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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Scope of Application

The present European Beach Handball Tour Finals Regulations (“**ebt Finals Regulations**”) shall govern the rights, duties and responsibilities of all parties participating and involved in the preparation and organisation of the following competitions 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 European Beach Handball Tour Finals

Hereinafter referred to as “**ebt Finals**”

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

The ebt Finals take place yearly, for each gender category, in connection with the previous ebt season. The ebt Finals consist of a preliminary round and a final round. The ebt Finals will be conducted as a professional sports event that underscores the principle of fair play.

2.1. The ebt Finals 2024 take place from 13 to 16 June 2024 in Lacanau (FRA).

Medals and Prize Money

2.2. The team ranked first (1st) in each gender category shall receive the ebt Finals Champion's trophy.

2.3. *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 – ebt Champions	gold
Second place	silver
Third place	bronze

2.4. *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.

2.5. *Prize money*

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

2.6. Participants

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

2.7. 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 ebt organisers are invited to apply to organise the next ebt Finals. All applications shall be based on the applicable regulations and bid documents for the ebt Finals.

3.2. In addition to the individual presentation of the venue/surroundings (brochures, hotel information, 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.)
- Confirmation of live streaming (obligatory) from every courts
- 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 ebt Finals.

Venues

3.4. After awarding of the organisation right for the ebt Finals by the EHF Executive Committee, the playing venue shall be fixed by the 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. The first 12 nations based on the ebt ranking of the ebt season 2022/23, one wildcard for the host per gender and the defending champions per gender of the previous ebt Finals have the first right to participate in the ebt Finals.
- 3.7. All teams participating in the ebt season 2022/23 are invited to register and to be listed as substitute teams, if needed. The substitute teams will be defined according to the respective season ranking.
- 3.8. All entries must adhere to the ebt Finals and ebt season Regulations, as well as the application information for the ebt Finals, which serve as the foundation for all submissions.

Registration

- 3.9. Entries for the ebt Finals 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 ebt Finals by signing the entry form. Along with the entry form, a registration fee of €200 (two hundred Euro) per team and a participation deposit of €1,000 (one thousand Euro) per category (which will be held as a security deposit) must be transferred to the EHF bank account.
- 3.10. The teams are obliged to submit the team's registration form for entry in the ebt Finals, along with the Code of Conduct and the signed Arbitration Agreement within the deadline provided by the EHF Office.

Draw

The playing schedule will be established based on the number of entries received, and participants will be assigned to their respective groups through a draw conducted by the EHF. This draw will be conducted in accordance with the principle of neutrality and the ebt season ranking.

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 ebt Finals, the first substitute team will take the place of the withdrawing team.
- 3.13. 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.

Accommodation and Board

- 4.3. All participating teams shall arrange their accommodation and board in coordination with the local organiser through the hotels selected by the organiser.

Accident and Health Insurance

- 4.4. The participating teams 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 shall be arranged by the EHF, for the duration of their assignment.

Costs to be borne by the Organiser

Costs in the Host Country

- 4.5. All expenses incurred in the host country in connection with the staging and organisation of the EHF Finals shall be borne by the organiser. 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)

- 4.6. Accommodation costs (including full board), daily allowances (€60 per person/per day including travel days), laundry service (3 pieces per person/per day) and 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.
- 4.7. Travel, transfer, accommodation, and full board for EHF Officials will be arranged in cooperation between the EHF and the organiser.

Local Transport

- 4.8. 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

- 4.9. Transport and customs costs of beach handball equipment provided by the EHF shall be borne by the organiser.

TV/Live Streaming Production

- 4.10. 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

- 4.11. 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

- 4.12. Within the frame of the tournament, the following costs shall be covered by the EHF:
- The Champions trophies for both gender categories.
 - Costs arising for the EHF internal preparation and organisation.
 - Costs for materials provided by the EHF (playing balls, line systems and goals).

V. TECHNICAL MATTERS

Match Organisation

Categories

5.1. The ebt Finals are played in two categories:

- a) ebt Finals for Men
- b) ebt Finals for Women

Matches

- 5.2. All matches shall be played according to the “IHF Beach Handball Rules of the Game”, 2021 edition.
- 5.3. The duration of all matches (including placement matches, semi-finals and finals) will 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.

Match Report

- 5.4. Prior to each match on the playing court, the responsible team official must cross out one or two players and one or two officials on the match report if the team has listed more than ten players and two officials on the final squad list. The 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.
- 5.5. The referees and delegates bear sole responsibility for the accuracy of the match results and reports during and after the matches.

Clothing

- 5.6. As regards clothing requirements, reference is made to the applicable IHF Beach Handball Rules of the Game – Athlete Uniform Regulations (p. 90 ff.) which can be found under the following link: <https://www.eurohandball.com/en/what-we-do/regulations/beach-handball/>
- 5.7. Further to the aforementioned, the following dispositions shall also govern equipment requirements and obligations:
- a) For European beach handball competitions, it is required that each team possesses four (4) distinct sets of clothing in varying colours.
 - b) During the technical meeting, the EHF delegates will verify the accuracy of the playing kits, as per the regulations outlined in the IHF Beach Handball Rules of the Game (specifically, rule 4.8 which pertains to the colour of the shirt, requiring at least 80% to be a solid colour), as well as the accuracy of the delegation list.

- c) Throughout the duration of the tournament, the clothing numbers as listed in the final presentation at the technical meeting must remain unchanged.
- d) Any playing kits that do not conform to the regulations set forth in the IHF BH Rules of the Game will be deemed ineligible.
- e) All court players belonging to a team must wear matching and uniform equipment.
- f) When a player enters the playing court to assume the role of a goalkeeper, they are required to wear a uniform that is identical in design and player number to their teammates. However, the color of the uniform must be distinct from the court players of both teams and the opposing team's goalkeeper.
- g) In accordance with 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.
- h) No exceptions to the team equipment rules will be accepted even upon presentation of a medical certificate.
- i) If a violation relating to playing apparel occurs, including but not limited to late changes of numbers or use of an incorrect kit, penalties may be enforced in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations.

Change of Clothing

- 5.8. In the event that 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.
- 5.9. The abovementioned rule shall apply if a request of this kind is made by the TV production staff.

Advertising on Players' Clothing

- 5.10. 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.
- 5.11. Advertising related to drugs, pornography or spirits is strictly prohibited on the players' kits.
- 5.12. 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.

Tournament Management

- 5.13. The Tournament Management shall be responsible for the organisation and direction of the ebt Finals, including but not limited to decision-making regarding the match schedule, playing times, results, rankings, and any other matters that may arise in relation to the tournament.
- 5.14. The Tournament Management will be nominated in due time before the tournament and the participants will be informed accordingly.
- 5.15. Additional team members may be nominated by the Tournament Management.
- 5.16. Following a proposal presented by the EHF Beach Handball Commission and a corresponding decision made by the EHF Executive Committee, the ensuing dispositions have been approved and are therefore applicable to the ebt Finals (as per the IHF BH Rules of the Game, version of October 2021):
- a) Twelve (12) players are allowed on the match report – only 10 are eligible to play
 - b) A direct red card leads automatically to a report submitted by the referees
 - c) A direct red card leads automatically to a minimum suspension of one (1) match within the frame of the tournament

Court Manager

- 5.17. The court manager is responsible for providing a correct playing court and shall take all organisational decisions related to every match; his/hers scope of responsibility extends to handling any request related to match organisation by the EHF delegate.
- 5.18. The court manager is responsible for the maintenance of the courts including watering, cleaning, and flattening the sand as well as water supply to the teams and ball recovery during the match. Therefore, a minimum number of eight (8) volunteers per court, in shifts of four (4), are required.

VI. MATCH SYSTEM

Preliminary Round

- 6.1. The teams are divided in the preliminary round as follows:
- ebt Finals for Men: A total of 14 teams divided into 2 groups of 7 teams
 - ebt Finals for Women: A total of 14 teams divided into 2 groups of 7 teams
- 6.2. In the preliminary round, each team will play against each of the other teams in the same group (“round robin” system).

Ranking

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

- 6.3. Goal points are awarded according to the official IHF BH Rules of the Game.
- 6.4. Teams are ranked by adding the points gained.
- 6.5. If after completion of the group matches, two or more teams have gathered the same number of points, the following ranking system will apply:
- results in points between the teams concerned
 - period difference in the matches between the teams concerned
 - goal point difference (including the shoot-out points) in the matches between the teams concerned
 - greater number of plus goal points (including the shoot-out points) in the matches between the teams concerned
- 6.6. If tie should remain, the following system is employed to differentiate between these teams, provided that the contested place is not the last place within the group:
- period difference is subtracted in all matches.
 - greater number of plus periods in all matches.
 - goal point difference (including the shoot-out points) is subtracted in all matches
 - greater number of plus goal points (including the shoot-out points) in all matches.
- 6.7. 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..

Placement matches, Places 9 to 14

- 6.8. After the completion of the preliminary round, the teams ranked fifth (5th), sixth (6th) and seventh (7th) in each group shall play placement matches for final ranks 9 to 14.

Quarter-finals, cross matches 5–8, semi-finals 1–4,

Places 1 to 8

- 6.9. After the completion of the preliminary round the teams ranked first (1st), second (2nd), third (3rd) and fourth (4th) shall play quarter-finals for final ranks 1 to 8.

6.10. The winners of each quarter-final play against each other in the semi-finals 1-4 to determine the positions 1 through 4 in the ebt Finals ranking.

6.11. The losing teams within the quarter-finals shall play against each other in cross matches to attribute the places 5 through 8 in the ebt Finals ranking

Placement matches and Finals

6.12. The winners of the cross matches 5-8 play against each other to attribute the places 5 and 6 in the ebt Finals ranking. The losing teams play against each other in a placement match to attribute the places 7 and 8 in the ebt Finals ranking

6.13. The losers of the semi-finals 1-4 play against each other in the bronze final match to define places three (3) and four (4) in the ebt Finals ranking.

- 6.14. The winners of the semi-finals 1-4 play against each other in the finals to define places one (1) and two (2) in the ebt Finals ranking

VII. REGISTRATION AND LIST OF PLAYERS

Preliminary list of players

- 7.1. The preliminary delegation list must be submitted to the EHF Office no later than twenty-one (21) **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.

Final delegation list

- 7.2. 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.
- 7.3. During the technical meeting held one day prior to the start of the competition, teams are required to declare 12 out of 14 players and 4 out of 6 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. The final jersey numbers cannot be changed
- 7.4. A player is not allowed to be on the players' list of two (2) or more different teams participating in the same category.
- 7.5. A team official is not allowed to be listed on the final squad list as a player in any participating team of the same gender.

Late Registration

- 7.6. If a team has nominated less than 10 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.

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 ebt Finals 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 disputes including protests and deciding upon any other issues arising from the ebt Finals.

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 for the ebt Finals.

Jury

- 8.5. The Jury is responsible as the ad-hoc body of second instance. It is the highest EHF legal body at the ebt Finals.
- 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 with 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 ebt Finals and bring the sport of beach handball into disrepute
 - refrain from anti-doping violations as defined in the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping
 - observe the EHF Code of Conduct
- 8.9. If deemed appropriate by the EHF to ensure the proper running of the ebt Finals and/or the respect of the applicable regulations during the ebt Finals, violations of the present Regulations and/or any other EHF regulations applicable to the ebt Finals, 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 ebt Finals match.

Exclusion of protests

8.14. With regard to any and all ebt Finals 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 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 handed to the EHF delegate of the match in writing (in English) 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 shall be transferred to the EHF bank account 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 ebt Finals.

8.19. The Disciplinary Commission takes a decision by simple majority. Cases related to 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 20:00 local time on 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 shall be transferred to the EHF bank account simultaneously to the submission of the appeal. A written proof of payment of the appeal fee within 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 ebt Finals shall not suspend the effect of any decision 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.

EHF 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 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 EHF Finals.

IX. ANTI-DOPING

Doping Control

- 9.1. Doping controls may take place before, during and after the event 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 event.
- 9.2. The EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping, their enclosures and the WADA's Anti-Doping Code (including the list of banned substances) shall form an integral part of the present ebt Finals 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 organised by the EHF within the frame of the ebt Finals.

X. INSTANT REPLAY TECHNOLOGY AND GOAL–LINE CAMERAS

- 10.1. 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.
- 10.2. 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.
- 10.3. 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.
- 10.4. 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.

XI. IMAGE/PERSONALITY RIGHTS

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