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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Scope of Application

The present EHF Beach Handball Younger Age Categories (YAC) EURO Regulations (“Beach YAC EURO Regulations”) shall govern the rights, duties and responsibilities of all parties participating and involved in the preparation and organisation of the following competition organised by the European Handball Federation (EHF) pursuant to Articles 1.2 and 11.1.8 of the EHF Statutes:

- The Men’s and Women’s EHF Beach Handball YAC17 EURO

Hereinafter referred to as “**Beach YAC EURO**” (the singular includes the plural and vice versa).

The EHF YAC EURO Regulations shall apply exclusively to any queries or issues that may arise and are not explicitly addressed in the present Beach YAC EURO Regulations. The EHF is entitled to change and/or adapt the format of EHF competitions (including but not limited to the playing system, playing periods, throw-off times etc.) before and/or during ongoing seasons. The EHF may employ this right in the matter of exceptional circumstances (such as acts, events, omissions or accidents beyond the reasonable control of a party including, without limitation, a labour dispute, pandemic, accident, fire, flood, riot or civil commotion, act of public enemy, legal enactment, government act , among others of the same severity/impact).

Fair Play

The guiding philosophy of beach handball is founded upon the principle of "fair play" and its constituent elements. As such, all decisions arising from the game must align with ethical values, and the conduct of all parties involved should reflect this ethos. Therefore, it is expected that all participants adhere to the following:

- Observe the IHF Rules of the Game and the EHF regulations governing the competition

- Respect all participants (players, officials, spectators, media representatives, etc).
- Promote the spirit of sportsmanship and pursue the cultural mission.

II. COMPETITIONS

Rhythm and Dates

- 2.1. The Beach YAC EURO takes place yearly for each gender category in connection with the Youth Olympic Games and the YAC World Championships. The Beach YAC EURO consists of a preliminary round and a final round.
- 2.2. The Beach YAC EURO
- 2.3. Playing schedules are fixed for both categories after the number of participating teams has been determined.
- 2.4. The playing modus in the preliminary round is geared to the number of participating teams.

Medals and Prize Money

- 2.5. Winners (places 1 to 3)

The teams that secure the top three positions in each gender category shall be entitled to receive medals for up to 12 players and remaining officials (up to a maximum of 16) in the following order:

First place - European Champion	gold
Second place	silver
Third place	bronze

- 2.6. All-star Team

During the awarding ceremony for each gender, the Most Valuable Player (MVP), best goalkeeper, best defender, top tournament scorer, and the Fair Play team will be recognized, respectively, for each category.

2.7. Prize money

Following the decision of EHF Executive Committee and based on the beach handball underlying philosophy, no prize money will be awarded.

2.8. Participants

All non-awarded teams as well as the appointed EHF officials, referees and members of the organising committee shall receive commemorative medals.

2.9. EHF Office

One complete set of medals shall be provided for the EHF Office.

III. ORGANISATION

Application for Organisation

3.1. Upon request of the EHF, all EHF Member Federations and current Beach YAC EURO organisers are invited to apply to organise the next Beach YAC EURO. All applications shall be based on the applicable regulations and bid documents for the Beach YAC EURO.

3.2. In addition to the individual presentation of the venue/surroundings (brochures, hotel information, culture, description, video, etc.) each application shall consist of the following documents:

- Agreement to conform to relevant conditions and adherence to all relevant regulations of IHF and EHF.
- EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping
- General information on the event area (map, beach, village, new concepts, etc.)
- Signed declaration of a host broadcaster to produce a TV satellite signal (obligatory for semi-finals and finals / optional for other matches)
- Confirmation of live streaming obligatory on the main court
- Financial frameworks (event budget plan)

- 3.3. After consideration of all applications, the EHF Executive Committee shall award an applicant with the organisation right of the respective Beach YAC EURO. The organisation framework and accompanying activities that maximise the efforts of event promotion are to be regarded as important criteria for being awarded with the organisation of the Beach YAC EURO.

Venues

- 3.4. After the awarding of the organisation right for the Beach YAC EURO by the EHF Executive Committee, the playing venue(s) shall be fixed by the selected organiser in agreement with the EHF.
- 3.5. All matters relating to the organisation have to be dealt with and approved by the EHF.

Right of Participation – Basis for Entries

- 3.6. Teams ranked first (1st) to sixteenth (16th) according to the official EHF Beach Handball ranking list are entitled to register for and participate in the corresponding Beach YAC EURO. The EHF Beach Handball ranking list shall also be used to define substitute teams, if needed.
- 3.7. All entries must adhere to the Beach YAC EURO Regulations, as well as the application information for the event, which serve as the foundation for all submissions.

Registration

- 3.8. Entries for the Beach YAC EURO shall be submitted to the EHF Office within the deadline fixed in the announcement. Each team must indicate their agreement to comply with the conditions and regulations governing the Beach YAC EURO by signing the entry form. Along with the entry form, a registration fee of €500 (five hundred Euro) per team and a participation deposit of €1,000 (one thousand Euro) per category (which will be held as a security deposit) shall be debited from the respective national Federation's EHF account.

Preliminary Round

- 3.9. Related to the number of entries, the playing schedule will be fixed, and the participants will be drawn to the respective groups accordingly. The draw shall be based on the nation's ranking for beach handball per gender and shall be carried out by the EHF.

The organiser may choose its group after the draw but will remain on the respective position defined by the ranking.

Final Round

- 3.10. Based on the results of the preliminary round, a final round will be played in both categories. The playing schedule for the Beach YAC EURO will be published after the number of participating teams is fixed.

Withdrawal, Failure to Compete

- 3.11. In any case of withdrawal or failure to compete, the entry fee shall be forfeited, and sanctions may be imposed by the EHF in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations and the EHF List of Penalties shall be applied.
- 3.12. In case of withdrawal before the start of the Beach YAC EURO, the first substitute team will take the place of the withdrawing team.
- 3.15. If a team withdraws during the tournament, the EHF may nominate the highest ranked team that did not advance to the next round as a substitute nation to take the place of the withdrawing team.

IV. FINANCES

Costs to be borne by the Participants

Travel Costs

- 4.1. The participating team is responsible for covering the travel expenses of its entire delegation.

Visa Costs

- 4.2. All costs arising from the procurement of visas shall be borne by the participants.

Daily rate

- 4.3. For the board, lodging and local transport of the delegations at the Beach YAC EURO venue for up to sixteen (16) member or less, each Federation must pay a daily rate to the Host Federation.

- 4.4. The daily rate for the sixteen (16) delegation members is announced to the Federations by the Host Federation during the bidding process.
- 4.5. Such rate must be paid to the EHF account within the deadline duly communicated to the participating Federations.
- 4.6. The number of days is the basis for the calculation of the global rate per delegation. The total is calculated from 12pm (noon) on the day of arrival at the venue (the day prior to the first match day at the earliest) to 12pm (noon) on the day of departure (the day after to the last match day at the latest). The day of arrival and of departure are calculated as one (1) day when charging the daily rate (additional meals such as breakfast on the arrival day and lunch on the departure day must be paid separately).
- 4.7. The board, lodging and local transport for additional delegation members can be organised by the Host Federation upon request and payment by the respective Federation of a daily rate within the deadline communicated by the EHF. The daily rate for the additional delegation members is agreed upon by the EHF and the Host Federation. The daily rate for the additional delegation members must be paid directly to the Host Federation account.

Additional days of stays/ Additional persons

- 4.8. If agreed by the EHF and the Host Federation, a delegation may arrive before the Beach YAC EURO and/or leave after the event a few days after the planned dates.
- 4.9. All costs and expenses related to those additional days at the venue must be borne by the respective Federation. The daily rate per delegation member for each additional day agreed upon by the EHF and the Host Federation is communicated in due time to the Federations by the Host Federation and must be paid within the deadline set forth by the latter.

EHF support

- 4.10. The EHF will support each National Federations with €2,400 (two thousand, four hundred Euro) for a maximum of up to 12 (twelve) players per team. If a team is composed of less than 12 (twelve) players, €200 (two hundred Euros) per player shall be deducted.

Accident and Health Insurance

4.11. Federations participating in the Beach YAC EURO shall arrange, at their own expense, accident and health insurance for all members of their delegations, including officials, technical staff and players. The organiser and the EHF shall not be held responsible for accidents or illness. Accident and health insurance coverage for appointed EHF officials and referees is arranged by EHF for the duration of their assignment.

Costs to be borne by the Organiser

Costs in the Host Country

4.12. All expenses incurred in the host country in connection with the staging and organisation of the Beach YAC EURO shall be borne by the Host Federation. This includes (without limitation) event area, local organisation, info system, match scouting, music, speaker, accompanying events, gold, silver, bronze and commemorative medals, suitably equipped EHF Office, among others.

Accommodation and Travel (EHF Officials)

4.13. Accommodation costs (including full board), daily allowances (€60 per person per day including travel days), match day compensation for referees and delegates (€50 per person per match day), travel & transfer for the EHF Officials (as well as for the OC staff) shall be borne by the organiser. Inspection expenses for travel, transfer, daily allowances, accommodation, and board for the EHF Officials shall be borne by the organiser.

4.14. Travel, transfer, accommodation and full board for EHF Officials will be arranged in cooperation between the EHF and the organiser.

Local Transport

4.15. Local transport (hotel/venue + return) for the participating teams and all EHF Officials (representatives, delegates, referees, honorary guests, office staff members, etc.) shall be provided by the organiser accordingly (shuttle bus system) free of charge.

Equipment Provided by the EHF

4.16. Transport and customs costs of beach handball equipment provided by the EHF.

TV/Live Streaming Production

4.17. The organiser shall guarantee the following obligatory minimum requirements for the TV (optional) and live streaming production:

a. Live streaming minimum requirements:

- Camera Setup (main court): 3 Cameras (1x main camera, 1x close-up, 1x hand-held camera) and (all the other courts): 1 main camera
- 2-Mbit broadband line cable internet connection
- International graphics showing at least the score and time, or the scoreboard picture embed in the streaming signal (graphics to be provided by the EHF)

b. TV signal minimum requirements:

- A minimum of three (3) cameras on the main court
- International graphics showing at least the score and time (graphics to be provided by the EHF), international sound, uplink and satellite space
- Outside Broadcasting (OB) van

Third Party Liability Insurance

4.18. The organiser shall conclude an event/third party liability insurance agreement for the duration of the Event (including set-up and dismantling period).

Costs to be borne by the EHF

Within the frame of the tournament, the following costs shall be covered by the EHF:

4.19. The Championship plates for both gender categories.

4.20. Costs arising for the EHF internal preparation and organisation.

4.21. Costs for materials provided by the EHF (playing balls, line systems and goals).

Event Concept

- 4.22. The Beach YAC EURO shall be organised as a premier competitive tournament complemented by varied activities catering to all parties engaged, including but not limited to onlookers, media personnel, participants, and accompanying individuals.
- 4.23. The organiser is obliged to prepare entertainment areas for children.

Event Area and Infrastructure at the Venue

- 4.24. The event area and the infrastructure at the venue shall be set up in accordance with the requirements as outlined in the documents provided by the EHF for the Beach YAC EURO.

V. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 5.1. The EHF shall have the sole right to award television broadcasting rights, radio broadcasting rights, film rights (including video recording) and advertising rights for the Beach YAC EURO.
- 5.2. The EHF holds all international audio-visual rights for the Beach YAC EURO (secondary and tertiary rights). The primary rights remain with the organiser.
- 5.3. The general advertising rights remain with the EHF.
- 5.4. Advertising rights for the shirts of referees, multimedia rights (Internet, DVD, CD-ROM, etc.) for the Beach YAC EURO remain solely with the EHF.
- 5.5. The EHF is granted the permission to utilize already existing television footage, free of cost, for creating and airing a magazine/programme at a future date, under the utilization of secondary rights.

Guarantees by the National Federation/Organiser

- 5.6. The organiser guarantees the obligatory live streaming of all matches from all courts (conforming to the minimum requirements) as outlined hereinabove by Article 4.17.a.

Video Recordings

- 5.7. Pending express request and authorisation by the EHF, all teams shall be permitted to make video recordings for teaching and training purposes only. Individuals seeking to record matches but fail to present an EHF-issued permit must be instructed to vacate the event premises. On account of the organisation plan of the event area, restrictions for carrying out video recordings may be imposed upon agreement with the EHF.
- 5.8. Video recordings may be made by a single individual (a member of the delegation) using a single camera. These video recordings are to be exhibited exclusively in private to the relevant teams for tactical study purposes only and must not be utilized for commercial purposes.
- 5.9. During the Beach YAC EURO the organiser shall provide the EHF, free of charge, with video recordings of all matches within the end of each tournament day.
- 5.10. After the conclusion of the Beach YAC EURO, the organiser shall provide the EHF, free of charge, with video recordings of all matches on a hard disc.

VI. PARTICIPATING PERSONS

Players (Entries and Active Participation)

Beach YAC EURO Entries

- 6.1. The teams must deliver a preliminary delegation list via email no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the beginning of the tournament. This list shall contain a maximum of twenty-eight (28) players and six (6) officials. All relevant data must be correctly recorded. The list shall be in electronic format and the provided data sheet must be used. All conventions concerning completion (how the date is written, etc.) must be adhered to.
- 6.2. The final delegation list for up to fourteen (14) players and six (6) officials (function to be stated) must be submitted one (1) week before to the first competition day at the latest including with express mention of the final jersey numbers. Only players previously registered via the preliminary delegation list will be accepted on the final squad list.

a. Officials

Surname, name, date of birth, function within the delegation.

b. Players

Player number, surname, name, date of birth, club, height, weight, number of international matches.

6.3. During the technical meeting held one day prior to the start of the competition, teams are required to declare twelve (12) out of fourteen (14) players and six (6) out of four (4) officials from the final delegation list who will participate in the event. Players and officials may be substituted with a maximum of two (2) changes at any point during the competition, with substituted players or officials being allowed to re-join the squad at a later stage, provided that the maximum number of changes is not exceeded.

6.4. The final jersey numbers cannot be changed.

Late Registration

6.5. If a team has nominated less than 14 players, it may nominate one additional player (from the preliminary list) during the tournament. This registration has to be conducted one (1) hour prior to the respective match at the latest, including presentation of the player's passport/ID to the EHF delegate responsible for the match.

Nationality

6.6. Matches in connection with a Beach YAC EURO are carried out as international matches. Players participating in a Beach YAC EURO must therefore be in possession of the citizenship of the respective nation. Proof of nationality has to be given by presenting the passport or the proof of citizenship status (presentation of copies of ID cards or passports will not be allowed; only original documents shall be presented at the technical meeting). In addition, every player participating in a Beach YAC EURO shall be eligible to play for the country in accordance with the IHF regulations.

Eligibility to Participate

- 6.7. Players not registered correctly by the announced deadline shall not be eligible to participate in the tournament.

Participation of a Suspended Player and/or not Eligible to Participate

- 6.8. Participation of a suspended player will result in a loss of the match, however, with a minimum of 0:2 points, 0:2 periods, 0:10 goal points. A monetary fine may be imposed by the competent bodies.

EHF Officials

- 6.9. EHF Officials are representatives, delegates, referees, office staff members as well as any other persons nominated by the EHF.

Nomination

- 6.10. The referees and delegates for a Beach YAC EURO will be nominated by the EHF and all costs (travel, accommodation, board, daily allowances, etc.) shall be borne by the organiser pursuant to Article 4.13 above. The nominations will be forwarded to the federations concerned in due time.

Scope of Duties of EHF Delegates

- 6.11. The main duty of EHF delegates is to safeguard a proper conduct of the match. The safety of players, officials, media representatives and spectators must be ensured. Appropriate safety measures must be taken whereby the EHF Rules on Safety and Security Procedure shall apply.
- 6.12. The EHF delegate should attempt to avoid any protests in connection to the matches. The responsibility on the playing field shall always be assigned solely to the referees. However, wherever a difficult situation arises, the EHF delegate shall, if necessary, recommend an interruption of the match, the referees and point out a mistake made by the referees, which may result in a protest. Mistakes in this context are mistakes which do not refer to fact decisions of the referees. When on duty, the EHF delegate shall carry with her/him the respective EHF Regulations as well as the IHF Rules of the Game for Beach Handball. In case the referees decline the delegate's advice, a report shall be filed by the appointed delegate.

6.13. During a match, the nominated delegate shall be seated at the officials' table (close to the timekeeper) to assure a good view of the substitution area at all times and to be able to intervene if necessary.

6.14. The EHF delegate shall ensure that those involved in Beach YAC EURO matches only wear advertisement on their sports and training clothing that is in compliance with the EHF Regulations for Advertising on Clothing (when in doubt, the match must proceed as scheduled and the Disciplinary Commission (DC) must be notified.). The same applies in case of a violation of any IHF specification on clothing and players' equipment.

VII. TECHNICAL MATTERS

Match Organisation

Matches

7.1. The Beach YAC EURO shall be played in accordance with the most recently updated version of the IHF Rules of the Game.

Timekeeping, Scorekeeper

7.2. The playing courts for all matches related to Beach YAC EURO shall be equipped with electronic timekeeping and scoring devices which can be read without difficulties (by the teams, the spectators, the timekeeper, the officials) specific for outdoor sports and be operated from the timekeeper's/scorekeeper's table. This is the official timekeeping and score taking apparatus and must be in full working order.

Reserve Clock

7.3. In reserve, a large clock (approx. 25cm in diameter) with minutes and seconds must be available at each timekeeper's/scorekeeper's table as well as a manual scoreboard.

Responsibility

- 7.4. The timekeepers, secretaries, and event presenter/speaker (main court) shall be appointed by the organiser and all costs (travel, accommodation, board, daily allowances, etc.) shall be borne by the organiser. The EHF may appoint one or more delegates/representatives for each match.
- 7.5. For the Team Time Out (TTO), the timekeeper shall hold at least two green cards showing the capital letter "T" at her/his disposal. These shall be handed to the responsible member of the respective team at the beginning of each half-time. To formally request a TTO, the TTO card must be clearly displayed in the air and subsequently placed in the sand within the designated substitution area. It is imperative to ensure that this action is taken only after receiving official confirmation of the TTO status, which can be easily observed from the timekeepers table located outside the middle of the sideline.
- 7.6. A sufficient number of orange cards showing the numeral "1" (for suspension) and red cards showing the numeral "2" (for disqualification), shall be available at the timekeeper's table.

Match Report

- 7.7. In accordance with the registration at the technical meeting (as per Article 6.2.), the EHF, in cooperation with the local organiser, shall prepare the match reports with the player names (maximum 12) and the officials (maximum 4) nominated for the competition. In the event that the teams have more than ten (10) players and two (2) officials listed on the final squad, it is required that one (1) or two (2) officials and one (1) or two (2) players be removed from the match report. This action must be completed thirty (30) minutes prior to the commencement of the match.
- 7.8. The responsible team official must sign the match report and provide it to the respective delegate. The team official bears sole responsibility for the accuracy of the numbers and names listed on the match report. In the event that a player sustains an injury and has already signed the match report, it is not permissible to substitute them for the corresponding match.

Sport Information Centre

- 7.9. A Sport Information Centre equipped with a large information board accessible for teams and collection possibilities for result bulletins, etc. shall be established close to the EHF Office by the local organiser.
- 7.10. All information (results, notices, change of playing time, events, meetings, common activities, etc.) related to the Beach YAC EURO to be provided via the Sport Information Centre and the information desks in the official teams' hotels. These designated information points serve as the formal method for disseminating official information.
- 7.11. It is mandatory for the teams to regularly inspect the EHF website and the designated information points in order to remain informed of any new updates.

Playing Courts and Balls

Playing Courts

- 7.12. The Beach YAC EURO matches shall be played on playing areas measuring 27 x 12 meters. The playing sites will be inspected for compliance with the rules in due time prior to the competition, by an EHF delegate.

Playing Balls

- 7.13. The EHF will provide a sufficient number of match and training balls.

Substitution Area

- 7.14. During the matches, only the substitute, suspended players, and two (2) officials of each team are allowed to remain in the substitution area.
- 7.15. In all other related aspects, the substitution area regulations of the IHF shall apply.

Clothing

- 7.16. As regards clothing requirements, reference is made to the applicable IHF Beach Handball Rules of the Game – Athlete Uniform Regulations (p. 54 ff.).
- 7.17. During severe weather conditions, players will be allowed to use a cold weather uniform, which is composed of a close fit shirt with long or short sleeves and/or fit full-length trousers (to the ankle). The decision to allow players to wear such uniforms is taken by the Tournament Management.
- 7.18. The team must have four (4) sets of playing clothes in different colours for their players (court players and goalkeepers/specialists). In case of multi-coloured shirts, only one of the colours - and not the main colour - may be repeated in the other set of clothing. Players must wear clearly legible numbers, which should range from 1 to 99. The athlete's number (of approx. 12x10 centimetres) must be placed on the front and back of the men's tank tops and the women's body fit tank tops. This information must be printed in a contrasting colour to that of the tank top / body fit tank top (i.e. light on a dark tank top / body fit tank top, dark on a light tank top / body fit tank top).
- 7.19. The specialists (goalkeepers) shall wear a complementary colour.
- 7.20. For the duration of the entire competition, the jersey numbers as presented in the final squad list at the technical meeting must be kept for the entire tournament; therefore, all sets of shirts must include the same numbers
- 7.21. In accordance with the regulations, photographs, devoid of any graphics, of the playing kits must be presented to the EHF Office for advance approval no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the start of the tournament.
- 7.22. No exceptions to the team equipment rules will be accepted even upon presentation of a medical certificate.

7.23. Any playing kits that do not conform to the regulations set forth in the IHF BH Rules of the Game will be deemed ineligible. In case of violations in connection with playing kits, such as, without limitation, change of numbers after the applicable deadline or use of an ineligible kit, sanctions may be imposed in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations.

Change of Clothing

7.24. Should the referees determine that the attire of both teams may result in confusion, the team listed second in the match schedule must modify their clothing to prevent any confusion. This determination will be made directly by the officials at the court prior to the start of the match. As a result, it is mandatory for all teams to have all four sets of clothing available for each match. Failure to comply will result in a report being filed by the designated delegate and a penalty may be imposed by the competent legal body.

7.25. The abovementioned rule shall apply if a request of this kind is made by the TV production staff.

Advertising on Players' Clothing

7.26. Advertising is allowed on players' match and training clothing. The OC shall inform the teams of eventual local law restrictions respective to advertising (e.g. tobacco, betting companies etc.) upon registration of the teams.

7.27. Advertising related to drugs, pornography or spirits is strictly prohibited on the players' kits.

7.28. The provisions laid down in the IHF Rules of the Game and in the "Regulations on Advertising on Clothing" form an integral part of the present Regulations.

Match System

7.29. The Beach YAC EURO shall be played in the form of a tournament. It shall consist of a preliminary round and a final round at the same venue. The playing schedule will be defined based on the number of entries.

Final Round

7.30. Based on the results of the preliminary round, a final round will be played in both gender categories.

Definitive Schedule

7.31. The EHF shall provide the definitive match schedule together with the playing times for the competition in cooperation with the organiser. The decision of the EHF is final; the playing schedule will be submitted after participating teams are determined.

Ranking

7.32. All matches shall consist of two 10-minute parts with a five-minute half-time break, including change of ends, pursuant to the official IHF Rules of the Game for Beach Handball.

Points are awarded as follows:

- a. win 2 points
- b. loss 0 points

Periods are defined / awarded as follows:

First half: win 1 period
 loss 0 periods

Second half: win 1 period
 loss 0 periods

Shoot-out: win 1 period
 loss 0 periods

Goal points are awarded according to the official IHF Rules of the Game for Beach Handball.

7.33. Teams are ranked by adding the points gathered.

7.34. If, after completion of the group matches, two or more teams have gained the same number of points, the following ranking system will apply:

- a. results in points between the teams concerned
- b. period difference in the matches between the teams concerned
- c. goal point difference in the matches between the teams concerned

d. greater number of plus goal points in the matches between the teams concerned

7.35. If a tie should remain, the following system is used to decide between these teams, provided that the contested place is not the last place within the group:

- a. period difference is subtracted in all matches.
- b. greater number of plus periods in all matches.
- c. goal point difference is subtracted in all matches
- d. greater number of plus goal points in all matches.

7.36. If a ranking is still not possible, a draw shall decide. The EHF will conduct the draw, if feasible, in the attendance of the individuals who are responsible for the respective teams.

Transmission of Results

7.37. It is the daily duty of the organiser to provide all results (final result, first period, spectators, etc.) as well as any other news (match schedule for the next day, etc.) to the Sport Information Centre at the end of the match day (at the latest).

7.38. Tables displaying the results subsequent to the conclusion of matches in a round or group are authorized for publication solely upon approval by the EHF.

VIII. LEGAL PROCEDURES — PROTESTS/DISCIPLINARY

EHF Legal Regulations

- 8.1. The provisions of the EHF Legal Regulations, the EHF List of Penalties and the EHF Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions apply to all legal matters including procedural aspects and disciplinary offences committed by the teams, delegations, individuals and/or EHF Officials at the Beach YAC EURO unless stipulated otherwise in the present chapter.

Competent Bodies

Jurisdiction

- 8.2. Under the provisions defined in the present chapter, the Disciplinary Commission and the Jury are responsible for disciplinary adjudication, punishing violations of applicable regulations including those of an administrative nature falling within the scope of Article 21 of the EHF Legal Regulations, settling dispute including protests and deciding upon any other issues arising from the Beach YAC EURO.

Disciplinary Commission

- 8.3. The Disciplinary Commission is responsible as the ad-hoc body of first instance.
- 8.4. The Disciplinary Commission is composed of EHF delegates nominated to the Beach YAC EURO.

Jury

- 8.5. The Jury is responsible as the ad-hoc body of second instance. It is the highest EHF legal body at the Beach YAC EURO.
- 8.6. The Jury consists of the EHF Court of Appeal acting as an ad hoc body.
- 8.7. Any decision taken by the Disciplinary Commission according to the aforementioned provisions may be appealed to the Jury.

Regulations Infringements/Disciplinary Matters

8.8. Delegation members (including players and team officials) and EHF Officials agree to comply in full with the present Beach YAC EURO Regulations as well as all applicable regulations.

They must notably:

- respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and behave accordingly
- refrain from any activity that endangers the integrity of the Beach YAC EURO and brings the sport of handball into disrepute
- refrain from anti-doping violations as defined in the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping
- observe the EHF Codes of Conduct

8.9. If deemed appropriate by the EHF to ensure the proper running of the Beach YAC EURO and/or the respect of the applicable regulations during the Beach YAC EURO, violations of the present Beach YAC EURO Regulations and/or any other EHF regulations applicable to the Beach YAC EURO, by any team, delegation, individual and/or EHF Official are examined, decided upon and sanctioned by the Disciplinary Commission and the Jury (in appeal) following an express procedure. For the avoidance of doubt, the present dispositions also apply to direct disqualifications.

8.10. The Member Federations of the respective delegations or teams, individuals and/or the EHF Officials against whom the proceedings are initiated, must have the possibility of providing a statement of defence.

8.11. In such cases, the deadlines applicable to protests are not applicable and shall be defined by the competent legal body within the course of the proceedings.

8.12. The carrying out of legal/disciplinary proceedings as defined herein is independent of any reporting obligations.

Protests

Definition

8.13. Under the present chapter, the term “protest” shall refer to any match-related claim which may potentially affect the outcome of an Beach YAC EURO match.

Exclusion of Protests

8.14. With regard to any and all Beach YAC EURO matches, protests shall not be permitted when relating to:

- a) Date, time, venue and draw of the matches

- b) Nomination of referees and delegates

- c) Referees’ decisions on facts in accordance with the IHF Rules of the Game, including those based on EHF delegate’s recommendations.

Procedure

8.15. Protests shall be announced verbally to the EHF delegate of the respective match immediately after the end of the match. The reasons for the protests shall be submitted in writing and in English to the EHF office within thirty (30) minutes after the end of the respective match.

8.16. Moreover, a protest fee of €400 shall be paid by the claimant to the EHF. This amount shall be paid directly to the EHF delegate or transferred to the EHF bank account at the over simultaneously to the submission of the claim. A written proof of payment of the protest fee within the defined deadline shall be deemed sufficient.

8.17. If the protest is fully granted, the protest fee is refunded to the claimant; otherwise it is forfeited to the credit of the EHF.

8.18. The deadlines and fees for protests apply equally for any additional information submitted in connection with the Beach YAC EURO.

8.19. The Disciplinary Commission takes a decision by simple majority. Cases related to of suspension and/or disqualification of players or teams may be decided according to the relevant regulations; the Decision of the EHF Disciplinary Commission shall be announced to the parties at least one hour prior to the next match of the party(ies) involved.

Appeals

8.20. Unless otherwise provided in the decision of the Disciplinary Commission, an appeal against a decision of the Disciplinary Commission shall be received by the EHF Office in writing no later than 20:00hrs local time the same day the Disciplinary Commission Decision is communicated to the parties.

8.21. Additionally, an appeal fee of €1,000 shall be paid by the appellant to the EHF. This amount shall be paid directly to the EHF delegate or transferred to the EHF bank account at simultaneously to the submission of the appeal. A written proof of payment of the appeal fee in the defined deadline shall be deemed sufficient.

8.22. If the appeal is fully granted, the fee shall be refunded; otherwise the appeal fee is forfeited to the credit of the EHF.

8.23. Such an appeal request is transferred to the Jury. The Jury makes a decision by simple majority following an express procedure. Such a decision is announced to the relevant parties.

8.24. Appeals during the BEACH YAC EURO shall not suspend the effect of any decision of body of first instance (taken by the Disciplinary Commission as a first instance body.)

Eligibility to Play

8.25. The submission of protests concerning eligibility to play is not subject to any mandatory deadline.

European Handball Court of Arbitration (ECA)

8.26. Any issue decided upon by the Jury may be brought by any of the relevant parties before the ECA. The ECA Rules of Arbitration apply.

8.27. The initiation of proceedings before the ECA on a specific issue does not suspend the implementation of the decision taken by the Jury on such an issue, unless decided otherwise by the ECA in accordance with the ECA Rules of Arbitration.

Arising Costs

8.28. In principle, the costs for personnel and material arising from the activities of the Disciplinary Commission and the Jury shall be charged in connection with the procedure. Rules governing the apportionment and payment of costs related to the EHF bodies' legal proceedings by and between the parties are stated in Article 48 of the EHF Legal Regulations.

Exclusion of Liability

8.29. The EHF shall not be liable for any third-party liability claims arising from the execution of single matches or any other events in connection with the Beach YAC EURO.

IX. ANTI-DOPING

Doping Control

- 9.1. Doping controls may take place before, during and after each Beach YAC EURO in accordance with the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping. Pursuant to applicable regulations, participating teams of the event are required to complete and submit the official "whereabouts" forms to both the EHF and the EHF Anti-Doping Official/Unit (EAU) upon registration. The participating Member Federations must keep the "whereabouts" forms up-to-date and inform the EHF and the EHF Anti-Doping Official/Unit (EAU) of any changes prior to and during the Beach YAC EURO.
- 9.2. The EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping, their enclosures and the WADA's Anti-Doping Code (including the list of banned substances) form an integral part of the present Beach YAC EURO Regulations.
- 9.3. In case of anti-doping rule violations, EHF will initiate disciplinary proceedings against the perpetrators and take the appropriate disciplinary measures in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations, the EHF List of Penalties and the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping. This may include the imposition of provisional measures.
- 9.4. Member Federations must immediately inform the EHF of any decision issued at national level sanctioning a player for doping (including interim measures of protection/temporary injunction). A copy of the decision must be sent to the EHF Office. Decisions of Member Federations concerning doping confirmed by the EHF Anti-Doping Unit will be automatically implemented by the EHF at European level.

EHF Anti-Doping activities

- 9.5. Delegation members (including players and team officials) shall participate in the Anti-Doping activities organized by the EHF within the frame of the Beach YAC EURO.

X. SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Training Schedule

- 10.1. The organiser is responsible for providing appropriate training facilities.
- 10.2. Upon request, teams participating in the Beach YAC EURO shall have the possibility to train at the official competition courts at least once prior to their first match.

Final Round

- 10.3. All teams should schedule their stay for the entire event period.

Ceremonies

- 10.4. The organiser may arrange an opening ceremony on the court (obligatory), an awarding ceremony (obligatory) and a farewell party inviting all parties involved with the collaboration of local officials.
- 10.5. Participation at the opening and awarding ceremonies is obligatory for all teams and EHF Officials in the name of courtesy and as a gesture of friendship.

XI. INSTANT REPLAY TECHNOLOGY AND GOAL-LINE CAMERAS

- 11.1. Instant replay provides the referees with the possibility to view a situation on a TV screen if they were unable to observe the entire action on the court, and/or if they wish to review it before making a decision. The goal-line technology enables referees to use multiple cameras fixed on the goal to ascertain whether the ball crossed the goal-line, even before the end of the sets.
- 11.2. These images are accessible to the referees on a monitor located on the support table positioned behind the official table on the court. The system generates a virtual goal line on the screen, owing to the absence of an actual goal line, thereby providing a clear view of the ball position.
- 11.3. The application of both the goal-line technology and the instant replay, including any disqualifications and consequences, is solely the responsibility of the referees. Only the referees are authorized to decide on the usage of these technologies. This action cannot be taken in any case after awarding the goal. The protocol for this request will be explained during the technical meeting to the teams.

XII. IMAGE/PERSONALITY RIGHTS

- 12.1. All participating members grant EHF the right (royalty-free) to use photos and images of players and officials as well as team names, emblems, and players uniforms within the framework of the Beach YAC EURO for non-commercial purposes.
- 12.2. All participating teams grant EHF the right (royalty-free) to use any photo, any material (print material, advertisements, internet, product presentation, video etc.) produced for/at the Beach YAC EURO for beach handball/EHF competitions promotions and sport development (training, teaching, etc.) purposes.
- 12.3. The EHF has the right to transfer these aforementioned rights of use to a marketing partner for the same purposes.
- 12.4. Each participating team must obtain the consent of the respective players and officials participating in the Beach YAC EURO to the use of their image as defined here above. Each participating team must hold EHF and its partners free from any legal action from a player concerning the player's image/personality rights.