



Extraordinary Delegate's ITHF Conference (March 2020) Minutes

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Votes

Vote 1

To make the official category Kids (U-13)

Information

Six years, during which informal tournaments among Kids (U-13) were held in the World Championships and European Championships, showed great interest in this tournament in many countries.

In order to attract players from the smallest years to table hockey and raise the level of category Kids (U-13) we propose to make it official, starting with the European Championship - 2020 which will take place in Slovenia.

Question

To make the official category Kids (U-13).

In paragraph 2.1.1 i) of the Tournament Rules, replace the words "Children – players aged 12 years or younger all throughout the year when the tournament is held" with the words "Kid – players aged 13 years or younger all throughout the year when the tournament is held".

Paragraphs 2.5 ii) and 2.5 iii) of the Tournament Rules shall be supplemented with lines "Kids category 5 (5)".

In paragraph 2.5 iv) of the Tournament Rules, add the words " the top 3 kids," after the words "top 3 juniors," and "kids/" after "juniors/".

Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	1	Sweden

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 2

To make the official category SuperVeterans (50+)

Information

Six years, during which informal tournaments among SuperVeterans (50+) were held in the World Championships and European Championships, showed great interest in this tournament in many countries.

In order to continue active participation in the world table hockey of players whose age has exceeded half a century, and to raise the level of category SuperVeterans (50+) we propose to make it official, starting with the European Championship - 2020 which will take place in Slovenia.

Question

To make the official category SuperVeterans (50+).

In paragraph 2.1.1 i) of the Tournament Rules, add the words "- **Superveteran – players who reach the age of 50 years on or before the year when the tournament is held,**" after the words "- **Veteran – players who reach the age of 40 years on or before the year when the tournament is held,**".

Paragraphs 2.5 ii) and 2.5 iii) of the Tournament Rules shall be supplemented with lines "**Superveterans category 5 (5)**".

In paragraph 2.5 iv) of the Tournament Rules, add the words "**the top 3 superveterans,**" after the words "**top 3 veterans,**" and "**superveterans/**" after "**veterans/**".

Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	2	Russian Federation, Sweden

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 3

Increase to 55 years of age in the category SuperVeteran

Information

To date, players who have turned 50 play in the category SuperVeteran. At the same time, the difference between players 50+ and 60+ is significant.

In order to extend the sports life of players 60+ offer to increase the age of players in the category SuperVeteran to 55 years.

Question

In the case of a positive answer to question 2 of this vote, the number 50 in the sentence "**Superveteran – players who reach the age of 50 years on or before the year when the tournament is held,**" should be replaced by 55.

In the case of a negative answer to question 2 of this vote, **tournaments in category SuperVeterans will be held for players who reach the age of 55 years on or before the year when the tournament is held.**

Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
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YES	11	Belarus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	4	Canada, Norway, Russian Federation, Sweden

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 4

About renaming of FYR Macedonia

Information

On February 12, 2019 FYR Macedonia was renamed North Macedonia.

Question

In paragraph 2.5 iii) of the Tournament Rules, the words "FYR Macedonia" should be deleted and the words " North Macedonia," should be added after "Norway,".

Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	16	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 5

The inclusion of Israeli players to participate in the European Championship

Information

In many sports Israel as a country from Europe. This is and professional tournaments in football, basketball, volleyball etc. It was the European Games in Minsk.

Question

In paragraph 2.5 iii) of the Tournament Rules, " Israel," should be added after "Ireland,".

Options

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	2	Finland, Sweden

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of

vote on ITHF website.

Vote 6

Wild cards

Information

The Executive Committee of the ITHF wants to bring order to the provision of wild cards to players to participate in the World and European Championships.

Therefore it is proposed to put paragraph 2.5 vi) of the Tournament Rules in one of the following revisions:

- a) The Executive Committee of the ITHF reserves the right to award special exemptions only when an earlier winner of the particular international championship is applying. At the same time such special guests can compete in the World and European Championships in any class except team competition.
- b) If a player wants a wild card, he/she should apply at his national federation, which could decide to give a place from its national quota to this player.

Question

The paragraph 2.5 vi) of the Tournament Rules:

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- a) to be reworded as follows:

“2.5 vi) The Executive Committee of the ITHF reserves the right to award special exemptions only when an earlier winner of the particular international championship is applying. At the same time such special guests can compete in the World and European Championships in any class except team competition.”

- b) to be reworded as follows:

“2.5 vi) If a player wants a wild card, he/she should apply at his national federation, which could decide to give a place from its national quota to this player.”

- c) to leave in the existing edition.

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
a)	5	Belarus, Finland, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation
b)	8	Canada, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Kazakhstan, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
c)	3	Czech Republic, Slovakia, Sweden

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** as follows “2.5 vi) If a player wants a wild card, he/she should apply at his national federation, which could decide to give a place from its national quota to this player.” and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 7

Change to Game Rule 6.4

Information

During the last big tournaments, there has been many debates and different interpretations of this rule. Therefore, the Executive Committee of ITHF is proposing the new text Game Rule 6.4.

Question

Game Rule 6.4. to be reworded as follows:

“6.4. A goal scored by first stabilizing the puck, then hitting it with the body (not the stick) of a figure and then throwing the puck directly into the goal with this figure does not count unless the puck touches a sideboard or any of the attacking player's other figures on its way into the goal. However, it is allowed to score a goal with a figure's right foot, if using it as a stick (i.e. by rotation of the figure). A goal scored by the body of a figure is valid if the puck becomes motionless in any other way than

stabilizing it with the scoring figure, regardless of whether it hits a figure or sideboard on its way into the goal.”

Options

YES
NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	9	Belarus, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Latvia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	7	Canada, Czech Republic, Finland, Kazakhstan, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

Vote 8

World Table Hockey Tour

Information

During the last seasons, there has nearly been no tournaments in the level Major. Therefore, the Executive Committee of ITHF is asking the member federations to consider, whether we should remove this level or not from the ITHF WTHT.

Question

The paragraph 2.4 i) of the Tournament Rules **to be reworded as follows:**

“2.4 i) The ITHF World Table Hockey Tour (ITHF WTHT) is an individual open series of tournaments that runs throughout one season. Tournaments belonging to the ITHF WTHT are divided into **two** classes: the biggest and most prestigious are included in the ITHF WTHT Super Series, the others are **included in the** ITHF WTHT.”

The paragraph 2.4 ii) of the Tournament Rules **to be reworded as follows:**

“2.4 ii) Selection of tournaments belonging to ITHF WTHT Super Series is done by the Executive Committee of ITHF. No country shall host more than a combined total of two tournaments in the ITHF WTHT Super Series in one season, with the following exception: The host of the World Club Championships (which is to be held at most once every two years) shall always be allowed to host a Super Series tournament on the same weekend as the World Club Championships, even if this means their country hosts more than a combined total of two tournaments in the ITHF WTHT Super Series in that season.”

In paragraph The paragraph 2.4 v) of the Tournament Rules:

A) **exclude column with points for Majors;**

B) **delete the words:** "In the ITHF WTHT Majors, there will be points for the first 158 players in the final singles."

Options

YES
NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	13	Belarus, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Latvia, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	3	Finland, Kazakhstan, Norway

Result: Proposed change is **accepted** and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.