



RRC

Regional Rugby Championship

REGULATIONS

Of

Regional Rugby Championship for Clubs

2011/2012 season

The executive bodies of Croatian Rugby Union, Slovenian Rugby Union, Rugby Union of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbian Rugby Union, Austrian Rugby Union, Hungarian Rugby Union and Hellenic Rugby Union agree to these

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TERM DEFINITIONS

IRB – International Rugby Board

FIRA-AER – Fédération Internationale de Rugby Amateur-Association Européenne de Rugby; the European Rugby Association

IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations – Acts set and approved by IRB and FIRA - AER

Laws of the Game – Laws of the Game of Rugby Union set by IRB

Participating Club – Rugby club taking part in the Regional Rugby Championship for Clubs as listed in Addition 1 of these Regulations

Participating Union – National rugby union of Participating Club

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

- 1.1 In the Regional Rugby Championship for Clubs (hereinafter RRC) participate rugby clubs listed in Addition 1 of these Regulations.
Changes and amendments of Addition 1 of these Regulations are done by the RRC Board by absolute majority of votes after the ending of each RRC season, at least one (1) month before the scheduled date of the first match of next RRC season.
- 1.2 The winner of the RRC season gains a right to a title of the Winner of RRC for the ending year of the RRC season and the right of further competition if organized by FIRA-AER.
- 1.3 The matches of RRC are fully covered by IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations, while these Regulations serve only as outline of these acts.
- 1.4 The RRC is competition that is independent of national club championships carried out by Participating Unions.
- 1.5 Each Participating Union accepts RRC competition as a regular part of playing season, agrees to adopt National Championships to the RRC schedule and agrees to confirm decisions by RRC Board about penalties for players in their own competitions by signing and submitting proper form letter as presented in Addition 2 of these Regulations to the Competition Commissioner at least seven (7) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season.

2. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 RRC competition is managed by the RRC Board that consists of minimum five (5) and maximum seven (7) members.

The mandate of the RRC Board is valid until revoked, which revoking is initiated by written proposal from at least six Participating Clubs submitted to Competition Commissioner. Election of RRC Board members shall be performed at joint meeting of representatives of Participating Clubs. At least half of representatives must be present and meeting shall be organized by Competition Commissioner no later than one month after receiving upper mentioned written proposals.

To become elected as a member of RRC Board, Participating Club representative must gain more than half votes of all Participating Clubs at upper mentioned meeting.

Each Participating Union can have at most one representative in RRC Board (Competition Commissioner does not count).

RRC Board members must elect among them the Chairman of RRC Board at first meeting after forming of RRC Board.

- 2.2 Direct competition management is assigned to the Competition Commissioner by the Participating Clubs.

Competition Commissioner is a member of RRC Board. Competition Commissioner cannot be Chairman of RRC Board.

The mandate of the Competition Commissioner is valid until revoked, which revoking is initiated by written proposal from at least seven (7) Participating Clubs submitted to President of RRC Board.

Election of Competition Commissioner shall be performed by majority of votes at joint meeting of representatives of Participating Clubs. At least half of representatives must be present and meeting shall be organized by Chairman of RRC Board no later than one month after receiving upper mentioned written proposals.

To become elected as a Competition Commissioner, Participating Club representative must gain more than half votes of all Participating Clubs at upper mentioned meeting.

- 2.3 The Chairman of RRC Board is in charge of the administrative matters of the RRC Board and is obliged to distribute Board decisions in writing.

- 2.4 The mode of the RRC Board functioning is agreed upon by all of its members (via telephone conference, correspondence and/or meetings).

- 2.5 Before each match, at least three (3) days before the match, the Competition Commissioner delivers to Participating Clubs and other parties concerned the written notice (or e-mail) and so inform them on the date, kick-off time and venue of the match, the Match Commissioner, the Referee and Assistant Referees assigned for the match.

- 2.6 After each round or part of the round of competition, Competition Commissioner issues a report on the progress of the competition and all his decisions regarding competition and delivers it to the Participating Clubs, to the other members of the RRC Board, executive bodies of Participating Unions, referee organizations of Participating Unions and all proposed Match Commissioners.

- 2.7 In this report, Competition Commissioner deals with any other question while adhering to these Regulations, Laws of the Game and IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations.

- 2.8 Any complaint regarding the decisions and the reports of the Competition Commissioner is submitted to the RRC Board.

3. METHOD OF COMPETITION

- 3.1 RRC matches are being played according to the current Laws of the Game of Rugby Union by IRB.

- 3.2 RRC competition is being carried throughout two (2) phases: first (pool) phase and second (play-off) phase.

- 3.3 During first (pool) phase Participating Clubs, divided in pools according to previous season competition results and geographical position, plays single round-robin tournament. The division into pools and match schedule of the tournament is done by the RRC Board by absolute majority of votes after the ending of each RRC season, at least one (1) month before the scheduled date of the first match of next RRC season. The division into pools and match schedule of the first (pool) phase is listed in Addition 3 of these Regulations.
- 3.4 After first (pool) phase of RRC is over the Participating Clubs ranking is formed by RRC Board according to results of each Participating Clubs in the first (pool) phase of RRC. In that Participating Clubs ranking winners of each pool take rankings from 1 to N and the rest of Participating Clubs take rankings from N+1 to M, where N is number of pools formed in first (pool) phase and M is number of Participating Clubs in first (pool) phase. Rules of defining number of points and classification (ranking) are defined further in these Regulations.
- 3.5 Participating Clubs ranked from place 1 to 8 according to classification described in prior clause are participating in second (play-off) phase. Second (play-off) phase is played as single game knock-out form throughout quarterfinal, semifinal and final matches. The match schedule of the second (play-off) phase is listed in Addition 3 of these Regulations. Home team for quarterfinal matches is Participating Club with better ranking according to classification described in prior clause. Home team for semifinal and final matches will be determined by draw by RRC Board.
- 3.6 Teams of Participating Clubs compete in jerseys marked with numbers from 1 to 15 or, with substitutes included, to 22. A team must not have two players wearing a jersey with the same number. All substitutions and replacements must be approved by the Match Referee.
- 3.7 Each Participating Club must inform the Competition Commissioner of the color of their jerseys for following season by written notice or by e-mail at least seven (7) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season.
- 3.8 The Competition commissioner will inform all the Participating Clubs of the jersey colors for following season of all Participating Clubs by written notice or by e-mail at least five (5) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season.
- 3.9 The following rules apply to the choice of the color of the jerseys:
- If the same color jerseys are applied by both teams, the home team should change the jersey color. If the home team refuses to change the jersey color, the home team loses the game due to the organizational oversight.
 - If the guest team wishes to compete in jerseys that are the same color as the home team jerseys, and that is not the applied jersey color of the guest team and the home team insists on their jersey color, the guest team should change the color of their jerseys. If the guest team does not have another kit, it must agree to play in home team spare kit. If the guest team refuses to play in home teams spare kit, the guest team loses the game due to the organizational oversight.
- 3.10 If Participating Club omits to inform Competition Commissioner of the color of their jerseys by written notice or by e-mail at least seven (7) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season the color of their jerseys will be considered as "void". Participating Club with "void" color of their jerseys is losing any advantage of choosing color of the jerseys except when two Participating Clubs with "void" color of the jerseys play among themselves, then guest team has the advantage of choosing color of the jerseys.
- 3.11 The match can be played at the venue with the ground with dimensions and markings according to the Laws of the Game, with the area for audience is visibly divided from the playing area. Goal post must be padded with soft material 180 cm high and 15 cm thick.

- 3.12 At the venue or in its immediate vicinity there should be two (2) suitable locker rooms with shower area (warm and cold water), suitable locker room for the referees and a suitable room for medical first aid.
- 3.13 If the venue is not suitable for play according to clauses 3.11 and 3.12, and the home team is unable to rectify the deficiencies in 30 minutes, the match will not be played.
Referee is the sole judge if the venue is suitable for play.
If the referee finds the venue unsuitable for play, he, Match Commissioner and representatives of both teams will write a report, and the Match Commissioner should deliver this report to the Competition Commissioner.
The match not held due to such deficiencies that are not caused by vis major (weather or similar accidents) will be considered lost by home team due to the organizational oversights.
The event of vis major is determined by Match Commissioner.
- 3.14 Every match must be reported to the local police authorities.
The home team must present this local police authorities application to the Match Commissioner upon his request.
- 3.15 The following points system will be used in RRC competition:
- Four (4) points for the win, two (2) points for a draw and no (0) points for the loss.
 - The team that scores four (4) or more tries in a match will be awarded one (1) bonus point, regardless if this team won or lost the match.
 - The team that loses a match by seven (7) or less points will be awarded one (1) bonus point.
 - For the match that is lost due to the organizational oversight, the team is awarded no (0) points and is fined with 1.000,00 € (a thousand Euro).
 - A team that forfeits a match will receive minus three (-3) points and will be fined with 1.000,00 € (a thousand Euro).
 - A team that forfeits two (2) matches will be expelled from further competition. All forfeited games will be declared as lost by 20:0 for the opponent who will get four (4) for win and no bonus points.
- 3.16 The classification is defined so that the club with more points takes a better place.
In the event of two or more teams with the same number of points, the teams will be classified according to the following:
- Total points differential in all of the matches played.
 - Total number of tries scored in all of the matches played.
 - Less sent-off players in all of the games played.
 - Less yellow card bins in all of the games played.
- 3.17 Withdrawal of the Participating Club from the RRC competition will be sanctioned by the RRC Board decision.

4. PERIOD OF COMPETITION

- 4.1 RRC competition is divided in two parts. First part is played in the autumn, and the other is played in the spring according to the match schedule is listed in Addition 3 of these Regulations and announced by the Competition Commissioner.
- 4.2 All matches are played on Saturday or Sunday after noon (12 o'clock). Exceptionally, the matches can be played before noon upon agreement of both participating teams.

- 4.3 Due to vis major and upon agreement of both Participating Clubs and information to the Competition Commissioner, a match can be played on another day, but this day must be after the previous round of competition and before the following round of competition as stated in the schedule.
- 4.4 Home team is obliged to inform about venue and kick-off time at least seventy two (72) hours before match kick-off following entities:
- Away team,
 - Competition Commissioner,
 - Match Commissioner and
 - Referees.

5. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Players aged 18 (eighteen) years or older are eligible to play for Participating Clubs in RRC. Identity of and eligibility of a player to play for a Participating Club is proved by competitor registration card issued by the Participating Union.

According to health regulations, the registration card must contain or have attached the medical verification that the player is fit to play. On the day the player is taking part in a match, this medical verification must not be older than six (6) months.

- 5.2 A player younger than eighteen (18) years may play for a Participating Club if:
- He can prove his Identity of and eligibility of a player to play for a Participating Club by competitor registration card issued by the Participating Union, and
 - He becomes eighteen (18) years old in the year the match is played, and
 - A valid medical statement (by medical committee of three members or by a specialized medical institution) that a player is physically and mentally fit to play for a senior team is delivered to the Competition Commissioner, and
 - Medical verification for this player (as stated in 5.1) is not older than three (3) months.

- 5.3 A player younger than eighteen (18) years must not play in front or second row of a scrum.

- 5.4 At least fifteen (15) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season, every Participating Club must submit to the Competition Commissioner a list of minimum twenty-six (26) and maximum forty (40) players that will compete for the Participating Club in the RRC season.

Among those players on each list there must be at least five (5) front row players and three (3) second row players.

Among those players on each list there can be at most five (5) players which are not registered players of Participating Club whose list that is. Those players must have valid competitor registration card issued by the Participating Union of the Participating Club whose list that is, and the club that those players are registered for must not compete in current RRC season.

This list may be subject to change at the end of calendar year in the following cases:

- The player leaves the Participating Club competing in RRC (removal from the list), or
- The player arrives to a Participating Club competing in RRC (adding to the list unless a 40 player quota is used), or
- The player becomes eligible to play in RRC by becoming eighteen (18) years of age in the following calendar year (adding to the list unless a 40 player quota is used).

- 5.5 A player that was registered for one Participating Club during one RRC season cannot be registered to play for another Participating Club in the same RRC season.

6. MATCH REPORT

- 6.1 The Match report form is the same for all Participating Clubs and for all RRC matches. The Match report form will be delivered to each Participating Club by the Competition Commissioner at least five (5) days before the scheduled date of the first match of the RRC season.
- 6.2 During a match, Match report form is filled by Match Commissioner or the person authorized by Match Commissioner.
- 6.3 Match Report is sent to the Competition Commissioner by e-mail or fax. Competition Commissioner distributes this report to the match referee, both Participating Clubs and both Participating Unions.

7. MATCH COMMISSIONER

- 7.1 For each match a Match Commissioner is appointed by the Competition Commissioner. Match Commissioner is selected from the "List of qualified commissioners" submitted by the Participating Unions.
- 7.2 Each Participating Union, at the request of Competition Commissioner must assign a Match Commissioner for a pertinent game. This Match Commissioner must be qualified according to IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations.
- 7.3 This request by Competition Commissioner to Participating Union must be applied at least three (3) weeks ahead of the time the match is scheduled.
- 7.4 Match Commissioner is entitled to a fee for his duties and travel expenses as set by Addition 4 of these Regulations.
- 7.5 If due to vis major the Match Commissioner is unable to perform his duty, he will be replaced by his substitution.
- 7.6 Members of RRC Board may not be RRC Match Commissioners.
- 7.7 Match Commissioner will perform his duty according to these Regulations, Laws of the Game, as well as IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations.
- 7.8 As per standard procedure in international matches according to IRB and FIRA-AER Rules and Regulations, Match Commissioner is authorized to disciplinary sanction players sent off by the referee during the game.
Immediately after the match, the Match Commissioner will organize a separate hearing of each sent off player and other persons he deems necessary, and will adjudicate the sanction.
- 7.9 Immediately after the match, the Match Commissioner must send the Match Report to the Competition Commissioner by fax or e-mail, and then send it with any other pertinent documents or statements by regular mail to the address of the Competition Commissioner. If the host is unable to make available the fax machine or the computer with internet access, the Match Commissioner must find it available elsewhere. In this case, the costs of use of fax or computer will be covered by the Match Commissioner from his fee for his duty. All postage costs are covered by the Match Commissioner from his fee.
- 7.10 Among other duties, the Match Commissioner must make sure that there are no unauthorized persons on the field of play and the area for reserve players.

- 7.11 In a special separate report enclosed to the Match report, the Match Commissioner will describe any and all behavior or actions by the participants of the match, players, coaches, Participating Club officials or any other officials that is not in accordance with the game of rugby. This should especially cover any verbal or physical abuse of referee, assistant referees or any other officials. Match Commissioner should demand disciplinary actions by RRC Board against such persons.
- 7.12 If the assigned Match Commissioner is not present at a match, his duties will be carried out by the referee of the match. In this case, the disciplinary adjudication will be carried out by the Competition Commissioner who must make his arbitration within seven (7) days.
- 7.13 During the game, the Match Commissioner must have available these Regulations and other instructions and regulations needed for application.

8. REFEREES

- 8.1 Generally, all matches are officiating by the referees from a third country. Standby referee will also be nominated. Referees and Standby referees can be nominated only from "Referee list" which is delivered by referee organizations of Participating Unions.
- 8.2 The referees are nominated by the RRC Referee Committee consisting of five (5) members that are elected and dismissed by the RRC Board. The RRC Board selects the members of RRC Referee Committee from the representatives of referee organizations of Participating Unions. The RRC Referee Committee is presiding by the President elected by the Committee members amongst themselves. The RRC Referee Committee is in charge of referee supervision and actions in case of breach of referee code.
- 8.3 RRC Referee Committee takes part in appeals to matches should the appeal be made due to material breach of the laws of the game. In such a case, the finding of a RRC Referee Committee is decisive.
- 8.4 Participating Clubs from the same city can agree to have a referee from this city. This written agreement must be submitted to the referee organization of their Union prior to the process of referee nomination.
- 8.5 For each match two (2) Assistant referees are nominated by RRC Referee Committee.
- 8.6 Assistant referees can be nominated only from "Assistant referee list" which is delivered by referee organizations of Participating Unions. Both Assistant referees must be qualified referees.
- 8.7 Referee and Assistant referees are entitled to a fee and travel expenses as set by Addition 4 of these Regulations.
- 8.8 In case of referee or his substitution being unable to referee a match, the referee regulations of the Participating Union covering the venue will be respected.
- 8.9 If RRC Referee Committee finds the referees nominated by Participating Union referee organizations insufficient in skill or numbers, at a request of a Participating Union, referees from unions not part of RRC and licensed by their home unions may be nominated for RRC matches.

9. APPEAL TO A MATCH PLAYED

- 9.1 Appeal to a played match is submitted by the Participating Club to the Competition Commissioner within forty eight (48) hours of the end of the match. The appeal must be announced in the Match Report or announced to the Competition Commissioner in writing within the twenty four (24) hour of the end of the match. The receipt for the appeal fee of 150 € (hundred and fifty Euro) must be enclosed to the appeal. If no such receipt is enclosed, the appeal will not be taken into consideration.
- 9.2 If the appeal is found justified, the appeal fee is returned to the Participating Club.

- 9.3 Competition Commissioner will rule on the appeal and inform the RRC Board and both Participating Clubs involved within the five (5) days of the delivery of all pertinent documents.
- 9.4 The appeal on the ruling of the Commissioner can be submitted by Participating Club involved only to the RRC Board within the five (5) days of notification about upper mentioned Competition Commissioner's ruling.
- 9.5 The RRC Board will rule on this appeal within the reasonable time not longer than fourteen (14) days. The RRC Board ruling cannot be subject to appeal.

10. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

- 10.1 Referee may use a yellow card to caution a player for misconduct and temporary suspend him for a period of ten (10) minutes.
- 10.2 If a player repeats an offence, referee may use a red card to send off such a player.
- 10.3 Red card may be used directly, without the prior use of yellow card.
- 10.4 Sent off player must leave the playing enclosure and go to changing rooms or the area for the audience.
- 10.5 After a match, a player that is sent off must attend the hearing and disciplinary ruling as stated in 7.8.
- 10.6 If a player is sent off, immediately after the match the referee must submit a report to the Match Commissioner (Laws of the Game 6.A.12).
- 10.7 Upon receiving a Sent off report immediately after the match, Match Commissioner will hear out the sent off player, referee, representatives of both teams and other persons he deems necessary, make notes of these hearings, and announcing his ruling (sanctioning or vindicating the player) according to the IRB Recommended Sanctions (Addition 5 of these Regulations).
- 10.8 The ruling takes effect immediately.
- 10.9 Sanctioned player may not take part in any rugby match.
- 10.10 The Match Commissioner may overrule the referees report thus vindicating the player.
- 10.11 Complete documentation of the hearing the Match Commissioner will deliver to the RRC Board.
- 10.12 Competition Commissioner keeps record of all disciplinary sanctions and sets the date of their expiry according to IRB Regulations.
- 10.13 Competition Commissioner keeps record of all temporary sanctions (yellow cards) and upon third temporary suspension, according to the IRB Regulations, reports such case to RRC Board that makes a ruling regarding the sanction.
- 10.14 Match Commissioners ruling and Competition Commissioners decision of 10.13 may be subject to an appeal by any involved party. This appeal must be submitted in written form to the RRC Board within three (3) days of pertinent ruling and the RRC Board will rule on this appeal within fourteen (14) days.
RRC Board ruling is final.
- 10.15 In case of sending off of Participating Club's officials, RRC Board will carry out the procedure similar to the Match Commissioner hearing in all misconduct reports submitted by Match Commissioner. In such cases IRB Recommended Sanctions cover all activities associated with the sport of rugby. In case of severe misconduct, the RRC Board will submit a report to FIRA-AER.

10.16 If a team leaves the playing area during RRC match and refuses to continue the match, pertinent Participating Club is automatically penalized by expulsion from RRC and all other competitions organized by or related to RRC for the period of one (1) year. The person responsible for the team leaving the playing area during RRC match and refusal to continue the match will be penalized by three (3) years suspension from RRC and all other competitions or activities organized by or related to RRC.

11. MEDICAL REGULATIONS

11.1 In addition to sections 5.1 and 5.2 of these Regulations, the game host must respect all other IRB regulations covering the medical issues.

11.2 A medical doctor must be present at every match.

No match will begin without the presence of a medical doctor and a clear approach for medical emergency vehicle.

If there is no medical doctor present at the playing enclosure, the match will not take place and the home team loses a match due to organizational oversight.

11.3 During a match home team must provide the use of medical emergency vehicle if necessary.

11.4 All costs of the medical services, domestic or abroad, due to injuries of Participating Club player or the Participating Club official during or related to RRC match will be born by the his/her Participating Club or will be covered by their insurance, should they have it.

All costs regarding the accident of the Participating Club player or the Participating Club official during or related to RRC match will be born by his/her Participating Club or will be covered by their insurance, should they have it.

11.5 All serious injuries and particularly those that require hospital treatment must be entered in the Match report by the Match Commissioner.

Competition Commissioner keeps record of such injuries and delivers a report thereof to the Medical committee of FIRA-AER.

11.6 If RRC Board, Participating Union, home national sport association or international rugby organization choose to perform an anti-doping control at the RRC match or in the Participating Club regardless of the match, and if such control is performed according to the anti-doping regulations of International Olympic Committee (IOC) which are identical to the IRB and FIRA-AER anti-doping regulations, all summoned players must immediately allow the control to take place.

Sportsperson who refuses be subjected to anti-doping control at the competition or regardless thereof, will be considered positive and will automatically be suspended for the period of two (2) years.

11.7 In case of anti-doping control, the Match Commissioner will make a note in the Match report, while Competition Commissioner notifies FIRA-AER thereof.

12. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

12.1 Away team covers all its expenses (travel and stay).

12.2 Home team covers all match organization expenses which include the following:

- The venue in accordance with clauses 3.11 and 3.12 of these Regulations
- Tea or similar refreshing beverage for all RRC match participants after the match,
- Official medical doctor,
- Use of medical emergency vehicle,
- Notification to the local police,

- Stewards and security personnel at the venue from arrival of the away team until after the game, not more than one hour after the end of the match,
- Organization and making of video recording of the match which must be delivered to Competition Commissioner no later than seven (7) days after the match is played; if failed to submit this video recording in defined time, home team will be fined with € 500.00 (five hundred Euro).

Host also covers the fees and other costs of Referees, Match Commissioner and other costs as agreed with RRC Board.

- 12.3 At least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the competition, all Participating Clubs will be notified by the RRC Board of the bank account of RRC (hereinafter RRC account).
- 12.4 Every Participating Club will pay € 500.00 (five hundred Euro) participation fee to the RRC account.
- 12.5 Participation fee must be paid not later than five (5) days prior to the beginning of the RRC competition. Competition Commissioner informs the RRC Board thereof.
- 12.6 Administrative penalties defined in clause 3.15 of these Regulations must be paid by the Participating Club before the beginning of the following match or it will be denied the right to take part in further matches.
- 12.7 Fee defined in clause 9.1 of these Regulations is paid to the RRC account.
- 12.8 Participation fees and administrative penalties collected will be used by the RRC Board in case of match forfeit, loss or cancellation due to organizational oversight, to compensate the non-responsible Participating Club for its expenses, in the amount set by the RRC Board, but not more than 50% of participation fee or administrative penalty.
- 12.9 The home Participating Club bears the cost of the Referee, Match Commissioner and Assistant referee fees:
- Referee 50,00 € (fifty Euro)
 - Match Commissioner 40,00 € (forty Euro)
 - Assistant referee 25,00 € (twenty five Euro)
- Furthermore, home Participating Club bears the travel expenses of the Referee, Match Commissioner and Assistant referees as set in the table enclosed to this Regulations (Addition 4 - Travel expenses table).
Addition 4 - Travel expenses table is maintained and proposed by Competition Commissioner and approved by absolute majority of votes by RRC Board.
- 12.10 The fees and expenses must be paid to the Referees and Match Commissioner not later than sixty (60) minutes prior to kick-off.
- 12.11 All other payments or changes of fees and allowances will be determined by the RRC Board with written approval of all RRC participants.

13. FINAL REGULATIONS

- 13.1 Due to different currencies in the participants' countries, all expenses are stated in Euros.
- 13.2 Match schedule for RRC season composed by Competition Commissioner, as defined in 4.1 is a part of these Regulations.
- 13.3 Regarding the marketing of the game of rugby, the Competition Commissioner will immediately notify the media of the match results.
With the same intent, the RRC Board will involve a person in charge of RRC web page that will be updated with information delivered by the Competition Commissioner.
Competition Commissioner is responsible for the accuracy of this information.

- 13.4 Should any company find it in its interest to add its name to the RRC or to use RRC for its marketing purposes, it can only be realized upon terms and conditions defined and agreed at the meeting of RRC Board.
- 13.5 These Regulations are valid until the cancelation by RRC Board. Cancelation of these Regulations can be done by RRC Board with absolute majority of votes.
- 13.6 Changes and amendments of these Regulations, except for those defined by these Regulations, are done in the same way the Regulations are approved, by agreement of all participants in RRC.
- 13.7 The RRC Board provides ruling regarding these Regulations.

Addition 1

List of clubs participating in RRC competition – Participating Clubs

- „RC Donau Wien“ (Wien – Austria)
- „RK Čelik“ (Zenica - Bosnia and Herzegovina),
- „RK Rudar“ (Zenica - Bosnia and Herzegovina),
- „Athens Rugby F.C.“ (Athens – Greece)
- „HARK Mladost“ (Zagreb - Croatia),
- „RK Nada“ (Split - Croatia),
- „RK Zagreb“ (Zagreb - Croatia),
- „gas.hu Battai Bulldogok RC“ (Szazhalombatta - Hungary)
- „Esztergomi Vitézek Suzuki Rugby SE“ (Esztergom - Hungary)
- „Kecskeméti Atlétika és Rugby Club (KARC)“ (Kecskemet - Hungary)
- „RFC Bežigrad“ (Ljubljana - Slovenia),
- „RK Ljubljana“ (Ljubljana - Slovenia),
- „Kraljevski beogradski ragbi klub (KBRK)“ (Beograd - Serbia),
- „RK Partizan“ (Beograd - Serbia) i
- „RK Pobednik Mozart“ (Beograd - Serbia).

Addition 2

Declaration of acceptance of Regional Rugby Championship for Clubs propositions

Date: _____

Hereby, we _____, accept RRC Regulations
(Rugby Union)
for season 2011/2012 and will act upon it.

In behalf of _____:
(Rugby Union)

(Name)

(Function)

(Signature)

Union stamp:

Addition 3

POOLS AND MATCH SCHEDULE

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C
RK Nada	RC Donau Wien	Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE
Battai Bulldogok RC	RK Ljubljana	RK Pobednik Mozzart
RK Partizan	KARC	RK Čelik
RK Rudar	KBRK	Athens Rugby F.C.
RFC Bežigrad	RK Zagreb	HARK Mladost

*pool positions based on previous season results and geographical division

First (pool) phase - Pool matches

Match No.	Round	Pool	Date	Venue	Home	Away
1	I	A	17.9.2011	Szazhalombatta	Battai Bulldogok RC	RFC Bežigrad
2	I	A	17.9.2011	Beograd	RK Partizan	RK Rudar
	I	A	17.9.2011		RK Nada	bye
3	I	B	17.9.2011	Ljubljana	RK Ljubljana	RK Zagreb
4	I	B	17.9.2011	Kecskemet	KARC	KBRK
	I	B	17.9.2011		RC Donau Wien	bye
5	I	C	17.9.2011	Beograd	RK Pobednik Mozzart	HARK Mladost
6	I	C	17.9.2011	Zenica	RK Čelik	Athens Rugby F.C.
	I	C	17.9.2011		Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE	bye
7	II	A	24.9.2011	Beograd	RK Partizan	RK Nada
8	II	A	24.9.2011	Zenica	RK Rudar	RFC Bežigrad
	II	A	24.9.2011		Battai Bulldogok RC	bye
9	II	B	26.11.2011	Zagreb	RK Zagreb	KARC
10	II	B	10.9.2011	Wien	RC Donau Wien	RK Ljubljana
	II	B	24.9.2011		KBRK	bye
11	II	C	24.9.2011	Zagreb	HARK Mladost	RK Čelik
12	II	C	22.10.2011	Esztergom	Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE	RK Pobednik Mozzart
	II	C	24.9.2011		Athens Rugby F.C.	bye
13	III	A	1.10.2011	Ljubljana	RFC Bežigrad	RK Partizan
14	III	A	1.10.2011	Split	RK Nada	Battai Bulldogok RC
	III	A	1.10.2011		RK Rudar	bye
15	III	B	12.11.2011	Kecskemet	KARC	RC Donau Wien
16	III	B	1.10.2011	Beograd	KBRK	RK Zagreb
	III	B	1.10.2011		RK Ljubljana	bye
17	III	C	1.10.2011	Zenica	RK Čelik	Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE
18	III	C	1.10.2011	Zagreb	HARK Mladost	Athens Rugby F.C.
	III	C	1.10.2011		RK Pobednik Mozzart	bye
19	IV	A	19.11.2011	Split	RK Nada	RK Rudar
20	IV	A	19.11.2011	Szazhalombatta	Battai Bulldogok RC	RK Partizan
	IV	A	19.11.2011		RFC Bežigrad	bye
21	IV	B	19.11.2011	Wien	RC Donau Wien	KBRK
22	IV	B	19.11.2011	Ljubljana	RK Ljubljana	KARC
	IV	B	19.11.2011		RK Zagreb	bye

23	IV	C	19.11.2011	Esztergom	Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE	Athens Rugby F.C.
24	IV	C	19.11.2011	Beograd	RK Pobednik Mozzart	RK Čelik
	IV	C	19.11.2011		HARK Mladost	bye
25	V	A	26.11.2011	Zenica	RK Rudar	Battai Bulldogok RC
26	V	A	26.11.2011	Ljubljana	RFC Bežigrad	RK Nada
	V	A	26.11.2011		RK Partizan	bye
27	V	B	26.11.2011	Beograd	KBRK	RK Ljubljana
28	V	B	3.12.2011	Zagreb	RK Zagreb	RC Donau Wien
	V	B	26.11.2011		KARC	bye
29	V	C	26.11.2011	Beograd	RK Pobednik Mozzart	Athens Rugby F.C.
30	V	C	26.11.2011	Zagreb	HARK Mladost	Esztergomi Vitézek Rugby SE
	V	C	26.11.2011		RK Čelik	bye

Red – rescheduled.

Win 4 points; draw 2 points, loss 0 points; 4 or more tries 1 bonus point; loss by 7 or less difference 1 bonus point.

Quarterfinals ranking

Ranking	All pools ranking	Ranking depends on:
1 st	1A or 1B or 1C	- number of pool points conceived, if same, then - total pool points difference, if same, then - number of pool tries conceived, if same, then - less red cards, if same, then - less yellow cards
2 nd	1A or 1B or 1C	
3 rd	1A or 1B or 1C	
4 th	Best other	
5 th	Second other	
6 th	Third other	
7 th	Fourth other	
8 th	Fifth other	

Second (play-off) phase – Knock-out matches

Quarterfinal matches

Match No.	Round	Date	Venue	Home	Away
31	1/4	10.-17.3.2012.	TBD	1 st	8 th
32	1/4	10.-17.3.2012.	TBD	2 nd	7 th
33	1/4	10.-17.3.2012.	TBD	3 rd	6 th
34	1/4	10.-17.3.2012.	TBD	4 th	5 th

Semifinal matches

Match No.	Round	Date	Venue	Home	Away
35	1/2	24.-31.3.2012.	TBD	W31 or W34 - draw	W31 or W34 - draw
36	1/2	24.-31.3.2012.	TBD	W32 or W33 - draw	W32 or W33 - draw

Final match

Match No.	Round	Date	Venue	Home	Away
37	Final	26.5.2012.	TBD	W35 or W36 - draw	W35 or W36 - draw

Addition 4

TRAVEL EXPENSES TABLE

Travel expenses are calculated as $KM \times 2 \times 0,20 \text{ €}$, KM being the distance between home city and the city of the venue in kilometers according to the data from www.viamichelin.com.

Relation (departure – match – return)	Distance [Km]	Travel expenses [€]
Beograd – Esztergom	421	168
Beograd – Kecskemet	290	116
Beograd – Szazhalombatta	390	156
Beograd – Ljubljana	536	214
Beograd – Split	596	238
Beograd – Zagreb	398	159
Beograd – Zenica	346	138
Beograd – Wien	610	244
Esztergom - Beograd	421	168
Esztergom - Kecskemet	133	53
Esztergom - Szazhalombatta	86	34
Esztergom - Ljubljana	509	204
Esztergom - Split	800	320
Esztergom - Zagreb	397	159
Esztergom - Zenica	557	223
Esztergom - Wien	220	88
Kecskemet - Beograd	290	116
Kecskemet - Esztergom	133	53
Kecskemet - Szazhalombatta	102	41
Kecskemet - Ljubljana	541	216
Kecskemet - Split	832	333
Kecskemet - Zagreb	429	172
Kecskemet - Zenica	554	222
Kecskemet - Wien	323	129
Szazhalombatta – Beograd	390	156
Szazhalombatta – Esztergom	86	34
Szazhalombatta – Kecskemet	102	41
Szazhalombatta – Ljubljana	468	187
Szazhalombatta – Split	759	304
Szazhalombatta – Zagreb	357	143
Szazhalombatta – Zenica	478	191
Szazhalombatta – Wien	254	102
Ljubljana – Beograd	536	214
Ljubljana – Esztergom	509	204
Ljubljana – Kecskemet	541	216
Ljubljana – Szazhalombatta	468	187
Ljubljana – Split	529	212
Ljubljana – Zagreb	139	56
Ljubljana – Zenica	533	213
Ljubljana – Wien	383	153
Split – Beograd	596	238
Split – Esztergom	800	320
Split – Kecskemet	832	333

Relation (departure – match – return)	Distance [Km]	Travel expenses [€]
Split – Szazhalombatta	759	304
Split – Ljubljana	529	212
Split – Zagreb	410	164
Split – Zenica	254	102
Split – Wien	764	306
Zagreb – Beograd	398	159
Zagreb – Esztergom	397	159
Zagreb – Kecskemet	429	172
Zagreb – Szazhalombatta	357	143
Zagreb – Ljubljana	139	56
Zagreb – Split	410	164
Zagreb – Zenica	404	162
Zagreb – Wien	374	150
Zenica – Beograd	346	138
Zenica – Esztergom	557	223
Zenica – Kecskemet	554	222
Zenica – Szazhalombatta	478	191
Zenica – Ljubljana	533	213
Zenica – Split	254	102
Zenica – Zagreb	404	162
Zenica - Wien	718	287
Wien – Beograd	610	244
Wien – Esztergom	220	88
Wien – Kecskemet	323	129
Wien – Szazhalombatta	254	102
Wien – Ljubljana	383	153
Wien – Split	764	306
Wien – Zagreb	374	150
Wien – Zenica	718	287

Addition 5

IRB RECOMMENDED SANCTIONS FOR OFFENCES WITHIN THE PLAYING ENCLOSURE (Regulation 17)

Law no.	DESCRIPTION	Entry point based on scale of seriousness of the players conduct which constitutes the offending Lower end - LE Mid range - MR Top end - TE	Maximum sanction
10.4(s) 10.4(m)	Verbal abuse of match officials	LE -6 weeks MR – 12 weeks TE – 18+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(s) 10.4(m)	Physical abuse of match official.	LE – 24 weeks MR - 48 weeks TE – 96 + weeks	life
10.4(s) 10.4(m)	Threatening actions or words at match officials.	LE – 12 weeks MR – 24 weeks TE – 48 + weeks	260 weeks
10.4(a)	Striking another player with a hand, arm or fist	LE – 2 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 8+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(a)	Striking another player with the elbow.	LE – 2 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 9+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(a)	Striking with knee	LE – 3 weeks MR – 8 weeks TE – 12+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(a)	Striking with head.	LE – 4 weeks MR – 8 weeks TE – 12+ weeks	104 weeks
10.4(b)	Stamping on an opponent	LE – 3 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 9+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(b)	Trampling on an opponent	LE – 2 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 9+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(c)	Kicking an opponent	LE – 4 weeks MR –8 weeks TE –12+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(d)	Tripping an opponent with the foot/leg	LE – 2 weeks MR – 4 weeks TE – 7+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(e)	Dangerous tackling of an opponent including early or late and including the action known as the "stiff arm tackle", dangerous tackle or attempted tackle above the line of shoulders even if tackle begins below the line of shoulders	LE – 2 weeks MR – 6 weeks TE – 10+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(f)	Holding, pushing or obstructing an opponent not holding the ball except in a scrum, ruck, maul	LE – 2 weeks MR – 4 weeks TE – 6+ weeks	52 weeks

Law no.	DESCRIPTION	Entry point based on scale of seriousness of the players conduct which constitutes the offending Lower end - LE Mid range - MR Top end - TE	Maximum sanction
10.4(f) 10.4 (j)	Dangerous charging or obstructing or grabbing of opponent with the ball including shouldering	LE – 2 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 9+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(g)	Dangerous charging or obstructing or grabbing of opponent without the ball including shouldering	LE – 3 weeks MR – 5 weeks TE – 9+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(h)	A player must not charge into a ruck or maul. Charging includes any contact made without use of the arms, or without grasping a player	LE – 3 weeks MR – 6 weeks TE – 10+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(i)	Tackling, tapping, pushing or pulling an opponent jumping for the ball in a lineout or in open play	LE – 3 weeks MR – 6 weeks TE – 10+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(j)	Lifting a player from the ground and either dropping or driving that player's head and/or upper body first into the ground whilst the player's feet are off the ground	LE – 3 weeks MR – 6 weeks TE – 10+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(k)	Causing a scrum, ruck or maul to collapse	LE – 2 weeks MR – 4 weeks TE – 8+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(m)	Testicle grabbing or twisting or squeezing	LE – 12 weeks MR – 18 weeks TE – 24+ weeks	208 weeks
10.4(m)	Biting	LE – 12 weeks MR – 18 weeks TE – 24+ weeks	208 weeks
10.4(m)	Contact with eyes or eye area	LE – 12 weeks MR – 18 weeks TE – 24+ weeks	156 weeks
10.4(m)	Spitting at players	LE – 4 weeks MR – 7 weeks TE – 11+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(m)	Verbal abuse of players based on religion, race, color or national or ethnic origin or otherwise	LE – 4 weeks MR – 8 weeks TE – 13+ weeks	52 weeks
10.4(m)	Any other act (not previously referred to) which are contrary to good sportsmanship	LE – 4 weeks MR – 7 weeks TE – 11+ weeks	52 weeks

In respect of offences not referred to above, appropriate sanctions may be imposed at the discretion of the relevant Judicial Officer, Disciplinary Committee, Appeal Officer and/or Appeal Committee (as the case may be).

Notwithstanding the recommended sanctions in the table and/or the provisions of Regulation 17.14 in cases where the player's actions constitute mid range or top end of offending for any type of offence which had the potential to result and, in fact, did result in serious/gross consequences to the health of the victim, the Judicial Officers and/or Disciplinary Committees may impose any period of suspension including a suspension for life.