



## MINUTES FROM THE FIB RULES & REFEREE COMMITTEE (RRC) MEETING

Date: 31 January 2023

Place: Online

Egil Larsen (NOR)  
Pär Billsmon (SWE)  
Tom Niiranen (FIN)  
Kevin Bowen (USA)

Roman Popikov (RUS) – not present

### UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS:

—GIRLS Y17 IS PLANNED FOR NORWAY: 23 – 26 February

- There will be two Swedish female referee crews at this tournament
- There will be 1 Swedish supervisor, or 2 from Norway (Pär will decide)
- A proposed setup has been sent out via email

—MEN'S & WOMEN'S VM TOURNAMENT –

- MEN'S B GROUP 24 -27 March, 2023 – B Group tournament –
- Växjö, Sweden
- TEAMS:
  - o Germany
  - o Hungary
  - o Slovakia
  - o Netherlands
  - o Switzerland
  - o Czech Republic
- Six matches each day, 3 on the last day for 21 total matches
- If possible, plan to use referees from these B Group countries

- Possibly could have:
  - o 1 AR from Netherlands
  - o 1 AR from Slovakia
  - o 1 HR from Czech Republic
  - o 1 AR from Czech Republic
  - o 1 AR from Hungary

Egil will confirm with these countries regarding their available referees. After we have their numbers, will fill in the remaining spots from the other countries.

Games are 2 x 30 min

Need 3 REFEREE CREWS (9 referees) doing two games per day.

There will be no US referees to the B Group.

Finland can possibly send 1 HR & 1 AR to work the B Group.

- MEN'S & WOMEN'S A GROUP 28 March – 2 April, 2023 –
- Växjö, Sweden – playing overlaps during the same dates

Men play 2 x 45

Women play 2 x 30

- MEN'S TEAMS (5):
  - o Finland
  - o Norway
  - o USA
  - o Kazakhstan
  - o Sweden
- WOMEN'S TEAMS (6):
  - o Finland
  - o Netherlands
  - o USA
  - o Ukraine
  - o Switzerland
  - o Sweden
- Twenty-seven matches total
- 12 Men's A games & 15 Women's A/B games

**PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL:**

- 2 referee crews from Norway – that can referee both men and women

- 2 referee crews from Finland – that can referee both men and women
- 2 male referee crews from Sweden – that can referee men
- 2 female referee crews from Sweden – that can referee women
- 1 US male referee for both men and women (OK for US)
- 2 US female referees for women (OK for US)

NEED: 4 A-Ranked Male Head Referees

- o 1 From Finland
- o 1 From Norway
- o 2 From Sweden

Preference is to have all female referee crew for the female final  
6 matches per day  
Probably need 5 supervisors for A Group

Probably need 3 supervisors for B Group

Egil may arrive on 3/23 for evening education, then return on March 26<sup>th</sup>  
Sweden could send 2 supervisors, US could send 1 (Neal Logan)

Egil will work up a more formal referee proposal and then will email it to the other RRC members within a few days.

PRIOR NOTES:

- Look into if we can provide any new clothing for referees and supervisors. If Elektra sponsors jerseys – they could possibly supply new clothing too.

Next online meeting: Tuesday, 7th February 2023 19,00 Norway Time. 12:00 Noon US Time.  
Tom will send out reminders to everyone.

End of meeting.

Notes: Kevin Bowen