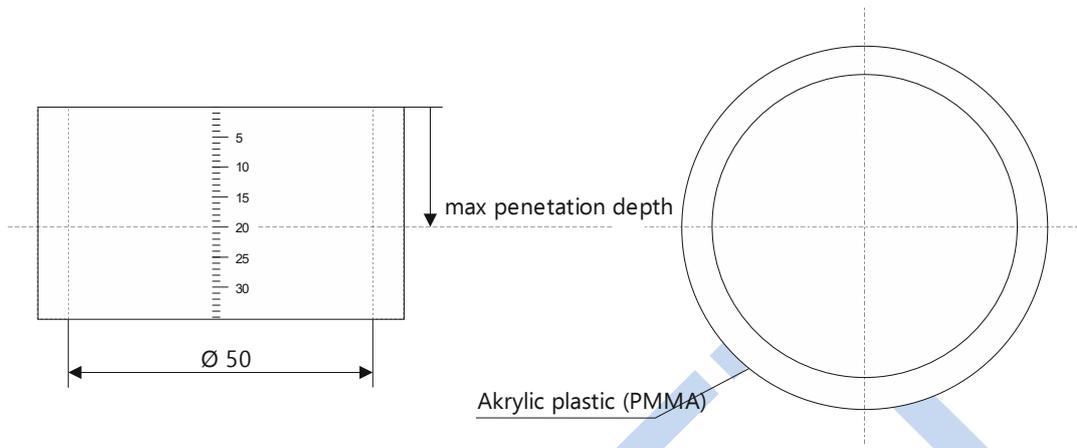
Description	<b>Drop net length and mounting / positioning requirements for floorball goal</b>	<b>Appendix B7</b>
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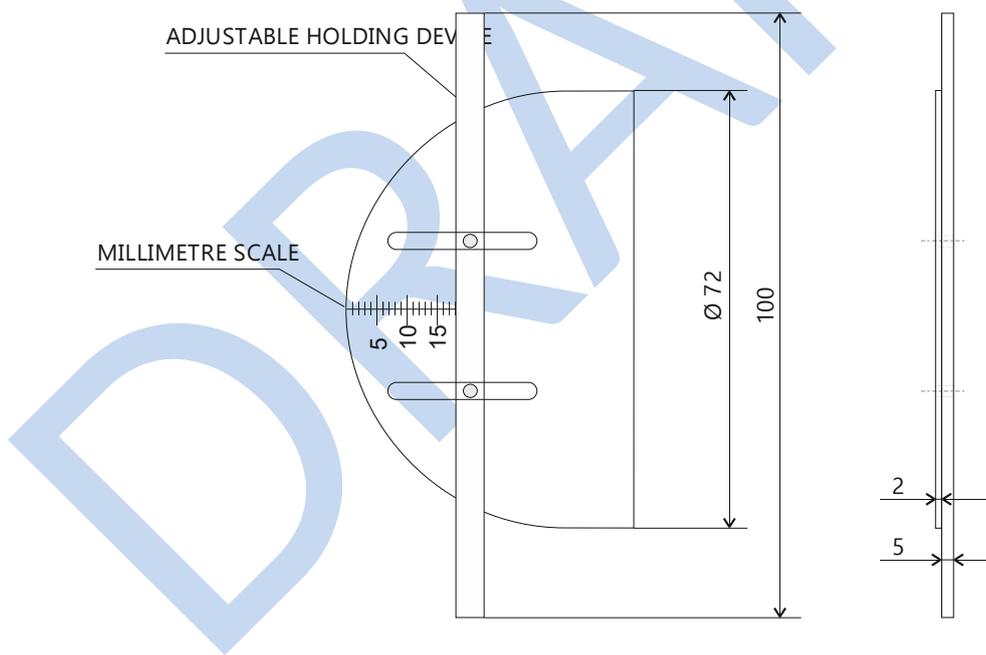
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				Title <b>Floorball goal - Drop net</b>	

Description	Equipment for measuring blade penetration depth and concavity depth	Appendix C1
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MEASURING DEVICE FOR BLADE PENETRATION DEPTH

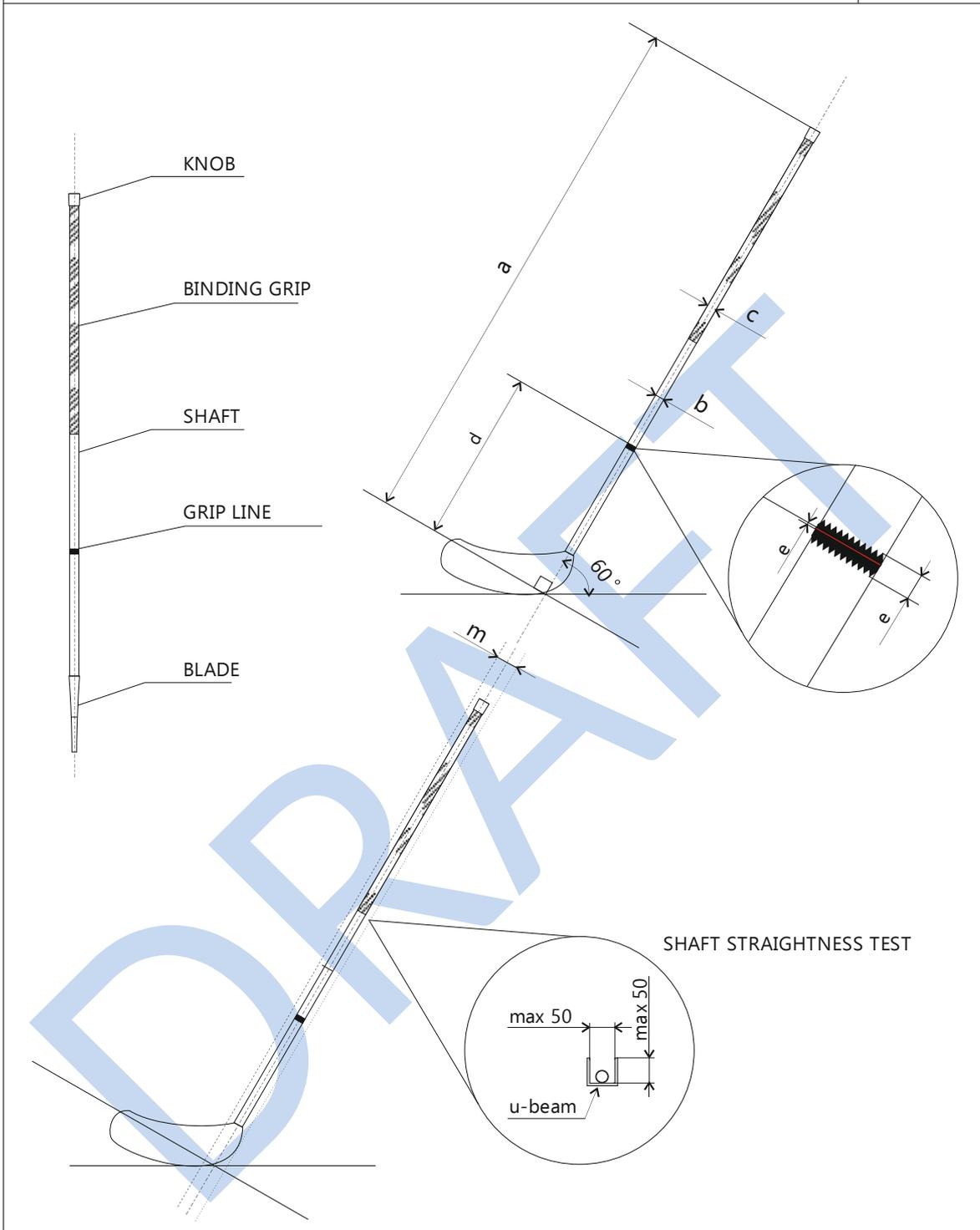


MEASURING DEVICE FOR BLADE CONCAVITY DEPTH



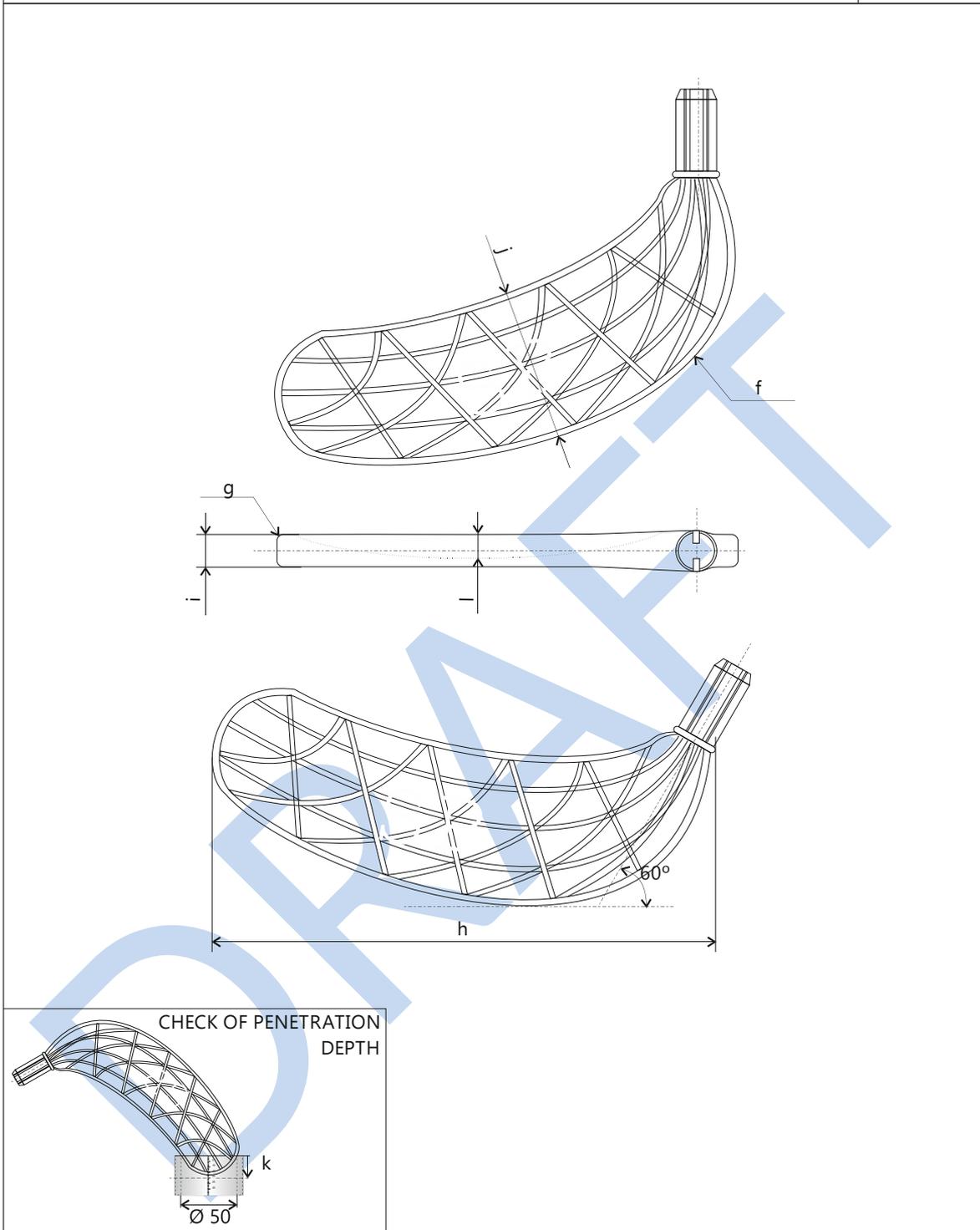
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Description <b>Floorball stick dimensions</b>	Appendix C2
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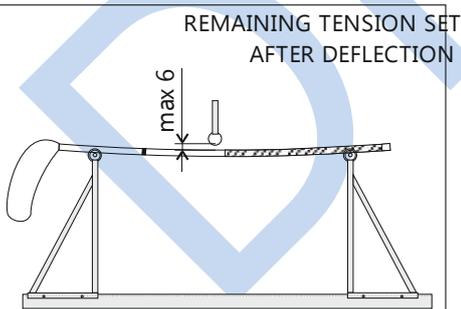
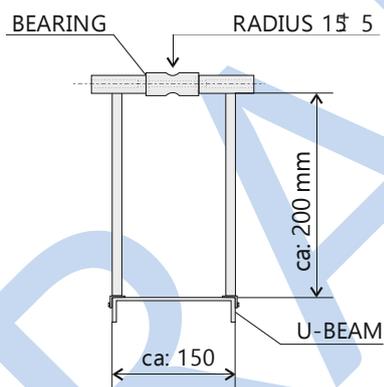
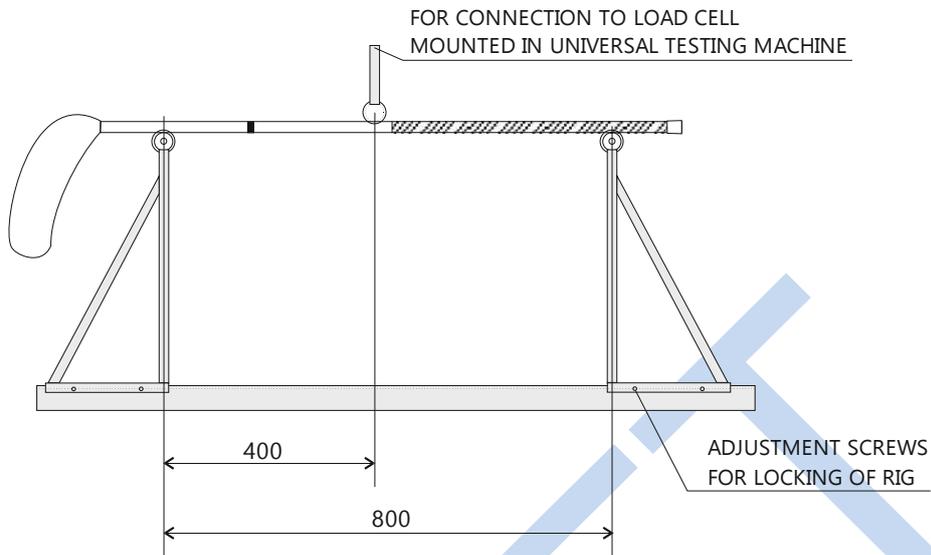
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Description <b>Floorball stick blade dimensions</b>	Appendix C3
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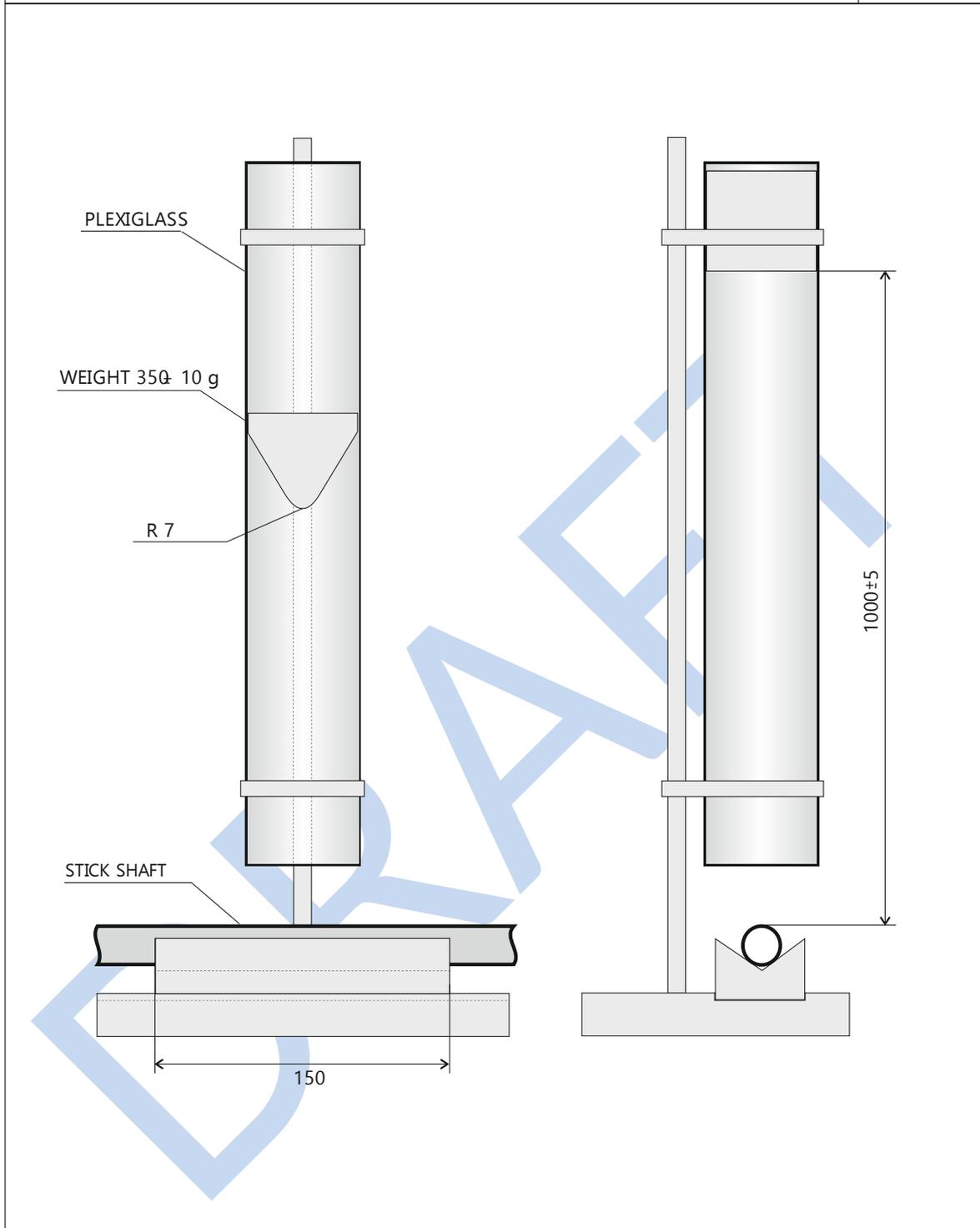
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Description <b>Equipment for deflection test</b>	<b>Appendix C4</b>
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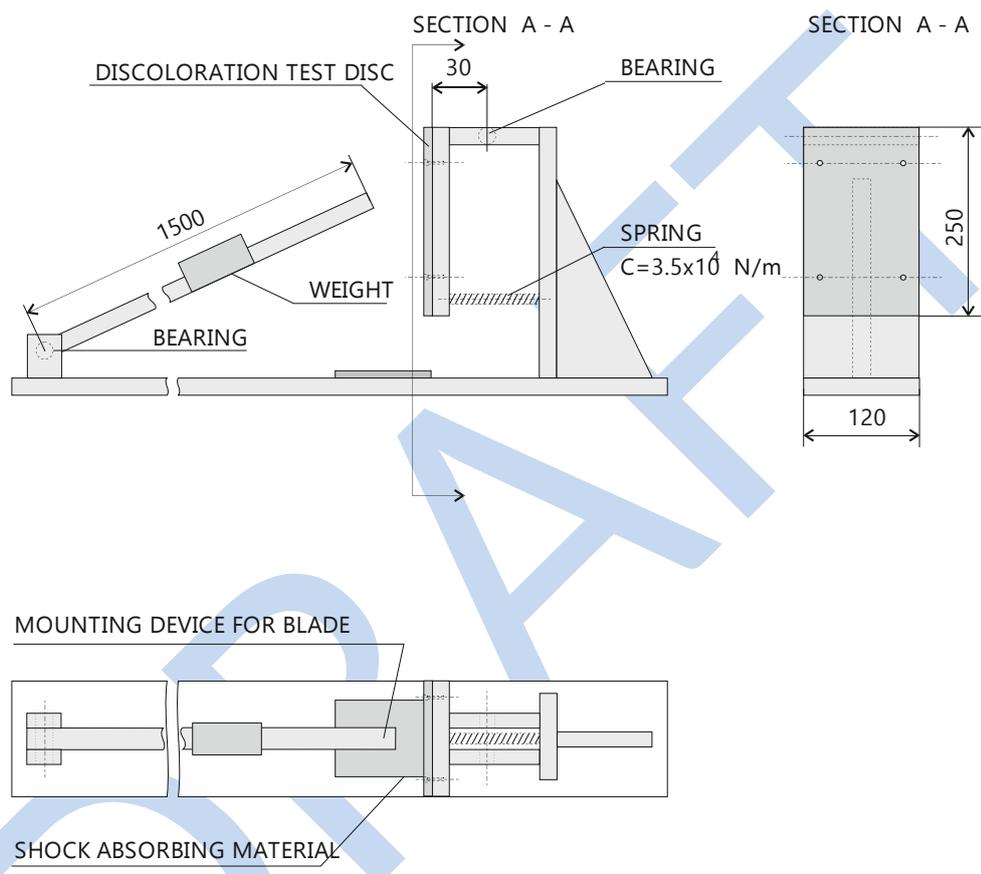
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Description <b>Equipment for impact test</b>	<b>Appendix C5</b>
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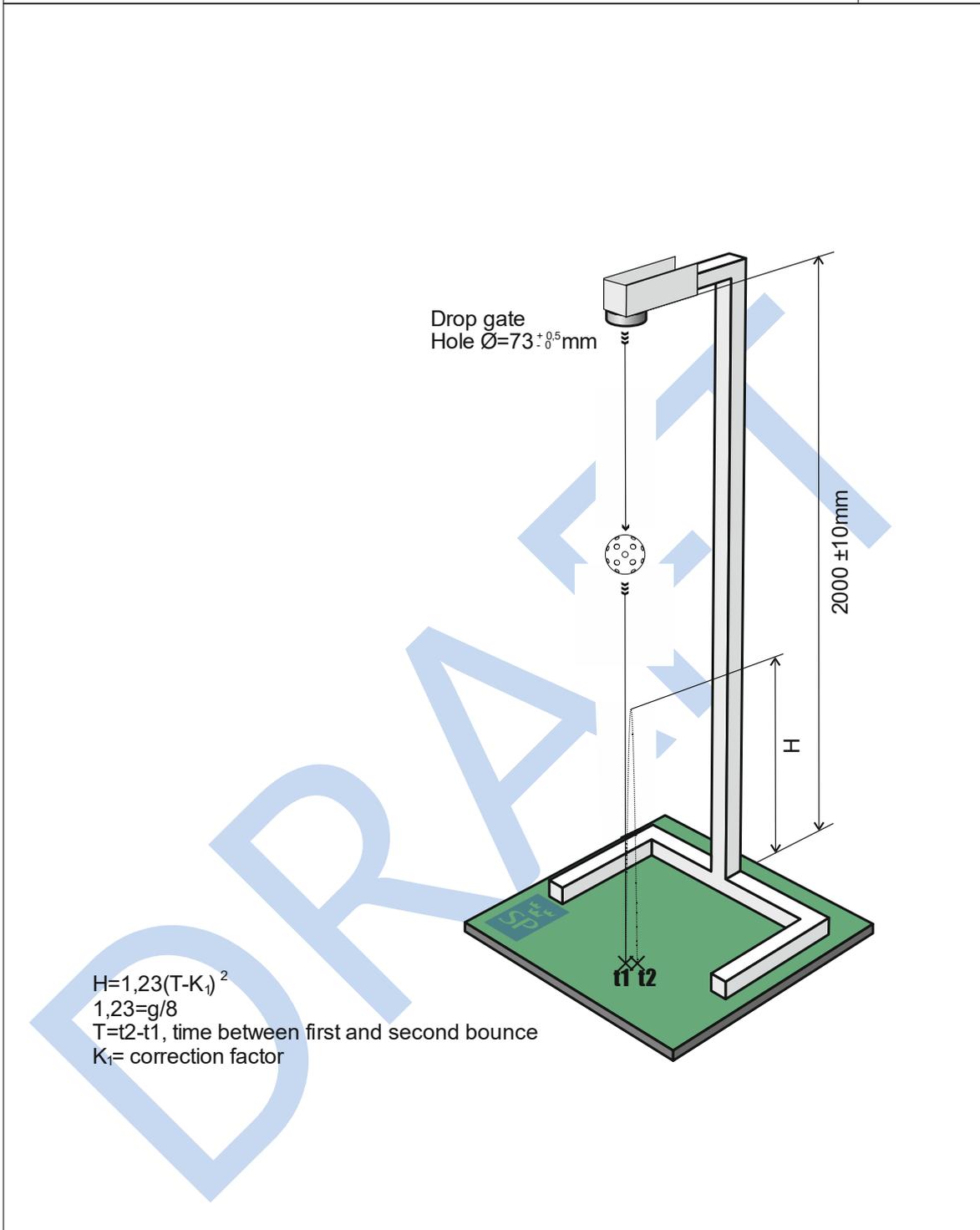
Description <b>Equipment for discoloration test</b>	Appendix C6
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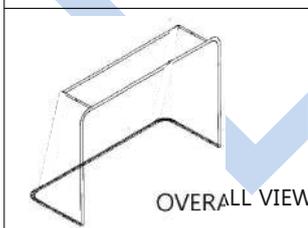
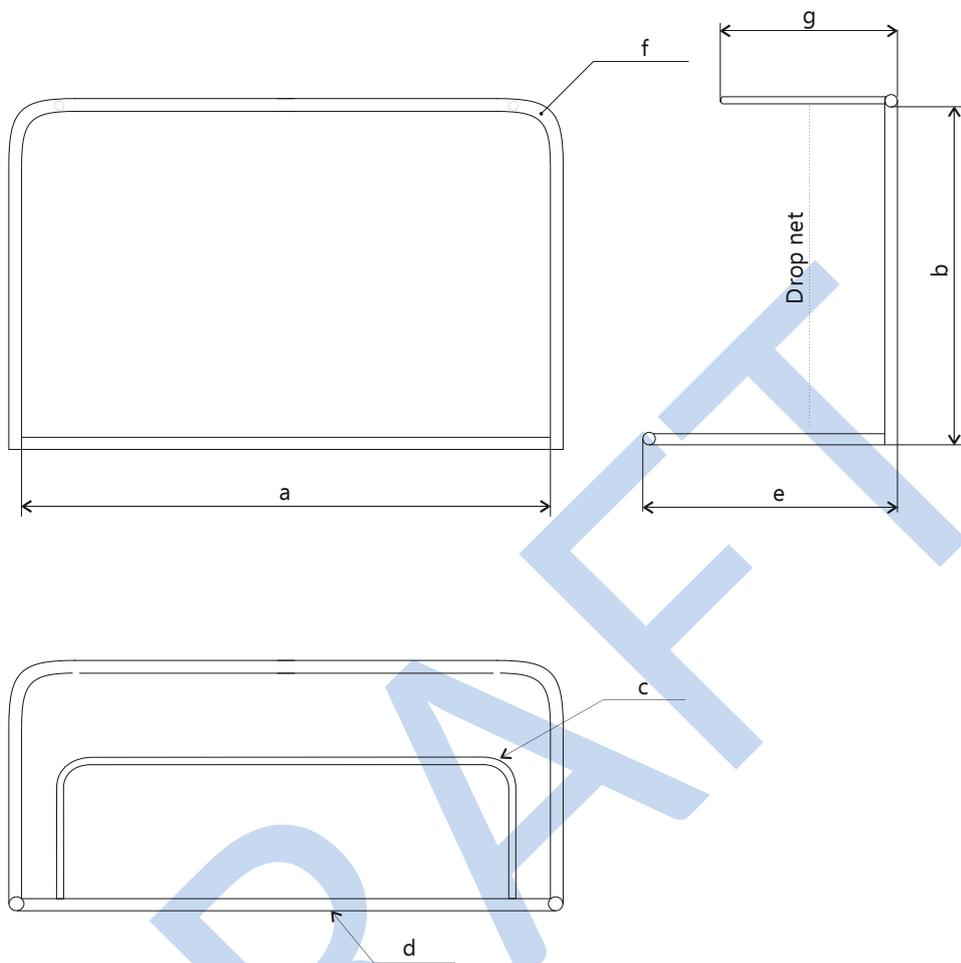
Description <b>Floorball ball dimensions</b>				Appendix C7	
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Description <b>Equipment for ball rebound test</b>	<b>Appendix C8</b>
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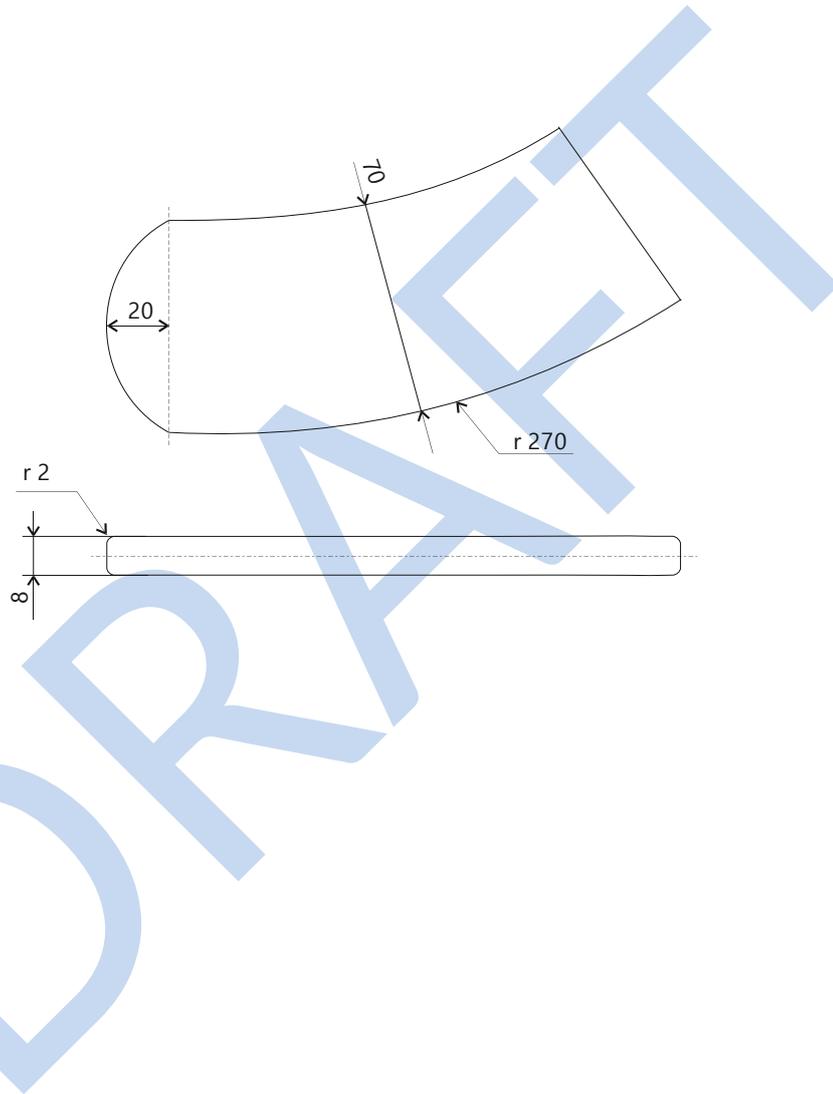
Description <b>Floorball goal dimensions</b>	<b>Appendix C9</b>
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Description <b>Floorball rink dimensions</b>				Appendix C10	
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Description <b>Equipment for net size test on face mask</b>	<b>Appendix C12</b>
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				Drawing no. <b>SPM 1506-C12e</b>	

## IFF Streaming revenue and costs

User payment:	100		
Stripe fees:	5,4	Average 5,4 %.	Different fees for cards from different countries
Amazon fees:	12	Average 12 %.	Costs for stream input hours, storage and video delivery to users
Net to share:	<b>82,6</b>		As users with an access pass can watch multiple games, multiple times and varying viewing length, only averages over time can be used to calculated.

Gross Income (Stripe)	€	100,00			
Stripe fees (deduction)		5,40 %	IFF	70 %	€ 58,27
<b>Income Payout</b>	€	<b>94,60</b>	SW	30 %	€ 24,97
Amazon fees (deduction)		12 %			€ 83,25
<b>Income Net</b>	€	<b>83,25</b>	This amount can be split to 70% IFF and 30% SW - after IFF has reached 60K threshold		

Model when IFF offer other LOC					
Gross Income (Stripe)	€	100,00			
Stripe fees (deduction)		5,40 %			
<b>Income Payout</b>	€	<b>94,60</b>			
Amazon fees (deduction)		12 %			
IFF admin fee (deduction)		3 %			
<b>Income Net</b>	€	<b>80,41</b>	This amount can be split to 70% IFF and 30% SW - after IFF has reached 60K threshold		
Sportswik provision 30%	€	24,12			
IFF Revenue 70%	€	56,29			
LOC share of IFF revenue 80%	€	45,03			
IFF final revenue	€	11,26			

**Five Complaints by Maxim Karpov dated 23 July 2023, 2, 8, 24, and 28 August 2023**

**STATEMENT**

Of the

**International Floorball Federation Ethics Commission (ETC)**

**Composition:** Bill Howitt, Carol Roberts, and Sylvia Schenk (acting Chair)

**Main Facts and Proceedings**

On 23 July 2023 (# 1), 2 August 2023 (# 2), 8 August 2023 (# 3), 24 August (# 4), and 28 August 2023 (# 5), the ETC received five submissions (in the following: the "Submissions") via the IFF complaints template.

The Submissions were sent by Maxim Karpov (or Maksim – email address: Карпов Максим [makuria@ukr.net](mailto:makuria@ukr.net) - in the following: the "Complainant"). In the complaint # 1 the nationality of the Complainant is noted as Ukraine, in # 2 it is "Uganda", in # 3 it is "Tuvalu", in # 4 "Turkey", and in # 5 "Angola".

The ETC assumes that the Complainant is from Ukraine.

As "Organization with which you are affiliated" it is noted "fun" or "fun of floorball" by the Complainant. Whether he belongs to any club or other floorball association, i.e., is affiliated in any way with the sport of floorball, has not been examined by the ETC.

The Complaints are summarized in short as follows:

1. Complaint dated 23 July 2023 against the National Floorball federation of Russia  
Alleged infringement: "Conflict of Interest" by supporting the " Russian military aggression against Ukraine"
2. Complaint dated 2 August 2023 against the President of the floorball club Solnechnye Orly (Ulyanovsk, Russia) Lukyanov Sergey Alexandrovich  
Alleged infringement: " Other (including doping)" by taking " an active part in the Russian military aggression against Ukraine"
3. Complaint dated 8 August 2023 against the President of the Floorball Federation of the Novgorod Region, Ivanov German Sergeevich  
Alleged infringement: " Other (including doping)" because he "not only publicly supports the Russian military aggression against Ukraine, but also participates in the material support of the Russian army in Ukraine."

4. Complaint dated 24 August 2023 against the vice-president of the National Floorball Federation of Russia, the president of the Solnechnye Orly club (Ulyanovsk), Lukyanov Sergey Alexandrovich

Alleged infringement: " Other (including doping)" because he "publicly supports Russia's invasion of Ukraine, participates in the material supply of the Russian army in Ukraine."

5. Complaint dated 28 August 2023 against Players and president floorball club Sonnechnye Orly (Uleanovsk city, Russian Federation)

Alleged infringement: " Other (including doping)" because they "supported Russia's recognition of the quasi-states of the Donetsk and Lugansk People's Republics."

The Complainant has added links to the Complaints to support the reported infringements.

After considering the complaints, the ETC has decided as follows:

### **Jurisdiction**

The Preamble of the IFF Code of Ethics states:

*"This Code of Ethics applies to all IFF Officials, IFF Staff, Participants and Organisers of Events in any capacity whatsoever".*

Accordingly, Floorball officials from the national, regional and the club level are not bound by the IFF Code of Ethics. The same applies to players as long as they are not participating in IFF events.

All individuals named in the Complaints are active as officials only within the Russian Federation and/or a Russian club, not on the international level. Therefore, the ETC, pursuant to the Preamble of the IFF Code of Ethics and 1(b) of the IFF ETC Guidelines, is not competent to investigate the Complaints. Additionally, the ETC is unable to recommend any measures regarding these persons since the IFF is unable to sanction them.

Furthermore, the National Floorball Federation of Russia was suspended by the Executive Board of the IFF on 28 February 2022<sup>1</sup>. This is the most serious reaction that could be imposed by the IFF to demonstrate its position on the Russian war against Ukraine.

Bill Howitt    Carol Roberts    Sylvia Schenk

IFF ETC Members

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<sup>1</sup> [https://dltaw1vhj9zy5.cloudfront.net/2022/03/Minutes-02\\_2022-Per-Capsulam.pdf](https://dltaw1vhj9zy5.cloudfront.net/2022/03/Minutes-02_2022-Per-Capsulam.pdf)