

IFF - SP Meeting, Helsinki, February 26th, 2014

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Report on present issues

1. Opening

Mr. Liljelund opened the meeting at 09.45 at the IFF Office, Helsinki, Finland.

2. General issues

• **Last meeting October 2013**

- SP Finance department has clarified a new system for collecting late payment fees, which was approved on, since the manufacturers are not paying in time.
 - New paragraph in MR2014 – information in Newsletter
 - SP will inform the Manufacturers
- Discussion finalised with Evosport.
- New agreement
 - o SP will send out a new copy of the agreement for signature
- New method for the ball bounce test
- WFC2014
 - o SP is positive towards the showing of their work in the FunZone.
 - o More information to be given by IFF/WFC2014

• **Material Regulations**

- The Material Regulations Edition 2014 will be published in June 2014
- All tested materials are still tested with the MR2012, SP will change to the new MR from 1st of July.
- SP/IFF has made a new interpretation and clarification of the present Sanction System in the MR.
 - SP/IFF has clarified and added in new sanctions, due to repeated infringements from a number of manufacturers.

- **Dor-Sport rink**

- o The rink has proven to be very dangerous after use and the CFbU has also stated that it is dangerous.
- o IFF demands that SP will revoke the certificate of the Dor-Sport rink, in accordance with the MR, based on the fact that the rink is dangerous.
- o SP/IFF decided that SP will follow-up with the Czech Club concerning the injuries related to playing in the rink.
- o SP will contact Dor-Sport to inform of the problems.

• **Manufacturer Lexx**

- There has been indications from the market that LEXX has been bankrupt, since the company is not responding and letters sent to the address has been returned.
 - o SP is to inform if there are any legal actions taken, so IFF can inform about the LEXX debts to IFF as well.
 - o LEXX owns SP a total of 4833,25 CHF and the sales after this.
 - o LEXX owns IFF a total of 3500 EUR

• **Dispenses**

There are a number of dispenses on the market at the moment:

- New length measurement system marking: E-SG & SB-Yhtiöt until 30.07.2014
 - IFF logo in older blade moulds: Renew & L-Tec until 30.07.2014
 - IFF logo in older blade moulds: HaboPlast until 30.07.2015
 - IFF logo too small: Powerstick until 30.07.2014
 - Shaft to rigid in one direction: Powerstick – falls out with MR2014
 - Goal cage with too small radius: Renew until 31.12.2014
 - Renew, (Zone), Envy blade on Unihoc Reactor Star, 31.12. 2014
- SP to follow-up with these dispenses with the companies.

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- **New companies**
 - Sher-Wood Hockey (Canada) – Sher-Wood sticks and balls
 - WOOW (Czech Rep.) – WOOW sticks
 - Salmans Floorball (Pakistan) – SALMANS sticks

- In Process:**
 - HS-Sport (Czech Rep.) sticks – not yet ready

- New Companies on the way in:**
 - No answers from Shaury Enterprise concerning new rink.

- **SP web site/Newsletter**
 - There was one newsletter sent during 2013 and the web site is regularly updated

- 3. Marking of products**
- **Development of pre-sold markings:**
 - The amount of pre-sold marking stickers for total year 2013:
 - o From the start of the year 2013:
 - Balls 2.291.767 pcs
 - Sticks 626.179 pcs
 - Goals 1.540 pcs
 - Rinks 344 pcs
 - Face masks 392 pcs
 - Only LEXX and Cobra has not filed the report concerning the self-printing for the sticks sold and has informed that they will not report to IFF. SP will follow this up.
 - LEXX and Jii-Tee Sport Oy has not filed the report for the balls. SP to contact them.

- **Development of pre-sold markings:**
 - There is a total of 52 of active companies, with 456 certificates:
 - There are 15 SWE, 12 CZE, 10 FIN, 7 SUI, 3 POL, 1 SVK, 1 CAN, 1 HK, 1 PAK and 1 TPI companies.
 - There are 33 approved balls, 1335 sticks (169 blades), 17 goals, 21 rinks, 5 face masks and 25 Protective eye-ware products.
 - The price of the marking stickers has been the same since 1999.

- 4. Surveillance Market Control**
 - The yearly surveillance market control has been carried out.
 - Following products have be tested in 2012:
 - o 1 pcs face masks
 - o 35 sticks have been tested
 - A total of 4 sanctions have been sent out to the companies and one is pending, which will be handled by SP
 - SP to clarify if IFF can demand that all face masks are approved by IFF.
 - SP will send the material to IFF.
 - In 2014 the goal cages will be tested in Finland, Sweden and Poland. In addition some balls and sticks.
 - To look upon how to get materials for the surveillance tests from the manufacturers. To be discussed at the Development Board..

- 5. Material Regulation**
 - The timetable for the revision of Material Regulation edition 2016 was checked
 - o Last day to send in new ideas 28th of February 2015
 - o IFF/SP checking the proposals in March-April 2015
 - o Development Board meeting in beginning of April 2015
 - o Draft sent out to manufacturers end of April 2015
 - o IFF CB makes decision in May 2015
 - o Material Regulation 2016 published by 1st of July 2015
 - o It takes effect 1st of July 2016.

- 6. Interpretations**
 - A question has been raised on the interpretation of the limited area of other plastic materials.

- 7. New Test Methos Ball Bounce**
 - SP has prepared a new test – SP to test the new system – Discuss at DB.

Upcoming meetings and issues

- The next meeting will be held in Augusti/September 2014.
 - The IFF Development Board Meeting in April 2014.
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Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon

- SP to inform manufacturers about new interpretations of financials.
 - SP to discuss with WFC2014 about the participation in WFC2014 FunZone
 - SP to send out new contract appendixes for signing
 - SP to contact Dor-Sport rink manufacturer
 - SP to inform about if any legal actions are taken in the LEXX question.
 - SP to follow-up with these dispenses with the companies
 - SP to communicate with the companies, which have not answered.
 - SP to clarify if IFF can charge for the Face Masks and the update of the system
 - IFF to prepare the DB meeting for April, venue open
 - SP to prepare a report on the new test method for the Ball, for MR2016
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New ideas, etc...