



# INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

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To: **Belgian Floorball Federation**  
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cc: IFF Central Board (CB)  
IFF Appeal Committee (AC)

## ***IFF Executive Committee decision concerning the withdrawal from the World Floorball Championships 2006, C-division - Belgium***

At its meeting in Jönköping on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 the Executive Committee (ExCo) of IFF dealt with the withdrawal of the Belgian Floorball Federation from the Men's World Floorball Championships 2006, C-division in Spain.

The ExCo noted that the Belgian Floorball Federation had been informed on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 2006, about the consequences of a possible withdrawal from the WFC 2006, C-division. However the Belgian Floorball Federation confirmed to IFF on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 the withdrawal from the World Floorball Championships 2006, C-division in Spain.

The ExCo established that the decision of the Belgian Floorball Federation to withdraw from the WFC 2006 and its reason, harms the image of Floorball and the IFF, and furthermore creates unnecessary problems also for the organiser – the Spanish Floorball Federation.

The applicable IFF regulations are referred to in the Juridical Regulations chapter 2 § 2.8 (enclosed).

The Executive Committee of IFF decided that the Belgian Floorball Federation shall be excluded from the two (2) subsequent official tournaments and that the Belgian Floorball Federation shall be fined in accordance with the IFF Juridical Regulations, art.2 § 2.8 with the amount 10.000 CHF. The fine is due to be paid within 30 days of the official information, latest on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

A possible appeal, according to the Juridical Regulations chapter 2 § 4.2 (enclosed), shall be directed to the IFF Appeal Committee.

This decision will be made public at [www.floorball.org](http://www.floorball.org) on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 2006.

With sincere regards,

**International Floorball Federation**

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## “Extract from the IFF Juridical Regulations Chapter 2”

### 2.8 Failure to participate in or organize a official IFF tournament or matches

- a) Failure to participate in international tournaments or other events recognized by IFF
- b) Any NA or club that, after having registered for an official IFF tournament, withdraws after the draw is done and more than sixty (60) days from the starting date, shall be excluded from the two (2) subsequent official tournaments and shall be subject to a fine up to CHF 10.000.
- c) Should such withdraw take place less than sixty (60) days but more than fifteen (15) days prior to the start of the official IFF tournament, in addition to exclusion as provided for in Chapter 2 article 2.8 b) in these Regulation, the NA or club shall pay a fine up to CHF 15.000. -.
- d) Withdrawal taking place during the fifteen days prior to the start of official IFF tournament shall pay a fine up to CHF 20.000. -, In addition to exclusion as provided for under Chapter 2 article 2.8 b) in these Regulations.
- e) Withdrawal during an official IFF tournament shall be punished by:
1. A fine up to CHF 30.000. -
  2. Suspension from official IFF tournaments for two (2) years
  3. Obligation to reimburse the Organizer and the IFF for the expenses borne on the behalf of the withdrawing delegation and team and for loss of income and other financial consequences”

### 4.2 Appeals

- a) All penalties imposed will remain in effect until the relevant decision of the Appeal committee or the Central Board having been made.
- b) All appeals shall be send through the actual national association.
- c) The appeal shall be sent to the office of IFF within 21 days from announcement of the first decision. The appeal shall be accompanied by deposit of:
1. CHF 1.000 for an appeal against a warning or a fine.
  2. CHF 5.000 in any other case.
- d) In case of received appeal the Appeal Committee shall make decision within the following deadlines:
1. For fines, a date shall be communicated in good time by the Appeal Committee with the party concerned.
  2. For discharge or suspensions given by the Central Board in the first instance, the deadline shall be a maximum of 7 days following receipt of the appeal and the appropriate deposit at the office of IFF.
- e) If the appeal is successful the deposit will be refunded.

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