

Malmö, Sweden 13th of December 2024

IFF Central Board meeting 5/2024 13.12.2024 as a physical meeting in Malmö, Sweden

Place: Sky box 301, Malmö Arena

Participants: Tomas Eriksson President

Filip Suman Vice President

Jörg Beer Tamuz Hidir Steen Houman Calle Karlsson Stephen King

Martin Klabere Not present §§ 9c – 10f

Carlos Lopez

Agata Plechan Pakkamol Siriwat

Kaarina Vuori

ATC chair

Stefan Kratz Competition Manager Sarah Mitchell Event Manager John Liljelund Secretary General

Excused: Monica Birdal Treasurer

Veli Halonen Operations Manager

Minutes

§ 1. Opening of the meeting

Mr. Eriksson welcomed all CB members to the fifth and final CB meeting of the year 2024 and informed that Mrs. Bakke and Mr. Halonen are not able to participate for personal reasons.

§ 2. Approval of the agenda

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

Appendix 4 - Claims non-participating countries (update)
Appendix 13 - ETC meeting report 12.12. (Not ready)

Appendix 14 - IFF Strategy Implementation Report December (New)

Appendix 16b - RACC meeting 21.11. minutes (New)

Appendix 19 - U19 WFC 2025 report (New)

Appendix 20 - Sportswik CB proposal for agreement (New)

<u>CB decided:</u> To approve the report, the new and updated appendixes and the agenda for the meeting

§ 3 Minutes from the CB meetings: 04/2024 in Helsinki (03.11.2024)





The minutes from the last CB meeting 04/2024 were scrutinized, approved and put ad acta. (**Appendix 1**)

CB decided: To approve the minutes of the IFF CB meeting 03/2024

§ 4. Financial questions

a) Financial report 2024 by 30.11.2024

Mr. Kratz reported on behalf of Mrs. Birdal the financial report and balance sheet as of the 30.11.2024 (**Appendix 2**) and the forecast for the remaining of the financial year.

The outcome per 30th of November is CHF 272.867 which is CHF 80.052 (2023: CHF 192.815) better than last year, mainly due to the cost for the WFC is coming a bit later this year.

The liquidity per 30th of November is CHF 655.058, which is CHF 165.814 better than the same time last year (2023: CHF 489.244).

The forecast has, since last meeting, been slightly adjusted both on the income and cost side and points towards a balanced result for the year with additional funds (CHF 25.000) set aside for The World Games 2025 included.

The finances are continued to be monitored daily and possible saves will be considered if, and when, we see signs of possible lower income than is now forecasted.

CB decided: To approve the report.

Information on IFF claims – License system and WFC 2025-2026 – status December 4th

Mr. Kratz reported on behalf of Mrs. Birdal of the claim's situation by 04.12.2024 for Associations participating in the WFCs in 2025 and 2026 and separately for those not participating in any of the IFF Events. (**Appendix 3 and 4**).

Canada and the Philippines are following their plans, but Latvia were not able to make the last payment of their plan in November due to that the government funding did not arrive by the end of November as was expected. The prediction is that they will be able to make the last payment (the annual fee for 2024) still in December. This doesn't affect their ability to vote in the General Assembly 2024, but should they not pay the Annual fee for 2024 before the end of the year they are not eligible to register and therefore participate in the WFCs 2026. A payment plan for Colombia has been made. (**Appendix 5**).

All ordinary members have been reminded about the rules for participating in and voting during the IFF General Assembly which has resulted in some payments of outstanding annual fees and eligibility for full participation in the IFF GA 2024, there among also Iran

Mr. King asked if the payment plans are valid, if the countries add on new debts, to which Mr. Kratz answered that they can't build on new debts.

Ms. Vuori asked what the Colombian federation have to pay to be able to register for the 3v3





<u>CB decided:</u> To approve the reports, to continue to follow up on the pay-off plans for Canada, Colombia, Cote d'Ivoire, Latvia, Malaysia and Philippines, and to continue to follow up on the debts of the non-participating Associations.

c) IFF General Assembly 2024, 14.12.2024

Mr. Eriksson reported that the preparations of the 18th IFF General Assembly are running well and presently there are 33 ordinary members and 6 provisional members registered for the meeting. The IFF Office has prepared that two persons will handle the registration of the participants and then the distribution of a microphone for questions from the floor. The meeting will be recorded by PolarHD and the recording will later be published on the IFF channels. The meeting starts at 8:30 and is expected to end around 12:30. The IFF press conference will then be held on Sunday at 11:00 in the WFC Media center.

The IFF GA Agenda has been updated and the CB is to confirm the agenda for the participants. The idea is that the participants will only be given the agenda in print. (**Appendix 6**)

The Voting ballot for the IFF GA has been prepared and the extra voting ballot for the occasion that the election would end in a tie for some of the candidates. (**Appendix 7ab**)

The IFF CB is further to confirm the voting eligibility of all the present ordinary members, based on the IFF Statutes. (**Appendix 7c**)

<u>CB decided:</u> To approve the report and the GA Agenda, voting ballot and the voting eligibility for the IFF General Assembly 2024.

§ 5. World Championships

a) WFC 2024 Sweden

Mr. Klabere reported on behalf of the LOC about the running of the ongoing WFC (**Appendix 8a**) There have been just some very minor issues and there has been some discussions about the floor commercials, intermission lengths in the group games. There have been some issues with the match secretaries filling-in the statistics. The main outside issue was the nearby bomb threat 400 m form the Event. The number of spectators has been a disappointment. The Swedish federation also organised a manual wheelchair tournament in the beginning of the event with Czechia, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and USA.

By the end of Monday there has been sold a total of 37.994 tickets in the Malmö Arena and some 3.803 tickets for the Baltic Hall, so the total number of sold tickets are now 41.747. Less than 2,000 tickets left to be sold for the final weekend. The last weekend packages will on Tuesday the 10.12, at 21.00 CET to be divided into one-day tickets separately for the 14.12 and 15.12. This is due to some issues with the ticketing system, (**Appendix 8b**)

Ms. Mitchell is reported that the event has started well with a successful opening week, with around 50.000 spectators. With access to the venues a day earlier than usual the LOC were able to prepare very well and have a great event production that is creating an excellent atmosphere in the venues. There has been very few minor issues, which have all been solved in a proactive way together with the LOC:

Mr. Liljelund reported on the situation with the TV. IFF has closed the agreement with Protocol Sport Marketing for the years 2024-2027. The deal includes a retainer fee, which is new compared with the previous agreement. The agreement has now been modified, so that we can

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end the agreement in 2027, if so desired. The WFC is being broadcasted in a total of 43 territories and with a total of over 50 broadcasters for both live, delayed and news. We are expecting a total of over 350 broadcasted games. All but one of the participating countries will have matches broadcasted in their country, which in itself is a new record. We have turned down an offer, we got via Protocol Sports for a Russian TV station.

The takers and their planned number of broadcasts can be found in the report (Appendix 9)

Mr. King commented that the score board in the Baltic Hall is covered by the participating flags. Mr. Suman stressed that we need to discuss what can be done, as there was only a major number of spectators in the Swedish matches and to put the spectators in the TV picture in the better seats, which has not been done. Mr. Liljelund pointed out that this had been asked for in the preparation meetings. It is a lost chance to present us in a better way. Mr. Suman felt that there needs to be a regulation that all countries are treated equally for all games, in this case having the mascot in all games. The set-up in the VIP has been largely commented, as the service is only for the Swedish matches. Ms. Vuori felt that it should be in the regulation. Mr. Klabere felt that this is much better than ever before. Ms. Mitchell felt that these topics has to be defined in the contract.

Mr. Hidir felt that the side project "Small Floorball" was very well organised and visited by a lot of children, especially migrant children. Ms. Siriwat made a comment about the need to have subtitles in the Fair Floorball promotion videos with the Team captains.

Mr. Liljelund expressed that the organisation has been very good and the LOC has been very helpful.

CB decided: To approve the report

d) Upcoming Events"

U19 WFC 2025 + 3v3 2025 WFC (Switzerland)

Mr. Beer reported on the preparations of the U19 WFC 2025 to be played in Zürich, Switzerland. The advancement of the preparations is described in the LOC report. (Appendix 19) The Event has sold some 1000 tickets already and Swiss federation will market the event during the whole season. The will be a promotional event at the Zurich main railway station in the spring.

Ms. Mitchell reported that a venue inspection was conducted by herself, Mr John Liljelund and Ms Mari Myllärinen at the end of November. In particular, the U19 venues (Hardau + Saalsporthalle) and the 3v3 venues (AXA Arena + Winterthur Tennis Centre) were visited. Some concerns about the free floor space at Hardau were resolved, and the plans for the placement of the rinks at AXA Arena were finalised.

The 1st Information Letter has been sent to the teams. The accommodation prices are, as expected, quite high, but the LOC has done a good job of putting together a bigger than normal list of possible hotels that cover a variety of accommodation options.

So far, we have received 3v3 WFC registrations from 4 countries – Germany, Finland, France, Italy, New Zealand. There is also a registration from Colombia which has not yet been accepted as they have outstanding debts. The deadline for registration for the 3v3 WFC ends on the 15.01.2025.

Mr. Klabere asked if there has been any solution for other accommodation options for the participating countries. Mr. Beer answered that the LOC has helped to find accommodation





outside the official hotel list. Ms. Mitchell explained that the LOC expanded the hotel area and has been helpful to find solutions for the participating countries.

WFC 2025 (Czech Republic)

The preliminary match schedule outline has been agreed upon between the IFF and LOC and the first ticket sales have begun. In the first wave are the CZE group matches + the final weekend games. The IFF & LOC will hold meetings in Malmö to discuss broadcasting, marketing, and general event planning. The ticketing sales has started with a launch to the Czech Floorball ID members and there has been sold some 2.000 tickets.

Ms. Mitchell reported that the IFF has had a meeting about the marketing and TV and organisational issues, and is confident of having a good co-operation with the LOC.

The event website has also been launched: https://www.wfc2025.cz

QUALIFICATIONS

The planning for the qualifications are ongoing. The IFF received a request from Ukraine Floorball Federation for the possibility of their women's team to join the qualification events after the women's floorball activities have resumed in Ukraine, but at such a late point in the preparations they were advised that it was not possible.

CB decided: to approve the reports

WFC 2028

Mr. Liljelund reported that the Czech Floorball has in a letter asked for a postponement of the final decision of appointment of the WFC 2028 until the the CB meeting in May, to confirm support from the Cities and National Sports Agency. (**Appendix 10**)

CB decided: to approve the reports.

§ 6. Club competitions

a) Champions Cup

Ms. Mitchell reported the final teams have now been decided with the women's final to be played between Pixbo & Thorengruppen – a rematch of the 2024 final, and for the men it will be Pixbo v Florbal Mlada Boleslav. The IFF has received bids for hosting the finals from Thorengruppen for the women, and from both men's teams. The Champions Cup Steering Group will review the bids and will meet on 14th December in Malmö to decide on the final hosting.

Mr. Liljelund reported that the CCSG met in November to discuss the way forward for the Champions Cup. The main discussion point was about the financial aspect of the event for all involved – IFF, National Associations, & teams. A list of questions will be put together by Mr Tomas Frank (CZE) and then each National Association will have the responsibility of gathering the feedback from their teams. The feedback must be submitted by the end of February and then the CCSG will make a decision on the future of the event during March. (Appendix 11)





Mr. Klabere felt that it is important that the IFF will have the possibility to make our own decision regardless of the view of the other stakeholders. Mr. Suman felt that the CB will in the February meeting have to discuss what the IFF official standpoint will be.

The IFF Event Disciplinary function has taken a decision concerning the Florbal MB player Adam Hemerka, in accordance with our Juridical regulations (**Appendix 12**)

b) EuroFloorball Cup & EuroFloorball Challenge

The IFF Competition department has drafted a letter for the National Associations regarding these events and it will be sent out during December. Mr. Liljelund has held discussions with the organisers of the Czech open to see if they would be interested and able to run the EuroFloorball and/or the EuroFloorball Challenge. The Czech Open organiser will make a proposal for how they could help with the organisation.

CB decided: To approve the reports.

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

a) ExCo reports

Mr. Eriksson reported on the activities of the ExCo since the last CB meeting. The ExCo and the CB has held several discussions in regarding to the cancellation of the European Floorball Championships 2026 in Sweden. The final decision was jointly communicated with the Swedish federation on the 12th of November. Further the IFF ExCo has worked on the preparation of the IFF General Assembly 2024.

The member federations have received the invitation to nominate candidates for the IFF CB committees (Rules and Competition Committee, Referee Committee, Medical Committee and the Development Committee). The deadline for the nominations is on the 6.12. and the new CB will take the decisions of the compositions in their first meeting in 2025.

The ETC will hold its yearly meeting on the 12.12. to discuss among other topics the way to handle the complaints, creation of the Vetting Rules, Governance in national federations, upcoming webinars in 2025 and 2026.

CB decided: To approve the report

b) Strategy Implementation

Mr. King reported on the work of the IFF Strategy Implementation, where the Strategy Working Group (SWG) chair has prepared the Strategy Status Report for December 2024 (**Appendix 14**). The IFF Committees and the Office is working with the Suggestion Actions table and updating that regularly, in accordance with the decision taken earlier that the updates have to be taken in time for the IFF CB meeting. The link to the Strategy Implementation table: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hRw iAWuPDdTGsAaiPXZ6YSn3QJI Z4?usp=sharing

Mr. King will in the IFF GA give a short Strategy Implementation Report from Phase 1 (2021-2024) of how the implementation plan has been built, using the four Strategy Key Priority subgroups, which built the plan for the specific suggested actions. The Implementation plan has been overseen by the Strategy Working Group (SWG) and the concrete work has been done by





the IFF CB, the Committees and the Office. Further the report will highlight a few Targets from each Key Priority Area.

Due to the present workload in the IFF Office the process with the preparation of the working plan for how to go ahead with the Phase 2 of the Strategy Implementation has not proceeded. There is a prepared CB decided Target Suggested Actions, defining the actions and the responsibilities and the timetable, based on the original plan made by the CB. This draft will be looked over by the IFF Office in January and be brought to the CB in its first meeting of 2025, to decide upon the way forward.

CB decided: To approve the report

c) CB Member responsibilities

Nothing reported

CB decided: To approve the report

§ 8. International Sports

International Olympic Committee/IOC

Nothing reported

SportAccord

Nothing reported

Association of IOC Recognised International Sport Federations/ARISF

Nothing reported

International World Games Association/IWGA

Ms Mitchell reported that the 1st IFF Information Letter (**Appendix 15**) was sent during November to the teams who already have teams qualified to TWG 2025. There have been opportunities for these countries to meet with IFF Event Manager, Ms Sarah Mitchell, during the WFC in Malmö to discuss the TWG preparations and ask questions. An online information session will be scheduled for January with all of the qualified teams.

In the WFC so far the Philippines, as the best AOFC them, the winner of the quarterfinals Czechia and Sweden have been qualified for The World Games. All Floorball games will be live on the World Games Live app.

The second TWG 2025 Media Workshop was held in Lausanne on 27th & 28th November and was attended by Ms Mitchell & Ms Myllärinen. Mr Liljelund, as an IWGA Board Member, presented information on the marketing work – Visibility & Awareness.

Mr. Eriksson asked about the communication concerning the correction of the number of qualified teams from AOFC for the TWG, to which Ms. Mitchell answer that this has been done to the





teams already in the week. Mr. Suman asked how will we secure that the teams will actually register? Ms. Mitchell has been in contact with the teams and the IFF CB should set a date for a final confirmation of the participation.

Ms. Plechan asked of what will be visible on the World Games live, Ms. Mitchell explained that it will be free if no broadcast rights have been sold for a country. Ms. Vuori asked if all players need to have the passport of their country, which Ms. Mitchell expressed that this has been highlighted in the communication.

University Sport/FISU

Nothing reported

Multi-Sport Games

SEA GAMES 2025 Thailand

Nothing reported

§ 9. Committees and Commissions

a) Rules and Competition Committee (RACC)

Mr. Klabere reported from the RACC meeting held 07.11.2024 (Appendix 16).

This meeting followed up on the tasks provided by the CB related to the international calendar. From the meeting the RACC asked Ms. Mitchell to prepare a 4-6 year schedule for the transition of the events (U19 WFC from May to February & Adult WFC from December to October) and send to the RACC for feedback to be returned before the next meeting.

The follow-up RACC meeting held on 21.11.2024 (**Appendix 17**) discussed the feedback of the proposed calendar from 2025 – 2034 (**Appendix 18**). The RACC decided that a modified version of this calendar should be presented at the General Assembly, along with a timeline of how the calendar work will progress over the next year, including the opportunities for feedback from the National Associations.

Mr. Klabere feels that the uncertainty with the European Championships is a risk factor and we need to take the decision later without the possibility of being included in the Swiss European Championships for the 2030. Mr. Suman felt that it would be better to have the year 2030 as a normal year and the option of the Swiss European Championships in the background. The proposal will be presented to the IFF GA, the working group will be looking at proposal for the CB in February. Ms. Vuori asked if we should reconsider how we build the calendar to avoid having TWG and a WFC event in the same year.

An update of the rule regarding the possibility of a player two represent two countries was proposed to the RACC by the IFF Competition Department. Currently, our rules state that a player can represent one country at junior level (U17 & U19) and another at senior level (U23 & adult), however, after several different situations we find that this rule is quite limiting for players who have dual citizenship and therefore the possibility to represent two countries, especially at junior level where a player is still developing and their pathway towards a senior team position is still unclear. To help allow junior players more possibilities to experience international competition

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and pursue their possible place in an adult national team the CB decided is to change the rule to allow a player to represent two countries at U17, U19, or U23 level but only one at adult level.

The proposed rule change wording for both the Competition Regulations – National Teams & Competition Regulations – Friendly Internationals will be as follows:

- 3.2 A player may represent two separate nations in a recognised junior (U17, U19) or U23 international match. They may represent one of either of these same nations at adult international level. Once a player has represented a nation in a recognised adult international match this then becomes the only nation they can represent at any international level (junior, U23, or adult).
- 3.3 A player may represent only one nation within a single event, which includes qualifications for a final round event.

We think this change will help develop the junior players better while especially helping some of the smaller national associations to have players represent them while still pursuing their dream of representing a larger floorball country in the future.

Mr. Klabere asked how the proposal would work in practise and what the national federations feel about this. Ms. Mitchell explained that there are a number of situations where the players could choose and they don't know if they are good enough if they will make it in the better country. Mr. Suman asked if it could be that you would play a preparation tournament and then play in a Final tournament and that when you play for the Adult National Team the possibly to change has been closed, which was confirmed. Mr. Klabere and Mr. Beer felt that it should have been discussed in the RACC and will be then discussed in the next ordinary CB meeting.

Ms Mitchell has developed an updated IFF Event & Match Officials Guidelines (**Appendix 18**), which more clearly outlines the responsibilities and requirements for event and match officials. These new guidelines also change the terminology of the names of the officials to bring Floorball more in line with other sports and multi-sport events. For example, the Jury Chair will now be called Technical Delegate, and jury members will be Technical Match Officials.

Mr. Klabere felt that some of the changes here will make us very fragile and the persons working there now will not be doing what we are doing now. To secure that we have more people in the system and learning by themselves. The RACC should still nominate the Technical Delegates and they should have a bigger responsibility in running the event. Ms. Mitchell explained that we actually already in practise working like this, even if the Jury is still nominated to the Event. There needs to be a possibility to say how many persons needed in the Event. So it is more a terminology change.

Mr. Suman feels that there are many positive aspects, as they need to be defined. As the document is strategic and needs to have a further discussion about the document in the RACC and the CB. Ms. Mitchell felt that before the Jury was running the event, but now when the events have grown the Jury should be responsible only about the things around the Field of Play. Mr. Houman felt that it is very important that we have the document.

<u>CB decided:</u> To approve the report and postpone the proposed change of the rules for the U23 juniors representation in the national teams in the Competition Regulations and the new Technical Officials Guidelines.

b) Calendar Working Group (CWG)

Mr Klabere reported that the process forward with the Event Structure/Calendar proposal. The CB decided is now with the CB to discuss in this meeting (**Appendix 18**) and the CWG will then





prepare based on the input the still open questions of when we can move the WFC to October, when to start the Event structure 2028 or 2029. This would be decided in the CB meeting in February. If the CB decided will be approved the IFF Office will send out the CB decided to the member federations and ask for their feedback until the end of February. Then the Calendar Working Group (CWG) will analyse the feedback prior to the IFF CB in beginning of May and then the CWG will finalise the CB decided after that. The final CB decided could then be made in the September meeting.

CB decided: to approve the report

c) Referee Committee (RC)

Nothing reported

c) Medical committee

Mr. Kratz reported on behalf of Mr. Varecka that IFF will discuss with the International Testing Agency (ITA) on how IFF could benefit from the ARISF CB decided for the use of the ITA services.

CB decided: To approve the report

d) Athletes commission

Ms. Plechan reported on the activities of the ATC. The ATC has finished a full round of blog articles working on the visibility of the IFF Athletes Commission in the IFF media channels.

The WADA Athletes Council (AC) will be held this week and the IF's have been very active trying to promote their own candidates. Ms. Plechan has been approached by a number of federations, as well as the IFF. The WADA AC elections finished vesterday and it has been very active

Ms. Plechan participated and graduated in the IWGA Women's Leadership workshop in beginning of November.

CB decided: To approve the report.

e) Development Committee (DevC)

Nothing reported

f) Entourage Commission (ENC)

Nothing reported.

§ 10. Functions

a) Communication & Media function



Mr. Kratz reported on behalf of Mr. Kihm on the sales development of the IFF App based on the status on the 8.12.

Event	Sa	ales (net)	Days	Matches	Rev	enue/ Day	Re	venue/ Match	Observations
WFC 2022	CHF	39 960,00	9	48	CHF	4 440,00	CHF	832,50	No android version available
U19 WFC 2023	CHF	53 073,00	5	36	CHF	10 614,60	CHF	1 474,25	No TV, DEN games streamed seperately in DEN
WFC 2023	CHF	28 398,00	9	48	CHF	3 155,33	CHF	591,63	
Whole Year 2023	CHF	128 700,00							
U19 WFC 2024	CHF	27 617,00	5	36	CHF	5 523,40	CHF	767,14	No TV
WFC 2024	CHF	62 850,00	9	48	CHF	6 983,33	CHF	1309,38	Only pre-Sales and Day 1 till/with Day 6
Year to date 2024	CHF	163 800,00							

It is very interesting that the pre-sales and first day sales for the WFC 2024 (CHF 36.693) has been almost double to WFC 2023 (CHF 17.605) and WFC 2022 (CHF 19.600).

IFF will start the contract discussions with Sportswik for the continuation of the IFF App during the WFC.

Sportswik has proposed a new model for the IFF App agreement for 2025 forward. IFF held a meeting with Sportswik and Mr. Martin Wiklund to discuss the offer (**Appendix 20**).Mr. Suman felt that it was a good meeting with Sportswik, to understand that even with a170,000 revenue we can only make a small revenue for 2024, which will need to be discussed.

CB decided: To approve the report

b) Marketing function

Mr. Beer, reported about the current sales and marketing situation.

The summary of the sales during last few months leading up to the WFC 2024. in total the sales is just under EUR 30.000 for the WFC. In autumn, a deal was closed with Spintso (referee communication equipment) and the referees are using the equipment during the WFC 2024 and Spintso got to run a workshop for the referees. Additionally, they gave a presentation at the Referee Coach Seminar, received some visibility in IFF digital channels and sent offer to all IFF referees (via IFF).

Ms. Mitchell and Mr. Liljelund informed that it has been very difficult for the LOC to get sponsors for the event and just have been able to generate the original budget for the event, which seems to be good.

Some LED exposure specifically for Swiss games was sold worth and the LOC was able to sell the mid-circle to Visit Skåne / Malmö (out of which 50% was for IFF). As new elements we are also piloting some sponsored, targeted campaigns on WFC Instagram with LOC partners (ICA, OBOS and the Swedish Railway Company) creating additional revenue. There is also a joint campaign with PUMA and retailer Stadium which is directed only at Swedish users (possibly also Finnish if we receive graphics). Further, some meetings with WFC 2024 LOC sponsors have been agreed in Malmö as potential partners for IFF (especially with eyes on WFC 2026/2027 in Finland).

CB decided: To approve the report

c) Material function

Account No: 0818-559200-11. Swift: CRESCHZZ80A IBAN: CH52 0483 5055 9200 1100 0





Mr. Liljelund report that IFF will hold a Material Board meeting on the 13th of December to discuss the way forward on how to restructure the work with the material testing and the continued discussions with the Floorball Material testing institute RISE.

IFF will continue most likely take over the material sales reporting, the financial handling of the manufacturer payments and the Material database, which will change the relationship totally with RISE. The discussion will continue with RISE if they are to continue to offer the service for the testing on products in accordance with the IFF Material regulations.

Exel Floorball has started to pay off their debt to IFF with the third instalment in November, in accordance with the signed agreement. The next instalment shall be paid on the 15th of December.

CB decided: To approve the report

d) Equality function

Nothing reported

e) Parafloorball function

Nothing reported

f) Sustainability function

Mr. Kratz reported on behalf of Mr. Kalsta about the EU-funded GAMES project which held their Final Conference (10.12.) during the WFC 2024 at the Malmö Arena hotel where it summarised and presented the results of this sustainability development project. A smaller sustainability side event will be held 11.12 at the Baltic Hall. When the final report of the project is submitted (by the end of February 2025 the IFF will receive the last funding payment.

The WFC 2024 has received the Sustainable Event certificate. On Wednesday 11.12. there will be as visit from auditors for the sustainability certification (Baltic Hall and Malmö Arena). The LOC has implemented many sustainable initiatives for example by providing a list of green hotels for the teams, offering drinking bottles for tap water to all backstage staff and teams; the venue has waste recycling stations for spectators, transport for officials is with electric vehicles, etc. Much focus is put, as a learning from WFC 2022, on awareness raising and the public is encouraged to use public transportation and recycle at the venue (ticket graphics, social media, website, venue media cube).

FairFloorball is more visible in the WFC 2024 than ever. On top of the regular elements (LED, rink, referee wristbands, captain bands) the LOC has adopted the FairFloorball text and message in a lot of the venue branding. IFF also produced a new FairFloorball video for the venue media cube.

The WFC 2025 has already adopted well the sustainability approach and have taken this in account for example in merchandising procurement.

CB decided: To approve the report

§ 11. IFF Office



Nothing reported

CB decided: To approve the report

§ 12. Members

Membership questions

Nothing reported

Members under suspension

Nothing reported

New Member applications

Nothing reported

§ 13. Next meeting

Mr. Eriksson to conclude that the new IFF CB will convene in the morning of the 15th of December.at 8:30 in the Sky Box 301.

The preliminary plan for the CB meetings in 2025 looks like the following.

M1 01-02.2.

M2 3.-4.5. (U19 WFC)

M3 6.-7.9.

M4 18.-19.10 or 25.-26.10.

M5 Women's WFC, day depending on when we have the Association meeting

The dates will finally be locked after the new CB has been elected in the GA in the inaugural CB meeting on the 15th of December.

CB decided: To approve the report

§ 14. Closing of the meeting

The CB members thanked Mr. Eriksson for his leading of the IFF as the IFF president Mr. Eriksson closed the meeting at 11:40 CET.

John Liljelund Secretary General Tomas Eriksson President



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Place: Sky box 301, Malmö Arena

Participants: Filip Suman President

Jörg Beer Tamuz Hidir Steen Houman Remo Hubacher Pekka Ilmivalta Calle Karlsson Carlos Lopez Ben Ow

Agata Plechan ATC chair

Pakkamol Siriwat Zuzana Svobodová Helén Wiklund Wårell

John Liljelund Secretary General

Excused:

Minutes

§ 1. Opening of the meeting

Mr. Suman congratulated all new and also re-elected CB members and welcomed and for the inaugural CB meeting after the IFF general Assembly held yesterday. Mr. Suman further informed that Ms. Agata Plechan had already been elected as the Athletes Commission chair by the previous CB and welcomed the IFF Honorary President Mr. Tomas Eriksson to the meeting.

The aim of the meeting was to start on an informal level, trying to introduce each other and present some ideas what presently are the most important for floorball in the coming year.

§ 2. Approval of the agenda

Mr. Suman explained how the CB has been working and informed that the Agenda, with appendixes will be sent in advance of the meeting. The CB approved the Agenda for the meeting.

§ 3. Appointment of Secretary General and the Office

Mr. Suman informed that an agreement has been signed between the IFF and the SSBL (Finnish Floorball Federation) concerning the hosting of the IFF Office and the employment of the IFF General Secretary for the period 2025-2028.

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Mr. Suman proposed to re-appoint Mr. Liljelund as IFF Secretary General for the upcoming four year period 2025-2028 and to keep the IFF Office in Helsinki for the four coming years, based on the agreement made with the Finnish federation in 2005 and renewed in 2024. Mr. Suman informed that there are some plans to change how the IFF is run.

<u>CB decided:</u> To approve the appointment of the secretary general and the location of the Office.

§ 4. Constitution of the CB

According to the IFF Statutes (Art. 34) the CB shall among itself appoint a Vice President and a Treasurer for the mandate period. Mr. Suman proposes that Mr. Jörg Beer shall be elected as the Vice President and that the appointment of the Treasurer for the IFF will be handled in the upcoming meeting.

Mr. Beer expressed that he is honoured of the appointment as vice president.

CB decided: To approve the appointment of a Vice President

§ 5. Constitution of the Executive Committee (ExCo)

According to the IFF Statutes (Art. 39) the CB shall elect an Executive Committee consisting of the president, the vice president and the secretary general and two members of the CB. Mr. Suman informed that IFF statutes defines the role of ExCo: The routine and urgent business of the IFF shall be dealt with by an Executive Committee, The ExCo shall be responsible for the preparation of matters for the CB. ExCo comprised of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary General and two additional members of the CB, the latter being proposed by the President and elected by the CB. The aim is to have regular meetings and help to make the CB meetings even better.

Mr. Suman proposed to constitute the IFF ExCo, consisting of the IFF President Mr. Filip Suman as chair, the IFF vice president Jörg Beer IFF CB members Pakkamol Siriwat, IFF CB member Helén Wiklund Wårell and the IFF secretary general Mr. Liljelund as members. The secretary general will also act as the secretary of the ExCo.

CB decided: To approve the appointment of ExCo.

§ 6. Right to sign for the IFF and right to use the IFF bank account

Mr. Liljelund proposed that the right to sign in the name of the IFF shall be given as defined by IFF statutes to the President Mr. Filip Suman single-handedly, and to the vice president and the Treasurer always two persons together in any possible combination with either the president or the secretary general.

Mr. Suman proposed that the IFF secretary general Mr. Liljelund has the right to sign in the name of IFF single-handedly in any issue of daily business or together in combination with the President, vice president or the treasurer.

The secretary general proposes that Mr. Stefan Kratz (execution) and Mr. John Liljelund (queries) shall have the right to use the IFF bank account 559200-11 at Credit Suisse, Postfach, CH-8700 Küsnacht ZH, Switzerland.



CB decided: To approve the proposals.

§ 7. Constitution of the Committees and Functions

Mr. Suman informed the CB about the plan for the division of responsibilities within the CB. He hopes for strong contribution of CB members. Each CB member will be responsible for at least 1-2 areas. Mr. Suman expressed that during January he will have discussion with all CB members about their potential areas of interest of the CB members

There are four committees defined by the IFF statutes: the Rules and Competition Committee, the Referee Committee, the Entourage Committee, and the Medical Committee. Leadership of these committees, as well as other committees or working groups, will be decided at the next CB meeting, based on discussions with individual CB members.

Mr. Suman informs that until the new chairpersons are appointed, it is proposed that the current chairpersons temporarily continue to lead their respective committees.

Mr. Suman reported that the previous IFF CB has asked the member associations to nominate candidates to the IFF committees until the 6th of December 2024. The nominations were asked for the Development Committee, Entourage Committee, the Medical Committee, the Rules and Competition Committee and the Referee Committee. The IFF General Assembly approved the formation of the ParaFloorball Committee, which will need to be formed.

Mr. Ilmivalta asked what the role of the Entourage Committee are, to which Mr. Hidir answered that it is to work with the recommendation of the whole group of people around the athletes.

Due to the sick leave of IFF Operations Manager Mr. Veli Halonen the IFF Office has not the nominations at hand at the moment but will provide them to the IFF CB as soon as possible.

Mr. Suman further to inform that the IFF Athletes Commission chair Ms. Agata Plechan has already been elected in her position by the previous IFF CB.

Mr. Hidir proposed itt would be a good idea also to create a chart drawn of what committees, functions, working groups are planned and existing. Mr. Suman also informed that each committee should have a guideline for their activities and what they are to work with.

CB decided; To approve the proposals.

§ 8. Feedback from the General Assembly

Mr. Suman asked if the CB members have any comments to raise from the IFF General Assembly. There was a total of 32 ordinary members and 3 provisional members present.

Ms. Siriwat felt that the participation of the member federations could be higher and we need to have more members participation, with more unofficial communication. Mr. Hidir felt that the regional responsible persons can play a big role in this situation.

Mr. Lopez felt that the GA was very well organised and run, with a lot of motions and interesting topics. We must keep in mind what the possibilities the participating countries can effect during the meeting.

Mr. Hubacher asked if we know what the reason are for the members not to participate in the IFF GA. Mr. Suman answered that it is not only financial, but also that there are not a big interest





among all members. Mr. Ow expressed that there is a issue with the use of emails and it is important to find also new forms of communications. Mr. Hidir thinks important to explain that the General Assembly is not only a formal meeting, but also a place to create ideas and create contacts. Mr. Houman felt that we need to work with the countries and interact with the countries on a regular level.

Ms. Wiklund Wårell felt that as the meeting was that long, so there should have been something to eat during the meeting. Ms. Plechan felt that the Athletes Commission we should have been mentioned and given a point in the meeting.

Mr. Suman informed that the African federations felt that the African continent is overlooked. The federations asked for support and a direct contact with the IFF.

CB decided: To approve the report

§ 10. Next meeting

Mr. Suman informed there are few important topics on the CB agenda which were not finalized by previous CB. He asked all CB members to get familiar with the status of these topics, at least by reading minutes from 2-3 previous CB meetings.

Specifically mentioned was if the new CB members have any questions regarding the topic of the change of the IFF Event Structure, which will be changing a lot within Floorball. Mr. Eriksson suggested that the CB members should be updated with the proposal and refer to answer upon too detailed questions. Mr. Houman also stressed to share the information forward to the countries you are working with.

Mr. Hidir asked about the process with the Club competitions, to which Mr. Liljelund answered that discussions are ongoing with the organiser of the Czech Open if we could organise the event in some form there and the evaluation process for the continuation of the Champions Cup will be done in February-March.

Mr. Ilmivalta asked what the situation is with the 3v3 WFC and how it will be played with. Mr. Suman answered that this process will be discussed as a part of the IFF Event structure.

Mr. Suman informed that the next CB meeting will be held during the week-end of 1st and 2nd of February in Malaga, with arrival on Friday evening. The preliminary plan for 2025, looks like this:

M2 3.-4.5. (U19 WFC), Zurich, Switzerland

M3 6.-7.9. M4 25.-26.10.

M5 Women's WFC, day depending on when we have the Association meeting

§ 11. Closing of the meeting

Mr. Suman thanked the CB members for the active discussion in the first CB meeting and looks forward for four successful years in a good cooperation.

Mr. Suman closed the meeting at 10:50

John Liljelund Secretary General Filip Suman President

Finar	ncial Report 31.12.2024	Update 25.01.25					
	COSTS	Budget	Outcome	Compared	Expectation	Forecast	Outcome
	Cost Centre		31.12.2024	31.12.2023	31.12-31.12	31.12.2024	/Ann.budget
10	Central activities*	24960	26931,27	32893,33	5000,00	31931,27	-6971,27
11	Office	831000	775790,33	757272,91	5000,00	780790,33	50209,67
12	СВ	37700	50470,32	38697,00	0,00	50470,32	-12770,32
13	ExCo	3700	3682,38	1544,66	0,00	3682,38	17,62
14	GA/AM	8000	6566,48	9965,19	3400,00	9966,48	-1966,48
15	External meetings	11600	13983,35	15164,46	0,00	13983,35	-2383,35
17 18	Parafloorball	3000 6200	0,00	0,00	0,00 0.00	0,00	3000,00
18	Equality Function Athletes Commission		0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	6200,00 4927,56
20	WFC	10000 219700	5072,44 179873,39	3834,82 252431,21	15000,00	5072,44 194873,39	24826,61
21	U19 WFC	89100	87046,67	90777,17	0,00	87046,67	2053,33
22	EFC	44000	0,00	15922,78	0,00	0,00	44000.00
23	Champions Cup	248640	235279,64	204349,69	4000,00	239279,64	9360,36
24	World Games	0	62577,19	10830,53	0,00	62577,19	-62577,19
25	WUC	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0.00
26	Regional Games	12000	0,00	15099,44	0,00	0,00	12000,00
27	3v3 WFC	0	14887,66	0,00	0,00	14887,66	-14887,66
29	Anti-Doping	36000	32498,98	37745,82	6000,00	38498,98	-14007,00 -2498,98
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	WADA and Edu. Meetings	3000	2321,49	1670,95	0,00	2321,49	678,51
40 50	RACC RC	11800 13400	0,00 10169,17	9483,00 4835,99	0,00 0,00	0,00 10169,17	11800,00 3230,83
60	Development	32300	22761,82	12231,00	2000,00	24761,82	7538,18
61	Development mtrl	120000	120000,00	120000,00	0,00	120000,00	0.00
70	Material	120100	52703,16	96803,81	50000,00	102703,16	17396,84
80	Marketing	66000	49820,54	32635,82	6000,00	55820,54	10179,46
81	TV	202000	124297,89	225104,31	12000,00	136297,89	65702,11
82	Internet TV	0	0,00	89189,00	0,00	0,00	0.00
83	Information*	77800	24964,21	65542,16	6000,00	30964,21	46835,79
84	IFF Media app*	100000	156937,04	0,00	0,00	156937,04	-56937,04
89	MC	6000	23,73	17,76	0,00	23,73	5976,27
91	AC	1000	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	1000,00
92	DC	1000	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	1000,00
	TOTAL	CHF 2340000	2058659,15	2144042,81	114400,00	2173059,15	166940,85
	INCOME	Budget	31.12.2024	31.12.2023	31.12-31.12	31.12.2024	
3011	Transfers	120000	133360,00	120010,00	0,00	133360,00	13360,00
3012	Participation fees	290500	267700,00	302500,00	0,00	267700,00	-22800,00
3013	Organizers fee	370500	371325,00	356100,00	0,00	371325,00	825,00
3014	Shared cost payments	96000	87000,00	90000,00	0,00	87000,00	-9000,00
	Part.fees - non-competition	0	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
3019	Temporary play	6000	9460,00	9185,00	0,00	9460,00	3460,00
3020	Sports Nationality	4500	11400,00	4875,32	0,00	11400,00	6900,00
3210		198000	196900,00	193500,00	0,00	196900,00	-1100,00
3219	Fines	10000	9005,44	2900,00	0,00	9005,44	-994,56
3250	Sponsors & advertisements	237000	169199,69	146647,66	8000,00	177199,69	-59800,31
3251	Value in kind	152000	152000,00	120000,00	0,00	152000,00	0,00
3260	• •	260000	142552,21	281077,14	20605,00	163157,21	-96842,79
	Radio	0	1204,88	0,00	0,00	1204,88	1204,88
3270	Internet-TV**	148000	0,00	128765,03	0,00	0,00	-148000,00
3300 3310	Office support	120000 40000	139403,79 28117,40	120000,00 45060,45	0,00	139403,79	19403,79 -11882,60
3320	Development support Contributions	40000	0,00	0,00	0,00	28117,40 0,00	0.00
	IFF Media app**	0	171427,28	0,00	0,00	171427,28	0,00 171427,28
3510	Sales	25000	6112,32	361,87	0,00	6112,32	-18887.68
3860	Material approval income	260000	264426,60	224428,60	0,00	264426,60	4426,60
3861	Material exemptions	1500	2047,11	1822,29	0,00	2047,11	547,11
3899	Other incomes	1000	8,05	4000,00	0,00	8,05	-991.95
8020	Interest	0	41,30	50,40	0,00	41,30	41,30
	Exchange rate gains	0	537,75	342,60	0,00	537,75	537,75
	TOTAL	CHF 2340000	2163228,82	2151626,36	28605,00	2191833,82	-148166,18
	RESULT	CHF 0	104569,67	7583,55	-85795,00	18774,67	18774,67
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^{*}IFF Media app license fee moved from 83 to 84

^{**}Media app income moved from 3270 to 3370

Centr. activities	2024	2023
Memberships etc	7064,43	3136,23
Bank fees etc	11787,69	16425,90
Taxes	8079,15	13331,20
	26931,27	32893,33

Balance sheet ASSETS		Appendix 2
Current assets	01.01.2024	31.12.2024
Cash	0,00	0,00
Credit Suisse 559200-11	419195,01	474310,25
Credit Suisse MasterCard guarantee	16850,40	16841,30
Receivables		
Deferr.exp. and accr.income	1688,88	0,00
Claims 2019	37291,88	30991,88
Claims 2020	23225,00	21725,00
Claims 2021	57145,00	53845,00
Claims 2022	43850,00	37150,00
Claims 2023	239788,27	37900,00
Claims 2024	0,00	224874,88
Receivables from rel.parties	46979,30	46750,87
Total assets	886013,74	944389,18
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Current liabilities		
Accr expenses and deferr income	-280900,68	-347400,68
Other current liabilities	-27325,43	-32474,10
Loan	-45000.00	-30000.00
Transfers to reserves	-361097,79	-268854,89
Material Board reserves	-27897,90	-17297,90
Equity		
Retained earnings	-143791,94	-143791,94
Outcome 31.12.2024	0,00	-104569,67
Total liabilities & equity	-886013,74	-944389,18

Outcome of the material appr. system: Income Costs

Profit

80% 20%

Liquidity calculation 0° Liquidity at update Diff.	474310,25	Forecasted -31	.12	
Pre-payments, refunds e	tc			
WFCs 2026 fees	0,00 0,00	8000	00	125500
Liquidity 31.12	474310	Fored	ast	Paid

Appendix 3

WFC 2025-2026 teams

Association	Total debt	Paid WFC 2025	Paid U19 WFC 2025	Paid WFC 2026	Paid U19 WFC 2026	IFF Events organiser debt	Pay-off plan followed	Pay-off plan not followed	Comments
Australia	0	03.01.2024	03.01.2024	23.12.2024	23.12.2024	0			
Austria	0	12.10.2023	30.01.2024	16.01.2025	16.01.2025	0			
Belgium	0	24.10.2023	24.10.2023	25.10.2024	Not registered	0			
Canada	10800	04.01.2024	04.01.2024	13.01.2025	13.01.2025	10800	Х		U19WFC2019 org.
China	0	Not registered	Not registered		Not registered	0			
Czech Republic	0	20.12.2023	07.12.2023	20.12.2024	30.10.2024	0			
Denmark	0	08.01.2024	08.01.2024	03.01.2025	27.12.2024	0			
Estonia	0	27.12.2023	27.12.2023	18.12.2024	Not registered	0			
Finland	0	13.12.2023	13.12.2023	04.12.2024	04.12.2024	0			
France	0	31.01.2024	31.01.2024	02.12.2024	02.12.2024	0			
Germany	0	22.04.2024	22.04.2024	19.12.2024	19.12.2024	0			
Great Britain	0	03.01.2024	03.01.2024	15.01.2025	Not registered	0			
Hong Kong	0	Not registered	Not registered	03.01.2025	Not registered	0			
Hungary	0	17.02.2024	Not registered	10.12.2024	03.01.2025	0			
Iceland	0	Not registered	Not registered	02.01.2025	Not registered	0			
India	0	03.01.2024	Not registered	Not registered	Not registered	0			
Italy	0	11.01.2024	11.01.2024	19.12.2024	19.12.2024	0			
Japan	0	11.01.2024	11.01.2024	06.01.2025	06.01.2025	0			
Korea	0	27.12.2023	Not registered	23.12.2024	Not registered	0			
Latvia	0	31.05.2024	03.04.2024			0			
Liechtenstein	0	Not registered	Not registered	20.12.2024	Not registered	0			
Netherlands	0	03.01.2024	03.01.2024	30.12.2024	Not registered	0			
New Zealand	0	27.12.2023	27.12.2023	27.11.2024	27.11.2024	0			
Norway	0	28.12.2023	28.12.2023	13.11.2024	13.11.2024	0			
Philippines	1800	26.06.2024	Not registered		Not registered	0	Х		Annual fee 2022
Poland	0	23.04.2024	23.04.2024			0			
Singapore	0	29.01.2024	04.12.2023	27.12.2024	27.12.2024	0			
Slovakia	0	31.05.2024	31.05.2024	30.12.2024	30.12.2024	0			
Slovenia	0	Not registered	14.03.2024		Not registered	0			
Solomon Islands	0	Not registered	Not registered	08.11.2024	Not registered	0			
Spain	0	07.02.2024	07.02.2024	03.01.2025	Not registered	0			
Sweden	0	17.10.2023	30.10.2023	15.11.2024	08.11.2024	0			
Switzerland	0	01.12.2023	03.11.2023	28.10.2024	07.11.2024	0			
Thailand	0	27.12.2023	Not registered		Not registered	0			
Ukraine	9000	Not registered	29.05.2024	20.12.2024	24.12.2024	0		Х	Plan: 1700 in Oct. start 2021. Ann.fee 2024. Paused
USA	0	24.01.2024	24.01.2024	30.12.2024	Not registered	0			
	21 600					0			

Follow-up IFF claims (updated 25.01.2025) - Associations not participating in WFC/U19 WFC 2025-2026 Appendix 4

Association	Total debt	IFF Events organising	Pay-off plan is followed	Pay-off plan is not followed	Comments
Argentina	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Armenia	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Belarus	9000	0			Annual fees 2019-24. Suspended
Benin	0	0			New member 2024
Brazil	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2020-24
Burkina Faso	3700	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2020-24
Cameroon	4000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-23
Central Africa	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2020-24
Chinese Macau	500	0			Annual fee 2024
Colombia	1500	0			Annual fee 2022-24. Pay-off plan made
Cote d'Ivoire	13 000	0		Х	Annual fees 2017-2018,2021-24, WFCQ 2020&2022. Plan: 500 per quarter starting March 2020.
Croatia	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Georgia	3000	0			Annual fees 2019-24
Haiti	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Indonesia	6500	0			Participated in SEA Games. Annual fees 2019 & 2021-24
Iran	0	0			
Ireland	1500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-21. On hold
Israel	0	0			Have not participated in any IFF event
Jamaica	2500	0			Annual fee 2020-24
Kazakhstan	0	0			Have not participated in any IFF event
Kenya	9000	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2019–24
Kiribati	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2020–24
Kuwait	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2020–24
Lithuania	500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2024
Malaysia	8800	0		Х	Annual fee 2020, 2022-24
Malta	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Mexico	500	0			Annual fee 2024
Moldova	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Mongolia	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Mozambique	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Nigeria	3000	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fees 2019-24
Pakistan	8000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Portugal	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Romania	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Russia	16 000	0		Х	Annual fee 2020, 2022-24. Suspended
Rwanda	3000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Serbia	5000	0			Annual fees 2019-24
Sierra Leone	4800	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Solomon Islands	0	0			Have not participated in any IFF event
Somalia	2500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2019, 2021-24
South Africa	1500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-21. On hold
Togo	2500	0			Have played Africa Floorball Cup. Annual fee 2020-24
Turkey	9000	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
Uganda	5800	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fee 2019-24
Venezuela	4500	0			Have not participated in any IFF event. Annual fees 2019-24
	169 600	0			

Update 25.01.2025

Latvia	Plan is completed	
Debt 17.04.2024	8000 Annual fees 2022,2023	
New/Additional	4000 Annual fees 2024	
	4000 27.09.24 Plan: 4000 CHF each 30.9, 31.10, 30.11	
	4000 28.10.24	
	4000 26.12.24	
Debt 31.12.2024	0	

Canada	Pla	an is followed	
Debt 17.2.2023	18000		CAD
New/Additional	0	Plan 31.7 annually 5000 CAD until cleared	
Payments	3600 31	.7.2023	5000
	3600 23	.6 2024	5000
	31	.7.2025	5000
	31	.7.2026	5000
	31	7.2027	6000
Debt 31.12.2024	10800		

Philippines	Pl	an is followed
Debt 17.04.2024	3600 Ai	nnual fees 2021, 2022
New/Additional	0	
	1800	Plan 900 CHF every 6 months starting 30.6.2024
Debt 31.12.2024	1800	

Ukraine	Plan is paused
Debt 13.12.2019	8500
New/Additional	2200 Annual fee 2024
	Plan 31.10 annually 1700 until cleared
Payments	1700 09.12.21
Debt 31.12.2024	9000

Cote d'Ivoire	Plan is not followed
Debt 13.12.2019	2000
New/Additional	13500 WFCQ &, ann.fee 2020-2021, WFCQ & ann.fee 2022-2024
	Plan 500 CHF every Quarter
Payments	1500 2020, 2021, 2022
	1000 11.01.2024 (4th-5th)
Debt 31.12.2024	13000

Malaysia	Plan is not followed
Debt 13.12.2019	3700
New/Additional	11000 Ann.fee 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
	Plan New plan still to be agreed upon
Payments	1500 31.01.20
	2200 13.05.20
	2200 14.12.21
Debt 31.12.2024	8800

Colombia	New	y plan
Debt 30.11.2024	1500	Annual fees 2022, 2023, 2024
New/Additional	0	
Payments		Plan: 750 CHF 30.06.2025 & 30.06.2026
Debt 31.12.2024	1500	

Belarus	Susp	ended
Debt 31.12.2024	9000	Annual fees 2019-2024
New/Additional	0	
Payments		
Debt 31.12.2024	9000	

Russia	Suspend	ed
Debt 13.12.2019	1000	U19Q 2019
New/Additional	18000 U19/WF	CQ/Ann fee 2020, Annual fee 2022, 2023, 2024
Payments	1000 18.11.20	U19Q 2019
	2000 20.07.21	. U19/WFCQ 2020
Debt 31.12.2024	16000	



Recognised by the IOC Ordinary member of ARISF

MINUTES IFF GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA) 14.12 2024

Place:

Malmö Arena Hotel on 14th December 2024 at 08:30 CET

Participants: According to appendix 13

§ 1 Opening of the General Assembly by IFF President Mr. Tomas Eriksson

Mr. Tomas Eriksson greeted all the participants welcome to the GA and the 18th IFF General Assembly thanking the Swedish Floorball Federation for organising the World Championships 2024 here in Malmö...

Mr. Eriksson stated how pleased he is with the work done by the Associations, CB members, committees and volunteers and also made a special address to Mr. Liljelund and the administration stating that without them we would not have accomplished what we have done.

Mr. Eriksson thanked the IFF sponsors Unihoc, Gerflor, Puma and Swerink which are also helping to build the floorball brand.

With these words Mr. Eriksson opened the IFF General Assembly 2024.

§ 2 Approval of present Associations and the voting roll

There are 31 ordinary member associations, i.e. Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, India, Iran, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Ukraine and USA present, which according to the IFF Statutes § 29.2. have the right to vote at the General Assembly, if they have fulfilled their obligations towards IFF.

Cote d'Ivoire and Serbia have not fulfilled the obligations and are therefore not eligible to vote.

The ordinary members of Belarus and Russia are suspended from all IFF activities and therefore not allowed to participate in the IFF General Assembly

With 29 participating member federations a simple majority is 15 votes, and the 2/3 majority is 20 votes, according to the Statutes.

There are 3 provisional members associations present, i.e. Burkina Faso, Cameroon and Hong Kong.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve that the voting roll is 29 ordinary members and that 20 votes are needed for a 2/3 majority and 15 votes for a simple majority.

§ 3 Greetings to the General Assembly

Ms. Märit Bergendahl, President of the Swedish Floorball Federation greeted the GA participants welcome to the WFC 2024.

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§ 4 Election of two scrutineers of the General Assembly

The IFF Central Board proposes to elect Mr. Jörgen Olshov (Italy) and Ms. Dorothee Vogelesang (the Netherlands) as scrutineers of the IFF General Assembly.

Further the IFF CB proposes that the IFF Ethics Commission members Ms. Carol Roberts and Mr. Bill Howitt will act as official scrutineers of the IFF General Assembly.

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> unanimously to elect Ms. Carol Roberts and Mr. Bill Howitt will act as official scrutineers and to elect Mr. Jörgen Olshov and Ms. Dorothee Vogelesang as scrutineers of the IFF General Assembly.

§ 5 Approval of the agenda (appendix 1)

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the agenda for the IFF General Assembly

§ 6 Approval of the protocol of the last General Assembly (Article 31 paragraph 2)

<u>The General Assembly noted</u> that the protocol from the General Assembly held in Zurich 2022 has not been opposed to and is therefore automatically approved according to the IFF Statutes article 31 paragraph 2.

§ 7 Modification of the statutes (changes in statutes a 2/3 majority is needed)

The IFF Central Board has not made any proposal of changes to the IFF Statutes

§ 8 Admission or expulsion of official member Associations

The following provisional IFF members have on their own accord applied for ordinary membership: Hong Kong.

The CB proposes that they are decided by the General Assembly to become ordinary members.

The CB has decided not to propose that any following provisional members would automatically be considered ordinary members, according to IFF Statutes, Article 13 paragraph 3.

The new voting roll will be approved by the General Assembly, if any new ordinary members are approved.

There are now 30 ordinary member associations i.e. Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Iran, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Ukraine and USA, which according to the IFF Statutes § 29.2. have the right to vote at the General Assembly, having fulfilled their obligations towards IFF.

With 30 participating member federations a simple majority is 16 votes, and the 2/3 majority is 21 votes, according to the Statutes.

The General Assembly decided according to the proposal to unanimously to approve Hong Kong as ordinary member and to update the voting roll to be 30 ordinary members present members and that 21 votes are needed for a 2/3 majority and 16 votes for a simple majority.

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§ 9 Approval of the CB reports (appendix 2)

IFF President Mr. Eriksson presented the Annual report 2023-2024, a resume from the plan of action decided upon in Zurich, Switzerland in 2022 for the period 2023-2024 and the activities IFF has had in the period, pointing out some of the successes but also some shortcomings.

Mr. Eriksson asked the General Assembly to approve the Annual Report 2023 - 2024.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the Annual report 2023 – 2024.

§ 10 Approval of the financial report and the auditor's report 2022-2023 (appendix 3-6)

Mr. Liljelund presented the financial statements for the Calendar year 2022 and 2023

The Auditor Mr. Mikael Brandstam presented the auditor's report for the Calendar year 2022 and 2023

Mr. Eriksson asked if the IFF General Assembly have any questions or remarks regarding the finances.

Mr. Eriksson proposed the General Assembly to approve the financial reports of 2022 and 2023.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the financial reports for 2022 and 2023.

§ 11 Decision on freedom of responsibility for the CB

The auditor Mr. Mikael Brandstam recommends to the IFF General Assembly that the IFF Central Board and secretary general shall be discharged from liability for the financial years 2022 and 2023.

Mr. Eriksson asked if the General Assembly could grant freedom of responsibility for the CB and secretary general according to the Auditor's proposal.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to grant the Central Board and the secretary general freedom of responsibility for 2022 and 2023.

§ 12 Decision on membership fee

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF Central Board proposes to make no change to the membership fees system.

A 2/3 majority is needed for a change, and a simple majority for the amounts.

The General Assembly decided unanimously not to change the membership fees for the period 2025-2026.

§ 13 Examinations and decisions on proposals and motions of the members (appendix 7-9)

The Association representatives were given the possibility to introduce their motion for a maximum of 2 minutes.

 IFF Central Board Recommendation regarding the Motion from the Cote d'Ivoire Floorball federation concerning the forming of an African Floorball Confederations, was presented by the IFF secretary general John Liljelund.

The General Assembly decided according to the CB recommendation not to approve the motion with

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2. IFF Central Board Recommendation regarding the Motion from the Swedish Floorball Federation concerning the formation of an IFF ParaFloorball committee, was presented by IFF secretary general John Liljelund

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> unanimously according to the CB recommendation to gives the IFF Central Board the task to decide about the formation and form of the ParaFloorball Committee and discuss with the respective organisation of their participation in the committee.

3. IFF Central Board Recommendation regarding the Motion from the Ukraine Floorball Federation concerning the expulsion of the IFF membership of the National Floorball Federation of Russia, was presented by the IFF secretary general John Liljelund.

Tamuz Hidir, on behalf of the Ukrainian Floorball Federation, explained the reasons for the motion and asked the IFF General Assembly to decide according to their proposal.

Märit Bergendahl, on behalf of the Swedish Floorball Federation, informed that they are in favour of the IFF Central Board recommendation and added that a statement from the IFF General Assembly should be sent to the Russian Floorball Union regarding their illegal actions.

Mr. Steve Wilburn, on behalf of the United States Floorball Association, asked why no more action against Russia. The reply from Mr. Liljelund was that it is due to the current jurisdiction, IFF Statutes and IOC recommendations. Ms. Dorothee Vogelesang, on behalf of the Dutch Floorball Federation, asked if the IFF Central Board will change the jurisdiction. Mr. Liljelund replied that the IFF Central Board follows up on the IOC revisions to come.

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> according to the CB proposal including sending a statement to the Russian Floorball Union from the GA stating the inappropriate actions by Russian Floorball Union illegally incorporating Ukrainian floorball regions into the Russian Floorball Union.

4. Confirmation of the IFF Central Board decision to amend the IFF Code of Ethics scope to include the leadership and staff of the IFF member federations, was presented by IFF secretary general John Liljelund

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> unanimously to confirm the IFF Central Board decision to amend the IFF Code of Ethics scope.

5. Approval of the IFF Strategy 2021-2032 Implementation report for first period 2021-2024, was presented by the IFF Strategy working group chair Mr. Stephen King.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the report

§ 14 Approval of the IFF CB proposals, budget and working plan for the next two years (appendix 10-11)

 Plan of action for the period 2025-2026 (between General Assemblies), was presented by the IFF vice President Mr. Filip Suman

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the plan of action for 2025-2026

2. Budget for the calendar year 2025 and 2026, was presented by the IFF secretary general

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve the budget for 2025-2026

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§ 15 Elections (appendix 12)

All nominations having arrived to the IFF Office at least sixty (60) full days prior to the IFF General Assembly, i.e. until October 14th, 2024, are according to appendix 12

The following persons are to be elected for the coming four-year period (2025-2028).

Mr. Eriksson presented the IFF CB proposal to elect the IFF CB to consist of the President and 11 members of the IFF Central Board for 2025-2028.

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> unanimously to approve the proposal of electing the President and eleven members.

IFF President for four years

Mr. Eriksson informed that the only nomination for President is Mr. Filip Suman, the present IFF Vice President.

Mr. Eriksson proposed that the General Assembly would elect Mr. Filip Suman as President of IFF for 2025-

The General Assembly decided unanimously to elect Mr. Filip Suman as IFF President for four years.

Eleven IFF Central Board members for four years

Mr. Eriksson informed that there are 14 candidates nominated, namely the following in alphabetical order:

Mr. Jörg Beer, Swiss Floorball (re-election), Mr. Tamuz Hidir, Floorball Ukraine (re-election), Mr. Steen Houman, Floorball Denmark (re-election), Mr. Remo Hubacher, Floorball Germany, Mr. Pekka Ilmivalta, Floorball Finland, Mr. Calle Karlsson, Floorball USA & Floorball Canada (re-election), Mr. Carlos Lopez, Spanish Floorball (re-election), Mr. Ben Ow, Floorball Singapore, Ms. Pakkamol Siriwat, Floorball Thailand (re-election), Mr. Egils Sveilis, Floorball Latvia, Ms. Zuzana Svobodova, Czech Floorball, Mr. Teodor Turay, Slovak Floorball, Mr. Marcel Wadja, Floorball Cote d'Ivoire, Ms. Helen Wiklund-Wårell, Floorball Sweden

Each candidate was given the opportunity to present themselves for a maximum of 2 minutes

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> in a ballot to elect the following persons for the IFF CB for the four coming years.

Mr. Jörg Beer, Switzerland (re-election) nominated by Swiss Unihockey

Mr. Tamuz Hidir, Ukraine (new) nominated by Ukrainian Floorball Federation

Mr. Steen Houman, Denmark (re-election) nominated by Floorball Danmark

Mr. Calle Karlsson, USA (re-election) nominated by USFbA and Floorball Canada

Mr. Carlos Lopez, Spain (re-election) nominated by Spanish Floorball Association

Ms. Pakkamol Siriwat, Thailand (re-election) nominated by Thailand Floorball

Mr. Remo Hubacher, nominated by Floorball Germany

Mr. Pekka Ilmivalta, nominated by Finnish Floorball Federation

Mr. Ben Ow, nominated by Singapore Floorball Association

Ms. Zuzana Svobodova, nominated by Czech Floorball

Ms. Helen Wiklund-Wärell, nominated by Swedish Floorball Federation

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Chair and two members of the Appeal Committee

Mr. Eriksson informed of the candidates as chair respective members and substitutes to the IFF Appeal Committee.

- IFF Appeal Committee Chair

Ms. Märit Bergendahl, Sweden (re-election) nominated by Swedish Floorball Federation

- Three ordinary members of the Appeal Committee and substitute members Members:

Mr. Tom Hedkrok, Finland (re-election) nominated by Finnish Floorball Federation

Mr. Giorgio Rambaldi, Italy (re-election) nominated by Italian Floorball Federation

Ms. Aiga Staltmane-Veksa, Latvia (new) nominated by Latvian Floorball Union

Substitutes:

Mr. Felix König, Switzerland (new) nominated by Swiss Unihockey

Mr. Toni Schnelle, Germany (new) nominated by Floorball Germany

Mr. Kuppusamy Ramanujam Vignesh, Singapore (new) nominated by Singapore Floorball Association

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> to, for the four coming years, unanimously elect Ms. Märit Bergendahl, Sweden as Chair and Mr. Tom Hedkrok, Finland, Mr. Giorgio Rambaldi, Italy and Ms. Aiga Staltmane-Veksa, Latvia as members.

As substitutes the General Assembly unanimously elected Mr. Felix König, Switzerland, Mr. Toni Schnelle, Germany and Mr. Kuppusamy Ramanujam Vignesh, Singapore

Chair and two members of the Disciplinary Committee

Mr. Eriksson informed of the candidates as chair respective members to the IFF Disciplinary Committee.

- IFF Disciplinary Committee Chair

Mr. Stephen King, Australia (new) nominated by Floorball Australia

- Three ordinary members of the Disciplinary Committee and substitute members Members:

Mr. Tomas Brezina, Czech Republic (re-election) nominated by Czech Floorball

Ms. Linda Noppa, Sweden (re-election) nominated by Swedish Floorball Federation

Mr. Ilmars Blumbergs, Latvia (new) nominated by Latvian Floorball Union

Substitutes:

Mr. Yevgen Gulechko , Ukraine(new) nominated by Ukrainian Floorball Federation

Mr. Mr. Tobias Köstler, Germany (new) nominated by Floorball Germany

Mr. Jorgen Olshov, Italy (new) nominated by Italian Floorball Federation

Mr. Glendon Phua, Singapore (new) nominated by Singapore Floorball Association

Mr. Martin Rindlisbacher, Switzerland (new) nominated by Swiss Unihockey

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> to, for the four coming years, unanimously elect Mr. Stephen King, Australia as Chair and Mr. Tomas Brezina, Czech Republic, Ms. Linda Noppa, Sweden and Mr. Ilmars Blumbergs, Latvia as members.

As substitutes the General Assembly unanimously elected Mr. Yevgen Gulechko, Ukraine, Mr. Mr. Tobias Köstler, Germany, Mr. Jorgen Olshov, Italy, Mr. Glendon Phua, Singapore and Mr. Martin Rindlisbacher,

Switzerland

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Chair and three members of the Ethics Commission

Mr. Eriksson informed of the candidates as chair respective members to the IFF Ethics Commission.

- IFF Ethics Commission Chair

Ms. Sylvia Shenk, Germany (new) nominated by IFF

- Members of the Ethics Commission

Ms. Ojonoka Agudah, Nigeria (new) Nominated by IFF

Mr. Bill Howitt, Australia (re-election) Nominated by IFF

Ms. Carol Roberts, Canada (re-election) nominated by IFF

Mr. Riku Tapio, Finland (new) nominated by Finnish Floorball Federation

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> to, for the four coming years, unanimously elect Ms. Sylvia Shenk, Germany as Chair and Ms. Ojonoka Agudah, Nigeria, Mr. Bill Howitt, Australia, Ms. Carol Roberts, Canada and Mr. Riku Tapio, Finland.

§ 16 Appointment of a chartered auditor for two years

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF Central Board proposes re-election of Mr. Brandstam.

The General Assembly decided to unanimously re-elect Mr. Mikael Brandstam as auditor of IFF for two years.

§ 17 Approval of Regulations within the meaning of article 15 paragraph 2 littera c)

The IFF Central Board does not propose any Regulations for approval for the General Assembly, but wants to inform about the two topics:

- 1) IFF Event structure and international calendar discussions were presented by Mr. Martin Klabere, IFF RACC chair and the IFF Event Manager Ms. Sarah Mitchell
- 2) The World Games 2025 in Chengdu, China was presented by IFF Event Manager Ms. Sarah Mitchell.

§ 18 Decision on all affairs being reserved for the General Assembly by the statutes or by law

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF Central Board does not propose any such affairs.

§ 19 Decision on the meeting place for the next General Assembly

The IFF Central Board proposes the next General Assembly to be held preliminary on the 12.12.2026 at 09:00, during the WFC 2026 in Tampere, Finland.

<u>The General Assembly decided</u> unanimously to have the next General Assembly during the WFC 2026 in Tampere, Finland.

§ 20 Appointment to be honorary member

The new elected IFF President Filip Suman presented the IFF Central Board proposal to appoint Mr. Tomas Eriksson as the IFF Honorary President.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to appoint Mr. Tomas Eriksson as the IFF Honorary President

Mr. Tomas Eriksson and Mr. Filip Suman thanked the resigning IFF CB members Ms. Monica Birdal, Norway, Mr. Stephen King, Australia, Mr. Martin Klabere, Sweden and Ms. Kaarina Vuori, Finland, and presented them with flowers.

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§ 21 Presentations on coming World Floorball Championships

- WFC 2025 Men U19 in Zurich, Switzerland was presented by Mr. Andreas Cadisch, Event manager, Swiss Unihockey
- WFC 2025 Women in Brno and Ostrava, Czech Republic was presented by Mr. Petr Chvojka, Czech Floorball and Petr Handl, Vitkovice Arena a.s.
- WFC 2026 Women U19 in Lignano Sabbiadoro and Latisana, Italy was presented by Mr. Jorgen Olshov, Italian Floorball Federation
- WFC 2026 Men in Tampere, Finland was presented by Ms. Hanne Nyrönen, Event Manager, Finnish Floorball Federation, Mr. Matti Helimo, Deputy Mayor & Mr. Perttu Pesä, Director of Major Events, City of Tampere and Mr. Antti Kirkkola, Head of Events, City of Turku.

§ 22 Closing of the General Assembly (TE/FS)

In the closing remarks Mr. Suman thanked the IFF office for the preparations of the GA, the GA participants for their contribution and efficient work during the General Assembly, congratulated the new elected IFF Central Board members and declared the General Assembly as closed at 13:20 CET.

John Liljelund

IFF Secretary general

Tomas Eriksson IFF President

Official outside scrutineers

Scrutineers

Ms. Carol Roberts

Mr. Bill Howitt

Mr. Jörgen Olshov

Ms Dorothee Vogelesang

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MEN'S WFC 2024



between 7-15 December 2024 by the Swedish Floorball Federation, in close cooperation The 15th World Floorball Championships for men was arranged in Malmö, Sweden, with the city of Malmö, Visit Skåne, Malmö Arena and Skånes Floorball Association. The championships became the first floorball championship in the world to receive the Sustainable Event certification.

preliminary estimated to SEK 3 million. Budgeted goals regarding revenues from sponsorship and The championships generated a turnover of SEK 30 million (VAT excluded) and the profit is ticket sales were achieved.

match against Latvia with 843,000 in reach. In third place came the semi-final between Sweden and Finland reached a viewership of over 1.5 million. Behind the final was Sweden's group stage Nationally in Sweden, the matches were televised on SVT's channels. The final between Sweden and Czechia with a reach of 832,000 viewers.

The Swedish Floorball Federation thanks the International Floorball Federation for good cooperation before and during the championships.

A final report will be presented during February-March 2025.



Reporting Men's U19 WFC 2025 IFF CB Meeting 1. – 2.2.2025

Organization

- Daniel Kasser has started his role as Venue responsible for Swiss Life Arena
- Opening Ceremony will be held at the game Switzerland vs. Sweden the 29th of April in Saalsporthalle (Jörg Beer, Vice President of IFF will attend together with Daniel Bareiss)
- Approx. 60% of the Volunteers positions are filled

Match operations 92%
Gastro 41%
Ticketing 44%
Arena-Support 40%
Transport 44%

Build-Up
 16% (but there we have great support from civil protection)

- Ongoing negotiations regarding Fan-Entertainment
- 2nd Information Letter to the Teams and information about trainings, etc. have been given
- Most of the teams have booked their accommodation
 - GAST Travel is in contact with the teams
- IFF Hotel/Travel: GAST is in contact with IFF

Match schedule/TV Coverage

No TV Coverage planned

Sponsoring

- 95% of the budgeted marketing revenues of CHF 135'000.- is accomplished, while negotiations with more potential partners are still running.
- The budget will be secured

Ticketing

- The ticket-sales is running over 1'300 sold tickets (most of them for Final-Sunday in Swiss Life Arena)
- End of January: Letter to all Clubs in Switzerland, that they shall make promotion for the Event
 - Several Clubs already bought Tickets for the weekend
 - The goal is, that most of the clubs do season end events at the Men's U19 WFC 2025
- End of January: Letter to all Junior Coaches with a special Ticket-Promotion for Teams
- Planned Ticket Promotion for the Employees of the City of Zurich
- Planned Ticket Promotion for the employees of the canton of Zurich
- More intensive Sales Activities will come during February, March, April

Marketing & Communication

- Additional visibility will be reached on national floorball events such as Cup-Final, Superfinal, League-Games
- Short videos with sports-personalities will be produced as communication instruments to reach people outside of the floorball community
- Marketing Project: Be part of the Team will start on February 3rd and will be online till February 16th
 - Possibility for Supporters to secure their name on the game shirt of Team Switzerland

- Basic Package: only Name on the shirt
- Standard Package: name on the shirt & Weekendpass for Swiss Life Arena
- Deluxe Package: name on the shirt & Weekendpass & original game shirt

Streetfloorball

- The Street-Floorball Event at the Main-Station Zurich will be held the 12th & 13th of April 2025.
- A whole league day of Powerchair Floorball will be played at this event
- Special Olympics Game will be played at this event
- Girls tournament will be played at this event
- Family tournament will be played at this event
- Different workshops will take place at this event

Inclusion

- Partner for the Inclusion Projects found
- Like mentioned above: several activities during the Event at Zurich Main-Station
- Integration of a dance crew with people with disabilities into the opening ceremony secured and in discussions with the parties.
- Potential integration into the volunteer staff (Ballkids, Ticketing, etc.)
- Different Workshops regarding inclusion planned (City, Canton, Clubs)
 - o The goal is to increase the network and build awareness

Advancement of women in Floorball

- Girls Day during the final weekend in the Swiss Life Arena
- Women's Forum in the Swiss Life Arena

Schools

- The registration for school-classes started in early November
 - Over 6'000 School Kids will attend the games during group stage
 - Most of them for the games at 10am and 1pm

3v3 World Championship 2025:

- Waiting on first draft of match schedule
- 45 registered Teams (We are waiting for the final confirmation of the IFF CB)
- HC Rychenberg Winterthur as LOC confirmed
- AXA Arena and near Tennishall are ready
 - Training-Day on Thursday 1st of May in both Arenas possible
 - o Build up of the Arenas will be done the 30th of April (evening)
- Welcome information to the registered teams will be given, as soon as confirmation from IFF arrives

Champions Cup 2025

Northern Conference Quarter-finals

Team	Bus	Train	Boat	Flight	Hotel/food	Other	Total	Support	Paid date
Thorengruppen W	348,87	966,86	0,00	5914,13	0,00	0,00	7229,86	5000	240918
Classic W	2050,98	0,00	1352,23	0,00	1851,71	0,00	5254,92	5000	240912
TPS W	2198,51	0,00	892,79	0,00	1764,11	0,00	4855,41	4855,41	240916
Pixbo W	1724,40	0,00	2326,16	0,00	523,34	0,00	4573,90	4573,90	240925
Storvreta M	1840,48	0,00	1309,24	0,00	1791,01	0,00	4940,73	4940,73	241017
Nokia M	2222,98	0,00	1007,40	0,00	1778,85	0,00	5009,23	5000	240916
Esport M	0,00	0,00	0,00	9032,69	0,00	0,00	9032,69	5000	240918
Pixbo M	1724,41	0,00	2326,16	0,00	635,48	0,00	4686,05	4686,05	240925
TOTAL							45582,79	39056,09	CHF

Southern Conference Quarter-finals

Team	Bus/Car	Train	Boat	Flight	Hotel/food	Other	Total	Support Paid date
Tatran Stresovice M	1798	0	0	0	4146	0	5944,00	5000 17.10.2024
Wiler-Ersigen M	795,35	0	0	8700	2903,95	0	12399,30	5000 24.10.2024
Zug United M	1488,39	0	0	27960,33	0	0	29448,72	5000 31.10.2024
Florbal MB M	3286,73	0	0	0	2935	0	6221,73	5000 08.11.2024
Kloten-Dietlikon	161	0	0	6238	2770	0	9169,00	5000 17.10.2024
Florbal Chodov	2877,60	0	0	0	1622,39	0	4499,99	4499,99 25.10.2024
Vitkovice W	4638,50	0	0	0	3919	0	8557,50	5000 25.10.2024
Zug United W	1950	0	0	8009,75	2980	0	12939,75	5000 31.10.2024
TOTAL							89179,99	39499,99

Semi-finals

Team	Bus/Car	Train	Boat	Flight	Hotel/food	Other	Total	Support Paid date
Florbal MB M	833,48	0	0	7823,80	3091,11	0	11748,39	8000 20.11.2024
Nokia M	0	446,03	0	10395,12	1789,17	0	12630,32	8000 22.11.2024
Pixbo M	1934	0	0	4357,07	2889,76	55,30	9236,25	8000 18.12.2024
Wiler-Ersigen M	513,45	0	0	15394,80	3749,35	0	19657,6	8000 27.11.2024
Vitkovice W*	0	0	0	0	3213	0	3213	0 20.12.2024
Thoren W*	2131,36	0	0	13780,54	298,75	0	16210,65	8000 20.12.2024
Pixbo W	487,90	0	0	6130,07	1425,08	0	8043,05	8000 18.12.2024
Florbal Chodov W	2975,76	0	0	5177	1285	0	9438,64	8000 20.12.2024
TOTAL							90177,9	56000

^{*}Both matches in Ostrava. Deal with Thoren about helping with hotel, so only streaming support is paid to Vitkovice

Finals

Team	Bus/Car	Train	Boat	Flight	Hotel/food	Other	Total	Support	Paid date
MB Florbal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pixbo IBK M	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Thorengruppen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pixbo IBK W	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL								0	

Evaluation questions for the participation in the Champions Cup 2024-2025

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Playir	ng System									
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8)	What should be done to increase viewer interest in the entire competition? (Open answer)								
9)	Did you have any problems communicating with your opponent? 1 = No 2 = Yes, if so what was the problems?								
10) How well was the entire event organised? Please use the scale between 1 = not at all well and 7 = very well)								
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11) Was all the necessary information available and understandable?								
	1 = Yes 2 = No								
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12) What is the financial balance of your participation in this competition?								
	 1 = Positive balance 2 = A zero balance 3 = Negative balance 								
13	Were the costs in line with the budget?								
	1 = Yes 2 = No								
14	What amount are you prepared to invest regularly in your participation (= What is the value of participation for you?) (Open Answer)								
15	i) In your opinion, was the subsidy for away travel sufficient? If not, by how much would you reasonably think it should be increased?								
	1 = Yes 2 = No, How much should it be increased by?								
16	i) Have you received any additional funding (partner, municipality, federation) for participation in the competition?								
	National federation 1 Yes 2 No Sponsors/ Partners 1 Yes 2 No Municipality 1 Yes 2 No Other 1 Yes 2 No								

- 17) How could the financial contributions and prizes in the competition be adjusted so that it has a better impact in your opinion (the volume remains the same)? (Open answer)
- 18) How do you assess the level of involvement of sponsors and partners? (Please use the scale between 1 = much less than for the league and 7 = much more than for the league)

Much less than for the league

Much more than for the league

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Dates (matches, team lists, applications)

19) Do weekly blocks for individual matches suit you?

1 = Yes 2 = No

- 20) Is there a solution set in your league competition for potential collisions? If yes, how is it handled? (Open answer)
- 21) Is the present schedule system for the set times for quarterfinals, semi-finals and finals working, or do the need to be changed

1 = Yes 2 = No, how should it be changed

22) Is choosing a weekday as the game day (except for the final) a possibility for you? (like in cups of other team sport competitions)

1 = Yes 2 = No

23) Are the dates for match preparation set appropriately?

1 = Yes 2 = No

TV production, Media & Marketing

24) Is the level of TV production equal to your regular league games or higher/lower?

1 = Higher2 = The same

3 = Lower

25) Was your match production supported by your national association or did you organise it yourself? What kind of support did you receive, if any?

- 1 = Supported by the National federation
- 2 = Done by the club itself

Please describe what kind of support you got from the National federation? (Open Answer)

- 26) What do you think should be the minimum level of production? (eg. 2-3 cameras, commentary etc)
 - 0 = 1 camera operated
 - 1 = 1+2 cameras (1 operated and two static behind the goals)
 - 3 = 2+2 cameras
 - 4 = 2+3 cameras
 - 5 = 2+3 cameras with commentary
 - 6 = more than 2+3 cameras + commentary
- 27) Would the clubs be open to providing advertising space if the IFF were to commercialize space centrally?
 - 1 = Yes
 - 2 = No
- 28) Do you think the marketing of the event was sufficient by the stakeholders (Clubs, IFF, National Association)? What could be done differently?

a)	Club	Yes	No
b)	National Federation	Yes	No
c)	National League	Yes	No
d)	IFF	Yes	No

Please specify what could have been done better? (Open answer)

29) What type of marketing elements would you like to use in your Home games, that would not create too much work for you?

a)	Rink commercials	Yes	No
b)	Floor commercials	Yes	No
c)	Led screens	Yes	No
d)	Jumbotron	Yes	No
e)	Speaker announcements	Yes	No
f)	Social Media posts	Yes	No
g)	Other, please specify	Yes	No

30) Were the media requirements (eg. social media posts, interviews) manageable for your club?

Overall assessment

31) How satisfied are you with your participation in the CC 24/25? Please use the scale between 1 = not at all satisfied and 7 = very satisfied)

Not at all satisfied Very satisfied

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

32) Will you participate in the next edition if possible?

1 = Yes 2 = No

33) Do you have any additional comments? (Open answer)

APPENDIX 12

Rules of Procedure of the Central Board of IFF

ARTICLE 1 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. These Rules of Procedure for the Central Board of IFF (hereinafter referred to as 'CB') regulate the preparation and convening of CB meetings, the procedural rules for its discussions and decisions and resolutions, and the manner of ensuring oversight of decision implementation.
- 2. In accordance with the statutes of IFF, the CB:
 - o is the executive body of IFF.
 - leads the IFF and represents it externally.
 - Is responsible for the management and administration of the IFF and shall take decisions on all matters which does not require a General Assembly decision. The CB may delegate some of its powers.
 - Establishes committees, special committees and working groups, appoints their chairpersons and members, and determines the scope of their activities;
 - o enacts the IFF Regulations.
- 3. The President manages the activities of the CB.

ARTICLE 2 - PREPARATION AND CONVENING OF CB MEETINGS

- The CB fulfills its tasks according to an annual work plan. The President is responsible for its
 preparation and submission. Once approved, the work plan is binding for all CB members and
 other designated participants.
- The President convenes CB meetings according to the approved work plan. An extraordinary CB meeting may be convened by the President if significant and urgent matters need to be discussed. The President must convene the CB upon the request of the majority of CB members.
- 3. In necessary cases, the President may decide that a CB meeting can be held online.
- 4. The CB convenes with the CB members and the Secretary general and the following participants may be included: Chairpersons of the committees special committees and working groups, other staff members, and invited presenters as decided by the CB.

ARTICLE 3 - CB MEETINGS

- 1. As defined by IFF Statutes the CB has a quorum of six members, including the President or, in the absence of the President, the Vice-President.
- 2. The validity of decisions and resolutions requires the approval of the majority of members present, with the President's vote being decisive in the case of a draw in CB voting.
- 3. In cases of potential conflict of interest, members are obligated to follow the approved Code of Ethics.

- 4. The CB primarily discusses written materials delivered to its members electronically at least four-five full days in advance. Each material submitted to the CB must have an official title, include the name of the person or entity submitting it, and specify the date of its latest update. In justified cases, oral proposals and submissions delivered later or directly at the meeting may be considered.
- 5. Materials resulting from the approved work plan and presented at CB meetings, along with proposed resolutions, should be sent to the President and Secretary General by the respective committees at least two weeks (14 days) before the meeting.
- 6. As defined by IFF Statutes Executive Committee (ExCo) comprised of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary General and two additional members of the CB oversees the preparation and compilation of materials for the CB.
- 7. Materials may be submitted by:
 - o CB members;
 - The Secretary General;
 - o The Chairperson of the Appeals and Diciplinary Committees;
 - Committee, special committee, working group and function chairpersons within their jurisdiction;
 - National federations
- 8. CB meetings are chaired by the President or, in their absence, the Vice-President or another by the President authorized CB member. At the start of the meeting, the chairperson verifies the number of attendees, proposes the approval of the agenda, and appoints two scrutineers of the meeting minutes.
- 9. The meeting agenda typically includes:
 - Review of the implementation of CB decisions and resolutions;
 - Scheduled reports and proposals;
 - Current information from the President, CB members and Secretary General
- 10. The chairperson usually grants the floor to the presenter of each agenda item first, who introduces the submitted material, including the proposed decision, followed by other participants in the order they request to speak. CB members have the right to raise questions, provide comments, request additional information or explanations, and submit supplementary proposals, which must be reviewed by the CB. The discussion is not limited in the number of contributions unless the CB decides otherwise. Any member of the CB can propose to end the discussion, and the CB decides on this by vote.
- 11. For the discussion of specific proposals, the chairperson may invite additional officials, staff members of IFF, or external experts as needed.
- 12. After concluding the discussion on each agenda item, the chairperson summarizes its course and formulates the final proposal for a decision, if it differs from the initial proposal included in the Agenda. In more complex cases, specific CB members may be tasked with refining the proposal or resolution based on the conclusions of the discussion.

- 13. The chairperson puts the proposals for decision to a vote. Voting is typically conducted by a show of hands unless the CB holds a secret ballot. Any CB member may ask for a secret voting on individual parts of a proposal or resolution. If the motion for a secret vote is seconded by a CB member, then it shall be held as a secret voting.
- 14. Any CB member has the right to have their dissenting opinion recorded in the minutes if requested.

ARTICLE 4 - DECISION-MAKING BY CB MEMBERS OUTSIDE JOINT MEETINGS

1. In urgent matters that cannot be delayed, the President or, in their absence, the Vice-President may initiate a per rollam decision by contacting all CB members by phone or email. Such a decision is valid only if approved by a majority of CB members. A per rollam resolution must be recorded in the minutes of the next CB meeting.

ARTICLE 5 - ENSURING AND MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CB RESOLUTIONS

- 1. The CB prepares written minutes for each meeting. The Secretary General is responsible for ensuring the minutes are prepared within three days of the meeting's conclusion.
- 2. The meeting minutes include:
 - The date and location of the meeting;
 - The start and end times of the meeting;
 - A list of participants (including arrivals and departures during the meeting);
 - Names of the minutes scrutineers;
 - The meeting agenda;
 - A summary of the discussion on each agenda item;
 - The decisions and resolutions adopted.
- 3. The draft minutes are confirmed electronically by the two appointed scrutineers. Any sections of the minutes not confirmed by the scrutineers are added to the proposed minutes. Only in the case that the topic reported by the scrutineers have not been settled by the CB members, the topic will have to be raised for the next CB meeting for resolution and final wording and therefore striken from the initial minutes.
- 4. The minutes become effective upon their approval by the CB members. Once effective, the minutes are published. The CB minutes shall be published latest XXX days after the CB meeting.
- 5. Responsibility for implementing CB decisions and resolutions lies with the designated committees, working groups, or individuals as assigned. The Secretary General ensures the coordination of implementing CB decisions or resolutions.

ARTICLE 6 - FINAL PROVISIONS

1. These Rules of Procedure take effect upon approval by the CB on February 2, 2025.

Nominations to IFF Committees 2025 - summary APPENDIX 13

	Country	Nominated by
Development Committee		
Kouadio Yapi Marcel Oholiab	Cote d'Ivoire	Core d'Ivoire
Mervi Kilpikoski	Finland	Finland
Kevin Maina	Kenya	Kenya
Marcel Wadja	Cote d'Ivoire	Core d'Ivoire

Entourage Committee

Kouadio Yapi Marcel Oholiab	Cote d'Ivoire	Core d'Ivoire
Elina Anttonen	Finland	Finland
Brian macharia	Kenya	Kenya

Medical Committee

Tiina Nylander	Finland	Finland
Rostyslav Yuzkiv	Ukraine	Ukraine
Walter O. Frey	Switzerland	Switzerland
Linda Pedrazzoli	Switzerland	Switzerland
Patricia Wallace	Australia	Australia
Kevin Söderling	Finland (Athlete)	IFF Office/ATC

Referee's Committee

Ayoman Acka Jean-Ariel Samson	Cote d'Ivoire	Cote d'Ivoire
Mika Saastamoinen	Finland	Finland
Jakub Furmanek	Czech Republic	Czech Republic
Kevin Akosombo	Kenya	Kenya
Wojchiech Czarnecki	Poland	Poland
Lukas Gyger	Switzerland	Switzerland
Peter Zamecnik	Slovakia	Slovakia
Nihada Cenanovic	Sweden	Sweden
Peter Harris	Australia	Australia

Rules and Competition Committee

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Loua Bale Emma	Cote d'Ivoire	Cote d'Ivoire
Ole Blaedel	Denmark	Denmark
Jens Orhoj	Denmark	Denmark
Ari Vehniäinen	Finland	Finland
Heili Tomingas	Estonia	Estonia
Jan Jirovsky	Czech Republic	Czech Republic
Lazarus oyugi	Kenya	Kenya
Pavlo Pelekh	Ukraine	Ukraine
Marek Chomnicki	Poland	Poland
Beat Wullschleger	Switzerland	Switzerland
Teo Turay	Slovakia	Slovakia

Zane KlabereLatviaLatviaMartin KlabereSwedenSweden

TDs

Victoria Wikström

Cote d'Ivoire Amenyenou Arsene Cote d'Ivoire Aris Asfar Singapore Singapore Jan Jirovsky Czech Republic Czech Republic Petr Chvojka Czech Republic Czech Republic Jens Orhoj Denmark Denmark Mohammadamin Davalou Iran Iran Roman Lozynskyy Ukraine Ukraine Vince Faso USA USA Leonardo Lanzoni Italy Italy Marek Chomnicki Poland Poland Estonia Estonia Meelike Terasmaa Ralph Ramos Philippines Philippines Yong Yuan China China **David Vincze** Hungary Hungary

Sweden

Sweden

IFF Player of the Year

Appendix 14

This document is to serve as background for the IFF CB to discuss the potential IFF Player of the Year award concept.

This will be a new IFF award, and a logical follow up on the launch of the IFF Hall of Fame in 2021. This is also a typical form of acknowledgement for athletes by the governing organisation of the sport. The publication Innebandymagazinet has selected Best Floorball Player in the world since 2005 (men) and 2007 (women). Worth mentioning that the IIHF (International Ice-Hockey Federation) did not launch their annual player award until 2023.

Period of the voting

Based on two CB workshop discussions the following has currently been decided regarding the procedure.

Proposed timeline:

- Nomination of candidates by the end of March / first week of April (end of April coincides with the U19 WFC)
- Voting period till end of May
- Result evaluation and publication of winners by early June
- Winner award handed out in December at WFC (if Event structure changes made then in October WFC/EFC)

The awarding is during the World Floorball Championships when we have the most attention from the media. Most likely we will also have one of the players already present at the event (the other player (gender) would have to be invited to the championships).

Nomination of candidates

The national federations that have registered for the World Floorball Championships in that year are eligible for nominating (and voting) for candidates. Floorball manufacturers would also be allowed to nominate players. This should create added motivation to promote the concept.

The nomination criteria for candidates

- Performance in national team (overall performance, scoring points / save %)
- Performance in domestic league (overall performance, scoring points / save% / +- rating would be great but not necessarily available)
- Nominations to the WFC All-Star team / national nominations or awards

Each eligible federation could nominate three players for each gender. Floorball manufacturers could each nominate two players for each gender. The suggestion is to include a minimum of 15 and maximum of 30 players per gender as candidates for the final voting list. The IFF has the right to narrow down and create the final voting list.

A nomination form will be prepared. The federations and manufacturers must in their nomination include a player picture, player facts and performance data of each nominee. A form with missing information will be reason to disqualify the nomination.

Voting and procedure

The IFF will collect the contacts for the following parties eligible for voting.

- All eligible national team head coaches one vote => email with unique link
- All eligible national team captains one vote => email with unique link
- Every eligible federation one vote (media department) => email with unique link
- Selected media (sports reporters that cover our major events) => email with unique link
- Selected floorball media, which will be invited separately (e.g. Innebandymagazinet, Pääkallo, Unihockey.ch, + some individual bloggers and podcasts max 3/country) => email with unique link
- Selected TV companies that broadcast IFF events => email with unique link

For voting we can utilise the Webropol platform which the IFF has used already several years for surveys and in recent years also for the WFC All-Star and MVP voting. The candidates will be presented in the Webropol survey system with their respective achievements.

The resulting top ten lists of each gender will be published.

Evaluation logic

The scoring system will be based on a 5-3-1 system where the first choice will receive 5 points, second 3 points and third one point. The surveys system (Webropol) should allow to choose three players which can then on the choice order be linked to the equivalent scoring logic.

In the case of a draw between top candidates first the number of 5-point choices will be considered, then 3 points and further 1 point. In the unlikely draw situation after this the decision be submitted for the IFF ExCo.

Award

The idea is to have a specific, floorball-themed award produced for the winner(s). The cost structure for bespoke awards has a large spread for example a crystal floorball shaped award is about 350€ (minimum order five pieces) but of course a standard catalogue award will be much cheaper. This said, a unique award will give the concept more value.

The award also creates a possibility to attract a possible sponsor (visibility through-out the journey from voting start to publication of winners).

One open point is if the concept requires the creation of some specific look / design.

Action points

Once the concept is decided and approved, the next steps are as follows:

- Create contact list of eligible countries to nominate and vote
- Formulate info letter to eligible countries to nominate (to be sent out latest end of February)
 - o Create nomination form to go along with the info letter
- Media to prepare news about the new concept (publication right after info letter has been sent)
- Start preparations of the Webropol voting / presentation page
 - o IFF "Player of the Year" sub-page



Appendix

IFF Floorball:FitForFuture Development Program: Status report (February 2025)

Overview

Program is publicly running from April 2024 and during 9 months there was a really big progress.

There were many meetings with federations during December and especially during WFC in Sweden. There are many federations which are really active in the Program. Some of the federations until now only registered or had the individual training, but did not start really working in Phase 1. There are also still some federations, where it is surprising there was no response from them at all (even some WFC final tournament participants as Norway, Latvia, Estonia etc..). May be program still needs additional communication towards Federations.

Phase 1: Evaluation Work

- 32 federations registered for the 4F program and 23 of the are actively involved in the program (stand: Jan 23, 2025)
- Appendix 1: Overview
- 1. Step 7: Final updated Evaluation 2024 19
 - Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic (2023), Denmark, Finland (2023), France, Germany, Italy, Kenya, Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden (2023), Switzerland (2023), Ukraine, United Kingdom
- 2. Step 6: Evaluation results feedback 1
 - o China
- 3. Step 5: 1st complete evaluation 1
 - Solomon Islands
- 4. Step 4: Start of real Evaluation (in current progress) 2
 - Japan (11%), Mexico (2%)

----- start of real work

- 5. Step 3: Entering the 4F Evaluation IT system 3
 - Burkina Faso, India, Philippines,
- 6. Step 2: Individual training / first 1:1 Meeting 4
 - Hungary, Thailand, Singapore, Slovenia
- 7. Step 1: Registration for Program 2
 - Cameroon, USA



Phase 2: Development Action Plan Work

- 15 Spots available beginning 2025
- 1. Signed Agreement / secured Spot in Phase 2 11
 - Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Kenya, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine
- 2. Country expressed interest / agreement is sent 4
 - O Australia, France, Netherlands, United Kingdom
 - O Should the four associations sign, the current spots will be allocated
- Real work with the 15 Countries in Phase 2
 - Onboarding Group 1:
 - Belgium, Canada, Italy, Kenya, Ukraine
 - Start November 2024
 - Status: Creating the first DAP
 - Onboarding Group 2:
 - Denmark, Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Spain (Former 4F Mentee Countries)
 - Re-Start: February
 - Status: Updating DAP
 - Onboarding Group 3:
 - Austria, +additional countries
 - Planned start: March 2025 with 5 onboarding Meetings

Current Work with the Former 4F Mentee Countries

- Intensive weekly collaboration with the mentee countries: Spain, Slovakia, Poland, Germany
 - Re-evaluation 2024
 - Federations are working on the DAP and Plans of Execution
 - Appendix 2: Development results of mentee countries after one year of development work
 - Note: Development steps are often simpler at lower level
 - Denmark: Discussion in February on how to proceed

Digitalization (IT system)

- o Contract signing with an IT company for the development of second phase
- They have delivered the "alpha" version the functionality is currently being tested, and certain features are being adjusted

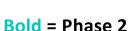
IFF Member Associations in the 4F Program



Europe:

- 1.Austria
- 2.Belgium
- 3.Czech Republic
- 4.Denmark
- 5.Finland
- 6.France
- 7. Hungary
- 8.Germany
- 9.Italy
- 10.Netherlands
- 11.Poland
- 12.Slovakia
- 13.Slovenia
- 14.Spain
- 15.Sweden
- 16.Switzerland
- 17.Ukraine
- 18.United Kingdom







- 19. China
- 20. India
- 21. Japan
- 22. Philippines
- 23. Singapore
- 24. Thailand

North America:

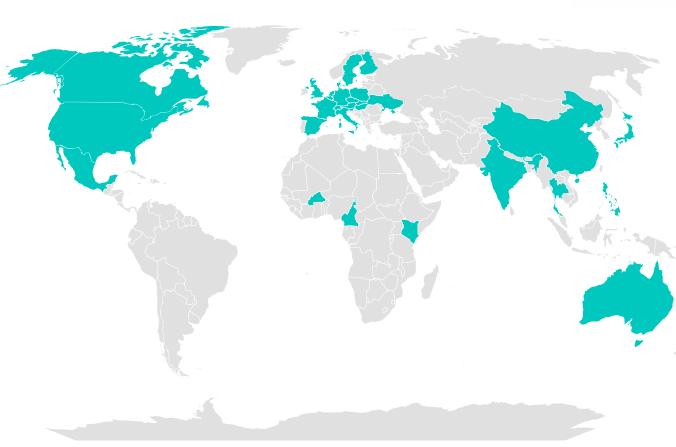
- 25. Canada
- 26. Mexico
- 27. USA

Africa:

- 28. Burking Faso
- 29. Cameroon
- 30. Kenya

Australia/Oceania:

- 31. Australia
- 32. Salomon Islands





Slovakia



Slovakia

Blue = 2024

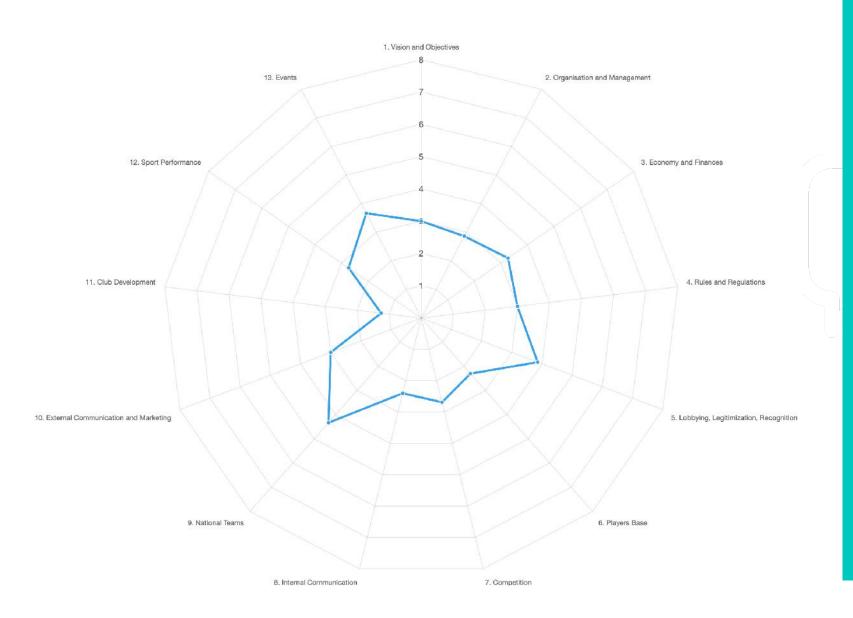
Red = 2023

Federation Nr.:

2023: 3/36/18

2024: 3/25/5

(Target Level/Activities to reach target level/Active Activities)



Poland



Poland

Blue = 2023

Red = 2024

Federation Nr.:

2023: 3/37/13

2024: 3/34/-

(Target Level/Activities to reach target level/Active Activities)



Spain



Spain

Blue = 2024

Red = 2023

Federation Nr.:

2023: 2/24/9

2024: 2/17/12

(Target Level/Activities to reach target level/Active Activities)



Germany



Germany

Blue = 2024

Red = 2023

Federation Nr.:

2023: 2/19/9

2024: 3/48/21

(Target Level/Activities to reach target level/Active Activities)

OVERVIEW — DEVELOPMENT 2023 - 2024

- Achieved Steps -

Country		Slovakia	Poland	Spain	Germany
	Positive	27	5	37	41
STEPS	Negative	2	0	23	12
	Net	25	5	14	29



REPORT East Europe and Middle East CB meeting 2.2.2025 by Tamuz Hidir



Photo: a poster for Moldovan Cup that was played on the 7th of December in Chisinau.

This report outlines recent activities and upcoming events in Central Asia, East Europe and the Middle East.

Kazakhstan - The National Floorball Federation of Kazakhstan participated in the AOFC General Assembly at the end of November in Bangkok, Thailand. Maxim Golubov was elected as a committee member of the Youth Development Committee. I also noticed that the International Development Seminar held in Taraz, Kazakhstan, at the end of October has significantly stimulated growth among local clubs and groups in Kazakhstan, as seen from their increased activity on social media platforms. The number of players has grown, and the seminar appears to have had a positive impact. From January 4th to 6th 2025, Floorball4All, with instructors from Switzerland, organized a coaching clinic in Almaty, Kazakhstan, with 35 participants, including two from Azerbaijan. On the 22nd of February the capital Astana will organize its first Floorball tournament <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh=MTNqams0YnFkNzV0Ng=="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/?igsh="https://www.instagram.com/p/DFC-W2YNOm7/

Tajikistan - In early November, the Bokhtar Women's Tournament took place in Tajikistan, with six girls' teams competing. It's girls' floorball that is gaining ground in Tajikistan. Bokhtar is situated 100 km kilometers south of the capital Dushanbe. Firus, one of the local leaders in Tajikistan, has been in contact with local state sports authorities and they have advised him to cooperate with the field hockey federation.

Kyrgyzstan - On November 15th, the Tokmok Open was held in Tokmok, just 60 km from Bishkek, with teams from Bishkek and Ivanovka competing. The next tournament is planned for the end of December.

Azerbaijan - the newly founded club in Baku is growing its activities and has a great presence in social media

https://www.instagram.com/floorball_baku?igsh=c3RpZDkxZ2QwbXlk.

Moldova - The Moldavian Floorball Federation organized the **Moldovan Cup** December 7, 2024, in Chisinau. The tournament took place at the Alexa Sport Center, a full-size venue located in the city center. The event featured three men's teams in the adult category, three girls' teams, and over four youth teams in the 15-10 years age category. Floorball is steadily growing in Moldova, with new towns embracing the sport thanks to the involvement of physical education teachers. Leadership of the federation has recently transitioned from Danil Opinca to Vadim Beleavschi, who heads Meteor, the largest floorball club in the country, based in Ungheni.

https://www.instagram.com/meteorfloorball?igsh=M3BybHB6ejBpdHBm another club is FC Eleon https://www.instagram.com/eleonfloorballclub?igsh=MTM4b2MxNWIyb3RpYQ==.

The Moldovan Floorball Federation is in the process of reorganization. They need to get recognized by the Ministry of Education and Research of the Republic of Moldova, which is the government body responsible for sports. This recognition is a key step before they can move forward. First, they must have at least three active clubs. The good news is that they already have three active clubs, so that step is already covered.

Simultaneously they can apply for membership in the Moldovan Olympic Committee. The federation is already aware of these steps and is working on making them happen.

Armenia - from October 30th to November 1st, Floorball4All organized a coaching camp in Yerevan, the capital of Armenia. During the three-day seminar, 15 beginner coaches participated, all of whom are potential future coaches.

Georgia - Floorball4all has provided equipment to different floorball groups based in Tbilisi, and during the spring they are planning to organize a training clinic in Georgia.

Ukraine - The **Women's Championship** in Ukraine resumed on the 30th of November after a two-season pause, with seven teams participating in the first tour held in Lviv. The championship will consist of three tours and a playoff scheduled for April. The format is three against three, marking a promising restart for the Women's Championship. The second tour was played in Ternopil on the 10th of January 2025.

Alongside the competition in November, a referee education session was conducted, with 18 referees from eight regions of Ukraine completing their first level of training.

On November 13th, the Ukrainian Floorball Federation (UFF) officially signed the 4F agreement, marking the beginning of the second phase of the **Fit4Future** program. The first meeting for this phase took place in November. A subsequent meeting involving representatives from the five participating countries (Belgium, Canada, Italy, Kenya and Ukraine) was held on January 22nd. The next meeting is scheduled for February 25th, before then a development action plan should be created.

The federation is also moving forward in the **EuroPower Cooperation** actively participating in the group's work. The EuroPower group gathered during the WFC in Malmö and the next meeting will be held after the WFCQ in Italy at the end of January.

Storvreta Cup 2025, 2 Ukrainian teams and 4 referee pairs have participated in Storvreta Cup 2025 in Uppsala, Sweden.

Ukrainian Floorball Federation nominated 4 individuals to IFF committees, and one person to the IFF central board.

Also great news is that I (Tamuz Hidir) was elected as one of the Vice Presidents of the **Sports Committee of Ukraine** for the year 2025-2028. SCU is the umbrella organization that unites over 60 sports federations in Ukraine and is organizing the Ukrainian delegation

to the World Games and working towards IWGA. The UFF also got 47 000 UAH from the SCU for educational purposes for the year 2025.

A very positive development is that the Ukrainian Ministry of Youth and Sports, particularly its Sport for All branch, has chosen floorball as one of the main sports to stimulate the growth of club systems in Ukraine. This means that individuals interested in establishing multi-sport clubs can access resources for starting equipment, infrastructure, and some funding for coaches. Floorball is one of the leading sports in this program due to its accessibility, emphasis on gender equality, and innovative approach. With that said the funding for UFF by the Ukrainian state has decreased by $\frac{2}{3}$ from around 3 millions UAH in 2024 to 930 000 UAH in 2025.

Ukrainian Floorball Federation has also started to cooperate with the one and only sports radio station in Ukraine. Radio Champion -

https://www.instagram.com/championradio_official?igsh=dDFibnp1MXF6dnBv_UFF has decided to write a MoU with them to be the UFF media partner.

Also needs to be added that the Men's World Floorball Championship was broadcasted on Ukrainian sports channels Sport 1 and Sport 2, with commentators coordinated through the Ukrainian Floorball Federation. And Sport 1 will broadcast the play-offs of the Ukrainian Championship.

The Ukrainian Floorball Federation is prioritizing para-sport and rehabilitation, aiming to use floorball as a tool for the rehabilitation of war veterans. Recognizing the immense need, we have established a dedicated committee and are now actively building competence in this area. Additionally, some floorball players, now serving in the military and affected by the war, have expressed their desire to contribute to these efforts. This initiative not only supports societal recovery but also fosters the growth of floorball in Ukraine.

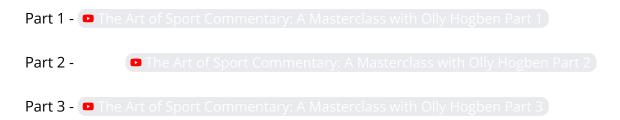
Specials Olympics Ukraine will also send a women team to participate in the Winter **Special Olympics Games in 2025** in Turin, Italy. That will be from 8th to 16th of March.

UFF has also registered Men's National Team and U19 Women's National team to WFCQ 2026 and Men and Women team for WFC 3 vs. 3 in 2025.

General Assembly of the UFF with elections is planned for Saturday 17th of May.

The annual Ukraine Open tournament in Lviv will be held 6-8 of June 2025 in Men, Women and youth categories.

On the 20th of January an online seminar was held with Olly Hogben (IFF commentator)) for people interested in commentating with 10 participants. The seminar in English in 3 parts can be seen here:



Uzbekistan - nothing to report.

Kosovo - From November 21st to 23rd, I had the opportunity to participate in the European Sports Platform organized by ENGSO in Pristina, Kosovo. During the event, I established contacts with various individuals and had the chance to discuss floorball, among other topics.

One of the key connections was with the University of Pristina's Faculty of Sports, which expressed a strong interest in supporting the introduction of floorball. Professor Faton Tishukaj, with whom I have been in contact since the conference. Additionally, the Kosovo National Olympic Committee demonstrated significant interest in the sport's development.

Given that floorball is an inclusive, accessible, and easy-to-learn sport, the University of Pristina is eager to take a leading role in its promotion. In Kosovo, there are two private universities with sports departments, but the main institution is the University of Pristina, which houses the Faculty of Sports.

IFF should explore the possibility of organizing a development seminar there in 2025 in cooperation with Pristina University since there is interest from their side to take the lead.

At the present in Kosovo there is no ice hockey and no field hockey federations. And Kosovo is an ambitious sporting nation that recently got the right to host the XXI Mediterranean Games in 2030.

Israel - On the 29th of November, I had a Zoom call with the President of the Israeli Floorball Association, Evgeny Mogilevskiy. The Israeli league starts on the 11th of January, with four teams competing in one day, where each team plays against each other twice. The second round is planned for the 24nd of February. The championship is played in a mixed category with players 15+ age. At the end of April, the Israeli Cup is planned. In Israel, to receive state funding, a championship needs to have at least 10 teams, with at least 12 players in each team. Floorball in Israel has its center in Arad and surrounding settlements near the Dead Sea, approximately 85 kilometers south of Jerusalem. As of today there are around 200 active players in Israel. There was one Israeli team participating in Czech Open 2024 in the Men Open category.

Iraq - nothing to report.

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







THE WORLD GAMES 2025

Chengdu, China

presented by

IFF Event Manager, Ms Sarah Mitchell

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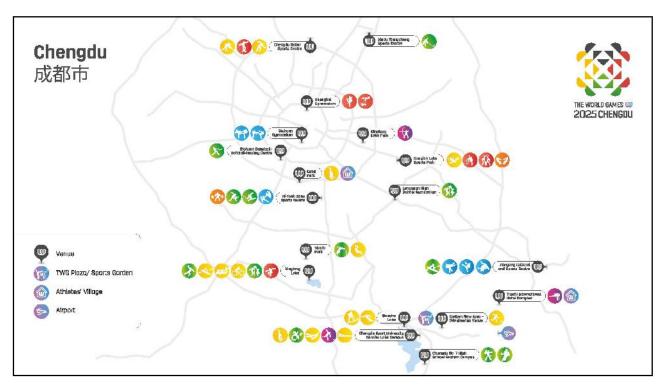
8 days of competition

6th – 13th August

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Czechia
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Training Venue





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Athlete Village

Holiday Inn Century City Chengdu

West Tower:

https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/chengdu/ctuhi/hoteldetail

East Tower:

https://www.ihg.com/holidavinn/hotels/us/en/chengdu/ctucc/hoteldetail







Athlete Village Surrounds

Guixi Ecological Park

 Huge green space next to the Village. Will also be used for TWG competition (Disc Golf)

New Century Global Center

 World's largest shopping mall. Approx. 10min walk. Includes waterpark, ice rink, movie theatre etc





Metro Line

• Metro Line 1 & Line 18 – Century City Station

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Schedule

- 6th 10th Group games
- 11th 12th Play-off games
- 13th Medal games



- 3 x 15-minute periods (10min intermissions)
- 4-6 games per day
- At least 1 rest day for each team

Daily Logistics

- Venue is approx. 45 60min drive from the Village
- Dedicated direct transport to/from village and venue
- Meals are provided for teams and officials at the Village. Depending on the schedule some meals may be provided at the venue
- Village accommodation is hotel rooms twin beds

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Team Lists

Teams will be required to submit two team lists:

- First (long) list 30 players and 10 officials.
- Final (short) list 14 players, 1 Head Coach, and extra officials (all from your first list)

The due dates for the lists are:

- First list Tuesday 15th April 2025
- Draft Final list Tuesday 3rd June 2025
- Confirmed Final list Monday 9th June 2025

Eligibility of Players

- Only players born before 06.08.2010 will be eligible to participate in the event
- Only officials born before 06.08.2007 will be eligible to participate in the event

The eligibility of players to participate in TWG is set by IWGA, whose rules state that all players must hold a passport of the country they will represent at TWG. This means that the IFF Sporting Nationality is NOT applicable. Every player MUST have a valid passport for the country they will represent. This is what their accreditation and visa approval will be based on, and they must enter China with this passport.

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Changing Players / Officials

- After the submission of the final list, players &/or officials may be changed upon written request to the IFF, up until 31st July. There will be no possibility to change players or officials after this time.
- Any substitutions must come from your first list.

Player & Official's Information

The kind of information that you will need to provide is:

- Detailed passport information
- Detailed contact information
- Emergency contact information
- Dietary requirements
- Arrival & Departure information
- Additional Athlete data current club, first club, number of WFC medals number of National Championship titles, Most memorable sporting moment, Lifetime sport career goal, occupation, hobbies, social media accounts

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Extra Officials

Each team only has one team official (Head Coach) who is included to the costs that are covered by the LOC (accommodation, transport, meals). Teams will be permitted up to four (4) extra team officials but ALL costs for these officials will be the responsibility of the National Association.

<u>COST</u>: Athlete Village accommodation, access to Games zones according to participant's specific role, Opening and Closing ceremonies march-in and access in a dedicated seating area, daily meals, local transport and airport transfers.

CNY 726.00 per night per person (100e)

Payment will need to be made on-site upon arrival at the Registration Centre by credit card or cash

National Association Guests

Option #1

HQ Hotel - Intercontinental Century City hotel (adjacent to the Athlete Village)

• Accommodation with breakfast, access to Games zones according to participant's specific role, local transport and airport transfers

Single room: CNY 1,335.00 per night per person (180e) Double room: CNY 1,470.00 per night for two guests (195e)

Option #2

No accommodation

 Access to Games zones according to participant's specific role, local transport and airport transfers

CNY 135.00 per day per person (20e)

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Travel planning

ENTRY TO CHINA

- Currently, many countries have visa-free access to China for travel of up to 15 days, however, due to the frequent updating of the visa-free policy country list, the Visa Policy will be provided in February 2025
- If required, individual visa support letters will be generated via the official accreditation system and sent to the National Associations by the IFF

ARRIVAL CITY

- The official arrival city is Chengdu, China
- Chengdu has two international airports Tianfu International Airport and Shuangliu International Airport. Official transport will be provided from both airports.

Travel planning

FLIGHT BOOKINGS

• Each National Association should make their own flight bookings

EARLY ARRIVAL

 There will be no possibility for accommodation in the Athlete Village prior to the official arrival day but LOC will offer other hotel accommodation in Chengdu if you want to arrive earlier

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Medical

FICS

Will provide free chiropractic services at the venue

ANTI-DOPING

- TUEs will be required as normal
- It is best to apply for these via your NADO and then they can be approved by the IFF

INSURANCE

 Insurance must cover for travel expenses, medical expenses, death benefits, and medical rescue (repatriation) expenses incurred, due to accidental death, disability, medical treatment, sudden illness, or infectious disease.

Ceremonies & Meetings

TECHNICAL MEETING

• Captain's & Technical Meeting will be held as normal prior to the event

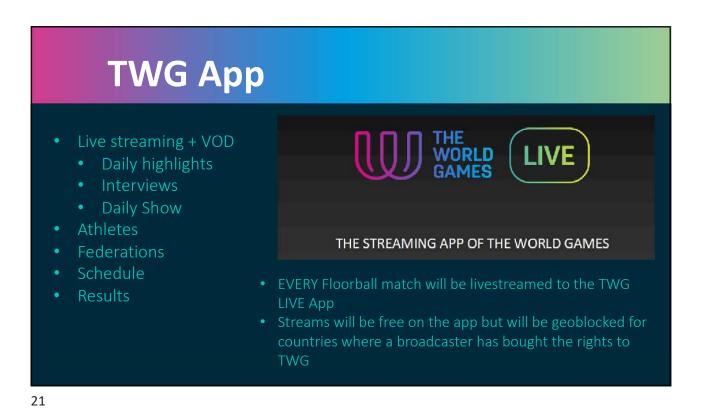
TWG OPENING CEREMONY – 7th August

• All athletes and officials are invited to join the opening ceremony

FLOORBALL OPENING CEREMONY

There will not be any official opening ceremony at the floorball venue





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IFF Media

IFF APP

 Will be used to promote the event and provide all team & event information both prior to and during the event

MEDIA CHANNELS

- IFF website (floorball.sport) and regular social media channels will be used
- In addition, we are in the process of setting up China-specific media channels (e.g. WeChat, Weibo, Douyin etc)

EVENT PROMOTION

- Very important that you actively promote the event in all your media
- There are many different elements that can be provided to help you promote the event

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Special China Info

ALIPAY

- Available for Android or iOS in English
- Can act as your main form of payment with the addition of a credit card
- Can be used for public transport, payment, Uber, bicycle hire, tourist info....everything

INTERNET

- Internet access is available but some usual channels (YouTube, Facebook etc) is blocked
- The use of a VPN can open some things up, such as Google apps (ExpressVPN)
- At the venues and main media centre, the wi-fi will be open, meaning that you should be able to access all external websites and apps

Global Exposure

Visibility and **promotion** for our athletes on an international central stage, across sports.

THE GOAL...

Promote the athletes, sports and the event

Help others promote the athletes, sports and the event



Every game LIVE on the TWG Media Platform Highlights + interviews available for download

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Event Promotion

#WeAreTheWorldGames

#RoadtoChengdu

- Qualifications branding, and mentioning The World Games
- News of the qualified teams to your media outlets, on social media
- Providing us with **information** about your athletes
- Educating your athletes and audience about The World Games
- · Instagram Takeovers, Athlete of the Month, Athlete of the Year

Timelines

- Match Schedule preliminary schedule published during March / April
- Information Letter #2 during February / March
- Registration system due to open in February
- Team list information template of required info sent during February / March
- Information Letter #3 during April / May
- Team Info package during April / May
- Transport schedules during June
- Final Event Information during July

RACC meeting - 23.01.2025 via Teams

Meeting time 23.01.2025: 17.15-18.30 PM CET.

Participants:

Martin Klabere, Chair Marek Chomnicki Jan Jirovsky, Vice Chair Zane Klabere Tomas Sladky (ATC) Meelike Terasmaa Teo Turay Ari Vehniäinen

Sarah Mitchell, IFF Event Manager Stefan Kratz, IFF Competition Manager Monika Kraus, IFF Competition Coordinator

Absent:

Lara Heini (ATC) Kenneth Ho Victoria Wickström Beat Wullschleger

1. Opening of meeting

Mr Klabere opened the meeting at 17:15 CET and welcomed everyone.

2. Minutes from the last RACC meeting (Appendix 1)

Minutes from the last meeting were scrutinised and approved.

3. Player representation in national teams

Mr Klabere informed that the main purpose of this meeting is to consider a regulation proposal giving the possibility of a player two represent two countries. This was originally tabled at the CB meeting in December 2024, but it was decided that it should be sent back to the RACC for further discussion as the evaluation by the RACC was deemed insufficient.

Ms Mitchell explained that our rules state that a player can represent one country at junior level (U17 & U19) and another at senior level (U23 & adult), however, after several different situations we find that this rule is quite limiting for players who have dual citizenship and therefore the possibility to represent two countries, especially at junior level where a player is still developing and their pathway towards a senior team position is still unclear. To help allow junior players more possibilities to experience international competition and pursue their possible place in an adult national team the proposal is to change the rule to allow a player to represent two countries at U17, U19, or U23 level but only one at adult level.

The proposed rule change wording for both the Competition Regulations – National Teams & Competition Regulations – Friendly Internationals will be as follows:

- 3.2 A player may represent two separate nations in a recognised junior (U17, U19) or U23 international match. They may represent one of either of these same nations at adult international level. Once a player has represented a nation in a recognised adult international match this then becomes the only nation they can represent at any international level (junior, U23, or adult).
- 3.3 A player may represent only one nation within a single event, which includes qualifications for a final round event.

The thinking behind this change is that it will help to develop the junior players better while especially helping some of the smaller national associations to have players represent them while still pursuing their dream of representing a larger floorball country in the future.

After thorough discussions the RACC is in favour of the original proposal and will put that forward to the IFF Central Board.

The RACC decides to propose to the IFF CB to decide according to the RACC proposal.

4. End of the meeting

Mr Klabere thanked the participants and closed the meeting at 17:55 CET.

Martin Klabere IFF RACC Chair



COMPETITION REGULATIONS

FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL MATCHES National & Club teams

Edition 2025

Decided by the IFF Central Board 02.02.2025

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§ 1 GENERAL

- 1.1. Friendly International matches are either:
 - a) Internationals played between national teams of the Member Associations of IFF;
 - b) Any other match where a national team plays against a Club or regional team from another country;
 - c) Club matches played between club teams representing the highest league from at least two different nations;
 - d) National League matches played abroad
- 1.2. Friendly International matches shall be conducted in accordance with IFF Competition Regulations, IFF Juridical Regulations and the IFF Rules of the Game.
- 1.3. All IFF Member Associations shall inform the IFF when organising friendly international matches. The organiser of internationals shall use the IFF form "Information form for International Matches and Request of Referees". The information form shall be sent to IFF no later than sixty (60) days prior to the match / start of the event. Forms received after this time will be subject to monetary sanctions.
- 1.4. The organiser may use the guidelines of the IFF Organisers Regulations, when organising Friendly International Matches.
- 1.5. In Internationals the official match record of IFF shall be used. The Match Record shall be signed by the organiser, the referees and the teams and sent, along with other match secretariat papers, to the IFF Office by the organiser no later than seven (7) days after the last match.
- 1.6. Matches between a national team and a club or regional team from a different country may be played without any official record of the match, however, the National Association of the participating national team should inform the IFF with the IFF form "Information form for International Club Tournament" at least thirty (30) days in advance.
- 1.7. Club tournaments, involving club teams from the highest division of at least two Member Associations, are International Elite Club Tournaments. These tournaments shall be informed to IFF by the organiser / Member Association of the organiser with the IFF form "Information form for International Club Tournament" at least thirty (30) days in advance.
- 1.8. For National league matches played abroad, an open application letter should be made by the participating Member Association to the IFF at least sixty (60) days in advance. Once approved, the Member Association hosting the foreign National league match/es should inform the IFF with the IFF form "Information form for International Club Tournament" at least thirty (30) days in advance.
- 1.9. All International matches (tournaments) between two national teams shall be included in the IFF list of International matches. All International Elite Club Tournaments shall be included in the IFF list of International Club Tournaments
- 1.10. Those with a possibility to influence the outcome of a match may not, themselves or via other person/s, bet on the outcome of a match. This means that i.e. players, officials, secretariat, and board members may not bet on a match where the own team participates. Further, their team delegates are responsible for any untrue action, or attitude aimed at altering documents, or the performance of the participating team members, or influencing or agreeing of the result of a match or competition, or the scoring or any other individual appearance at any point of a match to the advantage of its own team, opponent or any third party.
- 1.11. Referees may not bet on a match, or any match in a tournament, they are part of.



§ 2 PARTICIPATION

- 2.1. All IFF Member Associations or club teams which are not under suspension may play friendly internationals or send club teams to International Club tournaments.
- 2.2. Participation in an elite level International Club tournament (as mentioned in § 1.8) in another country requires the approval from the respective National Floorball Association.
- 2.3. Participation of National teams in club competitions is possible when:
 - a) the organiser mentions in the invitation the possibility of a national team/s participation in the tournament regulations;
 - b) the organiser receives official approval from the respective Association and also confirmation that the individual players participation corresponds with the national legislation
- 2.4. The National Association shall report the participation of one of their national teams in a club competition to the IFF.
- 2.5. The organiser shall ensure that a potential match between two national teams within the tournament would be refereed by international referees.
- 2.6. Participation of a national team in a match against a club or regional team from another country is possible when the organiser receives official approval from the Association in which the match shall be played
- 2.7. Further, the National Association of the national team participating in such matches shall report the participation of their team to the IFF (as mentioned in § 1.6) and provide the confirmation from the hosting association when submitting the information form

§ 3 QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS

- 3.1. Only players with nationality of their own nation, having not participated earlier for another adult national representative team in a Championship, shall be eligible to represent the nation in the Championship.
- 3.2. A player may represent two separate nations in an U17, U19 or U23 national team. They may represent one of either of these same nations at adult international level. Once a player has represented a nation in an adult team in a recognised international match this then becomes the only nation they can represent at any international level (U17, U19, U23, or adult).
- 3.3. A player may represent only one nation within a single event, which includes qualifications for a final round event.
- 3.4. It is the responsibility of each National Association to ensure that all players and team officials registered to their own national representative teams &/or a Club team from their association meet all eligibility requirements.
- 3.5. Eligibility must be finalised prior to the submission of an official team list. No applications for Sporting Nationality will be processed after the team list submission.
- 3.6. Nationality can be confirmed as follows:
- 3.6.1. <u>Permanent Nationality.</u> Any person holding a permanent nationality is eligible to play for the representative teams of the association of that country.



Proof of permanent nationality:

- The only document considered to be valid proof of a player's identity and nationality shall be a permanent international passport that explicitly, and in Latin characters, states the player's first name(s) and surname(s), as well as their day, month and year of birth
- Identity cards or other local supporting official documents shall not be accepted as a valid means of identification for the purpose of proving nationality
- 3.6.2. **Sporting Nationality**. In the case of a player who has not represented any country at international level, they can choose their sporting nationality based on fulfilling one of the following criteria:
 - i. born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - ii. biological mother or biological father was born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - iii. grandmother or grandfather was born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - iv. has lived on the territory of the relevant association for at least five years

Proof of sporting nationality

- Birth certificate showing the player's first name (s) and surname (s), date of birth, and place of birth; OR
- Birth certificate showing biological mother/grandmother's or biological father/grandfather's first name (s) and surname (s), date of birth, and place of birth PLUS proof of relationship to the player; OR
- Proof of having lived on the territory of the relevant association for at least five years.
- 3.4. A player may, <u>only once</u>, request to change the association for which they are eligible play at adult level, to the association of another country of which they hold the nationality. A request to change association may be granted only in the following circumstances:
 - The player wishes to represent an association that was admitted to federation membership after they were already assigned sporting nationality by way of participation in an international event;
 - The player never represented their current association in any international event after the association which they wish to represent was admitted to membership;
 - The player, at the time of playing their first match in an international competition (at any level) for their current association:
 - held the nationality of the association which they wish to represent; or
 - in the case of a newly recognised country, obtained the nationality of the association which they wish to represent as soon as reasonably practicable after the country was recognised by the majority of the members of the United Nations
- 3.5. Friendly Internationals can be played in the age categories of U17, U19, U23, and Adult. It is allowed, upon agreement, between the participating countries, that different age category teams compete against each other in the same event.
- 3.6. In the case of an event with different age categories playing against each other, the event will be classified according to the oldest age category.
- 3.7. A team shall be classified according to the age of the oldest player in the team.
- 3.8. All players must be aged as follows to be eligible to participate in each age category:
 - a) **U17**: players shall be aged at least 14 years old at the start of the event and turn 17 years no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event
 - b) **U19:** players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event and turn 19 years no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event (see 3.9 for exceptions)



- c) **U23:** players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event and turn 23 no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year as the event
- d) **Adults:** players shall be aged at least 15 years old at the start of the event (see 3.9 for exceptions)
- 3.9. For events involving teams that are preparing for an upcoming WFC or U19 WFC, the ages of the players in the respective adult or U19 team can be the same as the official age eligibility for the final round event. This only applies for Friendly International matches held after the qualification events for WFC or U19 and before the WFC or U19 WFC final rounds.
- 3.10. All team officials must be at least 18 years old before the start of the event in which they will participate
- 3.11. Only players being licensed for a club taking part in an international club match or tournament shall be eligible to play for the club concerned. A Club may grant their players, who are under contractual basis, an exemption (Temporary Play) from this regulation for participation with another Club in a specified friendly international tournament. The tournament shall be played between the first of May and the last of August and the tournament shall allow such participation. The player shall not be under suspension and shall not have participated in the EFCh.
- 3.12. Such an exemption shall be informed to the National Association of the Club giving the exemption and to the organiser of the tournaments 21 days in advance of the tournament by filling in the Temporary Play form. All Temporary Plays shall be published on the IFF web pages. A maximum of two Temporary Plays per player and year is allowed.
- 3.13. At least 10 days prior to the start of the match / tournament a list of the team delegation, completed on the official IFF form and signed by the National Association concerned, shall be sent to IFF. This list may consist of up to 30 players and 10 officials.
- 3.14. Every player and team official included on the team list shall also be included on the published team list visible in the IFF Media Platform and online statistics.
- 3.15. After submission of the team list to the IFF, no changes, except to shirt numbers, may be made to the team list.
- 3.16. A maximum of 20 players and 5 officials are allowed to participate in a match. These players and officials may only be selected from the official team list of 30 players and 10 officials that has been submitted to the IFF.
- 3.17. A list of players and officials who are taking part in a match shall be handed in to the match secretariat no later than 30 minutes before the start of the match. No other than those on the list are allowed to be in the substitution zone.

§ 4 RELEASE OF PLAYERS

- 4.1. A player officially nominated for representation in a national team for an international event and/or national team training camp is obliged to represent. The player is obliged to inform the club to which they are bound of their nomination within 3 days of notification by their National Association.
- 4.2. The club is obliged to release the player who has been officially nominated for the needs of the national team, according to 4.5, 4.6, and 4.7.



- 4.3. It is up to each National Association to set their own rules regarding the selection and informing of players of their nomination to a national team, however those rules must align with the IFF rules regarding participation in national team events.
- 4.4. It is up to each National Association to set internal rules for its own competitions to resolve any conflict from the selection of national team representatives (postponement of matches, etc.).
- 4.5. For the final round of WFC and U19 WFC players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams starting the Saturday in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.6. For the final round of multi-sport events, as well as the qualifications for WFC, U19 WFC, and multi-sport events, players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams at least three days in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.7. For Friendly Internationals and training camps during IFF International weekends (1st full weekend of February, 4th weekend of April, 1st full weekend of September, 3rd weekend of October and 2nd weekend of November) players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams at least three days in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.8. A National Association who selects a player who plays in a foreign league club (at any level) for participation in a national team in an official international event, is required to inform the foreign club's National Association of the selection, and confirm the availability of the player, prior to the submission of their official team list to the IFF.
- 4.9. A National Association who selects a player who plays in a foreign league club (at any level) for participation in a national team training camp, is required to inform the foreign club's National Association of the selection, and confirm the availability of the player, no later than 14 days prior to start of the training camp.
- 4.10. Any player who is selected by their National Association for an official international event &/or training camp and informs they are not available to play in the respective event &/or training camp, shall not be entitled to play a club match held at the corresponding time as the event &/or training camp. If the player does play for their club at this time, then the National Association of the club team for which they play shall be fined.
- 4.11. Players who have, before the submission of the official team list to the IFF, announced that they have withdrawn from the national team, in accordance with the internal rules set by each National Association, should not be included to an official team list for an IFF event.

§ 5 PLAYING SYSTEM FOR FRIENDLY INTERNATIONALS

- 5.1. Friendly International Matches shall be organised in accordance with the guidelines of the IFF Organisers Regulations. Exceptions may only be made by a mutual agreement between the participants concerned.
- 5.2. For National League matches played abroad and for matches played between a national team and a club or regional team from another country, the respective rules of the National Association should be followed.



§ 6 PLAYER'S OUTFITS

- 6.1. The player's outfit shall be according to the IFF Rules of the Game.
- 6.2. IFF may decide about further regulations for friendly international matches regarding numbering, colours and advertisements on the player's outfit and equipment, and the team official's outfit and equipment.

§ 7 VENUE

7.1. For Friendly International Matches the venue shall be chosen in accordance with the requirements of the IFF Organisers Regulations. Exceptions may only be made by a mutual agreement between the participants concerned.

§ 8 ADVERTISEMENTS

- 8.1. A team is entitled to have advertisements on the player's outfit.
- 8.2. IFF shall have the possibility to ask for advertisements on the player's outfit, based on an agreement with the National Associations.

§ 9 ANTI-DOPING

- 9.1. For all Friendly International Matches the valid IFF regulations and the WADA Anti-Doping Regulations are applicable.
- 9.2. All players using medication that is on the Prohibited List should have a valid Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) when participating in a Friendly International Match. A valid TUE issued by either the IFF or a NADO is allowed.
- 9.3. For player's participating in Friendly International Matches, all TUE applications must be made with the player's own National Anti-Doping Organisation.
- 9.4. All players registered for participation in Friendly International Matches agree to undergo doping control testing. Refusal of a player to submit to a doping test shall be considered as equivalent to a positive result.
- 9.5. In case of a positive doping test the player concerned shall be suspended during investigation. Any decision about punishment shall be taken after the investigation is over, according to the applicable Anti-Doping regulations.

§ 10 BETTING

- 10.1. It is prohibited for any athletes, and their entourage, from participating in all forms of, or support for, betting or gambling related to their own Floorball matches and Floorball competitions
- 10.2. It is prohibited to use any Inside Information for betting purposes, including disclosing Inside Information to any person (with or without reward) where the athlete might reasonably be



- expected to know that its disclosure could be used in relation to betting
- 10.3. The use of electronic equipment in relation to one's own match/es is limited according to the information in Section 11 of this document
- 10.4. Matches may be excluded from the betting offer of organisations under investigation or subject to sanctions for manipulations.
- 10.5. It is prohibited to bet on matches for minors (under 18 years old).
- 10.6. Sponsorship by betting operators of sports teams composed of minors (athletes under 18 years old) shall be prohibited.
- 10.7. Unauthorised betting types and formulas, following annual identification by a technical group of sport and betting experts will be determined by the IFF or Association. Betting operators will be requested not to offer these bets to punters.
- 10.8. To ensure an economic fair return from the betting operators, not only for the organisers of events, but also for the development of Floorball recognition of a "betting right" of an IFF event shall be agreed upon between the betting companies and the IFF, and for a national event between the betting companies and the National Association.
- 10.9. Sanctions for breaches of the betting regulations are according to the IFF Juridical Regulations Article 8 and 9.

§ 11 USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- 11.1. Participants' laptops, computers and similar devices and telecommunication tools including mobile phones and internet in the pre-defined restricted areas (including locker rooms) shall be turned off during the participants own matches.
- 11.2. For the purpose of statistics and player analysis only, tablets and other electronic devices may be used on team benches
- 11.3. Headsets may be used for communication between team staff within the competition venue. No communication connections with sources outside the competition venue are allowed during the time related to your match.



§ 12 REFEREES

- 12.1. All matters concerning referees in IFF Friendly International Matches shall be dealt with by the IFF Referee Committee according to valid regulations and decisions.
- 12.2. All International matches between two national teams (Adults, U23, U19) shall be refereed by an international referee pair who shall be appointed by the IFF Referee Committee. The organiser may propose preferred referee pairs, but the final decision is at the discretion of the IFF Referee Committee
- 12.3. The Referees appointed shall be included on the IFF list of International Referees. In some events, the IFF Referee Committee may appoint referees from the IFF Referee Development Group
- 12.4. The organiser of the Friendly International Matches is responsible for all costs related to the appointment of international referees, including travel, accommodation, daily allowance and insurance
- 12.5. The costs of the appointment of referees for an international club match, a national league match abroad or any other match where a national team plays versus a club or regional team from another country, shall be agreed upon by the participating teams.
- 12.6. Any breaches or infringements that occur in Friendly International Matches shall be sanctioned according to the IFF Regulations.
- 12.7. The organiser of an international club match, a national league match abroad or any other match where a national team plays versus a club or regional team from another country shall follow the respective rules of their National Association when appointing referees for these matches.
- 12.8. The hosting National Association of an international club match, a national league match abroad or any other match where a national team plays versus a club or regional team from another country, reserves the right to directly appoint referees to the matches
- 12.9. Matches involving two U17 teams do not require the appointment of international referees. The hosting National Association reserves the right to appoint referees for these matches.
- 12.10. Appointments of referees in IFF events shall in principle be made at the earliest the day before a match.
- 12.11. Random financial audits for referees may be carried out as well as regular scrutiny of their on-court decisions.

§ 13 INTEGRITY

- 13.1. The National Associations shall have regulations ensuring that they, and their clubs, fulfil their financial obligations towards their athletes and sports officials i.e. regular pay and good conditions for their professional athletes and sports officials (including referees).
- 13.2. Any person who is under prosecution for action including forgery, corruption, etc. or who has been convicted of a criminal offence within the last two years shall, to avoid conflicts of interest, not be allowed to be involved in the management of federations, clubs, associations, teams etc.



13.3. Random financial audits for National Associations as well as their Clubs may be carried out at any time to ensure transparency in their financial dealings.

§ 14 DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

- 14.1. The organiser of the Friendly International Match may appoint a jury to act as disciplinary function for the event
- 14.2. All sanctions imposed by referees and/or the jury shall be informed to the National Associations of the player or of the official, and to the IFF.
- 14.3. A disciplinary matter reported of any of the playing teams in a Friendly International Match shall be decided by the disciplinary function of the event.
- 14.4. A suspension decided by the event disciplinary function may not exceed 3 matches.
- 14.5. Sanctions imposed by the Jury are final as far as the duration of the competition to which they apply is concerned.

§ 15 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

15.1. In case of any unforeseen circumstance, the organiser can contact the IFF Office for assistance to solve the issue.



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§ 1 GENERAL

- 1.1. IFF Championships (Championship) shall be conducted in accordance with IFF Competition Regulations, IFF Juridical Regulations and the IFF Rules of the Game.
- 1.2. All IFF Member Associations are entitled to apply to organise IFF Championships.
- 1.3. The organisers of IFF Championships are appointed by the IFF Central Board (CB) upon proposal from the IFF Rules and Competition Committee (RACC).
- 1.4. The duties and responsibilities of the organisers are laid down in the IFF Organisers Regulations.
- 1.5. Those with a possibility to influence the outcome of a match may not, themselves or via another person/s, bet on the outcome of a match. This means that players, officials, secretariat, and board members may not bet on a match where their own team participates.
- 1.6. Further, their team delegates are responsible for any untrue action, or attitude aimed at altering documents, or the performance of the participating team members, or influencing or agreeing of the result of a match or competition, or the scoring or any other individual appearance at any point of a match to the advantage of its own team, opponent or any third party.
- 1.7. Referees may not bet on a match, or any match in a tournament, they are part of.
- 1.8. Participants in IFF Events are obliged to follow the rules, regulations and guidelines from the IFF and the IFF Event organiser.

§ 2 PARTICIPATION

- 2.1. IFF shall stage a World Championship for national representative teams in principle:
 - a) the final round for adults in the week involving the 2nd full weekend of December every year, in odd years for Women and in even years for Men
 - b) the qualifications for adults in the week involving the 1st full weekend of February every year, in odd years for Women and in even years for Men
 - c) the final round for juniors in the week involving the 1st full weekend of May every year, in odd years for Men Under 19 and in even years for Women Under 19
 - d) the qualifications for juniors in the week involving the 2nd full weekend of September every year, in odd years for Women Under 19 and in even years for Men Under 19
- 2.2. All IFF Member Associations which are not under suspension may apply to participate in a Championship.
- 2.3. Registration shall be made on the official IFF form. Registration and payment of the participation fee shall be submitted to the IFF as follows:



2.3.1. Adult WFC

- a) 7000 CHF for directly qualified and 3000 CHF for teams in the qualification shall be at the IFF Head Office not later than 31st of December two years before the year of the Championship.
- b) Further, the referee costs in the qualification shall be equally shared by all teams in the qualification, the fee is set to 1500 CHF, to be paid before the event.
- c) The teams qualifying for the WFC final round shall pay an additional fee of 2500* CHF within 30 days from having qualified to the final round.

2.3.2. **U19 WFC**

- a) 5000 CHF for directly qualified and 3000 CHF for teams in the qualification shall be at the IFF Head Office not later than the 31st of December two years before the year of the Championship
- b) Further, the referee costs in the qualification and the final round respectively shall be equally shared by all teams. The cost is set to 1500 CHF per team, and event, to be paid before the event.
- 2.4. A team that registers for a competition and then withdraws from the championship, either prior to the start of, or during competition, shall be sanctioned according to the IFF Juridical Regulations.
- 2.5. Costs for travel to and from the arrival city, board and lodging shall be borne by each participating team. The arrival city of a tournament shall be the city with the nearest harbour, railway station or international airport to the main city of the competition. The organiser shall take the cost of transport from the arrival city onwards. In case of any doubts, it is the IFF Central Board/RACC which defines the arrival city of the tournament.
- 2.6. The host shall pay for no more than 30 persons (20 players and 10 officials) per team for travelling from the airport, harbour or railway station in the arrival city to their respective accommodation. The host shall also pay for the participating teams for travelling from their accommodation to the official venues and to training sessions according to the official program and to the airport, harbour or railway station in the departure city.
- 2.7. The responsibility for the organiser to transport the teams starts two days before the first match and ceases the day after the last match of each team. The teams must use the local transport provided by the organiser.
- 2.8. Teams may select their own hotels in the competition city or the immediate vicinity, however, when accommodation not listed by the organiser or outside the designated radius is chosen, extra costs for transportation and other LOC services may be charged.
- 2.9. Participants shall be responsible for taking out the appropriate insurance to cover their delegations.

§ 3 QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS

- 3.1. Only players with nationality of their own nation, having not participated earlier for another adult national representative team in a Championship, shall be eligible to represent the nation in the Championship.
- 3.2. A player may represent two separate nations in an U17, U19 or U23 national team. They may represent one of either of these same nations at adult international level. Once a player has represented a nation in an adult team in a recognised international match this



then becomes the only nation they can represent at any international level (U17, U19, U23, or adult).

- 3.3. A player may represent only one nation within a single event, which includes qualifications for a final round event.
- 3.4. It is the responsibility of each National Association to ensure that all players and team officials registered to their own national representative teams &/or a Club team from their association meet all eligibility requirements.
- 3.5. Eligibility must be finalised prior to the submission of an official team list. No applications for Sporting Nationality will be processed after the team list submission.
- 3.6. Nationality can be confirmed as follows:
- 3.6.1. **Permanent Nationality**. Any person holding a permanent nationality is eligible to play for the representative teams of the association of that country.

Proof of permanent nationality:

- The only document considered to be valid proof of a player's identity and nationality shall be a permanent international passport that explicitly, and in Latin characters, states the player's first name(s) and surname(s), as well as their day, month and year of birth
- Identity cards or other local supporting official documents shall not be accepted as a valid means of identification for the purpose of proving nationality
- 3.6.2. **Sporting Nationality**. In the case of a player who has not represented any country at international level, they can choose their sporting nationality based on fulfilling one of the following criteria:
 - i. born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - ii. biological mother or biological father was born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - iii. grandmother or grandfather was born on the territory of the relevant association; OR
 - iv. has lived on the territory of the relevant association for at least five years

Proof of sporting nationality

- Birth certificate showing the player's first name (s) and surname (s), date of birth, and place of birth; OR
- Birth certificate showing biological mother/grandmother's or biological father/grandfather's first name (s) and surname (s), date of birth, and place of birth PLUS proof of relationship to the player; OR
- Proof of having lived on the territory of the relevant association for at least five years.
- 3.7. A player may, <u>only once</u>, request to change the association for which they are eligible play at adult level, to the association of another country of which they hold the nationality. A request to change association may be granted only in the following circumstances:
 - The player wishes to represent an association that was admitted to federation membership after they were already assigned sporting nationality by way of participation in an international event;
 - The player never represented their current association in any international event after the association which they wish to represent was admitted to membership;
 - The player, at the time of playing their first match in an international competition (at any level) for their current association:
 - held the nationality of the association which they wish to represent; or



- in the case of a newly recognised country, obtained the nationality of the association which they wish to represent as soon as reasonably practicable after the country was recognised by the majority of the members of the United Nations
- 3.8. All players in the WFC (qualification and/or final round) must be aged at least 15 years old before the start of the final round to be eligible to participate.
- 3.9. All players in the U19 WFC (qualification and/or final round) must be aged at least 15 years old no later than 30th June in the same year of the final round and turn 19 years old no earlier than the 1st of January in the same year of the final round to be eligible to participate.
- 3.10. All team officials must be at least 18 years old before the start of the event in which they will participate
- 3.11. Teams participating are entitled to use a maximum of 20 players and a maximum of 7 officials in the Championship.
- 3.12. 30 full days before the first match of the Championship a list of the team delegation, completed on the official IFF form and signed by the National Association concerned, shall be sent to IFF. This list may consist of up to 20 players, 7 officials, 3 extra officials, 10 emergency players and 2 Team Media Attachés. Only players included on the emergency list will be eligible to be substituted to the final team list in case of injury or other reasons.
- 3.13. Together with the list, the teams shall send a photo of each team member (players and officials) and a picture of the team jerseys showing both the front and the back.
- 3.14. Passports or other internationally accepted ID card may be checked in connection with the accreditation.
- 3.15. Every player and official must have signed the IFF Event Participant Acknowledgement & Agreement form before they will be provided with accreditation.
- 3.16. A maximum of 20 players and 5 officials are allowed to participate in a match. The signed list of players and officials taking part in a match shall be handed in to the match secretariat not later than 60 minutes before the match. At the same time the team line-up form shall be handed in. No other than those on the list are allowed to be in the substitution zone. The printed match record shall be signed by team officials after the match.

§ 4 RELEASE OF PLAYERS

- 4.1. A player officially nominated for representation in a national team for an international event and/or national team training camp is obliged to represent. The player is obliged to inform the club to which they are bound of their nomination within 3 days of notification by their National Association.
- 4.2. The club is obliged to release the player who has been officially nominated for the needs of the national team, according to 4.5, 4.6, and 4.7.
- 4.3. It is up to each National Association to set their own rules regarding the selection and informing of players of their nomination to a national team, however those rules must align with the IFF rules regarding participation in national team events.



- 4.4. It is up to each National Association to set internal rules for its own competitions to resolve any conflict from the selection of national team representatives (postponement of matches, etc.).
- 4.5. For the final round of WFC and U19 WFC players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams starting the Saturday in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.6. For the final round of multi-sport events, as well as the qualifications for WFC, U19 WFC, and multi-sport events, players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams at least three days in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.7. For Friendly Internationals and training camps during IFF International weekends (1st full weekend of February, 4th weekend of April, 1st full weekend of September, 3rd weekend of October and 2nd weekend of November) players shall be freed for participation in their respective national teams at least three days in advance of the event and at least one day after.
- 4.8. A National Association who selects a player who plays in a foreign league club (at any level) for participation in a national team in an official international event, is required to inform the foreign club's National Association of the selection, and confirm the availability of the player, prior to the submission of their official team list to the IFF.
- 4.9. A National Association who selects a player who plays in a foreign league club (at any level) for participation in a national team training camp, is required to inform the foreign club's National Association of the selection, and confirm the availability of the player, no later than 14 days prior to start of the training camp.
- 4.10. Any player who is selected by their National Association for an official international event &/or training camp and informs they are not available to play in the respective event &/or training camp, shall not be entitled to play a club match held at the corresponding time as the event &/or training camp. If the player does play for their club at this time, then the National Association of the club team for which they play shall be fined.
- 4.11. Players who have, before the submission of the official team list to the IFF, announced that they have withdrawn from the national team, in accordance with the internal rules set by each National Association, should not be included to an official team list for an IFF event.

§ 5 PLAYING SYSTEM FOR ADULT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (WFC)

- 5.1. The Adult World Championships shall be played with qualifications and a final round.
- 5.2. The final round shall consist of 16 teams.
- 5.3. The WFC final round shall be played in 4 groups of 4 teams each. The forming of the groups shall be decided in a ballot based on the final rankings of the two previous Championships of the same category, where each group will be allotted two teams from each basket as follows:

Group A and B:



Basket 1: Ranking 1-4
Basket 2: Ranking 5-8

Group C and D:

Basket 3: Ranking 9-12 Basket 4: Ranking 13-16

5.4. Continued play after the group matches shall be as follows (the exact numbering of the matches may differ for each event depending on the order of play in the final match schedule):

Play-off 1: 3^{rd} group A - 2^{nd} group D Play-off 2: 3^{rd} group B - 2^{nd} group C Play-off 3: 4^{th} group A - 1^{st} group D Play-off 4: 4^{th} group B - 1^{st} group C

Quarter-final 1: 1st aroup A Winner PO4 Quarter-final 2: 1st group B Winner PO3 2nd group A Quarter-final 3: Winner PO2 2nd group B -Winner PO1 Quarter-final 4: Semi-final 1: Winner Q1 Winner Q4 Semi-final 2: Winner Q2 Winner Q3 3rd place: Loser Semi -Loser Semi Final: Winner Semi -Winner Semi

- 5.5. A drawing of lots shall decide which team shall be the home team of the final and the bronze match
- 5.6. Ranking matches between 5th and 16th place shall be played as follows:

3rd group D 4th group C 13-16:1 3rd group C -13-16:2 4th group D Loser PO2 Loser PO3 9-12:1 Loser PO1 -Loser PO4 9-12:2 5-8:1 Loser Q1 Loser Q4 5-8:2 Loser Q2 Loser Q3 Match for 15th place Loser 13-16:1 -Loser 13-16:2 Match for 13th place Winner13-16:1 -Winner 13-16:2 Match for 11th place Loser 9-12:1 -Loser 9-12:2 Match for 9th place Winner 9-12:1 -Winner 9-12:2 Match for 7th place Loser 5-8:1 -Loser 5-8:2 Match for 5th place Winner 5-8:1 -Winner 5.8:2

5.7. Qualification for the Adult World Championships is played with continental tournaments. The model of the qualifications and the number of places will be based on the number of qualifying teams per continent. The system of the qualification will be decided by the RACC.

§ 6 PLAYING SYSTEM FOR U19 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (U19 WFC)

- 6.1. The U19 World Championships shall be played with qualifications and a final round.
- 6.2. The final round shall consist of 16 teams
- 6.3. The U19 WFC shall be played 4 groups of 4 teams each. The forming of the groups shall be decided in a ballot based on the final rankings of the previous Championships of the same category, where each group will be allotted two teams from each basket as follows:

Group A and B: Basket 1: Ranking 1-4



Basket 2: Ranking 5-8

Group C and D:

Basket 3: Ranking 9-12

Basket 4: Ranking 13-16

6.4. The continued play after the group matches shall be as follows (the exact numbering of the matches may differ for each event depending on the order of play in the final match schedule):

Semi-final 1: Winner of group A - 2nd of group B Semi-final 2: Winner of group B - 2nd of group A 3rd Place: Loser Semi - Loser Semi Final: Winner Semi - Winner Semi

- 6.5. A drawing of lots shall decide which team shall be the home team of the final and the bronze match.
- 6.6. Ranking matches for 5th to 15th place shall be played as follows:

Qualifying to top 8: 4^{th} group A - 1^{st} group D (Q1)

4th group B – 1st group C (Q2)

Match for 5th place: 3rd group A - 3rd group B
Match for 7th place: Winner Q1 - Winner Q2
Match for 9th place: Loser Q1 - Loser Q2
Match for 11th place: 2rd group C - 2rd group D
Match for 13th Place: 3rd group D - 3rd group C
Match for 15th Place: 4th group C - 4th group D

§ 7 GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR ADULT & U19 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 7.1. The matches within each group shall be organised so that each team play each other once.
- 7.2. In the group matches 2 points are awarded for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss
- 7.3. The ranking within a group shall be decided in the following order:
 - a) The total number of points.
 - b) If two or more teams have the same number of points the internal matches of the teams concerned, the internal goal difference included, if necessary, shall be decisive.
 - c) If the internal matches according to b) are not decisive, most scored goals internally shall be decisive.
 - d) If the ranking cannot be decided by the internal matches, the total goal difference of the teams concerned shall be decisive.
 - e) If the total goal difference is not decisive most scored goals of the teams concerned shall be decisive.
 - f) If most scored goals are not decisive a drawing of lot with the teams concerned shall settle the ranking unless the ranking concerns only the two teams playing a last round match deciding about promotion or relegation when extra time and, if needed, penalty shots shall decide the ranking.

The results of all matches versus a team which has missed a match or matches, and lost



- these by walk over 5-0, shall not have an effect on the final ranking between teams having ended up in the same amount of points, unless the team having missed the match or matches is itself involved.
- 7.4. All matches of the continued play after the group matches shall, when ending with a draw, be decided according to the IFF Rules of the Game concerning extra-time and, if necessary, penalty shots. This shall be valid also for qualifications involving two teams only playing two matches where the qualification, if a draw after two matches, shall be decided by extra time and possible penalty shots following directly after the second match.
- 7.5. The match schedule of a Championship shall be done such that there is least 2hrs 45mins between the start of matches being played on the same rink. In principle, a team that plays the last match of the day shall not play the first match the following day. A minimum of 3hrs should be allowed for matches that require a result and could be decided by extra time and penalty shots.
- 7.6. The organisers are entitled to request to the IFF RACC for changes in the timetable for reasons of television coverage. The teams shall be informed at a justified time before the start of the match concerned.
- 7.7. Teams are entitled to warm up at least 15 minutes on the rink before the start of a match.

§ 8 PLAYER'S OUTFITS

- 8.1. The player's outfit shall be according to the IFF Rules of the Game. The participating teams shall have one dark and one light coloured jersey. IFF may decide about further regulations regarding numbering, colours and advertisements on the player's outfit and equipment and the team official's outfit and equipment, to be in charge during the Championship.
- 8.2. Shirts should be the same colour on both front and back, and the main colour must be dominating. Visible parts of undershirts, undershorts, tights, and compression wear shall be of the same colour as the main colour of the match uniform shirt or the shorts. For leg wear black is also allowed.
- 8.3. In the final round of the Adult World Championships, players must have the surname written in the back of the player's shirt. The name must be written with clearly visible Latin letters, which are at least 80 mm high. Players with the same surname should be identified with the addition of the initial of their first name.
- 8.4. A player taking part of the Championship shall wear the same number throughout the whole competition. Changes due to unforeseen circumstances, such as damage to the uniform, or blood, may be allowed with the permission of the IFF / Jury.
- 8.5. If two teams have the same colour the IFF shall decide which team shall change.
- 8.6. All teams are required to present their two playing shirts (one light and one dark) for inspection at the First Technical Meeting of the event.

§ 9 ADVERTISEMENT RIGHTS

9.1. A team is entitled to have advertisements on the player's outfit, but shall leave space for possible IFF advertisement according to 9.2



9.2. IFF is entitled to have advertisements (10 x 15cm) on the player's outfit.

§ 10 PROTESTS

- 10.1. The IFF Rules and Competition Committee (RACC) shall act as the jury and decide in matters regarding protests during the Championship. Sanctions imposed by the Jury are final as far as the duration of the competition to which they apply is concerned.
- 10.2. When taking decisions, the valid IFF regulations are applicable.
- 10.3. The intention to protest shall be noted in the Match Record directly after the match and the protest shall be handed to the Jury within 60 minutes from the end of the match concerned.
- Protests concerning qualification of players shall be handed in before the start of the match concerned.
- 10.5. A protest must be written, signed, and accompanied by the amount of 100 CHF, which will be returned only if the protest is approved.

§ 11 ANTI-DOPING

- 11.1. All players using medication that is on the Prohibited List must have a valid Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) to participate in an IFF Championship.
- 11.2. TUE applications must be submitted to the IFF at least 30 days prior to the start of the event. Alternatively, a player may submit, no later than a NADO-approved TUE for confirmation by the IFF.
- 11.3. All doping matters during an IFF event shall be referred to the applicable deciding body, and all decisions will be based on the valid IFF regulations and the applicable IFF Anti-Doping regulations.
- 11.4. All players registered for participation in an IFF Event agree to undergo doping control testing. Refusal of a player to submit to doping test shall be considered as equivalent to a positive result.
- 11.5. In case of a positive doping test the player concerned shall be suspended during investigation. Any decision about punishment shall be taken after the investigation is over, according to the IFF Anti-Doping regulations.

§ 12 BETTING

- 12.1. It is prohibited for any athletes, and their entourage, from participating in all forms of, or support for, betting or gambling related to their own Floorball matches and Floorball competitions
- 12.2. It is prohibited to use any Inside Information for betting purposes, including disclosing Inside Information to any person (with or without reward) where the athlete might reasonably be expected to know that its disclosure could be used in relation to betting.
- 12.3. The use of electronic equipment in relation to one's own match/es is limited according to



- the information in Section 14 of this document.
- 12.4. Matches may be excluded from the betting offer of organisations under investigation or subject to sanctions for manipulations.
- 12.5. It is prohibited to bet on matches for minors (under 18 years old).
- 12.6. Sponsorship by betting operators of sports teams composed of minors (athletes under 18 years old) shall be prohibited.
- 12.7. Unauthorised betting types and formulas, following annual identification by a technical group of sport and betting experts will be determined by the IFF or Association. Betting operators will be requested not to offer these bets to punters.
- 12.8. To ensure an economic fair return from the betting operators, not only for the organisers of events, but also for the development of Floorball recognition of a "betting right" of an IFF event shall be agreed upon between the betting companies and the IFF, and for a national event between the betting companies and the National Association.
- 12.9. Sanctions for breaches of the betting regulations are according to the IFF Juridical Regulations Article 8 and 9.

§ 13 REFEREES

- 13.1. All matters concerning referees in IFF National Team competitions shall be dealt with by the IFF Referee Committee according to valid regulations and decisions.
- 13.2. All International matches between two national teams (Adults, U23, U19) shall be refereed by an international referee pair who shall be appointed by the IFF Referee Committee.
- 13.3. The Referees appointed shall be included on the IFF list of International Referees. In some events, the IFF Referee Committee may appoint referees from the IFF Referee Development Group
- 13.4. Appointments of referees in IFF events shall in principle be made at the earliest the day before a match.
- 13.5. Random financial audits for referees may be carried out as well as regular scrutiny of their on-court decisions.

§ 14 USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- 14.1. Participants' laptops, computers and similar devices and telecommunication tools including mobile phones and internet in the pre-defined restricted areas (including locker rooms) shall be turned off during the participants own matches.
- 14.2. For the purpose of statistics and player analysis only, tablets and other electronic devices may be used on team benches'.
- 14.3. Headsets may be used for communication between team staff within the competition venue. No communication connections with sources outside the competition venue are allowed during the time related to your match.



§ 15 INTEGRITY

- 15.1. The National Associations shall have regulations ensuring that they, and their clubs, fulfil their financial obligations towards their athletes and sports officials i.e. regular pay and good conditions for their professional athletes and sports officials (including referees).
- 15.2. Any person who is under prosecution for action including forgery, corruption, etc. or who has been convicted of a criminal offence within the last two years shall, to avoid conflicts of interest, not be allowed to be involved in the management of federations, clubs, associations, teams etc.
- 15.3. Random financial audits for National Associations as well as their Clubs may be carried out at any time to ensure transparency in their financial dealings.

§ 16 DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

- 16.1. The IFF Rules and Competition Committee (RACC) shall act as the jury and decide in matters regarding disciplinary matters during the Championship.
- 16.2. Sanctions imposed by the Jury are final as far as the duration of the competition to which they apply is concerned.
- 16.3. When a disciplinary matter is reported by any of the teams playing in a match or by the IFF, then the decision shall be made by the Event Disciplinary Function of the event.
- 16.4. A suspension decided by the Event Disciplinary function may not exceed 3 matches and applies only to matches in the said event.
- 16.5. When taking disciplinary decisions, the valid IFF regulations are applicable.
- 16.6. The report in a disciplinary matter shall be handed in latest 09:00 the morning after the match. The disciplinary function shall decide and inform of the decision no later than 15:00 the day after the match, or no later than 2hrs prior to the player's / team's next match in the event, whichever occurs first.
- 16.7. A disciplinary report handed in by a team must be written, signed, and accompanied by the amount of 500 CHF, which will be returned only if the decision is in favour of the reporting team. If the report refers to a video clip this shall be included in the report
- 16.8. When handling a disciplinary matter during an IFF event the IFF Disciplinary function may use video recording only if the recording is from is the official filming of the event, as defined by the IFF.
- 16.9. The Disciplinary function of the event will be comprised of representatives from the Jury, Referee management and IFF staff of the event.
- 16.10. All disciplinary matters which are not in the competence of the CB or the RACC of IFF shall be dealt with by the IFF Disciplinary Bodies



§ 17 WALK OVER

17.1. When a Walk Over (W.O) is at hand, meaning when a team does not line up to a match, the match is forfeited, and the opponent shall be considered having won the match with the result 5-0.

§ 18 CUPS AND MEDALS IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 18.1. A challenge cup shall be presented to the winning team to hold for one year. The holder shall be responsible for the loss or damage of the cup and shall bring it to the next Championship in perfect condition. The holder shall be responsible for engraving of its name according to the guidelines laid down by IFF.
- 18.2. A replica of the cup and 30 IFF Gold medals shall be awarded to the winning team.
- 18.3. The challenge cup shall become the final property of the team which wins the trophy three times in succession or a total of five times.
- 18.4. The runner-up shall receive a cup and 30 IFF Silver medals.
- 18.5. The 3rd placed team shall receive a cup and 30 IFF Bronze medals.
- 18.6. A maximum of an additional 10 medals (gold, silver, bronze) may be produced, the cost of which is the responsibility of the respective medal winning team.
- 18.7. The referees in the final shall be presented one IFF Gold medal each. The referees in the bronze match shall be presented one IFF Silver medal each.
- 18.8. Each participating player and team official in the teams placed 4th -16th, and referee shall be presented one IFF Memory medal each.

§ 19 THE RINK

19.1. The rink shall be according to the IFF Rules of the Game.

§ 20 PRACTICE SESSIONS DURING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 20.1. Teams are entitled to one practice session, of at least 45 minutes, in the competition venue, on the official training day, usually the day before their first official match in an event.
- 20.2. During the event, teams are entitled to practice for at least 60 minutes per day on a regulation playing area or a playing area of the same size as the competition arena. Where possible, the playing surface and rink should be the same as in the competition arena.
- 20.3. In Adult WFC, the cost of the official pre-event practice session plus one daily training session, including transport to/from the training, is the responsibility of the organiser.



- 20.4. In U19 WFC, the cost of the official pre-event practice session, including transport to/from the training, is the responsibility of the organiser. The costs for all other training sessions, including transport, is the responsibility of the teams.
- 20.5. Practice sessions shall be conducted according to the official practice schedule.
- 20.6. Teams shall bring their own balls and other training equipment to practice sessions.
- 20.7. The event organiser is responsible for ensuring that the training venue equipment (flooring, rink, goal cages) are prepared and in place for each training session.

§ 21 OFFCIAL MEETINGS

- 21.1. Immediately prior to the start of the tournament the Captain's & Technical meeting shall be held where the organising committee, the head of delegation of each team, the team captain, the head of referees and the IFF Jury shall be present.
- 21.2. A second technical meeting may be held after the group matches.
- 21.3. A third technical meeting may be held after the play-off matches.
- 21.4. The organisers are responsible for arranging the meeting rooms.
- 21.5. The heads of delegations shall attend other meetings scheduled by the Jury or the organising committee.
- 21.6. During an event, all meetings that IFF informs as Official Meetings, shall be compulsory for the participating teams.

§ 22 TICKETS

22.1. Participating Teams

- 22.1.1.Each participating team is entitled to, free of charge, a maximum of 30 tickets/reserved seats, in the form of accreditations, for the players and officials of the team. Only those on the Final team list will receive accreditation/reserved seats.
- 22.1.2.For Adult WFC these are valid for the time the team is playing in the Championships. The accreditation ends on the same day when the teams have played their last match in the competition.
- 22.1.3. For U19 WFC these are valid for the duration of the event.
- 22.1.4. The organiser of the Championship must reserve the needed number of reserved seats for all the participating teams for the group rounds. For the play-off rounds the organiser needs to reserve the same number of reserved seats equal to the number of teams still participating in the tournament.
- 22.1.5. For the Adult WFC, the participating teams are entitled to reserve and purchase tickets for the play-off phase of the tournament in the lowest price category, no later than three months prior to the start of the Championships. If a team, which has reserved and paid for tickets for the play-offs, would qualify for the play-offs, the organiser shall reimburse the price of the tickets.



22.2. Participating Associations

- 22.2.1.Each Member Association with a team participating in a Championship is entitled to a maximum of 5 tickets (2 VIP accreditations and 3 ordinary tickets) valid for the entire event, free of charge.
- 22.2.2. Each participating Member Association is entitled to purchase tickets.
- 22.2.3. The ticket quota of each participating member Association shall be fixed by IFF in consultation with the organiser, and shall be divided as follows:
 - a) For their own team's matches in the group
 - b) For matches played by other teams in the same group
 - c) For matches in other groups
 - d) For their own team's matches in continued play after group matches
 - e) For other matches in continued play after group matches

22.3. Associations attending the IFF General Assembly / Associations Meeting

Each Member Association, without a team taking part in the Championship, but attending the IFF General Assembly / Associations Meeting is entitled to 2 VIP accreditations for the Championships, valid only for the time defined in the specific meeting invitation/registration information.

§ 23 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

23.1. The CB and/or RACC of IFF shall take decisions on all matters not provided for in these Regulations, as well as in cases of "force majeure". Such decisions shall not be subject to appeal.

Development Committee Recommendations

The input that the seven MA have provided, as well as input from DevC, is listed below.

There are many elements and for IFF it is important to take these inputs into the further work and use this strategically.

It is also important to prioritize which areas are easy to implement and which will require too many resources at present.

In the feedback received, 3vs3 is mentioned and IFF should for sure use this tournament format, in order to attract new players/MA with this format, since its more accessible compared to the traditional floorball format.

The format 40x20m is a limitation, on a global level, most halls/arenas are built for courtside of basket and volley, IFF needs to address this and 3vs3 format can be a way!

For the IFF CB this could be as part of a workshop at a CB meeting

1. Accessibility and Awareness

Increase Global Visibility:

- Provide free access to live-streamed matches and highlights, especially in regions where floorball is not well known (Spain, Slovenia).
- Collaborate with local TV networks and online platforms like YouTube to broadcast key events like the WFC and Champions Cup.
- Engage influencers and social media personalities to promote floorball in developing countries (Spain, Slovenia).

• Targeted Promotion:

- Develop concise promotional materials (videos, guides) explaining floorball's benefits, especially compared to more established sports like ice hockey (Belgium). Can we reproduce material already used?
- Showcase floorball's appeal through engaging content tailored to various audiences (parents, schools, local governments).

2. Leverage Schools and Community Outreach

• School Demonstrations and Partnerships:

 Organize demonstrations in schools to quickly recruit new players These short, impactful demos can lead to immediate sign-ups.

- o Offer floorball starter kits to schools, especially where access to equipment is limited (Spain, Canada, Mexico).
- Have a database with drills with few balls for schools (youtube)
- Partnership with scholl sports organisation

Street Floorball and Public Events:

 Organize street floorball tournaments (3v3, simple setups) to expose the sport to new communities (Spain). Portable rinks and basic flooring can make the sport accessible in any neighborhood.

3. Financial and Logistical Support

Reduce Costs:

- Offer subsidies for equipment (sticks, balls, rinks) in countries where access is limited (Mexico, Canada, Israel). IFF could negotiate bulk deals with suppliers or offer grants. Shipping outside Europe is expensive, could IFF get a sponsordeal for this?
- Provide support for national teams through free refereeing services, assistance in finding opponents, and streamlining match organization (Liechtenstein).

• Infrastructure and Facilities:

 Collaborate with local governments and sports centers to secure more facility time for floorball (Israel, Belgium). Emphasize the sport's low cost compared to larger sports like hockey or basketball.

4. Resources and Collaboration

Create Centralized Resources:

- Develop a comprehensive database (e.g., Dropbox or IFF platform) with updated materials like refereeing guides, drills, and training videos (Canada).
 These should be easily customizable by national associations.
- o Offer shared resources such as a library of promotional materials, coaching tips, and successful event models (Canada).
- Offer a daily mail to coaches where there are a plan for drills for training, based on agegroup and level (with videoclips)

Mentorship and Knowledge Exchange:

- Establish mentorship programs where smaller federations are partnered with more established ones (Canada). This can foster knowledge sharing on organizing events, recruiting players, and building clubs.
- Encourage regular video conferences and seminars for under-3,000-member associations to share strategies and best practices (Canada, Mexico).

5. Modernizing Communication and Engagement

• Improve Social Media and Online Presence:

 The IFF should modernize its communication strategy with regular updates, interactive content, and a focus on community building. Ensure that news, not just about top-tier events but grassroots developments, is widely disseminated (Spain, Slovenia).

• Interactive Platforms:

 Build virtual communities where federations can discuss ideas, share success stories, and ask questions. Regular forum discussions or webinars could help strengthen the floorball network (Spain, Belgium).

6. Regional Cooperation and Olympic Movement Involvement

• Pan-American Confederation:

 Help establish regional confederations in the Americas (Central, North, South), as proposed by Mexico. These bodies could then work with local Olympic organizations to promote floorball and expand participation in regional events like the Pan-American Games.

By implementing these recommendations, the IFF can not only support federations in attracting new players but also help grow the sport sustainably across regions with varying levels of development.

APPENDIX 20a

Vientiane Capital Lao PDR 19 December 2024

Dear Sir /Mme

We in the Lao National Floorball Club/Federation are excited to present to you our application for membership of the International Floorball Federation. Floorball development has been going on and off for the past 10 years, after FIDA, a Finnish development work organization first introduced floorball at their youth center and several high schools in Savannakhet province. I know the IFF and Mr John Liljelund has been there visiting, and at a later time also held an official floorball introduction course at the National University of Laos sports programme.

As establishing anything formal in Laos is quite challenging and the center in Savannakhet was geographically far from the government offices in the capital Vientiane, covid and change of staff at the center, the process of establishing a Lao Floorball Federation slowed down and eventually came to a halt.

In 2023 IFF kindly a request from Mr. Emanuel Lakongseng and provided 50 beginners sticks and balls which were distributed to schools and sports clubs interested in floorball. Together with equipment previously collected from Sweden and Switzerland a street floorball tournament was arranged by the main entrance at one of the busiest malls in the country. The event was a success, and more schools and clubs have contacted us and want to start playing.

The Lao government offices responsible for sports (under Ministry of Education and Sports) encouraged us to present an application to form Lao Floorball Federation. A number of people who was involved in early floorball development in Savannakhet and at the National University of Laos were asked to join hands with us in this process. The Minister of Education and Sport approved our application in July 2024.

For 2025 we are continuing to enter into more schools and arrange with tournaments open to schools and sports clubs and work to spread the knowledge about floorball at events and online media in Laos. The two words we have set as mission for the period of 2025-2026 are Accessible and Attractive.

The Government of Laos still have high hopes that we will be able to send a team to join the SEA Games 2025 in Thailand. Through personal contacts we feel a big support from AOFC members as Thailand and Singapore, who have expressed their willingness to support us reaching this goal. A Lao team represented there would be of great value as we are looking build and expand our network of partners and sponsors from within the country and the region.

We are looking forward to cooperate with You on floorball development in Laos!

Best Regards,

Emanuel Lakongseng



IFF Membership Application

ARTICLE 12 IFF statutes APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP 12.1						
Membership application number						
An Association applying for membership shall address a written request (all documents in English) to this effect to the IFF. The application shall contain						
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	and address of the nalAssociation:					
	of The President of the National iation:					
1)	An open application letter(Attachment)					
2)	The plan of the National Association how to develop and promote Floorball in your country and what the situation is at the present time, what actions have been taken(Attachment)					
3)	Number of Clubs in your country?					
4)	Number of players/licensed players in your country Women Men					
5)	Which Edition of Floorball rules do you use in your games? 2022, 2018, 2014 or older					
6)	Have the rules been translated in your own language? If so, by who and when? Please send a copy of the translated rules to the IFF office.					





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Statutes and other regulations of the National Association
(All the registered associations need to have at least statutes to justify their work as a National Association. If other rules, regulations and guidelines exist, please attach those to the application as well)
Please note the IFF Statutes 13.1 : The Association can be a section of another Sports Federation which is a member of the National Sports Confederation.
Additional Information:



d)

Minutes from the foundation

(Attach the minutes of the founding meeting, that is the meeting, where it was decided to create and found the National Association and also to elect the official organs of the National Association)		
Additional Information:		
e)		
Registration documents from their National authorities and an approval from the National Sports Confederation.		
Do you have the registration from the National Authorities, if so, when did you receive it		
Do you have a registration from the NOC(National Olympic Committee?) If so, when did you receive it		
Do you have a registration from the National Sports Confederation, if so, when did you receive it		
Attach the copies of the registrations to the application		
(In some countries it's not possible to get the registration from the national Sports Confederation before the National Association fullfils certain criteria and if that's the case in your country, please inform the IFF about that in the member application and explain how the system works in your country. The registration of the national authorities is required in most of the countries, before the National Association gets official status)		





Additional Information if the registrations are not possible before applying the membership within the IFF:

After the member application has been sent

The IFF office will prepare the application to be handled by the IFF Central Board in itse next possible meeting if the application meets the requirement of the IFF. If not, the IFF will consult you with your application.

According to the IFF Statutes 12.2 §

A new member association shall be accepted first as a provisional member before becoming an ordinary member. The provisional Membership shall be granted by the IFF Central Board.

Appendix 21

Rule change process - today's schedule

Things marked in red is the parts that we want to adjust

Rule change process

The Rules of the Game are updated on a 4 year rotation.

The schedule for the next update, to be published in 2026 is as follows:

1. The normal process for changing the rules of the games

New rulebook is changed in a 4 years rotation. The following milestones is within this period:

October 2023

Request shall be sent to all member Associations and all persons in the IFF bodies urging them to send in proposals, with a priority list and in the format the game rules are written, with examples.

February 2024

Deadline for sending in proposals.

March 2024

Reference group meeting. Preparing a list of rules for testing and asking for test associations.

March-May 2024

In the period from March until May 2024 the Member Associations, IFF RC, IFF RACC and IFF Athletes Commission can provide feedback together with the office on the possible changes in the game rules that then the Reference Group is to propose.

The Reference Group shall consist of a responsible person from the RACC, representatives from the IFF office, a delegate from ATC and two national team coaches (Women's and Men's respectively).

15 April 2024

Deadline to apply as test Association

April/May 2024

CB-decision of test Associations

June 2024

Reference group preparing final proposal asking for feedback from member Associations, IFF RC, RACC and Athletes Commission on the changes that were made from the first in the book (deadline for feedback August 2024).

August 2024

Reference group give proposal to RACC of what changes that should be done in the rule book.

September 2024 to March 2025

Rule group start the work with formalising the text for the rule book

15 February 2025

Collection of test experiences.

February 2025

Reference Group evaluation of test/s

March 2025

Asking for feedback from IFF RC, RACC, IFF Office and Athletes Commission on the final book (deadline for feedback May 2025).

September 2025

IFF CB makes final decision after proposal from RACC and New IFF Rules of the Game is sent to all member Associations.

December 2025

RACC organizes a seminar for Interpretations of the Rules of the Game. All member Associations will be invited to participate on their own cost.

July 1, 2026

The new edition of the IFF Rules of the Game becomes valid

October 2027

Request shall be sent to all member Associations and all persons in the IFF bodies urging them to send in proposals, with a priority list and in the format the game rules are written, with examples.

2. The handling of important exceptions

The IFF shall always have the possibility to make necessary changes of rules/interpretations.

Proposals shall come from RACC to IFF CB. Every second year the Reference Group is making a check of the rule book in total for making necessary changes due to handle unforeseen changes of the game.

The IFF shall be the only official organisation who decides about the Rules and Interpretations of the Game. This will preserve the consistency and continuity in the world of Floorball.

The IFF RACC must have the competencies and act as an international information center for Rules and Interpretations.

Testing new rules is possible if IFF CB gives an Association or an organiser of a tournament permission to do so. There can be exceptions from the rules within certain limits (rule in 2022 edition).

New timeline proposal to the CB-meeting 2025-02-02

Proposal to adjust the timeline for the book 2026 and later Rule Group will come back with a proposal for a new full schedule for the rule book 2030 that fits the work better since we can see that we can make it better for all stakeholders

September 2024 to June 2025

Rule group start the work with formalising the text for the rule book and producing a first draft of the final book.

15 May 2025 (in order to have a full testing season according to the playing year 1 July to 30 of June the year after) Collection of test experiences.

May 2025

Reference Group evaluation of test/s

<mark>July</mark> 2025

Asking for feedback from IFF RC, RACC, IFF Office and

Athletes Commission on the first draft of the final book (deadline for feedback September 2025).

Oktober/November 2025

Reference Group evaluation and Rule group to present the final proposal of the new Rules of the game

December 2025*

IFF CB makes final decision after proposal from RACC and New IFF Rules of the Game is sent to all member Associations.

*With the new technique (AI, translations programs etc) the need for a very long period before the NA:s get the book isn't necessary anymore. There is enough time to produce new Rule Book and referee educations.

January/February 2025

RACC organises** information seminar/s for Interpretations of the new Rules of the Game book.

**Rule Group is the ones holding the seminars using teams since the 'old style' with having face to face seminars no longer are necessary. This also gives us the possibility to have follow up meetings/seminars.

July 1, 2026

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October 2027

Request shall be sent to all member Associations and all persons in the IFF bodies urging them to send in pro-posals, with a priority list and in the format the game rules are written, with examples***

***Possible change in the new timeline which Rule Group will propose later for the Rule book 2030

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