REGULATIONS FOR
EUROHOCKEY5s CHAMPIONSHIPS (OUTDOOR)

SENIOR HOCKEY5s CHAMPIONSHIPS (MEN AND WOMEN)

August 2020

1 Dates and Duration of Tournaments
1.1 The EuroHockey5s Championships will be held in 2022. The next time these events will be played has still to be determined. Unless the EHF decides otherwise, the tournaments will take place in the first or second week of July.
NB In 2021 extra Hockey5s Tournaments will be held to establish a Senior Hockey5s ranking for national teams.

1.2 The EuroHockey5s Championships will be played over 3, 4 or 5 days as set out below.

1.3 In exceptional circumstances the EHF reserves the right to change the dates on which any tournaments are held.

2 Qualification
2.1 The arrangement of the pools for the EuroHockey5s Championships 2022 will be the responsibility of the EHF and will be based on the final rankings of teams immediately after completion of the 2021 EuroHockey5s Tournaments.

The groupings for the 2021 EuroHockey5s Tournaments will be based as much as possible on geographical spread. At the end of each Tournament, the ranking of teams in each competition will be determined as follows:

(a) number of points accumulated (3 to the winner; 1 to each team for a draw; 0 points to the loser)
(b) number of matches won
(c) goal difference
(d) number of goals scored
(e) the result of the match between the 2 teams
(f) number of field goals scored
(g) if equality remains, the EHF will determine final rankings and who will qualify.

2.2 On completion of the 2021 EuroHockey5s Tournaments, qualification for the 2022 EuroHockey5s Championships will be based, in principle, on the following procedure:

Men: All competing nations up to a maximum of 18 teams.
Women: All competing nations up to a maximum of 18 teams.
NB Once the number of entries is known, this procedure will be reviewed.

Ranking
For the 2022 EuroHockey5s Championships teams will, in principle, be ranked according to the average number of points accumulated in the 2021 EuroHockey5s Tournaments. Where there were an uneven number of teams playing in each Tournament, the results of the matches against the lowest ranked team in each pool will be discarded so that the average for each nation is calculated across the same number of matches.
NB Once the number of entries is known, this procedure will be reviewed.

2.3 The 2022 EuroHockey5s Championship events will be the qualifying events for the 2023 FIH Hockey5s World Cup. The number of teams qualifying, will be determined by the FIH.
NB Teams wishing to qualify for the 2023 FIH Hockey5s World Cup MUST enter and participate in the 2021 EuroHockey5s Tournaments.

2.4 If sufficient teams enter for 2022, it is possible that Championship II events will be held.

2.5 Notwithstanding anything else in these regulations, which tournament nations shall be entitled to play in, and the ranking of the pools within each tournament, shall be a matter entirely within the discretion of the EHF.

2.6 The EHF reserves the right to adjust the number of teams competing in each Tournament and Championship.

3 Teams Travel and Accommodation

3.1 For all Senior Hockey5s tournaments the host National Association shall assist participating teams by providing details of a range of appropriate accommodation for players and officials of each participating team. However, participating teams are responsible for the full cost of their accommodation and meals.

3.2 The host National Association should recommend reasonably priced and located eating facilities for the participating teams.

3.3 Participating teams are responsible for the full cost of their return travel from their home to the designated arrival airport(s) or railway station in the host country.

4 Local Transport for Teams

4.1 For all Senior Hockey5s tournaments the host National Association shall provide at its cost local transport for all participating teams from and to the designated airport(s) or railway station and the designated tournament hotel(s). The host’s responsibility is for a single journey in each direction only, not multiple journeys.

Apart from being collected from the designated airport(s)/railway station and taken to the designated tournament hotel(s), and taken back to the designated airport(s)/railway station at the end of the tournament, teams are responsible for their own internal transport, including transport from and to their hotel and the playing venue(s), including practice venue(s), and the collection of any additional players from the airport or railway station who did not travel with the main group.

Hosts are also responsible for the transport to/from the designated tournament hotel(s) for teams staying there to the location of the Event Briefing Meeting. Moreover the host is responsible for the transport to/from the designated tournament hotel(s) to the venue of all players and staff members who are involved in Anti-Doping tests.

Any teams who choose to stay in accommodation other than the designated hotel(s) recommended by the host National Association, are responsible for the cost of their own return transport between the airport and their chosen hotel, to and from the hotel and both the playing and practice venue(s), to and from their hotel(s) to the location of the Event Briefing Meeting and to and from the venue for all players and staff members involved in Anti-Doping tests.

4.2 Teams transport (where provided) shall be available up to 2 days before and no more than 1 day after the end of the tournament. Any transport requirement outside these dates is the responsibility of the participating team.

4.3 Any teams who choose to arrive at an airport or railway station other than those designated by the host National Association (and agreed by the EHF) will be responsible for the cost of their own transport to and from their chosen airport or railway station and their hotel.

5 Age Qualification
In all EuroHockey Senior Hockey5s tournaments, no player or staff member shall be under the age of 15 on the first day of the tournament.

6 **Players’ Uniform**
For Senior Hockey5s tournaments, players are not required to display their family name above their number on the back of their playing shirts in accordance with FIH regulations.

**NB** Where a team decides to do so, family names must appear on the back of all field players’ shirts.

**NB** Players must have a number on the front of the shorts/skirts. A number on the short/skirt always needs to be displayed without any nation or advertising logo on that side of the garment. A manufacturers logo can be displayed beside the number.

7 **Match Schedule**
The match schedule must follow FIH regulations in relation to the minimum rest period between a team’s matches as follows:

7.1 There shall be a minimum of 1 hour time interval between the start of 2 successive pool matches.

7.2 There shall be a minimum of 1.10 hour time interval between the start of 2 successive classification matches.

7.3 The proposed schedule and timing of matches shall be submitted by the host National Association to the EHF for approval.

7.4 The EHF has the right to vary the programme of matches in special circumstances.

7.5 Matches will be played in accordance with the FIH Hockey5s Tournament Regulations (Outdoor Competitions) except that any differences specified in Appendix D of the EuroHockey5s Tournament Regulations will take precedence.

7.6 If the score at the end of the regulation time of a classification match is a draw, a Challenge shoot-out competition as set out in the relevant Appendix of the current FIH Hockey5s Tournament Regulations (Outdoor Competitions) shall be played to establish the winner of the match.