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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1 **Scope of application**

- 1.1. The present Younger Age Category Championship Regulations (“YAC Ch Regulations”) govern the rights, duties and responsibilities of all parties participating and involved in the preparation and organisation of the following national teams’ competitions organised by the European Handball Federation (“EHF”) pursuant to articles 1.2 and 12.1 of the Statutes of the EHF:

Women’s 17 Championship

Women’s 19 Championship

Men’s 18 Championship

Men’s 20 Championship

These competitions are hereinafter jointly referred to as “YAC Ch” or individually referred to as “W17/W19/M18 or M20 YAC Ch”.

Article 2 **Fair play**

- 2.1. The principles of fair-play must be observed by the EHF Member Federations, their delegations and their teams in all matches. Every member of the EHF Member Federation delegations participating in an YAC Ch shall:
- Observe the Rules of the Game and the regulations governing the competition
 - Respect all participants (players, officials, spectators, media representatives etc.)
 - Promote the spirit of sportsmanship and pursue the cultural mission



Article 3

Applicable rules and regulations

- 3.1. All EHF regulations, manuals and guidelines applicable to the YAC Ch shall form an integral part of the present YAC Ch Regulations including (without limitation):
- The EHF Advertising on Clothing Regulations
 - The EHF Rules on Safety and Security Procedure
 - The EHF Legal Regulations
 - The EHF List of Penalties
 - The EHF Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions
 - The IHF Rules of the Game (subject to EHF specifications)
 - The IHF Player's Eligibility Code (part of the IHF Transfer Regulations)
 - The EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping
 - The EHF Codes of Conduct
 - The EHF Off Court Officiating Guidelines
 - The EHF EURO Event Set-up Manual
 - The YAC Championships Procedures and Guidelines Manual

II. COMPETITION BASICS

Article 4

Competition stages and rhythm

- 4.1. The Younger Age Category European Championships (the "Competition(s)") consist(s) of a final tournament ("YAC Ch").
- 4.2. The W17/W19 YAC Chs take place in a two-year rhythm in odd years.
The M18/M20 YAC Chs take place in a two-year rhythm in even years.

Competition announcement

- 4.3. Each YAC Ch is staged and organised by one EHF Member Federation (the "Host Federation"). Any alteration to this principle must be approved by the EHF Executive Committee.
- 4.4. The official announcement of a YAC Ch is made by the EHF to the EHF Member Federations. The YAC Chs application documents to stage and organise the respective YAC Ch including (without limitation) the relevant bidding manual are sent to each EHF Member Federation in due time before the YAC Ch playing periods.



Allocation of the competitions

- 4.5. The fulfilment of the criteria established by the EHF Executive Committee and/or defined in the corresponding YAC Ch application documents - including (without limitation) the relevant bidding manual - is required for an application by a Member Federation to be tabled at the EHF Congress.
- 4.6. The allocation of a YAC Ch to a Member Federation is decided by the EHF Congress pursuant to article 3.1.8 §19 of the Statutes of the EHF. The EHF Congress has the right to delegate this matter to the EHF Executive Committee.
- 4.7. The EHF Member Federation nominated as Host Federation of the YAC Ch by the EHF Congress, is entrusted by the EHF Congress with the organisation and staging of the YAC Ch in cooperation with the EHF.

III. ENTRIES/ADMISSIONS/DUTIES - CONDITIONS

Article 5

Right of registration

- 5.1. Any EHF Member Federation which has satisfied its obligations towards the EHF and the IHF is entitled to register in order to participate in a YAC Ch (qualification rounds and/or final tournament).
- 5.2. Under exceptional circumstances, permission may be granted by the EHF Executive Committee to an Associated Federation or temporarily admitted Federation to register in order to participate in a YAC Ch.

Single registration

Admission criteria and fees

Registration documents

- 5.3. For its team to be eligible to participate in the Competition, a Member Federation must fulfil the following criteria:
 - a) It must confirm in writing that the Member Federation itself, its players and team officials and each and every delegation member agree to respect the statutes, regulations, code of conduct and decisions of the EHF (pledge of commitment/code of conduct – official form).



- b) It must confirm in writing that the Member Federation itself, its players and team officials and each and every delegation member agree to recognise the jurisdiction of the EHF Court of Arbitration in Vienna as defined in the relevant provisions of the Statutes of the EHF (arbitration agreement – official form).
 - c) It must fill in the official registration documents which must be received by the EHF Office within the deadline set by the latter and communicated in due course to all Member Federations.
- 5.4. In principle, registrations submitted after the set deadline cannot be accepted as they adversely affect the technical preparations and the carrying out of the Competition by the EHF and the Host Federation.

Entry fee

- 5.5. For its team to be eligible to participate in the Competition, a Member Federation must pay an entry fee of € 375 to the EHF which must be received on the EHF account within the deadline set by the EHF and communicated in due course to all Member Federations.
- 5.6. The entry fee is paid once by the participating Member Federation for the entire Competition.
- 5.7. If the payment is not received by the EHF on the due date, the entry fee is automatically doubled.
- 5.8. If the entry fee is not received within four (4) weeks after the announced deadline, the Member Federation must be fined € 2,250 and must be excluded from the respective Competition.

Lump-sum advance payment

- 5.9. Together with the entry fee, all Member Federations that wish to have a team participating in the Competition must make a refundable (or for the use of other purposes) advance payment to the EHF. The advance payment per team must amount to a minimum of €1,875.

Refundable deposit

- 5.10. The EHF Executive Committee is allowed to set a permanent deposit of between €0 and €6,000 for each Member Federation, depending on the frequency of its participation in EHF competitions. If a Member Federation has a permanent deposit with the EHF, it does not have to transfer the advance payment as stipulated in article 5.9.



- 5.11. If the frequency of the Member Federation participation in EHF competitions changes, the amount of the individual permanent deposit may be adjusted by the EHF Executive Committee.
- 5.12. The EHF is allowed to ask the Member Federations that wish to have a team participating in the final tournament of the Competition to set an additional deposit with the EHF which would cover the cost of any damage caused by their respective delegations in the hotels at the playing venues. The deposit is returned to the Member Federations at the end of the Competition if no damage has occurred.

Duties of the Member Federations

- 5.13. On entering the Competition, participating Member Federations and each and every delegation member agree:
- a) to comply with the IHF Rules of the Game (and with the specifications to the IHF Rules of the Game applying to the YAC Ch)
 - b) to respect the principles of fair-play as defined in the Statutes of the EHF
 - c) to participate in all matches of the Competition in accordance with the present YAC Ch Regulations and any other applicable regulations
 - d) to comply with all decisions regarding the Competition taken by the EHF Executive Committee, the EHF Office or any other competent body and communicated appropriately (by official letter, fax or email)
 - e) to observe the EHF Rules on Safety and Security Procedure for all matches in the Competition
 - f) to indemnify, defend and hold the EHF free and harmless against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, fines and expenses of whatsoever kind or nature resulting from, arising out of, or attributable to any non-compliance by the participating Member Federation or any of its players, officials, employees, representatives or agents with these EHF YAC Ch Regulations
- 5.14. Delegation members (including players and team officials) shall participate in the preparatory and accompanying activities (e.g. draw events, head of delegation conference, media day, etc.) organised by the EHF within the frame of the YAC Ch.

IV. WITHDRAWAL, FAILURE TO PLAY AND SIMILAR CASES

Article 6

Withdrawal, failure to play and similar cases

- 6.1. A team withdrawing from the YAC Ch or failing to play a YAC Ch match is immediately excluded from the Competition.



- 6.2. In case of withdrawal, the entry fee, the lump-sum advance payment and the solidarity contribution must be forfeited to the credit of the EHF and the respective Member Federation shall be liable to pay compensation to the Host Federation, the participants, the EHF and/or their contractual partners for extra expenses and damages resulting from the withdrawal and from any nomination of a substitute team.
- 6.3. The Member Federation must moreover be sanctioned (e.g. fine and suspension) in accordance with article C of the EHF List of Penalties.
- 6.4. In case of failure to play a scheduled match, the entry fee, the lump-sum advance payment and the solidarity contribution must be forfeit to the credit of the EHF and the Member Federation may be fined up to €35,000. The team may additionally be suspended from participation in EHF competitions for up to two (2) seasons.
- 6.5. Failure to play a match or late arrival at the venue of a match through a team's provable fault must, in addition to the basic punishment, render the Federation of the defaulting team liable for damages and payment of all costs arising thereof to the Host Federation, the participants, the EHF and in particular their contractual partners.
- 6.6. If a team withdraws, refuses to play or is disqualified during the YAC Ch, the results of all of its matches are declared null and void and the points awarded are forfeited.
- 6.7. A team which withdraws, refuses to play or is responsible for a match not taking place or not being played in full loses all rights to payments from the EHF.

V. COMPETITION SYSTEM

Article 7

Number of participating teams

- 7.1. Each YAC Ch is played with a regular number of eight (8) teams.
- 7.2. Depending on the result of the registration process, one (1) or more tournaments with a different number of participants may be required.

Article 8

Basis for participation

- 8.1. The basic requirement to participate in YAC Chs is to register in due time in compliance with the registration process conditions set forth by the EHF, taking into consideration the system of promotion and relegation defined below.



- 8.2. For the M18 YAC Ch 2016 and W17 YAC Ch 2017, teams ranked seventeenth (17th) or below according to the official EHF ranking list are entitled to register for and participate in YAC Chs.
- 8.3. The number of participating teams is in relation with the total number of registrations.
- 8.4. The assignment of the registered teams to the individual tournaments shall take place in accordance with a pre-defined “snake” system or by draw with seeding based on performance level rules.

Promotion/Relegation

- 8.5. Winners of Younger Age Category Championships tournaments (“YAC Ch”) shall be promoted to the corresponding YAC EURO of the same gender and age group, as well as to the YAC EURO of the same age category.
- 8.6. YAC EURO Participating Member Federations finishing in the last positions of the YAC EURO in which they participate are susceptible to be relegated into the corresponding YAC Ch of the same gender and age group, as well as to the corresponding YAC Ch of the same age category.
- 8.7. To determine which and how many Member Federations shall be relegated into the respective YAC Ch, a bottom-up approach starting from the lowest position (i.e. 16th position) of the corresponding YAC EURO ranking and the number of Member Federations promoted from the YAC Ch shall apply.

Article 9

Final tournament playing system

- 9.1. Each YAC Ch is played in the format of two (2) to three (3) tournaments with eight (8) or more teams each, depending on the number of registrations.
- 9.2. Each YAC Ch with eight (8) teams consists of a preliminary round, cross matches, placement matches, semi-finals and finals.
- 9.3. In case of a different number of participants, the playing system shall be adapted accordingly and the EHF will inform the concerned Member Federations in due time.
- 9.4. A tournament winner is designated for each of the tournaments.

General information

- 9.5. All matches of the YAC Ch are played in two times thirty (2 x 30) minutes with a half-time break according to the IHF Rules of the Game.



- 9.6. If the teams are still equal after the end of a K.O match (i.e. preliminary round matches excluded), the winners are determined by penalty throws (article 9.22). No period of extra-time shall take place.

Preliminary round group formation / Draw

- 9.7. The preliminary round is played in two (2) groups consisting of four (4) teams each.
- 9.8. The composition of the preliminary round groups of each YAC Ch is decided either by a “snake” system based on the ranking or a public draw based on a seeding established in accordance with performance level rules.

Match system for the preliminary round

- 9.9. The matches of the preliminary round are played in groups with each team playing all opponents in its group (round robin system). The basic playing schedules are to be found in enclosure 1.
- 9.10. Two points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no point for a defeat.
- 9.11. Teams’ ranking in a group is obtained by adding up the number of points won by each team in each group match.

Equality of points during and after the preliminary round matches

- 9.12. If two or more teams are equal on points in the preliminary round, their ranking is determined as follows:

During the preliminary round matches:

- a) superior goal difference from all group matches
- b) higher number of goals scored in all group matches
- c) alphabetical order

After the completion of the preliminary round matches:

- a) higher number of points obtained in the group matches played amongst the teams in question
- b) superior goal difference from the group matches played amongst the teams in question
- c) higher number of goals scored in the group matches played amongst the teams in question
- d) superior goal difference from all group matches (achieved by subtraction)
- e) higher number of goals scored in all group matches



“Teams in question” shall mean remaining teams for which the ranking could not be established based on the previous ranking criteria (e.g. if three teams are equal on points and a) can only enable to determine the ranking of one team, b) shall be applied only to the two remaining teams without consideration to the team qualified in application of a)).

- 9.13. If this procedure does not lead to a decision after completion of all preliminary round matches, a draw must decide the ranking. The draw must be carried out by the EHF, if possible in the presence of at least one (1) team official per delegation concerned.

Cross matches and placement matches

Places 5 to 8

- 9.14. The teams ranked third (3rd) and fourth (4th) in each group after completion of the preliminary round matches play a cross match and a placement match to attribute the places 5 to 8 in the YAC Ch ranking.
- 9.15. The team ranked third (3rd) in the first group of the preliminary round plays a cross match against the team ranked fourth (4th) in the second group of the preliminary round. The team ranked fourth (4th) in the first group of the preliminary round plays a cross match against the team ranked third (3rd) of the second group of the preliminary round.
- 9.16. The winner of each cross match play against each other in a placement match to attribute the places 5 and 6 in the YAC Ch ranking.
- 9.17. The two other teams play against each other in a placement match to attribute the places 7 and 8 in the YAC Ch ranking.

Semi-finals

- 9.18. The teams ranked first (1st) and second (2nd) in each group after completion of the preliminary round matches play in the semi-finals.
- 9.19. The teams ranked first (1st) in the preliminary round groups play against the teams ranked second (2nd) in the other preliminary round group.

Bronze final (Places 3 to 4)

- 9.20. The losers of the semi-finals play a bronze final match to define places three (3) and four (4) in the respective YAC Ch ranking.

Final (places 1 to 2)

- 9.21. The winners of the semi-finals play in the final.



Penalty throws rules

- 9.22. Rules on the execution of penalty throws:
- a) Prior to the penalty throws, each team nominates five (5) players eligible to play at the end of the match by handing over a list with the numbers of five (5) players. Each of the nominated players shall execute one throw, alternating with their opponents. Teams may choose the order of their throwers freely.
 - b) The goalkeepers may be chosen freely and substituted in accordance with the Rules of the Game. Goalkeepers may act as throwers and throwers as goalkeepers.
 - c) The goal to be used must be decided by the referees. The referees draw lots (coin toss) for deciding which team throws first. The team winning the draw has the right to decide whether it wishes to throw first or last.
 - d) The team having scored the highest number of goals after both teams have executed their five (5) throws wins. If the match is still undecided after the first round of penalty throws, the process is repeated until a decision is reached. The other team begins. In the second set of five throws each, a further five players entitled to play have to be nominated (players having already thrown may be nominated again).
 - e) A decision in the second round of penalty throwing is reached once there is a difference in goals after both teams have executed the same number of throws.
 - f) Players and goalkeepers eligible to play are those players on the match report who are not disqualified, excluded or suspended when the whistle finished the second extra time.
 - g) Serious violations during the penalty throws will be punished by disqualification in all cases. If a court player or a goalkeeper is disqualified or injured, a substitute with playing eligibility must be nominated.
 - h) During each individual throw, only the player executing the throw, the defending goalkeeper and the referees are allowed to be in the respective half of the playing court.
 - i) In the case that the number of players eligible to play is lower than five (5), the team concerned has the right to nominate players for a second throw during the same round.

IV. TROPHY, MEDALS AND PRIZES

Article 10 Trophy

- 10.1. The winner of the YAC Chs receives from the EHF a trophy. The trophy remains in the winner Member Federation's keeping and ownership at all times.
- 10.2. The other finalist of the YAC Chs and the team ranked third (3rd) in the Competition receive from the Host Federation a prize/trophy in different shape than the winner's trophy. The trophies remain in the respective Member Federations' keeping and ownership at all times.



Gold, silver, bronze medals

- 10.3. Each delegation member (up to twenty-five (25) persons including players and team officials) of the team that wins the YAC Ch receives a gold medal.
- 10.4. Each delegation member (up to twenty-five (25) persons including players and team officials) of the team ranked second (2nd) in the YAC Ch receives a silver medal.
- 10.5. Each delegation member (up to twenty-five (25) including players and team officials) of the team ranked third (3rd) in the YAC Ch receives a bronze medal.

Prize

- 10.6. Each delegation member (up to thirty (30) persons including players and team officials) of the team ranked fourth (4th) in the YAC Ch receives a prize (e.g. medal without ribbon).

Commemorative medals

- 10.7. Each delegation member (up to twenty-five (25) persons including players and team officials) of the teams which compete receives a commemorative medal.
- 10.8. Each EHF Official who participates in the YAC Ch organisation receives a commemorative medal.
- 10.9. A complete set of YAC Ch medals (gold, silver, bronze and commemorative) must be provided by the Host Federation to the EHF Office after the end of the respective YAC Ch.

VII. COMPETITION/MATCHES DATES AND TIMES

Article 11

Playing periods

- 11.1. The playing period of the YAC Ch is fixed by the EHF. It is notified to the Member Federations with the announcement of the respective YAC Ch.

Match dates / Throw-off times

- 11.2. The exact dates and throw-off times of each YAC Ch match are subject to coordination between the EHF and the Host Federation.



- 11.3. The final decision regarding dates and throw-off times of the final tournament matches lies with the EHF.
- 11.4. There must be at least eighteen (18) hours interval between the throw-offs of 2 (two) successive matches of a team.
- 11.5. The exact dates and throw-off times of the YAC Ch matches are communicated to the participating Member Federations by the EHF in due time before the YAC Ch.

Training times

- 11.6. During the YAC Ch, each participating team is given the possibility to train fifty-five (55) minutes per day on match days and eighty-five (85) minutes per day on rest days. Training is organised either in the playing hall or in a training hall at a distance of maximum twenty-five (25) kilometres/thirty (30) minutes from the playing hall. During the tournament, each team is given the possibility to train in the playing hall an equal number of times and in any case once prior to their first match.
- 11.7. A schedule of the teams' trainings during the YAC Ch is prepared by the Host Federation and the EHF according to the EHF standard requirements and any further requirements defined herein. The YAC Ch training schedule is communicated to the participating Member Federations in due time prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 11.8. Modifications of scheduled times/dates of the training sessions or additional training sessions in the playing hall and/or training hall are not allowed, unless expressly agreed by the EHF and the Host Federation.
- 11.9. The respective delegation must inform the Host Federation of the cancellation of any of the team training session twenty-four (24) hours before (in any case on the evening before) the training session scheduled time/date.

Teams arrival dates

- 11.10. All team players and officials must arrive in their hotel in the respective YAC Ch venue one (1) day prior to the first match day - at 5 pm at the latest.



VIII. PLAYERS ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

Article 12 **Nationality**

- 12.1. YAC Ch matches are carried out as international matches. Players of a team participating in a YAC Ch must be in possession of the citizenship of the respective country. Proof of nationality (valid passport or national identity card) is required to take part in the YAC Ch. A player who cannot present either a valid passport or national identity card from the country concerned is not eligible to participate in any match of a YAC Ch.
- 12.2. In addition, every player participating in a YAC Ch must be eligible to play for that country in accordance with the applicable IHF Regulations (IHF Players' Eligibility Code).

Article 13 **Registration / Official Squad**

Preliminary List

- 13.1. Member Federations must submit to the EHF Office a preliminary list of the players and team officials intended to take part in the YAC Ch, for administration purposes, within the deadline set by the EHF and announced in due course to the participating Member Federations. The number of players and team officials on the preliminary list is not restricted.

Official Squad

- 13.2. Member Federations must submit the list of the players and team officials ("Official Squad List") who will form the basic group of their team during the YAC Ch in writing to the Host Federation and the EHF Office within the deadline set by the latter and communicated in due course to the participating Member Federations.
- 13.3. The Official Squad List must contain a maximum of twenty-eight (28) players ("Official Squad"). The players (28 or less) listed in the Official Squad List are the only players eligible to participate in the respective YAC Ch. Changes/insertions of players in the Official Squad List at a later stage are not permitted.
- 13.4. The number of team officials in the Official Squad List is not restricted and is not final; changes/insertions of team officials at a later stage but no later than at the first technical meeting one day before the start of the YAC Ch (excepted cases specified in article 13.23) are allowed.



- 13.5. The following information must be submitted with the Official Squad List:
- a) Number of each of the players appearing on the List (from 1 to 99) Players' first names, surnames, dates of birth, clubs/nations, body heights, weights, number of international matches, playing position, passport/national identity card numbers
 - b) Colours of the first and second full team kit (dark colours kit/light colours kit), clearly stating colours of shirts and shorts and colours of the first and second kit for the goalkeepers
 - c) Photo of the first and second full team kit (court players kits and goalkeepers kits; original kits to be used during the YAC Ch)
 - d) Team officials' names, surnames, date of birth, function, assigned letter (from A to F)
- 13.6. If the Official Squad List of a Member Federation is not received by the EHF Office and the Host Federation within the set deadline, the first twenty-eight (28) (or less) players appearing on the preliminary list of players and team officials submitted by the Member Federation are considered by the EHF as the final Official Squad List of this Federation.

Official Delegation

- 13.7. At the first technical meeting, one day before the start of the YAC Ch, a maximum of sixteen (16) players from the twenty-eight (28) listed players of the Official Squad as well as a maximum of six (6) team officials must be nominated as Official Delegation by each delegation. The valid passports or national identity cards of each of the sixteen (16) players of the Official Delegation must be presented to the EHF delegates (two at least) at the technical meeting for verification.
- 13.8. Subject to articles 13.12 to 13.22, only the sixteen (16) players of the Official Delegation are allowed to play in matches of the corresponding YAC Ch.

Start List

- 13.9. The Start List contains the names and numbers of the sixteen (16) players and six (6) teams' officials of the Official Delegation. The Start List is prepared and handed over to the team officials in charge in due course before the throw-off of a YAC Ch match. One (1) hour before the throw-off of the match the team officials in charge must check the pre-prepared Start List, confirm the participating players and reduce the number of team officials to four (4) by crossing out up to two (2) team officials listed.
- 13.10. Only the four (4) officials of the Start List not crossed out are eligible to be in the substitution area during the match.



Eligibility to participate

- 13.11. Players not meeting the eligibility criteria defined in article 12, not registered in accordance with the present article 13 and/or by the announced date are not eligible to participate in the YAC Ch.

Players' replacement

- 13.12. During the YAC Ch, up to two (2) players can be replaced by another player of the Official Squad List at any time during the tournament.
- 13.13. The delegations must inform the EHF Office at the venue (the "EHF Championship Office") about the replacement of players by submitting in person or sending by fax/email the duly completed stamped and signed form for replacements as well as the passport or national identity card of the replaced player (original or copy), by 9:00am on the match day. If the respective match starts at 11:00am or earlier, the replacement must be communicated by 14:00pm on the day prior to the respective match day.
- 13.14. If a copy of the passport or national identity card of the replacing player(s) is sent/ presented to the EHF Championship Office, the original passport or national identity card must be presented to the EHF delegate (supervisor) at the technical meeting prior to the next match or in the playing hall one (1) hour prior to the next match at the latest.
- 13.15. Upon confirmation by the EHF of the replacement (only after presentation of the original passport or national identity card of the replacing player), the replacing player is added on the official Start List/match report of the next match of the team and the replaced player is removed.
- 13.16. A player being replaced by another player can be replaced again under the condition of a replacement referred to in articles 13.12 to 13.18.
- 13.17. If a player being replaced is under suspension (for a certain period of time or a number of matches), the replacing player is eligible to participate in matches of the respective YAC Ch only after completion of the entire suspension.
- 13.18. Additional costs arising from the replacement or the additional announcement of players must be borne by the related Member Federations, apart from the costs of local transports – including the transport from and to the arrival airport – which are borne by the Host Federation.



Additional announcement of players

- 13.19. If at the first technical meeting, one day before the start of the YAC Ch, a delegation nominates fifteen (15) or less players out of the Official Squad List to be part of the Official Delegation, the delegation is entitled to nominate one (1) additional player out of the players of the Official Squad under the following conditions:
- 13.20. The delegation must inform the EHF Championship Office about the additional announcement of a player by handing in or sending by fax/email the duly completed, stamped and signed official form for additional announcements as well as the passport or national identity card of the additional player (original or copy), by 9:00am on the match day. If the respective match starts at 11:00am or earlier, the replacement must be communicated by 14:00pm on the day prior to the respective match day.
- 13.21. If a copy of the passport or national identity card of the additional player(s) is sent/presented to the EHF Championship Office, the original passport or national identity card must be presented one (1) hour prior to the throw-off of the next match at the latest to the EHF delegate (supervisor).
- 13.22. Upon confirmation by the EHF of the additional announcement (only after presentation of the original passport or national identity card of the replacing player), the player is added on the official Start List/match report of the next match of the team.

Replacement of team official

- 13.23. Under exceptional circumstances, the tournament management may, upon request, accept the change of a team official of a participating delegation after the technical meeting.
- 13.24. Additional costs arising from the replacement of team official must be borne by the related Member Federation, apart from the costs of local transports – including the transport from and to the arrival airport – which are borne by the Host Federation.

Participation of suspended and/or players not eligible to participate

- 13.25. The use of a player who has been suspended and/or is not eligible to play in any YAC Ch match must be sanctioned in accordance with the applicable EHF Legal Regulations and EHF List of Penalties.



IX. KIT (players' clothing – shirts and shorts)

Article 14 Team kits requirements

- 14.1. Each team is required to have at least one (1) full team kit in light colours and one (1) full team kit in dark colours for the matches of the YAC Ch. Blue and red are considered dark colours. In case of multi-coloured shirts in any of the full team kits, only one of the colours – and not the main colour – can be repeated in the other full team kit.
- 14.2. Goalkeepers' kit must differ from court players' kit, in both dark colour and light colour kit options.
- 14.3. The colours and the photos of the full team kits (at least one (1) light colour option and one (1) dark colour option) must be provided to the EHF before the beginning of the YAC Ch within the deadline set by the latter and communicated in due course to the participating Member Federations. "Style guide" illustrations of the full team kits are not accepted as photos.
- 14.4. The full team kits (at least one (1) light colour option and one (1) dark colour option) of each team must be presented by each delegation at the first technical meeting prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch for final approval by the EHF. If more than two (2) full team kits have been prepared for the YAC Ch, they must also be presented at the first technical meeting.
- 14.5. The full team kits approved at the first technical meeting are the only ones allowed during the entire YAC Ch.

Choice of kit

- 14.6. A "kit plan" defining the full team kit (light colour option or dark colour option) to be used by each team in each preliminary round match is set up by the EHF (based on the composition of the groups and the TV appearance requirements) after the first technical meeting and communicated in due course to the delegations. Subject to articles 14.8 and 14.9, the EHF decision is final. The "kit plan" must be respected by each participating team.
- 14.7. Such a "kit plan" is also set up by the EHF for the cross matches, placement matches and the final weekend matches after the respective technical meetings and communicated in due course to the delegations. Subject to articles 14.8 and 14.9, the EHF decision is final.
- 14.8. The EHF delegate (supervisor) of each match is allowed to request any of the teams to play with another approved full team kit than the one specified in the kit plan if the EHF delegate considers that the colours of the team's pre-defined kits are likely to cause confusion. The teams must comply with the EHF delegate's (supervisor) instruction accordingly.



- 14.9. Any EHF Official (EHF delegate or EHF referee) of the match is allowed to request any of the team officials to change their clothing, if the EHF Official considers that colours of the team official's clothing are likely to cause confusion, in particular with the court players of the opposing team. The team officials must comply with the EHF Official's instruction accordingly.

Numbers – Officials' letters

- 14.10. Each player's number announced during the first technical meeting must be affixed on the back and front of the shirt of the respective player. The number must be clearly legible, must range from 1 to 99 and be at least 20 cm high on the back and at least 10 cm high on the front. The colour of the number must contrast clearly with the colour of the shirt.
- 14.11. During the entire duration of the YAC Ch each player must wear the same number (the one announced during the registration process and confirmed during the first technical meeting) regardless of her/his position (goalkeeper or court player).
- 14.12. The letter assigned by the delegations to their team officials during the first technical meeting must be affixed on the officials' accreditations. They must range from A to F. No loose letter card is allowed during the YAC Ch.
- 14.13. During the entire duration of the YAC Ch, each team official must wear the same letter (the one announced during the registration process and confirmed during the first technical meeting).

Additional requirements

- 14.14. During the team line-up, the entire team must wear identical clothing either the approved full team kit to be worn during the match or tracksuits (except goalkeepers).
- 14.15. During YAC Ch matches:
- a) The court players and the goalkeepers must wear the approved full team kit specified in the respective "kit plan" or requested by the EHF delegate (supervisor). The number of each player must appear on their shirts as defined here above.
 - b) Players are allowed to wear thermo-trousers as long as all thermo-trousers of the players of a team have the same colour.
 - c) The team officials on the bench must wear clothing having clearly distinct colour(s) from the colour(s) of the opposing team's playing kit.



Article 15 Advertising on players' kits

- 15.1. Subject to the restrictions mentioned hereunder, advertising on players' kits is allowed.
- 15.2. Advertising related to drugs, pornography or spirits is strictly forbidden on the players' kits.
- 15.3. For any advertising on kits during a YAC Ch, the provisions and restrictions laid down in the Advertising on Clothing Regulations must be respected.
- 15.4. Each delegation member must comply with any further advertising restrictions communicated by the EHF to the participating Member Federations in due time prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 15.5. The Host Federation must inform the EHF on any local restriction or ban regarding advertising in due time before the YAC Ch.

Back shirt advertising restrictions

- 15.6. The area on the back of the shirts above the player's number must be free of any advertising or writing. Only the surname of the player (if any) must be visible.

Sleeves advertising

- 15.7. Sleeves of the players' shirts must be reserved for EHF advertising. Any other type of advertising and/or writing on the sleeve is forbidden.
- 15.8. The team official(s) in charge must ensure that the sleeves badges and/or logos are properly fixed on each player's shirt in due time prior to each match.
- 15.9. The EHF informs the participating Member Federations if the aforementioned EHF right to sleeve advertising will not be used at least six (6) weeks prior to the beginning of the respective YAC Ch.

Non-obedience of the applicable points

- 15.10. Non-obedience of one or more of the provisions stated hereabove, and/or of the Advertising on Clothing Regulations, may be sanctioned according to the applicable EHF regulations, including the EHF Legal Regulations. In addition the respective Member Federation may be required to reimburse all damages occurred.



X. MATCH PROCEDURE

Article 16 **Laws of the game**

- 16.1. YAC Ch matches are played in conformity with the applicable Rules of the Game promulgated by the International Handball Federation (IHF) subject to the following specifications:
- a) Teams can play with up to sixteen (16) players
 - b) Chairs instead of benches are installed in the substitution area
 - c) The requirements of the YAC Championship Procedures and Guidelines Manual concerning the substitution area set-up prevail

Article 17 **Technical meeting**

- 17.1. A technical meeting is carried out one (1) day before the beginning of each YAC Ch round (preliminary round, cross matches, placement matches and final week-end) in each YAC Ch venue in the teams' hotel announced by the EHF.
- 17.2. Technical meetings must be attended by at least one (1) team official of each delegation participating in the respective round and the team guides. The team officials attending the technical meetings must be able to communicate in English.
- 17.3. In the first technical meeting of the YAC Ch, one day prior to the first matches, each delegation must:
- a) Nominate its Official Delegation composed of a maximum of sixteen (16) players from the twenty-eight (28) players of the Official Squad List and six (6) team officials. The team official in charge must complete all fields of the Official Delegation form, must sign it and must hand it over.
 - b) Present a valid passport or national identity card for each of the players nominated as part of the Official Delegation.
 - c) Show the full team kits. One piece of each full team kit (dark colour option and light colour option) must be brought along. The full team kits colours of each participating team must be the ones announced at an earlier stage to the EHF (with the required modifications implemented, if any).
 - d) Confirm the music of the national anthem of the respective country.
- 17.4. The full team kits of each team must be checked by the EHF during the first technical meeting of the YAC Ch.



- 17.5. The Official Delegation forms presenting the lists of players and team officials nominated as Official Delegation must be checked with the players' passports or national identity cards, and be approved and signed by at least two (2) EHF delegates during the first technical meeting of the YAC Ch.
- 17.6. During the following technical meetings of the YAC Ch, the full team kits must be once again presented by each participating delegation.

Article 18
A. Pre-match procedure
Warm up

- 18.1. In due time before the start of an YAC Ch match, the playing court is made available to the players of the two playing teams for warm-up and play practice.

Start List

- 18.2. One (1) hour before the start of an YAC Ch match, the pre-prepared Start List containing the names of the Official Delegation of the playing teams must be checked and confirmed by the team officials in charge. Moreover, the team officials in charge must reduce the number of team officials to a maximum of four (4) by crossing out up to two (2) team officials listed. Only four (4) team officials are eligible to be in the substitution area during the match.
- 18.3. The Start List must be signed by each team official in charge and handed over to the EHF delegate (supervisor) fifteen (15) minutes prior to the throw-off of the match.
- 18.4. The Host Federation is responsible to distribute the completed and finalised Start List to the press, press agents and to the EHF Championship Office before the match.
- 18.5. The EHF delegate (supervisor) coordinates and is responsible for the Start List procedure assisted by the EHF Office.

Before teams line-up

- 18.6. Each player being on the playing court for the warm-up must immediately leave the playing court upon EHF referees' instructions to do so (twelve (12) minutes before the match throw-off at the latest).

Teams' line-up

- 18.7. Each player of the playing teams must be ready for the official teams' line-up ten (10) minutes prior to the official throw-off of the matches (twelve (12) minutes prior to the official throw-off for the matches of the final week-end).



- 18.8. Before entering the playing court for the official teams' line-up, ten (10) minutes before the match throw-off, the players have to follow both the EHF referees' and floor managers' instructions and gather at the defined collection point (pre-defined corner of the playing court surrounding area).
- 18.9. Once the EHF referees have given the playing teams the instruction to gather, none of the player is allowed to leave the playing court area.
- 18.10. The players must enter the playing court following the respective EHF referee as well as the path made by children. They must slap hands (high-five) with the children on either side simultaneously with both hands. The players of the team entering second on the playing court must also slap hands with the other team players before taking their line-up position (enclosure 2).

Pre-match procedure schedule

- 18.11. The detailed pre-match procedure schedule is the following:
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| - 09:45 | Flag, mascots, referees, teams ready at the entry meeting point. Player escorts (children) form tunnel |
| - 09:30 | Start of the protocol flag presentation by four flag presenting children |
| - 09:00 | Line-up of Team A/B (team seating in the first substitution area after the players' entrance point) |
| - 08:30 | Line-up of Team B/A |
| - 08:00 | Introduction of Team A – players and officials |
| - 06:30 | Introduction of Team B – players and officials |
| - 05:00 | Introduction of the referees, EHF officials |
| - 04:00 | National anthem of Team A |
| - 02:45 | National anthem of Team B |
| - 01:30 | Final match preparations of the teams and fair-play announcement |
| - 00:00 | Throw-off/Order by EHF delegate (supervisor) |
- 18.12. The detailed pre-match procedure schedule of the final week-end matches is adapted with two (2) additional minutes to the schedule defined under article 18.11.
- 18.13. Further details and information about the pre-match procedure is provided to the delegations before the beginning of the YAC Ch and before each match. The provided information may contain modifications to the schedule mentioned under article 18.11 due to the practicalities of each venue and each match.
- 18.14. Instructions regarding pre-match procedure given by the floor manager and/or the EHF delegate (supervisor) in the playing hall before each match prevail and must in any case be followed by any person involved in the pre-match procedure.



- 18.15. Any playing team and individual causing a delay in the throw-offs (start/half-time/timeout) of a YAC Ch match is liable for any damage incurred and may be sanctioned by the EHF accordingly.

Fair play announcement

- 18.16. The following fair-play announcement is read by the announcer in English and optionally in the official language of the country of the Host Federation once the teams lined-up, before the throw-off:

“To ensure fair conditions for all players, officials and referees and in the interest of the sport of handball we kindly request you, the spectators, to support your team in a fair manner and to show a positive attitude towards all participants and spectators, Thank you.”

B. Post-match procedures Handshake and line up

- 18.17. Immediately after the end of a YAC Ch match, after the public announcer’s announcement of the teams’ line-up, the playing teams must line up in the centre of the playing court facing the judges’ table and carry out the official passing-by handshake after the best player’s awards according to enclosure 3.

Best player’s award

- 18.18. An Electoral Commission composed of one (1) expert nominated by the EHF, one (1) expert nominated by the Host Federation and chaired by one (1) EHF representative present at the venue elects the best player of each playing team after each YAC Ch match.
- 18.19. The names of the best players of the match are announced by the public announcer immediately after the end of the match and the teams’ line-up; the named players must step out of the line. A best player’s award is handed over to the players by the EHF representative or a person nominated by the EHF representative in cooperation with a Host Federation representative.

Mixed zone

- 18.20. After the end of each YAC Ch match and the respective ceremonies, all players and officials of the playing teams (physiotherapists and doctors excepted) must pass through the mixed zone, respectively through the official routing system.



Post-match press conference

- 18.21. An official post-match press conference takes place in the press centre of the playing hall fifteen (15) minutes after the end of each YAC Ch match or in case a ceremony takes place after the match, fifteen (15) minutes after the end of the respective ceremony(ies). Alternatively interviews may be carried out in front a flash board close to the playing court, in the playing court surrounding area or in the corridor immediately after the end of each YAC Ch match, respectively immediately after the ceremony(ies).
- 18.22. The head coach of each playing team together with one (1) key player approved by the EHF must take part in the post-match press conference/interviews accompanied by an interpreter, if necessary.
- 18.23. During the post-match press conference/interviews of the semi-finals and the final, the head coach must be accompanied by two (2) key players approved by the EHF.
- 18.24. The video of each press conference/interview is made available by the Host Federation via live stream on the official event website free of charge.

Transmission of results and tables

- 18.25. The Host Federation is responsible to distribute the half-time results, the final match results, the match reports as well as information on the number of spectators and any other relevant match information of each YAC Ch match to the press, press agents and to the EHF Championship Office, immediately after each respective match.
- 18.26. Person(s) in charge must be nominated by the Host Member Federation accordingly.
- 18.27. Match reports and tables showing results after completion of the matches in the respective round or group may be published only after being officially approved by the EHF.

C. Post-match specific ceremonies

All Star Team

- 18.28. The All Star Team of the YAC Ch, composed of the best player of the YAC Ch in each position as well as the Most Valuable Player, the Best Defence Player and the Top Scorer (all together ten (10) players) is elected by a group of experts present during the YAC Ch and nominated by the EHF during the preliminary round of the YAC Ch.
- 18.29. The All Star Team is announced by the public announcer after the second semi-final, immediately after the best player's awards ceremony or alternatively on the final day.



Farewell ceremony

- 18.30. A farewell ceremony for each team (except for the finalists) takes place on the playing court at the end of the placement matches as well as at the end of the bronze final, following the best players' award ceremony.
- 18.31. The Official Delegation of the team(s) receives commemorative medals and local gifts (for up to twenty-five (25) persons) from a representative of the Host Federation. During the farewell ceremony of the bronze final a prize is additionally handed over to the team ranked fourth (4th) in the YAC Ch.
- 18.32. Further details and information about the farewell ceremony are communicated to the delegations at the technical meetings.
- 18.33. Instructions regarding the farewell ceremony given by the floor manager, respectively the EHF official in charge prevail and must be followed by any person involved in the farewell ceremony.

Medals and closing ceremony

- 18.34. After the final match of the YAC Ch a medal and closing ceremony takes place on the playing court following the best players' award ceremony. The Official Delegation of the teams ranked first to third must be present for the medals and closing ceremony.
- 18.35. The first, second and third ranked teams receive the following medals (for up to twenty-five (25) persons):
- 1st place and YAC Championship Champion gold
 - 2nd place silver
 - 3rd place bronze
- 18.36. Besides the medals, the first ranked team receives the YAC Ch trophy and the second and third ranked teams receive a trophy of a different shape.
- 18.37. Further details and information about the medals and closing ceremony are communicated to the relevant delegations in due time before the ceremony.
- 18.38. Instructions regarding the medals and closing ceremony given by the floor manager, respectively the EHF official in charge prevail and must be followed by any person involved in this ceremony.



Media and promotion

- 18.39. After the final match, the winner of the YAC Ch must be available for media and promotion purposes upon EHF request.

Banquet

- 18.40. On the day of the final matches a banquet or similar event may be organised by the Host Federation to close the YAC Ch. The players and officials of the teams as well as the EHF officials should attend such a banquet as a gesture of friendship and courtesy.

XI. PARTICIPATING DELEGATIONS

Article 19

Number of delegation members

- 19.1. Each Member Federation participating in a YAC Ch may travel to the venue with a delegation (including players and officials) of a maximum of twenty-one (21) members.
- 19.2. Any exception to the foregoing must be requested in writing to the EHF and the Host Federation in due time prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch and is subject to the Host Federation's prior approval.
- 19.3. The respective financial terms are defined under section XVII (Financial Provisions) of the present Regulations.

Promotion support

- 19.4. Each Member Federation participating in a YAC Ch must show the official web banner of the YAC Ch on the home page of their official websites, must use the YAC Ch flag and must distribute YAC Ch promotion material in the frame of their national competitions and events in order to support the promotion of the respective YAC Ch. The official web banner of the YAC Ch, YAC Ch flag and YAC Ch promotion material are provided by the EHF to the participating Member Federations.



XII. RESPONSIBILITIES

Article 20 Responsibilities of the Member Federations

- 20.1. The Member Federations are legally and financially accountable towards the EHF in respect of their delegation and team participating in the YAC Ch. In particular, the Member Federations are accountable for the conduct of their players, officials, other delegation members, supporters and of any person having a function in the Member Federation, and/or carrying out a function at a match on behalf of the Member Federation, respectively on behalf of the delegation. They may be sanctioned accordingly.
- 20.2. The Host Federation is responsible for security and order before, during and after the matches. The Host Federation may be called to account for incidents of any kind.

Additional responsibilities

- 20.3. The EHF Office informs the Member Federations, respectively the delegations participating in the YAC Ch about any further guidelines, directives or decisions related to the YAC Ch to be respected and provides them with all relevant documents in due time.

XIII. INSURANCE

Article 21 General principles

- 21.1. Everyone involved in the YAC Ch is responsible for his/her own insurance cover.
- 21.2. The participating Member Federations are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover, including accident and health insurance, for their delegation members, including players, technical staff and officials, at their own expense for the whole duration of the YAC Ch.

Host Federation(s)

- 21.3. The Host Federation is responsible for the insurance cover of all sites used for the YAC Ch including hall, facilities and official zones. If the Host Federation is not the owner of the hall used, the Federation is also responsible for ensuring that the hall owner and/ or tenant in question provides a fully comprehensive insurance cover, including third party liability and property damage.



- 21.4. In addition to articles 21.1 and 21.2, the Host Federation staging the YAC Ch must conclude at its own expense adequate insurance cover (including cancellation) for all risks arising from organising and staging the YAC Ch, in accordance with its responsibilities. The insurance must fulfil the minimum conditions set out in the organisation agreement between the EHF and the Host Federation and those communicated by the EHF accordingly.
- 21.5. A copy of all insurance contracts concluded by the Host Federation for the YAC Ch must be provided to the EHF within the deadline set forth by the latter.

EHF

- 21.6. The EHF is responsible for the accident and health insurance of the nominated EHF Officials for the duration of their assignment.

Further requirements

- 21.7. All insurances must cover the full period of the YAC Ch, including the preparation and post-competition phase.
- 21.8. Claims for damages against the EHF are expressly excluded. Anyone involved must hold EHF harmless from any and all claims for liability arising in relation to their participation in the respective YAC Ch.

XIV. EXCLUSIVITY

Article 22

EHF sponsors / partners exclusivity

- 22.1. The exclusivity of the EHF partners and sponsors during the YAC Ch must be complied with by all delegations, individuals, EHF Officials participating in the YAC Ch.
- 22.2. The names and the respective categories of products/services of the EHF partners and sponsors as well as the necessary measures and restrictions to be taken by all delegations, individuals, EHF Officials participating in the YAC Ch are communicated by the EHF in due course prior the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 22.3. The Host Federation must sent the EHF the list of all sponsors and partners (name, nationality, products/services) which will be represented during the YAC Ch at the venue (including without limitation in the playing hall and all related areas) two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of the respective YAC Ch at the latest.



- 22.4. Noncompliance with the required measures and restrictions in relation to EHF partner product/service exclusivity or any other kind of violation of the EHF partners and sponsors exclusivity during the YAC Ch must be sanctioned according to the EHF Legal Regulations. In addition the respective individual/entity may be required to reimburse all damages occurred.

XV. ORGANISATION (VENUES-FACILITIES-EQUIPMENTS)

Article 23 General provisions

- 23.1. The Host Federation staging and organising the YAC Ch is responsible for the YAC Ch venues/playing halls set-up in accordance with the requirements defined by the EHF.
- 23.2. The EHF EURO Set-up Manual regulating the YAC Ch venues/playing halls set-up is an integral part of the present Regulations.
- 23.3. The provisions of the Bidding Manual, of the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF and any additional requirement communicated by the EHF to the Host Federation are complementary to the present Regulations and to the EHF EURO Set-up Manual.
- 23.4. In case of discrepancy, the provisions of the Bidding Manual, of the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF and the additional requirements communicated by the EHF must prevail upon those of the present Regulations and other EHF applicable Regulations or Manuals.

Choice venues/playing halls

- 23.5. YAC Ch playing venues are proposed by the Host Federation to the EHF.
- 23.6. The Host Federation must propose to the EHF venues where the facilities (playing halls, hotels, transports...) meet the criteria defined in the EHF EURO Set-up Manual, in the Bidding Manual as well as any other criteria set-out in the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF or communicated by the EHF.
- 23.7. YAC Ch matches must be played only in venues and playing halls which have been expressly agreed upon by the EHF following one or several inspections.



Venues/playing halls set-up

- 23.8. Regarding venues and playing halls set-up, the Host Federation must implement the requirements of the EHF EURO Set-Up Manual, of the Bidding Manual and the provisions of the organisation agreement between the host Member Federation and the EHF as well as any further requirements communicated by the EHF.
- 23.9. Subject to the foregoing, the following basic equipments and infrastructures must be prepared and set-up for each YAC Ch match:

Judges' table – Support table

- 23.10. A judges' table and a support table must be set-up and installed in the playing hall.
- 23.11. The size, position and other requirements concerning the judges' table and the support table defined in the Bidding Manual and the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF must be complied with (enclosure 4).
- 23.12. The provisions of the IHF Rules of the Game regarding the size, position and other requirements concerning the judges' tables are not applicable to YAC Ch matches.

Substitution area - chairs

- 23.13. A substitution area with substitution chairs must be set-up and installed in the playing hall.
- 23.14. The size, position and other requirements concerning the substitution area and the substitution chairs defined in the Bidding Manual and the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF must be complied with (enclosure 4).
- 23.15. The provisions of the IHF Rules of the Game regarding the size, position and other requirements concerning the substitution area and substitutes' benches are not applicable to YAC Ch matches.

Time-keeping and score-taking apparatus

- 23.16. For all YAC Ch matches, the playing halls must be equipped with an electric timekeeping (counting 0 to 30 minutes for each half) and score taking apparatus which can be read without difficulty and be operated from the judges' table. It is the official timekeeping apparatus and must be in full working order prior to and during matches.



Score boards

- 23.17. For all YAC Ch matches, the playing halls must be equipped with two (2) score boards on each short side of the halls. The score boards must indicate at least the score, nations, time, playing time (counting 0 to 30 minutes for each half), 2 minutes suspensions. All indications must be synchronised between the two (2) boards and the table. No remote control system to be used.

Reserve clock

- 23.18. As a reserve, a large clock (approx. 25 cm in diameter) with minute and second hands must be available at the judges' table.

Match cards

- 23.19. A sufficient number of cards (size A4) matching EHF sample design must be at the disposal of the timekeeper for noting the numbers of the suspended players and the end of the suspension period. These cards must be placed on the judges' table, where visible and in a vertical position, clearly legible for both playing teams.
- 23.20. Three (3) green cards (size A5) showing the capital letter "T" must be at the disposal of the timekeeper for the team time-outs. They are handed over to the responsible members of the respective playing teams at the beginning of each half-time of the regular playing time.
- 23.21. A card to indicate that a player is injured must also be available.

Playing floor

- 23.22. For all YAC Ch matches, a clean handball floor with handball lines only shall be installed.

Anti-doping facility

- 23.23. In all YAC Ch playing halls, an anti-doping infrastructure complying with the WADA Anti-Doping Code and the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping applicable at the date of the beginning of the Event must be set-up. Such infrastructure must include without limitation:
- An anti-doping room of at least 10m² with working infrastructure (table, chairs, control equipment, etc.) for the anti-doping control staff and a refrigerator
 - A direct access to a toilet
 - A waiting room

Playing balls

- 23.22. The matches of the YAC Ch must be played with balls approved by the EHF. The EHF provides the balls to be used during the matches of the YAC Ch. No other balls shall be used.



Seats for disqualified players

- 23.24. Seats in the spectators' stands must be reserved by the Host Federation for the players receiving a red card during the matches of the YAC Ch. A person nominated by the Host Federation supervises those seats and ensure that the disqualified players remain in the defined stand area until the end of the draw for the anti-doping controls or, if no draw takes place, until the final whistle of the respective match.

Ambulance – first aid team

- 23.25. An ambulance with the required qualified personnel and a first aid team must be present in or in front of the playing halls during all matches of the YAC Ch.

Training halls – Training schedule

- 23.26. The Host Federation must draw-up a training schedule for each participating team during the YAC Ch in accordance with the requirements defined herein (articles 11.6 and 11.7) and those communicated in due course by the EHF at least two (2) months prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch. The training schedule must be fixed in such a way that teams playing against each other do not practice the one after the other in the same hall and that each team has the same opportunity to train on the main court during the YAC Ch.
- 23.27. The training schedule must be approved by the EHF. Any change in the training schedule must be agreed on by the EHF and the Host Federation.

YAC Ch draw

- 23.28. The Host Federation may organise the YAC Ch draw defining the preliminary round groups in its country. The Host Federation may organise the YAC Ch draw as a public event meeting the requirements of the TV host broadcaster and any requirements communicated in due course by the EHF. The Host Federation organising a draw in its country must ensure that the draw is made available via live stream on the official event website free of charge.

Others

- 23.29. The Host Federation must comply with and/or implement any other requirements related to the staging and organisation of the YAC Ch defined in the Bidding Manual, in the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF and/or communicated by the EHF.



XVI. EHF OFFICIALS

Article 24

Definition

- 24.1. EHF Officials are EHF representatives, EHF delegates, EHF referees, EHF Office staff members as well as any other persons nominated by the EHF in relation with a YAC Ch.

Code of Conduct

- 24.2. Any EHF Official nominated to participate in a YAC Ch must sign the EHF Code of Conduct. During their assignment, the EHF Officials are bound by the obligations of the EHF Code of Conduct and the applicable EHF Regulations.

Article 25

EHF referees nomination

- 25.1. The EHF referees of the YAC Ch are appointed by the EHF. The appointed EHF referees must acknowledge the EHF nomination and inform the EHF accordingly without delay.
- 25.2. The nomination of the EHF referees for a YAC Ch can be withdrawn at the EHF's sole discretion. The EHF decisions in matter of referee nomination for the YAC Ch are final.
- 25.3. The EHF referees nomination is communicated by the EHF to all parties concerned in due time prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 25.4. For each YAC Ch match, in due course before the match, the EHF assigns two (2) referee couples out of those nominated. The second referee couple are "reserve" referees. The EHF decision is final.

Arrival of referees

- 25.5. The EHF referees nominated for the YAC Ch must arrive at the relevant venue on the date and time communicated by the EHF, as planned and organised by the Host Federation in cooperation with the EHF referees and the EHF.
- 25.6. If any of the referees does not arrive at the match venue as planned and organised, the EHF will take the appropriate decisions. If the EHF decides to replace the referees, such a decision is final and no protest against the person or nationality of the referee is allowed.



Refusal

- 25.7. If the appointed EHF referees are unable to fulfil a nomination, they shall inform the EHF without delay by phone and subsequently in writing. In this case, the EHF appoints alternative referees.

Unfit referees

- 25.8. If any of the referees becomes unfit before or during a match and is unable to officiate, the referee couple is replaced by the referees nominated as “reserve referees” for the respective match.

Special report

- 25.9. In case of direct disqualifications or any major incidents, the referees have to write an additional detailed report and give it to the EHF Championship Office immediately after the end of the match.
- 25.10. In their report, the referees report in as much detail as possible on any incidents before, during and after the match, such as:
- misconduct of players leading to direct disqualification
 - unsportsmanlike behaviour by officials, members, supporters or anyone carrying out a function at a match on behalf of a Member Federation.
 - any other incidents
- 25.11. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the absence of report on an incident does not prevent the initiation of proceedings by the EHF.

Further tasks

- 25.12. The EHF referees nominated for the YAC Ch must attend the Officials’ Conference taking place prior to the YAC Ch and any preparatory activity defined as mandatory by the EHF.
- 25.13. The EHF referees nominated for the YAC Ch must fulfill the preparatory tasks defined and communicated by the EHF. The Member Federations of the referees must supervise those tasks and send a written confirmation to the EHF regarding their completion by the nominated EHF referees within the deadline set-up by the EHF.

Article 26

EHF delegates nomination

- 26.1. The EHF delegates of the YAC Ch are appointed by the EHF. The appointed EHF delegates must acknowledge the EHF nomination and inform the EHF accordingly without delay.



- 26.2. The nomination of the EHF delegates for a YAC Ch can be withdrawn at EHF's sole discretion. The EHF decisions in matter of delegate nomination for the YAC Ch are final.
- 26.3. The EHF delegates nomination is communicated by the EHF to all parties concerned in due time prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 26.4. For each YAC Ch match, in due course prior to the match, the EHF assigns two (2) delegates out of those appointed for the YAC Ch: one (1) supervisor, one (1) observer. The EHF decision is final.

Arrival of delegates

- 26.5. The EHF delegates nominated for the YAC Ch must arrive at the relevant venue on the date and time communicated by the EHF, as planned and organised by the Host Federation in cooperation with the EHF referees and the EHF.
- 26.6. If any of the delegates does not arrive at the match venue as planned and organised, the EHF will take the appropriate decisions. If the EHF decides to replace the delegates, such a decision is final and no protest against the person or nationality of the referee is allowed.

Refusal

- 26.7. If the appointed EHF delegates are unable to fulfil a nomination, they shall inform the EHF without delay by phone and subsequently in writing.
- 26.8. In this case, the EHF appoints alternative delegates.

General responsibility

- 26.9. The EHF delegates act on behalf of the EHF.
- 26.10. When on duty, the delegates must always carry a copy of the relevant EHF regulations as well as the IHF Rules of the Game.
- 26.11. The EHF delegate (supervisor) with the support of the EHF delegate (observer) supervises the conduct of the match and prevents any occurrences that may lead to a protest or a repetition of a match following EHF requirements. If necessary, the EHF delegate (supervisor) acts as mediator.
- 26.12. The EHF delegate (observer) guides and supports the referees and observes and assesses their performance. However, the EHF delegate (observer) is not a chief referee. Responsibility on the playing area rests solely with the EHF referees.



- 26.13. Nonetheless, the EHF delegates must interrupt the match if necessary and bring errors that may lead to a protest to the EHF referees' attention. Errors in this context do not mean decisions made by the referees on the basis of their observation of facts. The delegates must not make decisions but only make recommendations.
- 26.14. The EHF delegates must always sit at the judges' table to have a good view of the substitution area at any time and to be able to intervene if necessary.

Special report

- 26.15. The EHF delegates must supervise the respect by all participating entities and persons of the EHF rules and regulations applicable to a YAC Ch, including without limitation of the present YAC Ch Regulations and the EHF Advertising on Clothing Regulations.
- 26.16. If any violation of the EHF rules and regulations or a major incident is observed the EHF delegates must:
- write a specific remark on the match report and cross the box "report follows"
 - report such violation and/or incident in writing to the EHF Championship Office immediately after the match.
- 26.17. In their reports, the delegates report in as much detail as possible on any violation/incidents before, during and after the match, such as:
- incorrect teams line-up
 - incorrect player clothing (number, name, advertisements...)
 - delay in the match throw-offs
 - unsportsmanlike behaviour by officials, members, supporters or anyone carrying out a function at a match on behalf of a Member Federation
 - any other incidents
- 26.18. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the absence of remark on the match report or of report on an incident does not prevent the initiation of legal proceedings by the EHF.

Match report / Start List

- 26.19. The EHF delegate (supervisor) is responsible for the match report and the Start List.
- 26.20. Before the throw-off, the EHF delegate (supervisor) must check that the Start List is correct and take care that the Start List is confirmed and signed by an official of each playing team.



- 26.21. During the half-time break and after the match, the EHF delegate (supervisor) must liaise with the scorekeeper, the timekeeper and the scouter of the EHF statistics partner to control the content of the match report. Once controlled, the match report must be signed by the EHF delegate (supervisor).
- 26.22. Further requirements and deadlines regarding the match report and the Start List defined in the “Off Court Officiating Guidelines” and in the “Start List, Match Report, and Daily Bulletin” information communicated in due course to the EHF delegates by the EHF prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch must be complied with.

Further tasks

- 26.23. The EHF delegates must know, comply with and fulfil any task defined in the “Off Court Officiating Guidelines” communicated by the EHF in due course prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 26.24. In particular, the EHF delegates must cooperate with the timekeeper and the scorekeeper as defined in the “Off Court Officiating Guidelines”.
- 26.25. The EHF delegates nominated for the YAC Ch must attend the Officials’ Conference taking place prior to the YAC Ch and any preparatory activity defined as mandatory by the EHF.
- 26.26. The EHF delegates nominated for the YAC Ch must fulfil the preparatory tasks defined and communicated by the EHF.

Article 27 Other Officials

- 27.1. In addition to the EHF delegates, the EHF may appoint further Officials for supervising different fields related to the event (e.g. marketing, security...).
- 27.2. The duties and competence of those Officials are to be defined with each individual appointment.

EHF representatives

- 27.3. The EHF representatives act on behalf of the EHF. They represent the EHF in official activities.
- 27.4. They must know, comply with and fulfil any task defined in the “Task Management Profile Manual” communicated by the EHF in due course prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.



Score-taker, timekeeper and announcer

- 27.5. The score-taker, timekeeper and announcer are not EHF Officials. They are appointed by the Host Federation.

XVII. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Article 28

A. Member Federations

Travel costs

- 28.1. The Member Federations must organise the travel of their delegation to and from the playing venue. The place of arrival of the delegation must be at a reasonable distance from the playing venue.
- 28.2. The travel expenses of any and all delegation members to and from the playing venue must be borne by the respective Member Federation.

Visa costs

- 28.3. All expenses arising from the procurement of visas for the members of the entire delegation must be borne by the respective Member Federation.

Entry fee/ Lump-sum advance payment

- 28.4. The entry fee and advance payment defined under article 5 must be paid by the respective Member Federation within the announced deadline to enter the YAC Ch.

Daily rate

- 28.5. For the board, lodging and local transport of the delegations at the YAC Ch venue(s) of a delegation of twenty-one (21) members or less, each Member Federation must pay a daily rate to the Host Federation.
- 28.6. The daily rate for the twenty-one (21) delegation members is announced to the Member Federations by the Host Federation during the bidding process.
- 28.7. Such rate must be paid to the EHF account within the deadline duly communicated by the latter to the participating Member Federations.



- 28.8. The number of days is the basis for the calculation of the global rate per delegation. The total is calculated from 12:00 pm (noon) on the day of arrival at the venue (the day prior to the first match day at the earliest) to 12:00 pm (noon) on the day of departure (the day after to the last match day at the latest). The day of arrival and of departure are calculated as one (1) day when charging the daily rate (additional meals such as breakfast on the arrival day and lunch and lunch on the departure day have to be paid extra).
- 28.9. The board, lodging and local transport of additional delegation members up to twenty-five (25) persons per delegation is organised by the Host Federation upon payment by the respective Member Federation of a daily rate within the deadline communicated by the EHF. The daily rate for the four (4) additional delegation members is agreed upon by the EHF and the Host Federation. The daily rate for the additional delegation members must be paid directly to the Host Federation account.

Additional days of stays/ Additional persons

- 28.10. If agreed by the Host Federation, the Host Federation may organise the board, lodging and local transport of more than twenty-five (25) delegation members upon request of a Member Federation at the respective Member Federation's costs.
- 28.11. If agreed by the EHF and the Host Federation, a delegation may arrive before the YAC Ch and/or leave after the YAC Ch a few days before/after the planned dates.
- 28.12. All costs and expenses related to those additional days at the venue must be borne by the respective Member Federation. The daily rate per delegation member for each additional day agreed upon by the EHF and the Host Federation is communicated in due time to the Member Federations by the Host Federation and must be paid within the deadline set forth by the latter.

Insurance

- 28.13. Member Federations having a team participating in the YAC Ch shall arrange, at their own expense insurances for all members of their delegation, including team officials, technical staff and players as further defined in article 21.
- 28.14. The Host Federation and the EHF must not be held responsible of any claims resulting from accidents or illnesses.

Solidarity contribution

- 28.15. Each Member Federation participating in the Competition receives a solidarity contribution amounting to €2.000 from the EHF.
- 28.16. The contribution is paid in due time prior to the beginning of the Championship.



Article 29

B. Host Federation(s)

Staging and organisational costs

- 29.1. All expenses incurred in the host country to stage and organise the YAC Ch must be borne by the Host Federation. This includes (without limitation) expenses and costs for local transport of the participating delegations from their place of arrival to the respective venue(s) and between the venues and expenses and costs for all kinds of activities at the venue (rest day programme, receptions, banquets, etc.).

Costs related to the delegations

- 29.2. The board, lodging and local transport of the delegations at the venue(s) for the duration of the YAC Ch is organised by the Host Federation for up to a maximum of twenty-five (25) persons per delegation and up to a maximum of seven (7) days (one day prior to the first match day at the earliest and one day after the last match day at the latest) against payment of a daily rate. The respective daily rates are defined as stated in articles 28.5 to 28.9.
- 29.3. The Host Federation may agree, upon a Member Federation's request, to organise the board, lodging and local transport of additional delegation members.

EHF Officials' costs

- 29.4. The Host Federation must bear the following costs and expenses of the nominated EHF Officials (definition under article 24.1):
- a) Travel expenses to and from the venue (refunded on production of receipts/proof of ticket purchase) based on those criteria:

Travel by train/bus/boat:

Reimbursement of first class return tickets for train/bus/boat

Travel by plane:

Reimbursement of return tickets in economy class (other specifications defined by the EHF apply)

Travel by car (allowed up to a maximum distance of 600 km one way):

Reimbursement of first class return tickets for train/bus/boat

Taxi journeys in the home town or during a trip:

(e.g.: transfer between airports) may be refunded upon the presentation of the respective receipts



Travel by car in the home town (to and from airport or train station):

May be charged with €0,50 per driven kilometre and reimbursement of the airport parking costs

Parking costs at airports are reimbursed by the Host Federation only up to three (3) days. Exceptions to this rule may be granted to an EHF Official by the EHF upon a respective request prior to the travel date.

To obtain the reimbursement of their travel from home to the airport and from the airport to home, the EHF Officials must choose the cheapest transport mean between bus, taxi, train and car.

- b) Any expenses for visas
 - c) For the duration of their assignment during the YAC Ch, the costs of board, lodging as well as their transport costs within the territory of the Host Federation
 - d) Daily allowances amounting to € 55 for every travel day and per day for the duration of the stay
 - e) Any and all other expenses incurred within and outside the host country in connection with the YAC Ch upon approval of the EHF
- 29.5. The Host Federation must ensure that all EHF Officials can leave the host country with all funds paid to them by the Host Federation during the period of their stay, without any deductions or other problems.

Event liability insurance

- 29.6. The Host Federation shall arrange, at its own expense insurance covers necessary to cover all risks and damages resulting from or relating to the staging and the organisation of a YAC Ch as further defined in article 21.

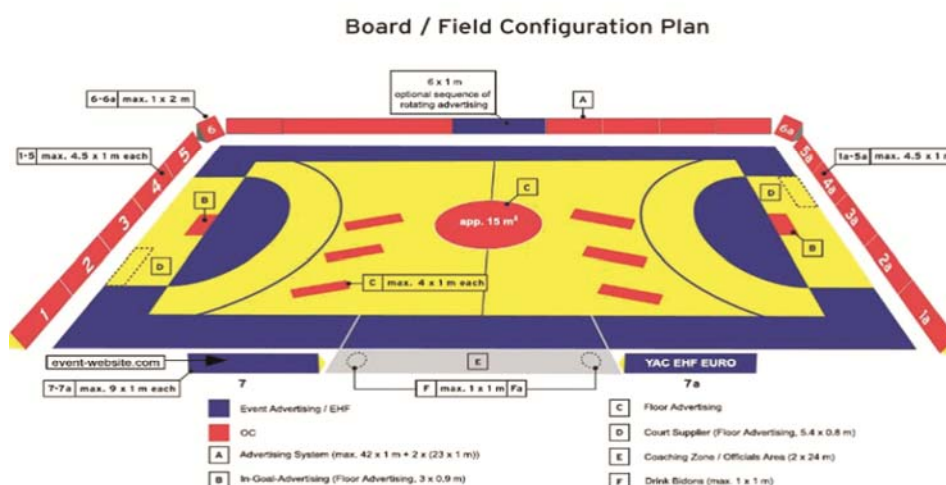
Article 30 Tickets and accreditations

- 30.1. The Host Federation must prepare an accreditation system for the YAC Ch in accordance with the Bidding Manual, the EHF EURO Set-up Manual, the applicable provisions of the organisation agreement between the Host Federation and the EHF as well as any requirement communicated by the EHF. The characteristics of the accreditation system must be approved by the EHF. The EHF decision is final.
- 30.2. Members of the participating delegations are provided with spectator places/tickets free of charge for matches in their group and in their parallel groups on rest days, upon request.

XVIII. EXPLOITATION OF COMMERCIAL RIGHTS

Article 31 Marketing and media rights

- 31.1. Subject to EHF rights defined in articles 31.2, 31.3 and 31.4, the Host Federation is granted the exclusive right to exploit the marketing and media rights including the television, radio, film, DVD, Internet, multimedia, 3G and advertising rights of the YAC Ch and all related activities (draw, opening, closing ceremonies, etc.).
- 31.2. The EHF reserves the right to display, free of charge, one (1) band of advertising with a maximum length of six (6) meters each within the range covered by the TV cameras and one at least in the central position as well as one (1) floor advertising in the middle circle during all matches of the YAC Ch.
- 31.3. One band of advertising is used by the EHF for event identity purpose within the range covered by the TV cameras. If the EHF wishes to use its other marketing rights (second band of advertising and floor advertising), it must inform the Host Federation no later than six (6) weeks prior to the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 31.4. The EHF is allowed to use free of charge existing television and film footage for the operation of the observer system and online platform and for EHF competition promotion and sport development purposes at a later date.
- 31.5. The advertising set-up shall be as follows:





Live streaming

- 31.6. A live streaming of all matches of the YAC Ch will be made available by the Host Federation free of charge on the official YAC Ch website.

Video recordings

- 31.7. Upon application to the EHF, all delegations are permitted to make video recordings of the YAC Ch matches for teaching and training purposes.
- 31.8. Video recordings, however, may only be made by one (1) member of the respective delegation, using one (1) camera. Such video recordings must be used solely for the purposes of internal team preparation and match tactic information (education of players). The use of the video recordings for any other purpose whatsoever, including (without limitation) a commercial exploitation, is forbidden.
- 31.9. The person of the delegation wishing to record a match on video must have a permit issued by the EHF. Persons who do not present an EHF permit may be asked to leave the hall.
- 31.10. Due to space limitations in a playing hall, restrictions on video recordings may have to be imposed by the Host Federation. Such restrictions must be agreed with the EHF.
- 31.11. During the YAC Ch, DVDs of the matches played are made available free of charge to the EHF on each respective match day for analysis. After the YAC Ch, the Host Federation must provide the EHF, free of charge, with DVDs of matches as specified by the EHF.

DVD rental system

- 31.12. A YAC Ch match DVD rental service is put in place by the Host Federation for the duration of the YAC Ch. DVDs of the matches played are made available by the Host Federation in each venue on each respective match day in the frame of the DVD rental system.
- 31.13. The rules and principles governing this rental system are decided and announced by the EHF in due time prior to the YAC Ch.

Article 32

Personality rights

- 32.1. All participating Member Federations, including the Host Federation, grant the EHF the right (royalty-free) to use photos and graphic materials of players and officials as well as Member Federations names, emblems and players uniforms within the framework of the Competition for non-commercial purposes.



- 32.2. All participating Member Federations, including the Host Federation, grant the EHF the right (royalty-free) to use any photo, any material (print material, ads, internet, product presentation, video etc.) produced for/at the YAC Ch matches for handball/ EHF competitions promotions and sport development (training, teaching, etc.) purposes at any time during or after the Competition.
- 32.3. The EHF has the right to transfer these aforementioned rights of use to partner companies for the same purposes.
- 32.4. Each participating Member Federation, including the Host Federation, must obtain the consent of the respective players and officials participating to the YAC Ch to the use of their image as defined here above. Each participating Member Federation must hold the EHF and its partners harmless from any legal action from a player concerning the player's image rights.

XIX. PROTESTS/VIOLATIONS – LEGAL PROVISIONS

Article 33 Definition

- 33.1. Under the present chapter “protests, violations and legal procedures”, “protest” shall mean: any match-related claim which may have an impact on the result of a YAC Ch match.

Exclusion of liability

- 33.2. 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 YAC Ch.

Exclusion of protests

- 33.3. With regard to all and any YAC Ch matches, protests are not admissible when relating to:
- a) Date, time, venue and draw of the matches
 - b) Nomination of referees and delegates
 - c) Referee's decisions on facts in accordance with the Rules of the Game including those based on EHF delegates' recommendations

Direct disqualification

- 33.4. Any player sent off by the referees with a direct disqualification in a YAC Ch match is not eligible to play in the respective team's next match of the current tournament.



Protests

- 33.5. Protests related to YAC Ch matches shall be settled in first instance by the Disciplinary Commission.
- 33.6. Protests shall be handed over in writing to the EHF delegate (supervisor) of the match within one (1) hour after the end of the relevant match.
- 33.7. Moreover a protest fee of € 1,000 shall be paid by the claimant to the EHF. This amount shall be paid directly to the EHF delegate (supervisor) or shall be transferred to the EHF bank account at the same time as the claim is handed over. A written proof of payment of the protest fee in the defined deadline shall be deemed sufficient.
- 33.8. If the protest is fully granted, the protest fee is refunded to the claimant; otherwise it is forfeited to the credit of the EHF.
- 33.9. The reasons for the protest as well as any relevant statement shall be submitted in writing to the EHF delegate or to the EHF Championship Office by the claimant no later than 9:00 am local time, the day after the relevant match.
- 33.10. The deadlines and fees for protests apply equally for any additional information submitted in connection with the YAC Ch.
- 33.11. The Disciplinary Commission takes a decision by simple majority on the protest which may include inter alia disqualification of players or teams no later than 12:00 pm (noon) local time, the day after the relevant match. Such a decision is announced to the relevant parties.
- 33.12. The Disciplinary Commission consists of three (3) members and two (2) substitute members chosen from the EHF Officials at the venue and nominated by the EHF before the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 33.13. The Disciplinary Commission members may be challenged in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations.

Appeals

- 33.14. Any decision made by the Disciplinary Commission according to the aforementioned provisions may be appealed to the Jury.
- 33.15. An appeal against a decision of the Disciplinary Commission shall be filed with the EHF Championship Office and shall a request shall be made to the EHF delegate (supervisor) in writing no later than 08:00 pm local time the same day the Disciplinary Commission decision is announced to the parties, unless otherwise stated in the Disciplinary Commission decision.



- 33.16. Moreover 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 (supervisor) or shall be transferred to the EHF bank account at the same time as the appeal is filed/requested. A written proof of payment of the appeal fee in the defined deadline shall be deemed sufficient.
- 33.17. If the appeal is fully granted, the appeal fee is refunded to the appellant; otherwise it is forfeited to the credit of the EHF.
- 33.18. Such an appeal request is transferred to the Jury. The Jury makes a decision by simple majority following an express procedure no later than 09:00 am local time the day following the filing of the appeal. Such a decision is announced to the relevant parties.
- 33.19. The Jury consists of three (3) members and two (2) substitute members being recruited from the EHF Officials at the venue and nominated by the EHF before the beginning of the YAC Ch.
- 33.20. Members of the Jury must not be members of the Disciplinary Commission and may be challenged in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations.
- 33.21. The Jury is the highest EHF legal body at YAC Ch.

Eligibility to play

- 33.22. The submission of protests concerning eligibility to play is not subject to any mandatory deadline.

EHF regulations infringements

- 33.23. If deemed appropriate by the EHF to ensure the proper running of the YAC Ch and/or the respect of the applicable regulations during the YAC Ch, violations of the present Regulations and/or any other EHF regulations applicable to the YAC Ch 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.
- 33.24. The Member Federations of the respective delegations or teams, individuals and/or the EHF Officials against whom the proceedings are initiated before the Disciplinary Commission, respectively the Jury, must have the possibility to provide a statement of defence.
- 33.25. In those cases, the deadlines defined hereabove are not applicable.



- 33.26. The provisions of the EHF Legal Regulations, the EHF List of Penalties and the EHF Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions apply for all administrative or disciplinary offences committed by the teams, delegations, individuals and/or EHF Officials, unless the present regulations stipulate otherwise.
- 33.27. The carrying out of legal/disciplinary proceedings as defined herein is independent of any reporting obligations.
- 33.28. Delegation members (including players and team officials) and EHF Officials agree to comply with the IHF Rules of the Game, the EHF Statutes, the EHF Legal Regulations, the Advertising on Clothing Regulations and the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping as well as the present Regulations. They must notably:
- respect the spirit of fair-play and non-violence and behave accordingly
 - refrain from any activity that endanger the integrity of the YAC Ch and bring the sport of handball into disrepute
 - refrain from anti-doping rules violations as defined by the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping
 - observe the EHF Codes of Conduct

EHF Anti-Doping activities

- 33.29. Delegation members (including players and team officials) shall participate in the Anti-Doping activities organised by the EHF within the frame of the YAC Ch.

Initiator of proceedings

- 33.30. The initiator of proceedings is responsible for ensuring a fair balance in all legal proceedings conducted within the EHF. She/he may, on behalf of the EHF, initiate legal proceedings, appeal first instance decisions of the EHF administrative/legal bodies and file a claim with the EHF Court of Arbitration.

EHF Court of Arbitration (ECA)

- 33.31. Any issue decided upon by the Jury may be brought by any of the relevant parties before the EHF Court of Arbitration.
- 33.32. The initiation of proceedings before the EHF Court of Arbitration on a specific issue does not suspend the implementation of the decision taken by Jury on such an issue, unless decided otherwise by the EHF Court of Arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration for the ECA.



- 33.33. The claimant shall send a written request in duplicate to the EHF Court of Arbitration Office that shall receive it no later than twenty-one (21) days after the delivery, announcement or communication of the Jury ruling to the parties.
- 33.34. The written request shall include at least a detailed statement of claim and the nomination of one (1) arbitrator from the ECA Arbitrators List.
- 33.35. Moreover an advance payment of € 5,000 shall be paid by the claimant to the EHF Court of Arbitration no later than one (1) week after the filing of the claim. If the advance payment is not received on the EHF Court of Arbitration account in the required timeline, the claim shall be deemed withdrawn.
- 33.36. The advance payment of € 5,000 is composed of:
- € 1,500 arbitration fee
 - € 3,500 advance payment of the arbitration proceedings costs
- 33.37. The proceedings are governed by the Rules of Arbitration for the ECA.
- 33.38. Decisions of the EHF Court of Arbitration are communicated in writing to the parties.

Arising costs

- 33.39. In principle the actual 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.
- 33.40. Rules governing the apportionment and payment of costs related to the EHF Court of Arbitration proceedings by and between the parties are stated in sections 21 and 22 of the Rules of Arbitration for the ECA – Procedural Rules. As a general rule, unless otherwise decided by the arbitral chamber of the EHF Court of Arbitration, the unsuccessful party shall bear the costs of the EHF Court of Arbitration proceedings.

EHF Legal Regulations

- 33.41. The Disciplinary Commission and the Jury decide on sanctions and penalties in accordance with the EHF Legal Regulations, the EHF List of Penalties and the EHF Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions.
- 33.42. All legal matters including procedural aspects related to the YAC Ch not expressly regulated by the present Chapter shall be handled according to the applicable EHF Legal Regulations.



XX. DOPING

Article 34 Doping control

- 34.1. Doping controls may take place before, during and after each YAC Ch in accordance with the EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping. As of the qualification of their teams to the YAC Ch, the participating Member Federations must fill in the official “whereabout” forms and send them to the EHF and the EHF Anti-Doping Official/Unit (EAU). The “where-about” forms must be regularly updated by the participating Member Federations and communicated accordingly to the EHF and the EHF Anti-Doping Official/Unit (EAU) prior and during the YAC Ch.
- 34.2. The transport of the samples, the necessary support to YAC Ch Anti-Doping Official as well as any arrangements related to anti-doping must be under the responsibility of the Host Federation.
- 34.3. The EHF Regulations for Anti-Doping, their enclosures and the WADA’s Anti-Doping Code including the list of banned substances are an integral part of these YAC Ch Regulations.
- 34.4. 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 Regulations. This may include the imposition of provisional measures.
- 34.5. Member Federations must immediately inform the EHF of any decision 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.

XXI. CLOSING PROVISIONS

Article 36

- 36.1. All enclosures form an integral part of these regulations.
- 36.2. These regulations were adopted by the EHF Executive Committee on 23 September 2011 and came into force on 1 October 2011, and lastly amended by the EHF Executive Committee in June 2016.
- 36.3. Any amendment to the present regulations decided by the EHF Executive Committee and/or the EHF Congress will be communicated via circulars or reports to the EHF Member Federations.

ENCLOSURE 1 – OFFICIAL PLAYING SCHEDULES

**Playing Schedule for 8 Teams
(20 matches, 2 rest days, 5 matches per team)**

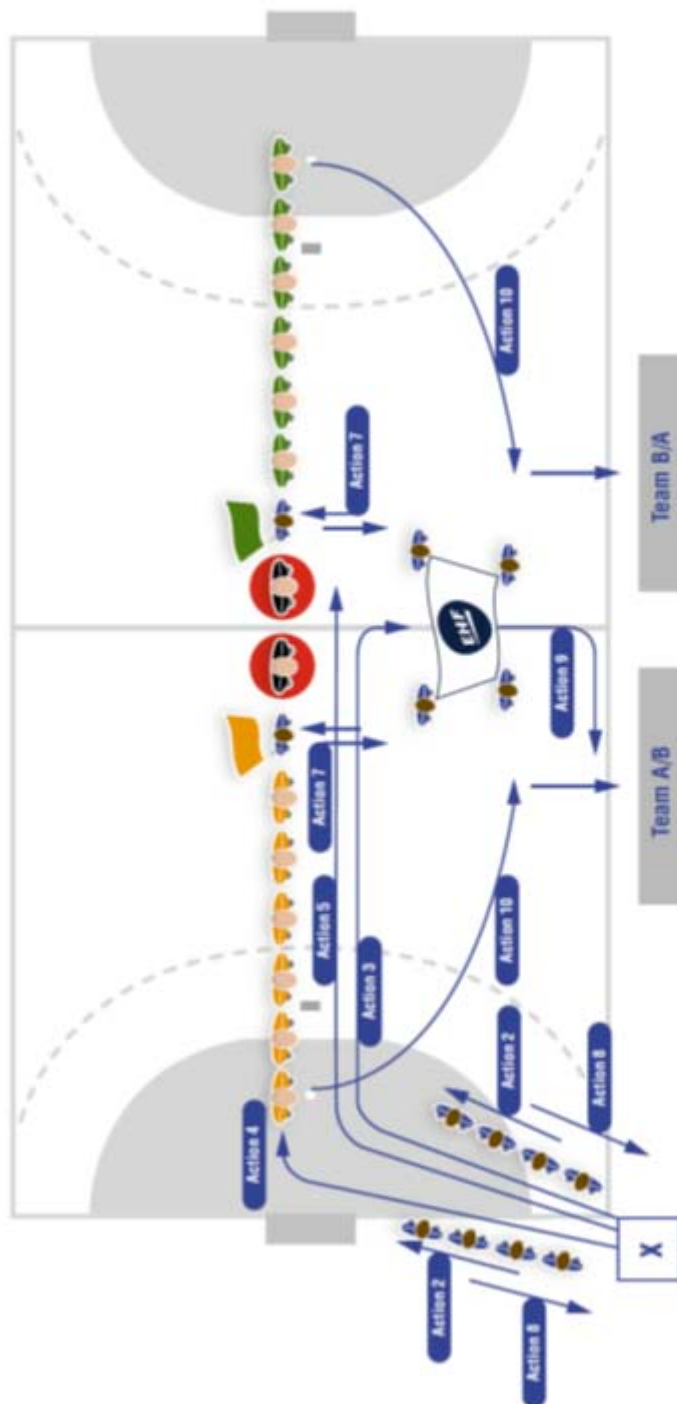
Preliminary Round	
Group A	Group B
A 1	B 1
A 2	B 2
A 3	B 3
A 4	B 4
Playing schedule	
match no.	match no.
1 A 1 : A 3	7 B 1 : B 3
2 A 2 : A 4	8 B 2 : B 4
3 A 4 : A 1	9 B 4 : B 1
4 A 3 : A 2	10 B 3 : B 2
5 A 3 : A 4	11 B 3 : B 4
6 A 1 : A 2	12 B 1 : B 2
1st playing day, Tuesday	
2nd playing day, Wednesday	
Restday, Thursday	
3rd playing day, Friday	
Restday, Saturday	
4th playing day, Sunday	
Semifinals and cross matches	
Place 1-8	
	match no.
Place 5-8	13 3. A : 4. B
Place 5-8	14 3. B : 4. A
SF 1	15 1. A : 2. B
SF 2	16 1. B : 2. A
Finals and placement matches	
Place 1-8	
	match no.
Place 7/8	17 L 13 : L 14
Place 5/6	18 W 13 : W 14
Place 3/4	19 L 15 : L 16
Final	20 W 15 : W 16



Playing Schedule for 12 Teams
(36 matches, 1 rest day, 6 matches per team)

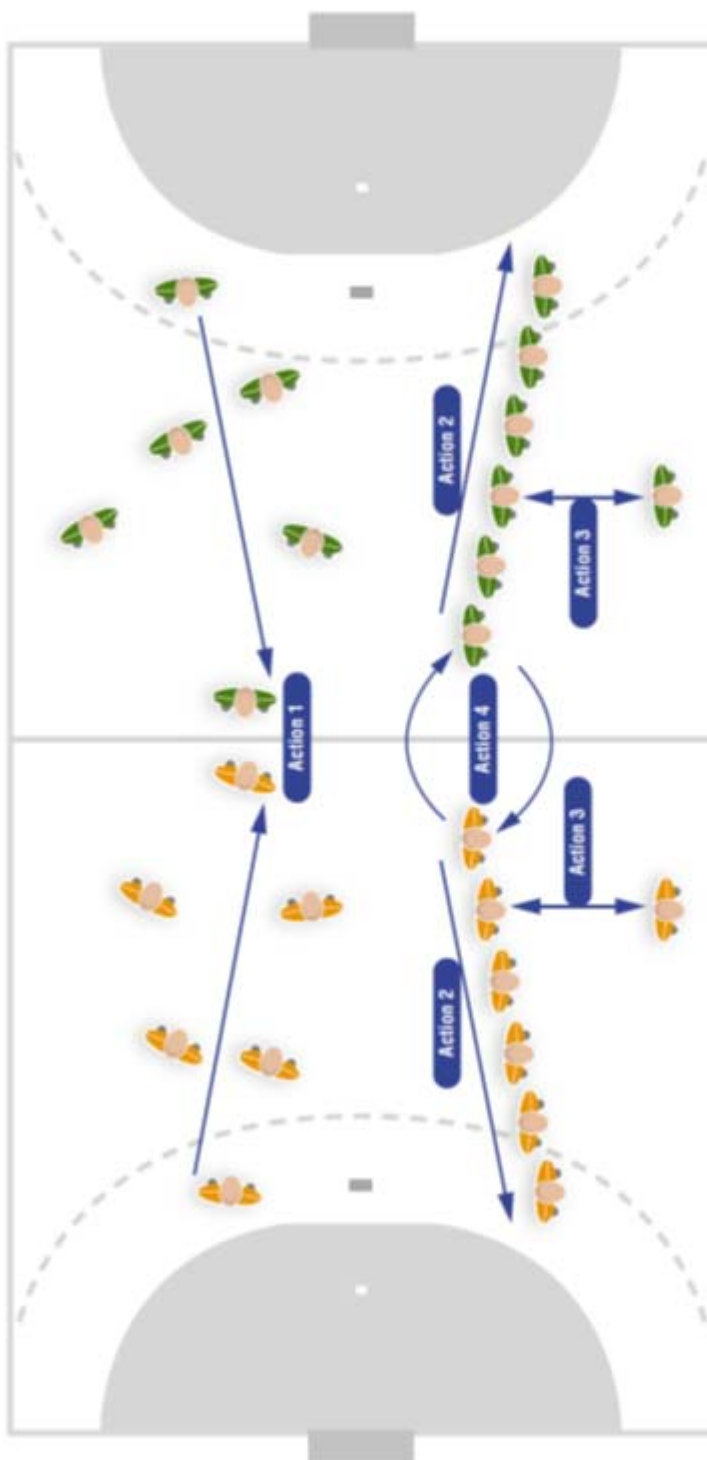
Preliminary Round	
Group A	Group B
A 1	B 1
A 2	B 2
A 3	B 3
A 4	B 4
A 5	B 5
A 6	B 6
Playing schedule	
match no.	match no.
1. Playing Day, Sunday	1 A 1 : A 4 16 B 1 : B 4
	2 A 2 : A 6 17 B 2 : B 6
	3 A 3 : A 5 18 B 3 : B 5
2. Playing Day, Monday	4 A 4 : A 2 19 B 4 : B 2
	5 A 5 : A 1 20 B 5 : B 1
	6 A 6 : A 3 21 B 6 : B 3
3. Playing Day, Tuesday	7 A 1 : A 6 22 B 1 : B 6
	8 A 2 : A 3 23 B 2 : B 3
Restday, Wednesday	9 A 4 : A 5 24 B 4 : B 5
4. Playing Day, Thursday	10 A 2 : A 5 25 B 2 : B 5
	11 A 3 : A 1 26 B 3 : B 1
	12 A 6 : A 4 27 B 6 : B 4
5. Playing Day, Friday	13 A 5 : A 6 28 B 5 : B 6
	14 A 3 : A 4 29 B 3 : B 4
	15 A 1 : A 2 30 B 1 : B 2
Final and placement matches	
Place 1-12	
	match no.
6. Playing Day, Saturday	Place 11/12 31 6. A : 6. B
	Place 9/10 32 5. A : 5. B
	Place 7/8 33 4. A : 4. B
	Place 5/6 34 3. A : 3. B
	Place 3/4 35 2. A : 2. B
	Final 36 1. A : 1. B

ENCLOSURE 2 – PRE-MATCH PROCEDURE



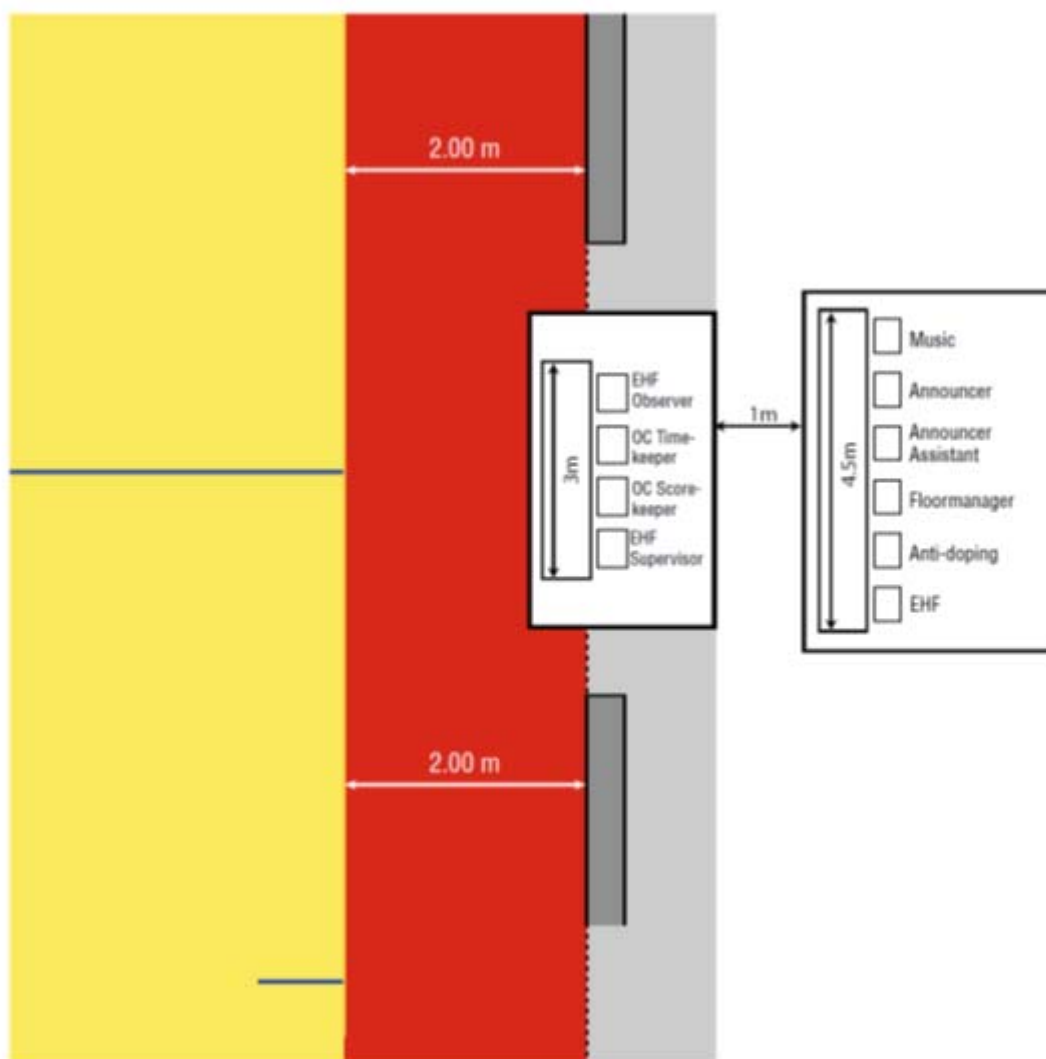
- Action 1** 10' prior to throw-off, line-up assembly at meeting point
- Action 2** 9' 45" prior to throw-off, players' escorts form a corridor in 2 lines (optional)
- Action 3** EURO Championship flag presentation
- Action 4** Team A/B line-up
- Action 5** Team B/A line-up
- Action 6** Presentation of players and officials
- Action 7** National anthems of team A and B, and national flags presentation
- Action 8** Exit of players' escort corridor
- Action 9** Exit of EURO Championship flag mascots
- Action 10** Face to face line-up (exchange of gifts / match preparation / fair play announcement)

ENCLOSURE 3 – POST-MATCH PROCEDURE



- Action 1** Informal handshake at the end of the game
- Action 2** Post-match team line-up
- Action 3** Awarding of best players
- Action 4** Official "passing by" handshake

ENCLOSURE 4 – SUBSTITUTION AREA



The substitution area covers a distance of 12m on both sides of the centre line.