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Zagreb, 27.08.2015.

# I. BASIC PROVISIONS

#### Article 1

These Regulations regulate the competition of men's teams in the SEHA GAZPROM Regional Men's Handball League (hereinafter the SEHA League).

The Regulations regulate the order and all the obligations, duties and rights resulting from the competition in the 2015/2016 season.

- 1.1 The principles and basic elements of the system of competition of the SEHA League and the terms of participation shall be determined by the SEHA League Assembly.
- 1.2 With a view to securing the best possible commercial and marketing proceeds from which to fund the League expenses, the SEHA League founders have made the League Sponsorship Agreement.
- 1.3. The management of the SEHA League is entrusted to the Chairman, and he shall be assisted in organizational and technical matters by the staff he himself commissions.
- 1.3.1. The Assembly of the SEHA League has appointed Mr. Marjan Nachevski of Macedonia as the SEHA League Commissioner.
- 1.4. The Commissioner shall be in charge of the organisation and conduct of competition in the SEHA League.
- 1.5. In managing the competition the SEHA League Commissioner shall apply the Regulations and other SEHA League rules, the handball rules and other relevant regulations of the EHF and the IHF, and in organizational and technical matters he shall be assisted by two (2) administrative staff members appointed by the SEHA League Board (Bojan Filipović and Tomica Madjerčić).
- 1.6. The SEHA League Board shall also adopt the Rules on Hotel and Travel Expenses for the SEHA League clubs (accommodation at least in three-star hotels, with max. distance from the match site 30 km/45 min.).
- 1.7. Referee and supervisor lists shall be adopted by the SEHA League Board at the proposal of the handball federations and shall be published at the website of the SEHA League www.seha-liga.com. Each federation shall delegate the best referees and the delegate-supervisor solely from the EHF roster. The number of referees and delegate-supervisors from each country depends on the number of teams that play in SEHA League. How many teams have one association / federation, so many referees and delegates supervisors provides on the list. Each association / federation gives one spare pair of referees and delegates that changes them in case of absence of their representative.













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1.8. Any decisions, communications, reports, complaints and submissions in writing shall be deemed duly sent/received when delivered to e-mail: m.nachevski@seha-liga.com and b.filipovic@seha-liga.com

## Article 2

The SEHA League includes 10 (ten) men's teams.

The	SEHA League:	:	STATE
1.	HC TATRAN PREŠOV, Prešov		SVK
2.	HC SPARTAK-VOJPUT, Subotica		SRB
3.	HC NEXE, Našice		CRO
4.	HC MESHKOV BREST, Brest		BLR
5.	H <mark>C VARD</mark> AR, Skopje		MKD
6.	HC MAKS STRUMICA, Stru	imica I	MKD
7.	HC BORAC m:tel, Banja Lu	ıka I	BIH
8.	HC PPD ZAGREB, Zagreb		CRO
9.	HC VOJVODINA, Novi Sad		SRB
10.	HC VESZPREM, Veszprem		HUN

The competition shall feature the double-point system, played in 18 rounds, with the schedule set up in advance.

Every participant shall play once at home and once away. Clubs shall be awarded 3 points for a win, 0 points for a loss, and 1 point each for a draw.

The final placement of the clubs shall be determined on the basis of the points scored.

If two or more clubs score the same number of points, the order shall be determined in the following manner:

- The calculation shall include the scores of the clubs involved when playing against each other, and the order shall be determined on the basis of the points scored in such a short ranking;
- If the scores in such a short ranking are the same, the better placed club shall be the one with a better difference between the goals scored and conceded in such a short ranking;
- If the difference between the goals scored and conceded in a short ranking is the same, the better placed club shall be the one with the better total score difference after 18 SEHA League rounds played;
- If the total difference between the goals scored and conceded in the final ranking after 18 SEHA League rounds played is the same, the better placed club shall be the one that scored the most goals after 18 SEHA League rounds;
- If the placement of the clubs cannot be determined in any of the above manners, the clubs shall share a placement in the final ranking.
- If the placement is key to appearing in the SEHA League Playoffs, a single match shall be played on neutral ground, and the venue shall be decided on by the Commissioner. If the match ends in a draw, the winner shall be determined by seven-meter throws in accordance with the IHF rules.

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## Article 3

- After 18 rounds of the SEHA League played in the 2015/2016 season, the first four (4) clubs shall continue the competition in the Final Four tournament.
- The date for the Final Four tournament is 01-03.04.2016. The place and manner of the competition shall be determined by the Board of the SEHA League.

#### Article 4

In the 2015/2016 season, the right to play in the SEHA League shall include the teams listed in Article 2 hereof.

The Board of the SEHA League shall decide on the enlargement of the League and the number of clubs competing.

# Article 5

The Board of the SEHA League shall appoint the Manager of the company SEHA d.o.o., Zagreb. The Manager of the company shall be Mr. Siniša Ostoić from Zagreb.

#### Article 6

The SEHA League matches shall be played in accordance with the International Rules of Handball (IHF) and the EHF Regulations and the SEHA League Regulations.

# **II. FUNCTIONING OF THE LEAGUE**

#### Article 7 - Rights of the teams

- 7.1. In the 2015/2016 season, the teams shall be entitled to 40% of the proceeds from the sales of the marketing and advertising surfaces in the halls, 10% shall go to the federations, and 50% shall go to the company SEHA d.o.o. All the proceeds from admission shall go to clubs. All clubs organizers / hosts matches shall provide for SEHA league free tickets in the amount of 10% of the capacity of the hall.
- 7.2. In the 2015/2016 season, the company SEHA d.o.o. shall cover the clubs' travel expenses, accommodation for the teams at least in a three-star hotel for 23 persons, in case of air transport for a maximum of 21 persons, and the expenses of the officials.
- 7.3. In the 2015/2016 season, the company SEHA d.o.o. shall pay the expenses for the officials (referees and delegates).

#### Article 8 - Duties of the teams

8.1 Accept and respect the rules and Regulations of the SEHA League, and the EHF Rules.

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8.2. In the 2015/2016 season, the clubs shall welcome other clubs and the officials and see them off, and shall see to their transportation from the airport to the hotel – hall and back.

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- 8.3. Determine the marketing manager, floor manager, the Security Commissioner, cameramen and photographers for each match, who together with official representatives of the clubs must be present at the technical meeting.
- 8.4. Open the website of the club and publish the group photograph of the team, players and officials and to send a group picture of the club and individual photos of all the players and officials to the e-mail address: marketing@seha-liga.com
- 8.5. Enable TV/live streaming coverage of the matches solely to the television networks with which the company selected by the SEHA League as the owner of the TV rights has signed contracts.
- 8.6. Provide the necessary number of seats for reporters (home and visiting) in the stands, with PC connection and internet connection.
- 8.7. Provide accreditations for the visiting reporters 4 days prior to the match, through accreditation applications.
- 8.8. Distribute copies of the minutes of the match to the reporters in the PRESS stands 15 minutes before the match and submit one copy to the TV house that leads direct TV broadcasting / streaming live.
- 8.9. The host club is required to provide the conditions that delegate should send electronic form SEHA League record at least 30 minutes after the game, by e-mail: m.nachevski@seha-liga.com, and b.filipovic@seha-liga.com
- 8.10. Provide special free Internet in the hall (WiFi or cable, to the needs of journalists and officials) fast enough for keeping "live score" statistic.
- 8.11. Provide two persons who will properly guide through special Internet network (as instructed) "Live Score" Statistics of the match. In case of bad keeping of live score statistics (bad Internet connection, carelessly and inaccurately keeping statistics) club will be sanctioned in accordance with Art. 8 these regulations.
- 8.12. Provide the photographer, who, by the end of the first half of the match, should send five high-resolution photos to SEHA League Dropbox and e-mail: press@seha-liga.com and 5 photos immediately after the match.
- 8.13. The club is obliged to photograph specific marketing plan and within 24 hours to send photography: for delegates to the delegate's report on the e-mail of delegates, and for the SEHA League office needs to send them to SEHA League Dropbox and to e-mail: marketing@seha-liga.com Instructions for photography certain segments will obtained by delegates and SEHA league office.
- 8.14. Set LED panels with a total length of 40m. and the height of 1m. Behind the goal set static billboards or LED display length of 20m. and the height of 1m. The obligation of the club is to act according to the signed contract, and delegate is required to verify the same.







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8.15. Apply 15x14 cm logo of the SEHA League sponsor GAZPROM to player jerseys (on the left sleeve).

8.16. Have matches played with official SEHA ball, (for season 2015/2016 official ball is MOLTEN).

- 8.17 Clubs are required to use SEHA bottle with the logo of the league sponsor .
- 8.18. Provide a number of free VIP and regular tickets to the League sponsors according to the list to be sent to all the clubs by the Commissioner, while national federations shall be provided and deliveedr at least 48 hours before the game with 8 VIP and 20 regular tickets for each game.
- The delegate is required to check at the technical meeting whether the tickets were provided and distributed to sponsors and federation and stated that in the report.
- 8.19. Allow all the officials of the League and the SEHA League Association (Chairman, Commissioner, members of the Board, members of SEHA League commissions, referees, delegates and supervisors of the national federations, as well as EHF members), to freely attend the matches of the League based on the IDs to be issued to them by the SEHA League, the national federation or the EHF.
- 8.20. The SEHA League company shall be the organizer i.e. co-organizer of the Final Tournament.
- 8.21. In the playfield, only one advertisement may be placed in the central circle, and on the rest of the field another 12 advertisement, according to the signed contract.
- 8.22. Enable the necessary filming to the coach and the players with a view of promoting the SEHA League without compensation.
- 8.23. One particular obligation of all the SEHA League members (clubs, club officials, match officials, and players) is to promote the competition, showing positive attitude in public appearances, openness to the media and high standards of sportsmanship the respect for the opponents and partners in the competition.
- 8.24. Players, coaches, assistant coaches and club representatives, as well as officials (referees, delegates and supervisors) shall refrain from public statements about and/or comment on match refereeing.
- 8.25.All the SEHA League clubs are allowed to organize their fans' attendance of the matches played away (100 fans maximum), to be announced 4 days in advance of the match date, or 10% of the maximum occupancy of the hall for the Final Four tournament.
- 8.26. In all the halls there shall be visibly displayed the SEHA League flag, GAZPROM flag and flags of all participants. Flag size is 2.00 m X 1.00 m.
- 8.27. Footage of the match recorded with "SEHA camera" host is required to put within 24 hours after the match on SEHA league Dropbox as directed by SEHA office.

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8.28. The club shall arrange the MIX and FLASH zone with banners of the SEHA League sponsors.

- 8.29. The host club shall provide free transportation for the visiting club:
- a) Airport-Hotel-Airport
- b) To and from the training and the match
- 8.30. The host club shall provide a physician on duty in the hall.

8.31. Host club shall do its utmost to protect the physical integrity of the participants.

- 8.32. Host club shall provide to the visiting club safe arrival, stay and departure from the city, and safe departure from the city for the referees and the delegate.
- 8.33. Host club shall provide the minimum safety and protection measures in the hall:
- a) The court shall be separated from all sections of the stands by a partition that excludes any risk of player injury
- b) If the entrance is at the centre of the court, there should be a protection tunnel extended at least to the court line
- c) The hall shall have a loudspeaker announcement system and announcer.
- d) Every spectator in the hall shall have a place, and aisles shall be kept free for the stewards and the police to pass for intervention
- e) The official entrance to the hall may only be used and occupied by the match officials (players, coaches, referees, delegates supervisors)
- f) Contract the services of security companies to provide security to all the match participants
- g) Observe all the laws, regulations of the SEHA League, and the measures issued by the Commissioner in regard of the match security.
- 8.34. If the match has been interrupted due to the behaviour of the spectators, and the referee insists that the hall must be partly or wholly emptied, the host club shall do it as soon as possible. Otherwise the match can be permanently discontinued.

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8.35. Every host club shall appoint the club representative in charge of:



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- a) Escorting the referees from the entrance to the hall to the locker rooms, and from the locker rooms to the court before the match starts, during the half-time and at the end of the match, as well as in other circumstances when necessary, as instructed by the referees and the delegate;
- b) Liaison between both teams and communication on which locker-rooms to use;
- c) During the match, the official club representative shall sit on the bench for reserves and report to the delegate for the organization of the match;
- d) Escorting the coach and one player of the visiting and host teams each to the press conference room.
- 8.36. The host organizing the match shall be fully responsible for any violations and incidents in the hall before, during and after the match, in accordance with the laws and regulations of the host country, the SEHA League regulations and the EHF Rules.
- 8.37. The visiting club shall be responsible for the incidents caused by the visiting fans.

- 8.38. After the match, within 30 minutes, match delegate is required to send by e-mail, without a signature, an official match report to the following mail addresses: m.nachevski@seha-liga.com and b.filipovic@seha-liga.com and referees control and written report to the Commissioner on the e-mail m.nachevski@seha-liga.com within 24 hours.
- 8.39. The cost of accommodation for the visiting team and officials shall be covered by the SEHA League company, and the host club shall cover other expenses concerning the organization of the match (expenses for the hall, security, marketing manager, floor manager, security commissioner, announcer, physician, scorekeeper and timekeeper, as well as the expenses for fire protection and medical staff)
- 8.40. The money for the expenses of the officials shall be paid by the company SEHA d.o.o. to the officials upon submission of the bill per a match played in accordance with the relevant laws and decisions of the SEHA League (EUR 160 rate, EUR 55 per diem, EUR 0.50/km travel expenses + toll, and in the Final Four tournament: EUR 180.00 rate).
- 8.41. Provide accommodation to SEHA League officials and members of the SEHA League Board, if they request it in writing, in cooperation with the SEHA League company.
- 8.42. The host club shall see to it that the tickets for all the SEHA League matches bear the logo of the sponsor of the SEHA League (the layout shall be provided by the SEHA League).
- 8.43. The organizer of the final tournament shall provide to the company SEHA d.o.o. up to 20% of the total number of the VIP tickets and up to 10% of the maximum hall occupancy, free of charge as well as 8 VIP and 20 regular tickets to the national federations.
- 8.44. Clubs from the same state shall play each other in the first round for the sake of regularity of the SEHA League. Drawings lots

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shall be semi-automatic for such clubs (if one of the clubs draws the number of the host, the other club shall automatically be assigned the opposing number in the Berger table – CRO, SRB and MKD).

8.45. Each club must submit a statement of head coach, statement of one player, structure of the team and information on the absent and injured players at least 24 hours prior to the enactment of each game on E-mail info@seha-liga.com and press@seha-liga.com

If a club should fail to meet any of the obligations in Article 8, it shall be fined from EUR 100,00 to EUR 10.000,00.

#### Article 9 - Duties of the Commissioner

The Commissioner shall:

- 1. Manage the competition directly on the basis of the SEHA League Regulations, the SEHA League Rules, and the decisions of the Board and the Chairman of the SEHA League;
- 2. Register halls for the matches, and register matches;
- 3. Decide in the first instance about any questions related to the organisation of the competition;
- 4. Decide on the fines prescribed in all the SEHA League regulations;

5. Autonomously initiate disciplinary proceedings and decide in the first instance about the punishment for the transgressions of the clubs and members of the SEHA League in matches;

6. Regularly publish the Bulletin, after each round played, sending it per e-mail to:

- a) Clubs participating in the competition,
- b) All federations,
- c) The Competition Commission of the SEHA League,
- d) President of the SEHA League,
- e) Referees Commission of the SEHA League;
- f) SEHA League portal www.seha-liga.com
- 7. Accept complaints about his decisions, forwarding them by mail to the Competition Commission of the SEHA League with all the written evidence, personal justification and the confirmation of the complaint fee paid;

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- 8. Make all the preparations for the next season;
- 9. Actively and continuously cooperate with the Competition Commission of the SEHA League;

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10. Carry out other tasks with a view to successfully organising the competition.





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#### Article 10 – Bulletin

The Bulletin is the official and public medium for reporting and publishing the decisions and conclusions, and it replaces written copies of decisions in the first instance. It shall be regularly issued and published on the SEHA League portal www.seha-liga. com .

#### Article 11

The second-instance body that shall decide on complaints against the decisions of the Commissioner is the Competition Commission of the SEHA League, if the decisions are based on the Regulations, or the Disciplinary Commission, if the Disciplinary Regulations are implemented as the basis for first-instance decisions.

## **III. SYSTEM OF COMPETITION**

## Article 12

- 12.1. There will be 10 clubs playing in the 2015/16 season of the SEHA League, and the competition shall be organized in two (2) parts.
- a) The first part of the competition: Regular Season
- b) The second part of the competition: Final Four tournament
- 12.2. In the first part of the SEHA League competition, 10 clubs shall play 18 rounds with double-point system and the visit-host principle for a placement from 1st to 10th place.
- 12.3. Based on the performance i.e. placement of the clubs in the SEHA League, the first four (4) teams shall play the Final Four tournament for the SEHA League championship.
- 12.4. The pairs in the final tournament shall depend on the success of the teams in the regular season, and they shall be determined in the following manner:

first team - fourth team

second team - third team

12.5. The winners of the abovementioned matches shall play in the final, the losers shall play for the third place. Host in the final game is better aligned team of winners at the end of the first part of the championship.

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- 12.6. If any of the matches of the Final Four tournament after 60 minutes ends in a draw, the winner is obtained by performing the penalty shots. Penalties are performed as a IHF rule for the execution of penalty shots, alternately first five (various performers) in the series. If, after five penalty shots executed on each side, tie persists, it continue with the execution of penalty shots but the order of execution team is reversed. Each team must again determine 5 performers (could be all or only some of the players from the first series), and the winner is obtained if, after an equal number of executed penalty shots in the second and all following series, one of the teams has the advantage. The principle of nominating five players applies to a final decision.
- 12.7. The winner of the final match shall be declared the SEHA League champion and shall be handed the permanent and the challenge-cup trophy, whereas the players, coaches and officials of the club (25 persons in all) shall be handed medals.
- 12.8. The final placement of the clubs in the SEHA League competition in the 2015/16 season shall be obtained by ranking the Final Four tournament participants after the SEHA League champion, further followed by the teams ranked 5th to 10th in the regular season.
- 12.9. The Protocol of the closing ceremony and the final match ceremony shall be determined by Director of the League.
- 12.9. The venue of the Final Tournament shall be determined by the SEHA League Board by 28.02.2016.

# IV. ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY IN THE REGIONAL LEAGUE IN THE 2015/2016 SEASON

#### Article 13 - Eligibility to play in the SEHA League in the 2015/2016 season

13.1. The clubs to play in the SEHA League in the 2015/16 season based on the decision of the SEHA League Assembly shall be regulated by the decision of the Board of the SEHA League.

#### Article 14 - SEHA League Champion

14.1. In the 2015/16 competition, the champion shall qualify automatically.

# Article 15 - The right to play in the SEHA league

- 15.1. In the 2015-2019 seasons the right to compete in the SEHA League has been granted, though the decision of the Board of the SEHA League to HC Meshkov Brest Brest (BLR).
- In the 2015/16 season, the Board may decide to issue invitations to other federations as well.

- 15.2. Based on the decision of the Assembly, there are the following requirements that the clubs must meet in order to be eligible to play in the SEHA League in the 2015/16 season:
- Hall with a minimum of 2000 places (1,500 seats and 500 standing places) on two sides. (mandatory venue inspection match permit)





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- The financial stability of the club (bank guarantee at the discretion of the Board SEHA League)
- The organizational stability of the club and certain players quality
- TARAFLEX or GERFLOR floors
- LED panels min. 40 m in length and 1 m in height
- MIX zone with the logo of the sponsor of the SEHA League
- PRESS room according signed contract
- Prepare posters, tickets and all the advertising materials with the logo of the SEHA League sponsor (according the signed contract)
- Market interest (minimum 50% of TV broadcasts)
- Rating federation performances in clubs EHF cup.
- 15.3. If a club does not meet the above-named requirements, its place shall be assigned to another federation or SEHA Board may decide to assign that place to another club of the same federation.

## **V. CALENDAR, MATCH SCHEDULES**

#### Article 16 – Calendar

- 16.1. The calendar of the competition shall be adopted by the management Board of the SEHA League The beginning of the 2015/16 season is determined by the decision of the Management Board of the SEHA League to take place on 29/30.08.2015.
- 16.2. The provisions of Articles 1 to 15 have been adopted at the SEHA League Assembly in Veszprem on 02.04.2015, and they are compulsory for all the clubs in the SEHA League.

#### Article 17 - Match dates

- 17.1. SEHA League matches shall be played according to the established schedule and the Competition Calendar (participants in EHF cups must respect reserve dates for matches ).
- 17.2. The Commissioner may, if he believes it is in the interest of the regularity of the competition, decide that all or particular matches of a round shall be played on the same day beginning at the same time. (according to the decision of the SEHA League Assembly exception is HC Meshkov Brest Brest, who is allowed to change the household and merge multiple matches in a given period, as well as participants in the EHF CL, which decides the league commissioner).
- 17.3. The SEHA League shall be played according to the adopted schedule that must be observed. Otherwise, the Commissioner shall officially register matches with the 10:0 result.
- 17.4. For a justified reason or force majeure, weather, (earthquake, flood, fire etc.), power outage, public transportation disruption, a match may be postponed and played in the next 24 hours.
- 17.5. If for justified reasons a match cannot be played within 24 hours from the originally scheduled beginning of the match, the

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match shall be postponed. The decision about the new date for the match shall be issued by the Commissioner, and the match shall be played before the end of the first or second parts of the competition in the regular season.

- 17.6. If the match is not played due to a justified no-show of the visiting team, the cost of the organisation of the match and the attendance of the referees and the delegate shall be borne by the visiting team.
- 17.7. The decision about a new date for the match shall be issued by the Commissioner, and the match shall be played before the last round of the first or the second part of the competition in the regular season.
- 17.8. A match started and then broken off for a justified reason shall be continued taking into account the time and the score at the moment of the break-off.
- 17.9. The cost of extended stay and/or the cost of attending the continued match, as well as the hotel expenses and of the visiting club (max. 23 persons) that are related to playing the broken-off match shall be borne by the host club.

# **VI. REGISTRATION OF CLUBS**

#### Article 18

- 18.1. The right to play in the SEHA League in the 2015/2016 season shall only belong to the clubs eligible on the basis of their placement in the national championships in the preceding season, or on the basis of the provisions of Articles 4 and 5 of the Regulations and/or a decision of the SEHA League Board. (HC Meshkov Brest– Brest has its participation guaranteed in the next 4 years subsequent Veszprem agreement in 2015).
- 18.2. Registration, i.e. the right to play in the SEHA League, shall be fulfilled by the clubs by submitting the filled-in Registration Form to the Competition Office of the SEHA League.
- 18.3. The SEHA League Commissioner shall approve the club registration when he has been satisfied as to whether other requirements of the Regulations have been met and the contracts for the appearance concluded.
- 18.4. Any issues with the registration of clubs and halls shall be specifically decided by the SEHA League Board.

# **VII. REGISTRATION OF TEAMS**

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#### Article 19 - Documents and deadlines

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19.1. Clubs shall submit documents for licensing their teams for the competition:



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• List of registered players for the 2015/16 season (Form 1)

The list of officials is an integral part of the list of registered players and head coach must be obligatory stated

- 19.2. The necessary forms shall be forwarded to every club, and clubs shall return the filled-in and signed forms to the Competition Office by 18.08.2015. to: b.filipovic@seha-liga.com and info@seha-liga.com.
- 19.3. Before forwarding it to the Competition Office in Zagreb, the List of Registered Players (Form 1) for the 2015/16 season shall be approved by the national handball federation.
- 19.4. During the season, clubs may register and license up to 28 players and 8 officials. If an individual player leaves the club till 28.02.2016., his place can be filled in with the new player up to 28 players. Each club can receive a maximum of 28 licences for the players. This does not apply to officials.
- 19.5. Clubs may supplement the List of registered players until 28.02.2016 at 24:00 h, in subsequent registration. In every subsequent registration EUR 50.00 fee per player and official shall be payable and must be certified by the national association / federation.
- Clubs and federation must notify the SEHA league office when a player leaves the club, due to cancellation of the license for that player. If the club fails to notify SEHA office that the player left the club, the club will be fined 200 € per player.
- During the competition in the first part of the SEHA League, changes in the List of Registered Players can be submitted until 14:00 h three business days prior to the date of the match, by 28.02.2015 at the latest, with enclosed payment of EUR 50.00. If the payment has not been effected, the application shall not be considered.
- 19.6. During one season, a player of SEHA League club may transfer to another SEHA League club (according to the Player Transfer Rules issued by the EHF/IHF).
- 19.7. Players who were licensed and played for a SEHA League club after 01.03.2016, cannot under any circumstances transfer to another SEHA League club and be licensed for the same in the continued competition of the SEHA League.
- 19.8. In the competition of the SEHA League clubs players may play without any limitations as to their nationality. In case the national federations based on the relevant rules in their respective states deny the approval of the lists of registered players of the SEHA League e.g. because of too many foreign players, the SEHA League clubs shall submit the list of registered players (Form 1) to the Competition Office in Zagreb for approval, provided they enclose the copies of their passports.

19.9. A player shall not be allowed to simultaneously play for two different clubs even if they are from two different competitions.

19.10. An exception are young players born in 1996 and younger ones who have a contract with a SEHA League club and the rules in the national championship allow them to temporarily play for other clubs in their country (double registration, secondment etc.). The same players must be on the list of maximum 28 players registered in accordance with Article 19.4 of the Proposition.





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- 19.11. The minutes of the match shall record a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 16 players who shall be attending and capable of playing.
- 19.12. If in the SEHA League matches there appears a player who hadn't been registered (Form 1), his club shall forfeit the match and be punished in accordance with the provisions of the SEHA League Regulations and rules, and the Rules of the EHF. An objection to the appearance of a player shall be filed with the delegate before the game starts. Objections to the appearance of a player after the match has ended shall not be considered.
- 19.13. A medical examination of the players before the beginning of the match is compulsory, and it shall be confirmed with the clearance from the Federation in Form 1.

# **VIII. TECHNICAL NORMS**

#### Article 20 - General Rules

20.1. The halls in which matches are played shall comply with the SEHA League Regulations and be registered by the SEHA League.

20.2. Anything not included in these Regulations shall be subject to the official EHF Handball regulations.

# **IX. MATCHES**

#### Article 21

21.1. SEHA matches shall be played in sports halls registered by the Competition Commission of the SEHA League.

The sports hall shall meet the requirements of the Rules of Game:

- Playground size 40 x 20 m with special flooring Taraflex or Gerflor;
- Playground marked only with lines for handball match;
- National flags of the participating clubs, officials, and the flags of the SEHA GAZPROM League, size 2.00 x 1.00 m;
- Playground separated from the stands by means of a strong fence that must prevent the fans from entering the playground;
- The fence shall be min. 1 meter high and min. 1 m away from the longitudinal line of the playground; and protective fence for reserve players in the substitution area (Plexiglas);
- The illuminance of the lighting fixtures in the hall shall be min. 1200 lux;
- The referees and delegate shall be in charge of illuminance;
- For each of the clubs and the referees there must be separate locker rooms with baths (hot and cold water) with a toilet, and a special area for the officials where they prepare the match report;
- Entering and leaving the playground shall be ensured for the officials so that they do not have to come into contact with the spectators;

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- At the most prominent place there shall be a public scoreboard showing the time and score of the match;









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- In accordance with the Rules of Game there shall be the scorekeeper's desk and the 16 chairs for reserve players and club officials and if necessary with a protective fence made of plexiglass at the request of the League Director, the Commissioner or match delegate for the needs of match safety;
- At the scorekeeper's desk there shall be 3 (three) green cards for TIME OUT (T1, T2 and T3) per team, in accordance with new IHF TEAM-TIME-OUT rules.
- Next to the scorekeeper's desk there shall be a specially marked area for the match announcer and the physician that must be specially marked;
- At the chairs for the reserves only the club members registered in the match report may sit;
- The stands shall have a minimum of 2000 (two thousand) seats (1500 + 500 standing places and a separate entrance;
- Space in the stands for the players and officials sent off, and for the official photographer and cameraman
- The hall shall have heating and ventilation;
- The temperature in the hall at least 1 (one) hour prior to the beginning of the match and during the match shall not be lower than 15oC;
- The ceiling and the lighting fixtures shall be at least 7 m above the floor of the hall.
- A room for press conferences;
- MIX and FLASH zones.

A host organising a match at a sports hall that fails to meet any of the requirements referred to in the Article 21, shall be fined EUR 100.00 to EUR 2,000.00.

# **X. OUTFITS AND ADVERTISING**

# Article 22 - General rules

22.1. All the players of a team shall wear the same outfits.

- 22.2. If players wear undershirts, biker shorts, arm bands or any other addition to the official outfit, such additions shall be of the same colour as the jersey or the shorts, and they shall be of the same type for all the players who use them. Additions may not contain advertising. If there is visible advertising through jersey, the player who carries such jersey can not play.
- 22.3. The host team chooses a jersey color of players, goalkeeper and officials, and form AOM 1 (Announcement of the Match) submits 120 hours before the match to visiting team, all officials and SEHA league. Visiting team chooses its jersey color of players, goalkeeper and officials, and form AOG 1 (Announcement of the Guest team) as the visiting team, submits 48 hours before the match to the host team, all officials and SEHA league (players must have contrast colors dark / bright for TV cameras). The club that fails to meet these obligations will be fined 200 EUR.
- 22.4. Player jerseys may have numbers 1 to 99 imprinted:
- 22.5. The numbers of the players on their jerseys must be identical to the numbers in the list of registered players for the season 2015/2016 (form 1). One number can handle only one player (does not allow the performance of players under the other).
- 22.6. A club whose players do not meet the requirements of paragraphs 22.1, 22.2, 22.4 and 22.5 shall be fined 200 EUR per player.





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22.7. Officials of the game (officials) are required to wear shirts color announced in the Announcement (AOM-1 and AOG-1) tags for official (A, B, C and D) that belong to them by function. Home club must provide tags and submit the visiting club. Club whose officials do not meet the provisions of this Article shall be punished with 250 EUR per person. The club that does not submit marks to the visiting club, will be punished with € 1,000.

## Article 23 - Specific marks

Specific marks on the jerseys shall be in conformity with the following rules:

#### 23.1. Front of the jersey and sleeves:

- a) The number of the player must be visible and at least 10 cm high.
- b) No visible mark may be placed within 5 cm from the player's number.
- c) Advertising on the jersey may be max. 30 cm long and 16 cm wide.
- d) The SEHA GAZPROM League logo applied to the players' jerseys (on the left sleeve) shall be 15 x 14 cm.
- e) Club sign may be inserted in the upper part and may not exceed 12 cm2 area.
- f) Sign or logo of the equipment manufacturer may be inserted in the upper part of the jersey, but it may not exceed 12 cm2 area.

#### 23.2. Back of the jersey

- a) In the centre there shall be the player's number 20 cm high. No visible mark may be placed within 5 cm from the player's number.
- b) Above or under the number there shall be the family name of the player in a single line between 6 and 8 cm high.
- c) Under or above the player's number there may be advertising.

# 23.3. Lower outfit (shorts)

a) Shorts may contain the logo of the equipment manufacturer of max. 12 cm2 area.

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- b) On the front right part of the shorts there may be ads of max. two sponsors.
- c) On the back right part of the shorts there may be ads of max. three sponsors.
- If the club fails to meet / breaches any of its obligations under Art. 23.1, Art. 23.2 and Art. 23.3 shall be punished with a fine of EUR 200 per player.
- If a club does not comply with the requirement of the General Sponsor it shall be fined EUR 5,000.00.

# **XI. OTHER DUTIES OF THE CLUBS**

# Article 24 – Trainings

24.1. The host club shall allow the visiting team 60 minutes of training in the hall where the match will be played or a 45 minute training on the day of the match preferably in the hall where the match will be played.

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#### Article 25 - Announcement system

- 25.1. The announcement system in the hall may only be used to inform the spectators about the events on the court during the match and it cannot be used to support the host team or instigate violence.
- 25.2. Through a specific decision of the Commissioner, the announcement system may also be used for a special scenography of a match, about which the clubs shall be notified in writing in a timely manner.

#### Article 26 - Ball bags

26.1. Ball bags shall be placed behind the bench for reserves after warm-up, before the game and after half-time, whereas during the match, they shall be placed so as not to be visible to TV cameras.

#### Article 27 - Clubs' duties concerning information

- The host must at least 120 (one hundred twenty) hours before the beginning of the match inform in writing form the SEHA League Office, guests, referees and delegates and SEHA League Commissioner on the date and time of the start of the match, jerseys color of players, officials (Match annoucement home-team AOM-1 in accordance with Article 22.3 of propositions). Guest must at least 48 (forty-eight) hours before the start of the match inform in writing form the host, judges and delegates of jerseys color of players and officials (Match annoucement - Guest team AOG-1 in accordance with Article 22.3 of propositions)
- The host must at least 120 (one hundred twenty) hours prior to the start of the match inform in writing the Referees Association of the date and time of the start of the match. The Referees Association must ensure scorer and timekeeper.
- The host who fails to comply with the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2, will be punished financially from € 500.00 each for a draft notice
- If the host fails to notify anyone of this article, it is not the reason for the postponement of the match or the away team has the right to postpone the trip. In this case, the visiting team is required to immediately notify the SEHA League Office and the League Commissioner about lack of notification.

#### Article 28

28.1. Visiting club must inform host club, who will forward it to local media, all information on the itinerary, the team stay in the city, the times of training and whether the training will be open or closed to the public

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28.2. All clubs must have an official website with information about the club or team





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28.3. All clubs must provide the best possible cooperation with the SEHA League media pool.

If a club fails to comply with any duty from Article 28 it shall be fined EUR 100.00 to EUR 5,000.00.

#### Article 29 Press conferences and flash interviw

- 29.1. For the sake of the best possible coverage of the SEHA League in the media clubs shall organize a press conference one day before the match is played (could be without representatives of visiting team) and no less than 24 hours before the start of the match send the statements of the head coach statement of one player, structure of the team and information on the absent and injured players at game on E-mail info@seha-liga.com and press@seha-liga.com
- 29.2. Immediately after the match host club is obliged to record the flash interview with one player from each team and upload it on SEHA League Dropbox immediately after the end of the press conference.
- 29.3. Upon completion of the game, within 15 minutes, the head coach and one player from each team are obliged to attend the organized press conference, and the club is required to record the press conference and upload recording of the press conference on SEHA league Dropbox. Statements should be sent by e-mail to: info@seha-liga.com and press@seha-liga. com no later than 1 hour after the match. The player who attends the interview-in flash can not be at the press conference.
- 29.4. At the press conference on the table must be displayed logo of SEHA league sponsors and Gazprom. On the billboard / rollup from behind the desk must be displayed logo of SEHA league sponsors , and at the front desk must be placed league sponsors banner. Clubs will receive instructions from the SEHA League office.

If a club fails to comply with any duty from Article 29 it shall be fined EUR 100.00 to EUR 5,000.00.

#### **XII. REFEREE SECTION OF THE SEHA LEAGUE**

#### Article 30

The referee section of the SEHA League shall include:

a) Commissioner

b) Referees and delegates

With a view to securing the best possible and highest quality refereeing the Commissioner and the Referee Commission shall be appointed and confirmed by the SEHA League Board.

The rights and duties of the Commissioner shall be determined in the Rules to be adopted by the SEHA League Board

#### Article 31 - Match referees







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- 31.1. The referees for a match include two referees, a delegate-supervisor and two auxiliary referees at the desk. In the Final Four tournament there shall be two delegates-supervisors at all the matches.
- 31.2. The duties of the referees and the delegate–supervisor shall be performed by persons from a list proposed by their national federations, who have international EHF/IHF category.
- 31.3. All the referees and delegates shall attend the match in a suit.
- 31.4. Referees and delegates shall come to the match 2 hours before the beginning due to the technical meeting.
- 31.5. Referees and the delegate of the match may not inform the public about the statements in the match report.
- 31.6. No referee in the match including auxiliary referees (scorekeeper and timekeeper) shall directly or indirectly wear advertising in the hall, unless the advertising has been approved by the SEHA League Board.
- 31.7. The disciplinary liability of referees and delegate-supervisor shall be decided on by the Commissioner.
- 31.8. Clubs may not request the exemption of referees from the established list during the match.
- 31.9. Clubs may, half-way through and at the end of the 2015/16 season express their dissatisfaction in writing with how the matches have been refereed and request exemption of referees for the next season
- If more than 6 clubs request the exemption of a referee or referees in writing at the end of the season, the Commissioner shall strike such a referee or referees from the list for the next season.
- 31.10. Any club may request the Commissioner in writing, within 48 hours after the match, to inspect the footage of the match. The Commissioner shall respond and communicate his decision to the club in writing within five (5) days.
- 31.11. The referees shall decide about the temporary interruption of the match if the spectators are throwing hard, flammable or explosive objects and endangering match participants and/or other spectators.
- 31.12. The referees shall also decide on the definite break-off of the match.
- 31.13. After the match, the referees may only leave the court when the delegate lets them.
- 31.14. Match referees are strictly forbidden any contact with clubs and accepting gifts from them.







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- 31.15. The delegate shall check the IDs of the scorekeeper and the timekeeper and the identity of each player checks through the official web domain: zapisnik.seha-liga.com
- 31.16. At the request of the visiting team the delegate shall check the temperature at the court, and if the temperature is not at least 15°C the match shall not be played, unless the visiting team agrees to it.
- 31.17. The delegate is required to fill in an electronic record of the official domain: zapisnik.seha-liga.com, and the report of the match electronic record, submit to the headquarters of the SEHA league and to the Commissioner immediately after the match and referes control within 24 hours via e-mail, together with the delegate's report.
- 31.18. With the Match Report the delegate shall enclose statements of the violators (direct disqualification only form SOD-1) to the Commissioner, if the violations happened during the match or after it has ended as well as a report on the fulfillment of marketing obligations of clubs participants (LMP-1 form).
- 31.19. At the Commissioner's request referees and delegates shall submit an additional report within 24 hours.
- 31.20. In case of reporting the violators the delegate and the referees of the match shall submit their report to the Commissioner within 24 hours form SOD-1. In the case of applications by referees after the match, the same is possible only if the offense of the players / officials is reported during the match to the match commissioner. Otherwise the application will not be considered.
- 31.21. The Commissioner, after the proposal of national associations, not later than 20.07.2015 will make a list of referees and delegates for the SEHA League matches and forward them to the SEHA League Board for adoption. After that, he can asign them to particular matches.
- 31.22. If an assigned referee does not show up for the match, the other referee shall referee the match by himself. If neither of the assigned referees' shows up for the match, two referees or one referee from the referee list, who happen to be present at the facility, shall be assigned. The delegate shall assign a replacement among the present referees from the adopted referee list for the SEHA League.
- 31.23. If there are no conditions to realize the preceding paragraph, the delegate shall urgently inform the Commissioner.
- 31.24. The Commissioner shall issue the decision on the new date to play the match.

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31.25. The ensuing costs shall be paid by the SEHA League, and the League shall claim the amount from the referee(s) not showing up.

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- 31.26. If the assigned delegate does not show up for the match, his duty shall be performed by the first-assigned referee.
- 31.27. If the referees have indicated they will be late, the start time of the match shall be postponed.



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31.28. If the referees have not indicated they will be late, the delegate will work with the host to find other referees (listed) at the match venue or from the nearest place. The host shall then provide for the fastest transportation of the referees to the sport facility.

#### Article 32 - Referee supervision

- 32.1. With a view of having the best possible refereeing of the SEHA League matches, the supervision of the refereeing shall be done by delegates-supervisors of the match from EHF list.
- 32.2. The supervisors shall send the supervision report to the Commissioner together with the match report and the additional marketing report within 24 hours after the end of the match to m.nachevski@seha-liga.com

#### Article 33 - Scorekeeper and timekeeper

- 33.1. The scorekeeper and the timekeeper for the SEHA League matches shall be assigned by the national association of handball referees.
- 33.2. The referees shall, of their own accord or at the proposal of the delegate, replace the scorekeeper or the timekeeper if they find that this person is making mistakes and thus affecting the regularity of the match.

#### Article 34 - Fees of the referees, delegate-supervisor and scorekeeper and timekeeper

34.1. The fees for referees, delegates-supervisors, and their travel expenses, shall be paid after the match upon submitting a signed payment form and its approval by the delegate. The referee/delegate rate shall be EUR 160.00 per person, the per diem shall be EUR 55.00, travel expenses EUR 0.50/km + toll expenses. The form shall indicate the registration plate of the vehicle. In the Final Four tournament the fee shall be EUR 180.00.

The match officials shall provide the expense estimation to the Commissioner who shall pass them on to the clubs.

34.2. The fees for the scorekeeper and the timekeeper shall be paid at a rate of EUR 15.00 by the host clubs in the national currency at the technical meeting before the match.

# **XIII. ADMISSION TO THE HALL**

#### Article 35 - Restrictions for the spectators

35.1. Spectators with alcohol, weapons, items that can be used as weapons e.g. firecrackers, torches and alike shall not be admitted to the hall.

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- 35.2. Spectators under the influence of alcohol, opiates, stimulants and alike shall also not be admitted to the hall.
- 35.3. The spectators in the hall shall be prohibited from using the cheering props that create great noise (e.g. vuvuzela, sirens and alike).

#### Article 36 - Prohibition of symbols

- 336.1. It is prohibited to bring to the hall and display flags, symbols, emblems or texts that directly or indirectly instigate violence, as well as political party slogans. The delegate shall contact the organizer to promptly remove them.
- 36.2. The club organising the match shall promptly remove them. If they are not removed will be fined in the amount of € 5,000.00.

## **XIV. DOPING CONTROL**

## Article 37 - General rules

- 37.1. At the request of the officials of the SEHA League, the EHF of the IHF, all the players shall submit to the control in accordance with the EHF/IHF rules.
- 37.2. Players who will be subject to anti-doping control will be determined by lottery and not more than two players from each team.
- 37.3. In case a player tests positive in the doping control in another competition (EHF Cups, European or World Championships, Olympic Games), the Commissioner shall adopt the punishment proclaimed in such competitions (after conducting the procedure), provided the doping control has been duly conducted in a lab accredited by the EHF/IHF, and that the substance for which the player tested positive is on the list of prohibited substances and methods issued by the EHF/IHF.
- 37.4. The punishment thus pronounced shall also transfer to the matches in the SEHA League.
- 37.5. The hoist shall secure all the conditions for doping control according to the EHF standards.

# **XV. PUNISHMENT AND COMPLAINTS**

#### Article 38 - Authority of the Commissioner (first-instance body)

38.1. The Commissioner of the League, as the first-instance body, shall be authorised to punish referees, delegates, clubs, players, coaches and other officials of the clubs who, in a match, act inconsistently with the spirit of sportsmanship and violate the Regulations of the SEHA League.

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- 38.2. If the persons or clubs punished file a complaint against the decisions of the Commissioner as the first-instance body, the pronounced punishment concerning playing and/or performing duties and/or missing matches in case of clubs, shall be enforced as of the date of the decision, and the persons and/or clubs shall remain suspended until the final decision has been reached.
- 38.3. The Commissioner as a first-instance body shall also decide on the complaints filed concerning the regularity of matches in the SEHA League.
- 38.4. The Commissioner as a first-instance body shall decide on a complaint filed pursuant to Article 38.3. within 15 days.

#### Article 39 - Complaint concerning match

- 39.1. A complaint against the conditions at the sports facility shall be announced to the supervisor at least 15 (fifteen) minutes before the beginning of the match.
- 39.2. A complaint against an irregular appearance of a player, irrespectively of the reason, shall be filed before the match, and the announcement of a complaint shall be announced to the delegate who shall substantiate all the reasons in an additional match report.

The complaint referred to in paragraphs 39.1 and 39.2 cannot be filed after the match has begun.

- 39.3. The complaint concerning the regularity of a match shall be announced in the match report with the signature of the official team representative and/or his deputy, in accordance with the Official Rules of the handball game.
- 39.4. The complaint announced shall be put down in the report in writing and handed to the delegate within 20 minutes from the end of the match. Upon receiving the complaint, referees and the delegate shall give their opinion and statements in writing concerning the claims presented in the complaint. The delegate shall promptly send the complaint with the statements to the Commissioner (e-mail: m.nachevski@seha-liga.com ).
- 39.5. For every complaint the complainant shall pay EUR 500.00 fee immediately after the match, within 30 minutes.
- 39.6. Within 48 (forty-eight) hours from the hour in which the match ended, the complainant shall send the Commissioner the original of the complaint with any documents. The complaint shall be sent by registered mail with delivery confirmation or e-mail.

#### Article 40

40.1. A complaint that has not been announced with the signature of the official representative or his deputy, that has not been handed to the delegate in a timely manner, or for which the EUR 500.00 fee has not been paid, shall not be considered, i.e. it shall be considered as if it had not been filed at all.

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- 41.1. The Commissioner as the first-instance body shall decide on the complaint filed within 8 days.
- 41.2. The Commissioner may accept or reject the complaint.
- 41.3. If he rejects the complaint, the match shall be registered with the score achieved.
- 41.4. If he accepts the complaint, the match shall be annulled and the date for a new match set, and the complainant shall be reimbursed the EUR 500.00 fee.

#### Article 42 - Competition Commission (second-instance body)

42.1. A decision of the Commissioner may be appealed against with the Competition Commission as a second-instance body within 24 hours from the date of receipt of the decision.

#### Article 43

- 43.1. With the appeal, EUR 1,000.00 fee shall be paid to the SEHA League account.
- 43.2. An appeal that has not been filed with the Competition Commission as a second-instance body within 24 hours, and an appeal for which EUR 1,000.00 fee has not been paid, shall not be considered, i.e. it shall be considered as if it had not been filed at all.
- 43.3. The decision in the second instance shall be passed by the Competition Commission within 15 (fifteen) days from receiving the appeal by e-mail.
- 43.4. When the appeal has been accepted, the complainant shall be reimbursed the fee paid as mentioned in Articles 39 and 40 hereof.

#### Article 44

- 44.1. If an appeal concerning the match is accepted by the Competition Commission and the outcome of the match is annulled, when playing the repeat match the clubs shall share the income and expenditure in equal parts.
- 44.2. The decision of the Competition Commission is irrevocable final and binding on all the parties.

#### Article 45 - Special procedure

45.1 For the Final Four tournament matches of the SEHA League the normal procedure shall exceptionally be modified only in regard of the complaint against the result of the match or punishment for sent off players, coaches or officials.









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45.2. In case of the aforementioned matches, the first-instance decision lies with the Commissioner (within 8 hours) and the final decision lies with the Competition Commission (within 8 hours after the match).

45.3. The Commissioner shall decide and publish his decision within eight (8) hours after the end of the match.

45.4. With the complaint the complainant shall add or pay to the delegate EUR 500.00 deposit.

45.5. In case the complaint is accepted, EUR 500.00 deposit shall be reimbursed to the complainant.

45.6. If the match is annulled, a new one shall be played on the next day.

## Article 46 - Match registration and disciplinary punishment

The Commissioner shall, on the basis of the match report and the statements of the officials, register the match 10:0 for either of the clubs if:

- 1. A club has unjustifiably not shown up,
- 2. The playground was not made fit for the match through the host's fault,
- 3. A club unjustifiably refuses to play,
- 4. A club shows up with an unregistered, punished or suspended player,
- 5. A club plays with a player whose medical approval has expired,
- 6. A club forfeits the match or the match is not played through its fault,
- 7. A club leaves the playground or refuses to continue the match started,
- 8. The match is broken off through the fault of a club.

In addition to registering the match 10:0, a club shall also be deducted 1 (one) point, unless both clubs are guilty. In such a case the Commissioner shall be entitled to finally decide.

#### Article 47

If a match has been registered 10:0 pursuant to the provisions of Article 46, the Commissioner shall institute disciplinary proceedings against the club and its officials.

#### Article 48

The schedule of the matches to play shall be harmonised with the SEHA League Calendar.

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A host club may also organise a match at a place that is not the seat of the club if the sports hall meets the requirements of the Competition Commission of the SEHA League.

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Matches shall be played starting between 12:00 and 21:00 hours and Sundays between 11:00 and 21:00 hours. If the competition calendar of the SEHA League envisages that the matches shall be played on workdays (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

If a match is broadcast by a television network, the match shall be played at a time convenient for the TV network.

Thursday or Friday), the match start time shall be set between 16:00 and 21:00 hours.

In setting the date and time for the start of the match, the host shall take into account the possibilities of transportation so that the visiting club should incur as little expenses as possible and stay as shortly as possible at the place where the match is to be played.

#### Article 50

If clubs cannot play the matches at officially scheduled time (Saturday or Sunday) due to their participation in the EHF cups, they shall play them on a reserve date. This can only be decided with the consent of both clubs, not later than 10 days prior to the match with the approval of the Commissioner unless the Commissioner decides otherwise.

#### Article 51

In case of relapse, any fines shall be doubled.

#### Article 52

All the fines shall be paid to the account of SEHA d.o.o. within 8 (eight) days from the date of receipt of the Bulletin, or 8 (eight) days after the final decision on the complaint has been passed.

The delegate himself shall provide the penultimate and ultimate numbers of the Bulletin and make a note in a special report per email to the Commissioner.

A club that fails to pay the fine within 8 (eight) days from the receipt of the Bulletin i.e. 8 (eight) days from the final decision on the complaint shall be automatically suspended until the requirement has been met. With the proof of payment submitted to the delegate, the suspensions shall cease.

#### Article 53

At the sports hall where the match is to be played, smoking shall be prohibited.

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At the sports hall where the match is to be played, it shall be prohibited to bring in glass vessels and hard objects that could be thrown to the playfield.

The host organising a match at a sports hall that does not meet the requirements from paragraphs 1 and 2, shall be fined EUR 200.00 to EUR 1,000.00.

#### Article 54

In the stands of the sports hall it shall be prohibited to sell alcoholic drinks before, during and after the match, except with the permission of the local police department.

A host organising a match at a sports hall failing to meet the requirements from paragraph 1 shall be fined EUR 600.00.

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If an official club representative is disqualified, the match report would not be signed.

#### Article 56

On technical meeting each team is allowed to submit a maximum sixteen (16) players and four (4) officials during the game, and to be entered in the record of the match.

Of this number, one official shall be the designated representative, and one shall be the coach with SEHA League licence.

The other two officials may be selected by the club, e.g. assistant coach, technical manager, physical therapist, masseur or physician.

The officials may not be changed during the match. One of them shall be listed as the designated representative, and this person alone shall be allowed to communicate with the scorekeeper/timekeeper and possibly the referees.

If a club fails to comply with any of the obligations from Article 56 paragraph1, it shall be fined EUR 500.00.

#### Article 57

Players shall undergo a medical examination to be declared fit for playing.

Players without a medical clearance shall not be entitled to play.

The examination shall take place at a sports or other medical establishment.

- The examination shall not be older than 6 (six) months. The examination shall remain valid for six months from the date of approval at the competent health-care establishment.
- By 13.08.2015, clubs shall submit to their national federations the lists of players for the ongoing season who have passed their medical examinations, and the federations shall submit to the SEHA league office, by 14.08.2014, the lists of players entitled to play for the clubs in the 2015/2016 season, in the form of registration with jersey numbers (the numbers cannot be changed) for the reason of keeping the electronic records and the introduction of names of players in the electronic record.

#### Article 58

- All the properly registered and medically examined players approved by the respective federations and licenced by the SEHA League shall be entitled to play.
- Players under 16 (sixteen) shall undergo a certified specialist medical examination in order to play with the seniors, which shall be supported by a special chart.

The specialist examination shall remain valid for 1 (one) year.

#### Article 59

Prior to the beginning of the match during the technical meeting the official club representative shall submit to the delegate the list of the players to appear in the match for inspection.

#### Article 60

At a technical meeting, the official club representative shall submit to the delegate the list of all the officials, and their names shall

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be recorded in the match report.

#### Article 61

Lists of players entitled to play may be supplemented until 28.02.2016.

Any matters not included in these Regulations concerning the eligibility of players and the officials, shall be governed by the EHF Rules.

#### Article 62

A club shall notify the respective local assembly of referees in writing about the need for the scorekeeper and timekeeper.

- The duties of the scorekeeper and the timekeeper at the SEHA League matches may only be performed by active members of the National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors who meet the requirements prescribed in the Regulations of the National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors and who hold certified licences of National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors and who hold certified licences of National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors and who hold certified licences of National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors and who hold certified licences of National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors and who hold certified licences of National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors for the season.
- The scorekeeper and timekeeper shall show up for the match for which they are appointed no later than 60 minutes prior to match start.
- The delegate shall check the identity of the scorekeeper and timekeeper on the basis of the licence and ID card of the National Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors, and he shall describe all the irregularities in the additional report of the match.

The host club failing to meet the requirements from paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be fined EUR 100.00.

#### Article 63

The host shall ensure the sports hall in a timely manner in accordance with these Rules of Competition.

The host shall also provide at least 10 (ten) persons to act as stewards. The stewards shall wear visible markings.

- No later than 60 (sixty) minutes prior to match start, the host shall communicate the name, date of birth and the number of the ID of the main person in charge of the organisation of the match and of securing a sufficient number of stewards depending on the risk assessment for the match.
- The person in charge of the organisation of the match shall be responsible for the organisation and operation of the stewards before, during and after the match.
- The host shall enable the delegate, at his request, to check the identity of all the stewards.

The host failing to comply with any of the provisions from the preceding paragraphs above shall be fined EUR 700.00.

If the officials (referees and their supervisor) find beyond any doubt that the stewards responsible for the order in the hall behaved in an unsportsmanlike manner and created disorder, they shall report them and the host shall be fined EUR 3,000.00.

#### Article 64

The host shall, in accordance with the Law on Public Gathering or any other law on the territory where the match is being played, notify the police precinct or department in charge that the sports event is to take place.

The number of the police officers attending shall be determined by the police precinct or department or another authority in charge.

The Police officers shall show up no later than 60 (sixty) minutes before match start and shall remain there until the



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conclusion of the match report.

If the police officers do not show up, the host shall show the supervisor the registration of a public gathering asking for police officers, confirmed by the police precinct or another legally prescribed authority in charge.

Police officers shall ensure unimpeded arrival and departure of the officials, if they specifically request it from the host.

The host failing to comply with the provisions from paragraphs 1, 3, 4 and 5 shall be fined EUR 1,000.00.

#### Article 65

The host shall provide a physician on duty with the first-aid kit in a timely manner.

- The official physician referred to in paragraph 1 shall show up no later than 30 (thirty) minutes before match start and shall remain there until the conclusion of the match report.
- The match shall not be played without the official physician, and the physician can be waited for max. 15 minutes after the scheduled match start.

The host shall ensure, if the delegate requests it, the verification of the identity of the official physician.

The delegate shall enter the name of the official physician in his notes.

The host failing to comply with the provisions from paragraphs 1, 2 and 4 shall be fined EUR 500.00.

#### Article 66

The host shall observe all the SEHA League regulations concerning the match play until all the participants have left the sports facility.

The host shall be responsible for order and security at the sports facility.

The host shall, at the request of the visiting team and officials, and whenever necessary, see to the full security from the arrival to the place where the match is to be played to the departure from such a place.

The host failing to comply with the provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall be fined EUR 300.00 to EUR 600.00.

#### Article 67

The host shall be responsible for any blackout at the sports facility, unless this has been caused by a power failure. The delegate shall describe such an event in an additional report of the match and enter the exact time of the blackout. In a case from paragraph 1, the host shall be fined EUR 1,500.00 to EUR 3,000.00.

#### Article 68

The spectators shall not be allowed to enter the court more than 120 (one hundred and twenty) minutes prior to match start, and until all the participants have left the court.

Spectators entering the court after the match has ended, without putting anyone at risk, shall not be considered a poorly organised match. If anyone is put at risk, it shall be considered a poorly organised match.

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The host shall be responsible for the implementation of paragraph 1.

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The delegate shall describe any event referred to in paragraph 1 in an additional report from the match.

In case of deviation from the provision of paragraph 1 the host shall be fined EUR 500.00 to EUR 1,000.00.

#### Article 69

The host shall be responsible for the incidents caused by spectators and their throwing objects to the playground, which shall be considered a poorly organised match.

The host shall not be responsible for the incidents caused by spectators and the riots in which they participate, if it can be determined beyond doubt that the incident and riots were caused by the fans of the visiting club. In such a case the visiting club shall be responsible.

The delegate shall describe an event from paragraphs 1 and 2 in an additional report from the match.

In case of deviation from the provisions of paragraph 1 and 2 the club shall be fined EUR 500 to EUR 5,000.00.

#### Article 70

The host shall be responsible for any riot in which spectators are involved, or for the spectators' attack on the players or officials.

The host shall not be responsible for the a in the hall involving spectators, or for the spectators' attack on the players or officials, if it can be determined beyond doubt that the riot or attack were committed by the fans of the visiting club. In such a case the visiting club shall be responsible.

The delegate shall describe an event from paragraphs 1 and 2 in an additional report from the match.

In a case from paragraphs 1 and 2 the club shall be fined EUR 1,000.00 to EUR 5,000.00.

In addition to the fine referred to in paragraph 4 in connection with paragraphs 1 and 2, a club may also be punished by being prohibited from playing on its playground for up to 6 matches.

The closest place where a match may be played in such a case shall not be closer than 50 (fifty) km away, by public transportation, from the seat of the club.

#### Article 71

The host shall pay the referees, the delegate, the scorekeeper and the timekeeper and the other officials in accordance with the expenses calculated no later than prior to the beginning of the match.

If the host fails to pay expenses to the officials, the match shall not be played and it shall be registered with the result 0:10 and the home team shall be deducted one point (-1).

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#### Article 72

The host shall enable either club who perform in SEHA league to record the match without impediment.

The host shall create all the conditions to broadcast or record the match as requested by a TV network. Match recording shall be announced in a written submission to the host and the Commissioner no later than 60 (sixty) hours prior to the match.

In regard of paragraphs 1 and 2 the host shall be fined EUR 300.00.

#### Article 73

- The host of at a SEHA League match shall record the match and the events during the half-time break and after the match as long as the players and officials are on the playground. The recording must be professional and unbiased, using the technology that makes it possible to follow the match by the hour, minute and second, with sound.
- Matches shall be recorded on 1 (one) digital video disc (DVD). Upon the end of the match 1 (one) DVD should be sent to the headquarters of the SEHA League address: SEHA GAZPROM liga, Metalčeva 5/III, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia. If SEHA Lt.d. secure the camera to record matches, host club shall put footage of the match on SEHA league Dropbox within 24 hours after the match.

The delegate shall describe the event in the match report, if the requirement from paragraph 1 and 2 has not been met.

In case of failure to observe the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 above, the host shall be fined EUR 2,000.00.

A club that submits a faulty, damaged recording or one that cannot be watched or is showing just part of the match, shall be fined EUR 2,000.00.

For any repeated faulty recording referred to in paragraph 1 the fine shall be progressively increased by 20 %.

#### Article 74

Match reports of the SEHA League matches shall be kept electronically in the form provided by the SEHA League, and the electronic form shall be sent within 30 minutes to: b.filipovic@seha-liga.com ; info@seha-liga.comm; m.nachevski@seha-liga.com

Match report must be filled after the game and sent by the match delegate, without the signature of club and referees.

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The host shall ensure computer to record the match report and enable their preparation on a computer.

The host shall provide a room for unimpeded preparation of the match report.

The host shall provide a person to prepare the match report with the necessary typing skills and provide them with internet access.

Any objections shall be reported in an additional report and entered in a separate form.

Failing to meet the requirements of paragraph 1, the host shall be fined EUR 500.00.

#### Article 76

The match report must contain the SEHA League player's license number, and automatically appears the name and surname of licensed players and club official's person. After the technical meeting, no change of players recorded in the report shall be allowed.

## Article 77

One of the club officials shall be the designated representative who may only civilly communicate with the officials at the scorekeeper's desk.

#### Article 78

In the coach zone, the coach may behave in accordance with the IHF match rules concerning the player substitution area.

#### Article 79

The delegate and the referees shall immediately after the end of the match take a written statement from the player who was disqualified (in accordance with IHF rules) or from a club official who was disqualified.

The delegate shall hand the statement or statements to the host who shall fax them with the original match report to the Commissioner and the SEHA League Office on the prescribed form of the SEHA League.

Referees shall note whether they are filing a report against the disqualified player or official, justifying the reasons for filing or nonfiling a report. The delegate shall also state his opinion on this matter.

Paragraph 1 shall not apply to the players disqualified on account of their third two-minute penalty.

#### Article 80

The delegate shall be entitled to postpone the match in case of force majeure, inclement weather (earthquake, flood, fire etc.), power outage, public transportation disruption, and shall promptly communicate it to the Commissioner.

The delegate shall not be entitled to postpone the match, unless the Regulations prescribe the case in which this shall be possible.

If the match has been postponed for the reasons mentioned in paragraph 1 above, the delegate may decide, in consultations with the Commissioner, clubs and referees, to have the match played tomorrow, and shall promptly notify the Commissioner on

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his decision.

If the delegate postpones the match, he shall inform the Commissioner about the expenses of both teams for the extended stay:

- If the match is played in the morning, the visiting club shall be recognized one full board at a hotel for max. 21/23 persons plus transportation in case the arranged connection was lost;
- If the return has been envisaged in the afternoon or evening hours irrespectively of the change of match start time, the visiting club shall be entitled to a compensation for extended stay;
- If the visiting club is from the place where the match is played, it shall not be entitled to a compensation;
- If the visiting club can return to its home place and arrive again tomorrow, it shall be recognized travel expenses for maximum 23 (twenty-three) persons in both directions;
- If the club uses private cars or can return to its domicile late in the evening after the match played later than originally scheduled due to the described cause, the visiting club shall not be entitled to a compensation of extra expenses.
- Any details from the preceding paragraph shall be entered by the delegate in a special report that shall be signed by himself, the club officials and referees.
- Under such circumstances the host shall find a possibility for the match to be played later the same day or the next day, starting at a time that is best for both clubs.

If any or both of the clubs decline to accept these terms, this shall be construed as unjustified refusal to play.

#### Article 81

Before the beginning of the match, the referees shall, in accordance with the Rules of Game and the Regulations, inspect the court and any matters related to it.

If the referees establish beyond any doubt that the playground does not allow for the beginning of the match or that any of the requirements mentioned in the articles of these Regulations have not been met, they shall demand that the host make it good.

If the shortcomings cannot be fully rectified, the referees shall on the basis of their findings notify the delegate and decide whether sufficient conditions are provided to play the match.

Referees shall announce additional statements in the match report, and submit them to the Commissioner within 24 hours.

#### Article 82

The time to wait for the competing club shall be 15 (fifteen) minutes, counting from the scheduled match start.

The delegate shall be entitled to extend the waiting time by max. 30 (thirty) minutes from the scheduled match start.

If a club, for justified reasons, is late for longer than the waiting time referred to in paragraph 2 above, the delegate shall examine the possibility to play the match on the same or the next day.

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The match report shall be prepared immediately after the match.

The match report shall be prepared in the presence of the club officials, the delegate and referees (only at disqualification) and must be send by mail to League Commissioner and to SEHA Office after the end of the match (unsigned) and signed match report keeps the delegate.

#### Article 84

If for some reason the original match report written after the match is destroyed, a new match report has to be written immediately after the match.

- New match report shall include every detail, because it shall be considered that only those events did happen that have been recorded in the match report.
- If the match report is destroyed or temporarily hidden, and the host or the visiting club is liable for it, the one or the other shall be fined EUR 1,000.00, depending on the SEHA League competition.

#### Article 85

Persons making statements with the additional report shall in a civil and substantiated manner note their possible objections to the conditions under which the match was played. Deadline for submission of additional statement (tothe Commissioner) is 24 hours. Persons who fail to file additional written statements will be fined with € 500.00.

The Commissioner for the competition shall, on the basis of such statements, take the necessary measures.

#### Article 86

The Commissioner for the competition shall institute disciplinary proceedings against the delegate, the referees, the scorekeeper and the timekeeper who do not show up for the match.

Disciplinary proceedings may also be instituted against the responsible SEHA League member.

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After the end of the match (within 15 minutes), the delegate shall communicate to the Commissioner the outcome of the match per text message (SMS) to 00385 98 432 976. The Commissioner shall institute disciplinary proceedings against any delegate who does not communicate to him the outcome of the match, and such a delegate shall not be appointed for the next 4 rounds.

#### Article 87

If a club, for a justified reason, does not show up for the match, the reasons shall be judged by the Commissioner, who shall also set a new date and time for the match.

If a club for unjustified reasons does not show up for the match, it shall pay the host the actual expenses for organising the match.

- The expenses referred to in paragraph 2 above shall be determined by the Commissioner on the basis of the calculation that, together with any proofs, shall be supplied to him by the host.
- A club that does not show up for the match for unjustified reasons shall be fined EUR 2,000.00 and the match shall be officially registered 10:0 for the other club.

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In addition to officially losing the match 10:0, the club shall also be deducted 1 (one) point.

The Commissioner shall also file a disciplinary report against the club that unjustifiably fails to show up for the match.

#### Article 88

If the Commissioner finds that the match was not played because of the fault of both teams (shared liability), he can decide that: a) The match shall be re-played (the Commissioner shall decide on the new date and time of the match)

b) The match shall be officially registered 10:0 to the benefit of one of the teams, with or without the deduction of 1 (one) point

c)The Commissioner shall file disciplinary application against both clubs that contributed to unjustified failure to play the match.

#### Article 89

If a club drops out of the competition or is excluded from it, all its results shall be stricken from the competition table if it has played less than one half of the total number of matches.

If the club has played one half or more of the total number of matches, any remaining matches shall be officially registered 10:0 for the opponents.

#### Article 90

A match may be temporarily or permanently interrupted.

The interruption shall be decided on by the referees when all the measures taken to finish the match have been exhausted.

#### A match shall be temporarily interrupted:

1. Due to great cold or unbearable heat or if during the match the playground becomes so unfit to play that the control of the ball is impossible;

2. Due to darkness or the lighting that does not meet the provisions of the Regulation and the Rules of Game;

- 3. Due to uncivil conduct of the spectators even after a warning by an official;
- 4. Due to throwing various items in the playing field, at the referees, officials or players;
- 5. Due to fisticuffs between the players, coaches and club officials;
- 6. Due to the scuffle in the play field, interference in the match by the spectators, or generally, a poorly organised match;

7. Due to other reasons envisaged in the Regulations.

When the match has been temporarily interrupted due to force majeure, the interruption shall last until satisfactory conditions have been created.











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#### A match shall be broken off permanently:

1. Due to battery of the officials, players and members of their professional and technical staff;

2. When the Rules of Game and conditions to play the match are so disrupted that the referees, in spite of the measures taken, cannot bring the match to its close.

Prior to the decision to break off the match, the delegate and the referees shall request the host to:

- Make good any shortcomings in the organisation of the match, if the match has been interrupted due to its poor organisation,

- Restore order on the playground,

- Empty the stands or partly remove the spectators.

If order on the playground is not restored, the referees shall break the match off permanently.

#### Article 91

If a repeated match or an interrupted match is played again, the expenses shall be borne by the club that caused the interruption. If the match was interrupted due to inclement weather or force majeure, each club shall cover its own expenses.

A repeated match shall be played as ordered by the Commissioner or the body that decided that the match was to be played again.

#### Article 92

The club whose official or player sitting on the bench for reserves is disqualified, shall be fined EUR 200.00.

- Every warning and disqualification shall be registered for the club, not an individual.
- The fines from paragraphs 1 above shall be paid by the clubs.

#### Article 93

Any fines meted out by the Commissioner shall be paid within the period prescribed in accordance with the Regulations within 8 days.

#### Article 94

The Commissioner shall register a match within 15 (fifteen) days from the date scheduled for the match.

- The match shall be registered on the basis of:
  - Match report, and
  - Any subsequent reports of the referees and the delegate.

The match in regard of which a complaint has been filed shall be registered upon the completion of the complaint procedure.

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A club shall be entitled to demand, at its own expense, the presence of a senior supervisor no later than 3 (three) days prior to the scheduled date of the match.

The application in writing shall be filed with the Commissioner.

The senior supervisor shall be appointed by the Commissioner.

#### Article 96

In conducting the disciplinary proceedings the Commissioner shall apply the Disciplinary Regulations of the SEHA League.

- The Commissioner shall also have the right and duty to report to the Association of Handball Referees and Delegates-Supervisors of the National Federations any of their members who violated the Rules of Game and the Regulations of the SEHA League during the match.
- The Commissioner shall have the right and duty to conduct disciplinary proceedings against any members of the Association of Handball Referees and Supervisors of the National Federations who violated the Regulations and rules of the SEHA League during the match.

## Article 97 - Unsportsmanlike behaviour of the spectators

- For unsportsmanlike behaviour of the spectators towards the other club (its players, coaches, attending persons, spectators etc.) and/or the officials (delegate, referees, Commissioner, and persons at the desk) during the matches played at the hall of the host club, the latter shall be fined for:
- 97.1. Throwing harmless items: EUR 500.00.
- 97.2. Throwing hard items that can cause injuries (lighters, coins etc.): EUR 500.00 to EUR 1,000.00.
- 97.3. Lighting torches and other flammable items in the stands: EUR 500.00
- 97.4 Throwing hard items that can cause vital injuries (stone, awl, seat etc.): EUR 1,000.00 to EUR 2,000.00.
- 97.5. Relapse in the same match, as referred to in paragraphs 97.1 to 97.3: the fine shall be doubled.
- 97.6. If such an incident causes the permanent interruption of the match: EUR 3,000.00.
- 97.7. If such an incident causes the match to break off without the possibility for it to be continued: EUR 10,000.00. Match breakoff is regulated in the rules of the EHF and the IHF.
- 97.8. If such an incident in a match causes an injury to a player or other officials and renders them incapable of playing or performing their duties makes: EUR 10,000.00.
- 97.9. Entering the playfield and interference by unauthorized persons
- a) Before the match: EUR 500.00
- b) During the match: EUR 2,000.00
- c) After the match: EUR 2,000.00
- 97.10. Relapse in the League, as referred to in 97.5 to 07.8: the fine shall be doubled.

97.11. The aforementioned fines shall also apply to the visiting team in case of unsportsmanlike behaviour of its fans.

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#### Article 98 Unsportsmanlike behaviour of the club manager

- 98.1. Threats, intimidation or unsportsmanlike behavior, which are addressed towards opponents (players, coaches, accompanying club persons, viewers etc.), officials (delegate, referees, SEHA League leadership and officials and the officials at the scorer's desk) by club officials and member of the club shall be imposed a fine of € 2,000.00 and suspension time of a performance of duties in handball under the patronage of SEHA League from 6 months to 36 months.
- 98.2. Relapse in the League: the fine shall be doubled.

#### Article 99 – Unsportsmanlike behaviour of players, coaches and officials

- 99.1. The following fines shall apply to any disqualification in the match:
- a) Player: EUR 100.00 without report
- b) Coach: EUR 500.00
- c) Official on the bench: EUR 200.00
- d) for each repeated offense in the same season, the fine is doubled.
- 99.2. In case of relapse in the same match referred to in paragraph 99.1, the fine shall be doubled.
- 99.3. For a report against a player, coach or officials: EUR 500.00, plus missing one (1) to (4) matches.
- 99.4. A player who refuses to subject to the doping control shall be fined EUR 5,000.00 and time penalty in accordance with the provisions of WADA.
- 99.5. A player for whom the doping control finds that he had been taking non-allowed substances shall be fined EUR 10,000.00 and time penalty in accordance with the provisions of WADA.
- 99.6. The disqualified coach shall move to the stands on the opposite side of the desk, not closer to the field than the 6th row of seats.
- 99.7. If a coach, player or any official does not leave the hall after being sent off, he shall be fined EUR 1,000.00.

#### Article 100 – Poor organization of the match:

- 100.1. Any serious case of poor organization: EUR 1,000.00 fine.
- 100.2. If the hall is not sufficiently heated (min. 15°C), and the other team agrees to play the match: EUR 500.00 fine for the host club.
- 100.3. For not organizing training for the visiting club, the host club shall be fined EUR 1.000.00.
- 100.4. For not organizing the press conference the day before the match or after the end of the match, the host club shall be fined EUR 1,000.00.
- 100.5. For no-show of designated players at the organized press conference before and after the end of the match and organized flash interview after the matcha fine of 100 euros to 1000 eurods per person.
- 100.6. For no-show of the head coach at the organized press conference after the end of the match: EUR 500.00.
- 100.7. For inappropriate dressing of the club coach and officials: EUR 200.00 per person.

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100.8. For the players and coach not responding to the invitation of the media office of the SEHA League: EUR 500.00 per person.

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- 100.9. For the host or visiting club not sending the statements of the coached/players 24 hours prior to the start of the match the club will be fined EUR 500.00
- 100.10 In case of relapse ref. paragraphs 100.1 to 100.8 in the matches, the fines shall be doubled.

## Article 101 – Failure of the technical devices at the desk and of the equipment for the match

Non-observance of technical norms

- 101.1. If there is no auxiliary equipment available for the match, if the equipment is not in conformity with the Regulations or is broken (if and when it is to be used)
- a) First violation: EUR 200.00 fine
- b) Second violation: EUR 400.00 fine
- c) Third violation: EUR 800.00 fine

## Article 102 – Claims that hurt the League sponsors

- 102.1. For irresponsible claims voiced by the players concerning the League (claims about refereeing etc.) that hurt the League sponsor or image: EUR 5,000.00 fine.
- 102.2. For irresponsible claims voiced by the coaches and other representatives of the clubs concerning the League (claims about refereeing etc.) that hurt the League sponsor or image: EUR 5,000.00 fine.
- 102.3. Relapse in the League: the fine shall be doubled, and suspension can also be pronounced for 1 to 6 matches.

#### Article 103 – Non-observance of the obligations deriving from marketing rights

- If a club does not observe the provisions of Article 8 hereof:
- 103.1. First violation: EUR 10,000.00 fine
- 103.2. Second violation: the fine shall be doubled
- 103.3. Third violation: the club shall be disqualified from further competition in the SEHA League.

#### Article 104 – Non-observance of the obligations deriving from TV rights

- If a club does not observe the provisions of Article 8 hereof:
- 104.1. First violation: up to 10,000.00 EUR fine

- 104.2. Second violation: the fine shall be doubled
- 104.3. Third violation: the club shall be disqualified from further competition in the SEHA League

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# Article 105 – Negligence of referees and delegates



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- 105.1. Negligent and irregular performance of duties, unsportsmanlike behaviour of the referees, irregular and incorrect enforcement of the decisions of the Commissioner shall be punished with 2-6 matches suspension.
- 105.2. Inappropriate dressing of referees and delegates (showing up for the match without a suit) shall be punished with 2 matches suspension.
- 105.3. Unjustified no-show of the officials at a match shall be punished by striking from the list of the officials for the rest of the season.
- 105.4. Alcohol consumption by the officials on the day of the match shall be punished with 10 matches suspension.
- 105.5. Irresponsible comments of the events in a match that hurt the popularity of the League shall be punished by 3 matches suspension.

#### Article 106 – Non-observance of Article 31 of the Regulations

- If the referees fail to observe the provisions of Art. 31.14 hereof:
- 106.1. First violation: 5 matches suspension
- 106.2. Second violation: striking from the list of referees for the season.

#### Article 107 – Team setup

- If a team begins the match with less than six (6) players:
- 107.1. First violation: EUR 3,000.00 fine.
- 107.2. Subsequent violations: the fine shall be doubled.

# **XVI. ADMINISTRATIVE PUNISHMENT**

#### Article 108 – General provisions

111.1. The Commissioner may mete out administrative punishment to a club if it fails to proceed in accordance with the administrative provisions hereof.

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Article 109 – Special cases

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A fine of EUR 500.00 may be pronounced if the club:

- 109.1. Within the given deadline, does not communicate the outcome of the match per telephone, if it could not transmit it online.
- 109.2. Does not submit the documents (e.g. for the registration of players, change in the date of the match etc.) within the given deadline.
- 109.3. Provides incorrect or incomplete information.
- 109.4. In repeated cases the fine shall be doubled.

#### Article 110 – Complaints against administrative punishment

No complaint shall be permissible against administrative punishment.

## **XVII. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS**

#### Article 111 – Financial commitments of the clubs

- 111.1. Clubs shall cover the cost of organization of home matches (the accommodation of the visiting team from the airport to the hotel, to the hall and back, hall, announcement system, security, first aid, fire protection, and fees for timekeeper, scorekeeper and physician).
- 111.2. The fines meted out by the Commissioner shall be paid by the clubs to the bank account of the SEHA d.o.o. Zagreb within 8 days.
- 111.3. In case of complaints filed, clubs shall pay the fee to the bank account of the SEHA d.o.o. Zagreb.
- 111.4. If a club refuses to pay the fine, the Commissioner shall decide on the suspension of the club.

# **XVIII. FINAL PROVISIONS**

#### Article 112

- 112.1. The Commissioner shall settle any matters not foreseen or mentioned in these Regulations through the implementation of other documents of the EHF and the IHF, the Association of Handball Referees and Delegates-Supervisors of the national federations, as well as the Law on Prevention of Riots at Sport Events, and the Law on Sport.
- 112.2. These Regulations shall be interpreted by the Competition Commission of the SEHA League, and it shall be binding on all clubs and bodies of the League.

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- 112.3. Any amendments to these Regulations shall be undertaken in the same manner as prescribed for their adoption Board of the SEHA League).
- 112.4. These Regulations shall enter into force as of the date of their adoption, and their implementation shall begin in the 2015/2016 season.

Done in Zagreb, 27.08.2015.

Chairman of the SEHA League: Mihajlo Mihajlovski m.p.

