



Report from FIB-RRC season 2023/24

The RRC consists of the following members:

Egil Larsen NOR chairman

Roman Popikov RUS deputy chairman

Pär Billsmon SWE

Kevin Bowen USA

Petri Kuusela FIN

During the period, we have held several RRC meetings, all via Teams.

Before each tournament there is a meeting with the referees where we go through the rules of the tournament, administrative information from the organizer, focus of the referees and interpretation of rules. Theory and skating tests are also included.

Tournaments:

WCS 19. Oslo

Here we have represented with 6 referees, from Sweden, Norway, and Finland and 2 supervisors from Norway and Sweden.

The original arena could not be used, due to bad ice conditions. The whole arrangement was moved to another arena (Ullernbanen). The staff did a very good job during the night and the tournament could be held without any problems. All matches were streamed on the internet.

For the referees, the tournament worked very well in all areas. Hotel, food, transport, and arena facilities.

The tournament was conducted in a good sporting manner.

WCS 17. Mikeli

Here we have represented with 6 referees, from Sweden, Norway, and Finland and 2 supervisors from Finland and Sweden.

The hotel was right next to the arena, which was good.

The tournament was conducted in a good sporting manner.

Before the next season it is important that all the referees have identical clothing, as it is today the referees are wearing clothes from their own federation. The referees are representing FIB not their own federation.

FIB referees will always strive to ref according to the rulebook. Mistakes will always occur during a match; we are constantly working to ensure that mistakes do not have a decisive impact on the outcome of the match. Protecting the good individual players has a big focus, it's the artists the spectators love to see.

After each match, we have a thorough match review with the referees, where both good decisions and areas for improvement are reviewed.

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Egil Larsen

Chairman FIB-RRC