

RULES AND REFEREE COMMITTEE



Terms of Reference

1. Introduction

The Rules and Referee Committee (RRC) is established according to Statutes Article 32.1 within the framework of Federation of International Bandy (FIB).

This document outlines the scope, responsibilities, and procedures of the Rules and Referee Committee.

2. Objective

The primary objective of the Rules and Referee Committee is to ensure the strict application of the rules and regulations at FIB tournaments, and to appoint referees and supervisors for FIB World Championships.

3. Composition

The Rules and Referee Committee shall be composed of minimum 3 members. According to FIB Statutes Article 23.1 d) the Chair and other members are appointed by the FIB Executive Committee (EC).

The members shall have:

- substantial knowledge of the Playing Rules,
- experience of refereeing or supervising.

4. Term

The Rules and Referee Committee shall be appointed for 4 years (in line with the FIB EC elections), subject to the Executive Committee decision. The Chair and members are eligible for re-appointment.

5. Responsibilities

5.1 FIB Rules and Regulations

- Continuously evaluating and improving Playing Rules for bandy, Rink bandy and evaluating any potential new disciplines and its rules,
- Evaluating and improving Equipment rules, together with the FIB Technical Committee,
- Evaluating and improving FIB Guidelines and Conditions, together with the FIB Technical Committee,
- Making recommendations on amendments to FIB Executive Committee.

5.2 Referees and Supervisors

- Appointing referees and supervisors for FIB World Championships (number to be coordinated with FIB General Secretary in advance),
- Creating referees' and supervisors' allocation,
- Evaluating refereeing at FIB tournaments and making recommendations for future events,
- Developing and conducting referee education programs together with the FIB Education and Development Committee,

- Developing and conducting theoretical and practical referee tests.

5.3 FIB Tournaments

- Discussing general issues, conditions regarding refereeing at FIB tournaments (problems, difficulties, solutions, etc.),
- Appointing Jury members when requested,
- Production of written report if requested by the Jury.

5.4 Cooperation

- Cooperating with the FIB EC as requested,
- Cooperating with other FIB Committees.

6. Procedures

6.1. Meetings:

- To be held at least twice per season, convened by the Chair,
- The meetings shall have a quorum of 50% plus one (1) member present,
- To be conducted either in person and/or by electronic means decided by the Chair,

6.2. Decision Making:

- Decisions shall be made by simple majority among Rules and Referee Committee members, with dissenting opinions duly noted and considered,
- In the event of a tie in votes, the Chair shall have the casting vote,

6.3. Documentation:

- Maintain detailed records of the discussions and meeting minutes.

6.4. Reporting:

- Submit regular Reports to the Executive Committee and an Annual Report to the Congress when requested,
- Publish the minutes of the meetings on FIB website.

7. Accountability

The Rules and Referee Committee is accountable to the FIB Executive Committee and shall operate in accordance with the principles of transparency, fairness, and integrity.

8. Amendments

Any amendments to these Terms of Reference shall be approved by the FIB Executive Committee.

9. Adoption and Enforcement

The present Terms of Reference were adopted by the FIB Executive Committee on 3 June 2024 and come into force immediately.