

Report from Rules Group meeting in Upplands Väsby 2008-03-14/16

1. General information

Steering Group

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2. Task of the group

The opinion from IFF CB is that changes, which affect the nature of the game, shall be kept to a minimum in order to allow the rules and the sport as such to consolidate.

It is our aim to create an ideal balance between continuity, which is necessary for Floorball's further development, and conservation, which is necessary to keep the sport understandable both by spectators and the media.

General

- The rule book is working good as it is
- We don't want to change to much
- We don't want to make any changes that could make the sport different
- We have to consider that we are 45 countries

3. How we handled the proposals

We got 65 proposals from 8 countries (CFBU, GBFF, NBF, NED, SIBF, SSBL & SUHV) and the ASC.

We have divided them into 7 groups:

1. To be further considered – 16 (mostly interpretations)
2. To be worked out – 7 (who will become 1)
3. Considered as a referee instruction - 2
4. Considered as a regulation - 1
5. Not to be adapted - 32
6. Rules for test – 1 (evaluation of the SSBL test to be seen before further testing)
7. Language/moving text - 6

4. Rules for test

We have not proposed any rules for test, but we are waiting for the evaluation from Finland regarding 10 minutes penalty.

5. Process until July 1, 2010

The time line follows the decided system and the Rule Group intend to have the seminar during EFC in Zurich (SUI) in October – the schedule looks as follows:

April 2008 - CB-decision of test Associations

Autumn 2008 - RACC organizes a seminar for Interpretations of the Rules of the Game during EFC in Zurich (SUI) in October. All member Associations will be invited to participate on their own cost.

15 February 2009 - Collection of experiences

March 2009 - Rules group meeting. Proposals to the IFF CB

May 2009 - IFF CB makes final decision

September 2009 - New IFF Rules of the Game is sent to all member Associations

July 1, 2010 - The new edition of the IFF Rules of the Game becomes valid

Best regards

Martin Wolmhed
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