



MOL LEAGUE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The Disciplinary Committee no.2016-17/042 decree

The Disciplinary Committee investigated the MOL League game MOL 166 (Fehervari Titanok – Dunaujvarosi Acelbikak) where Pal Krisztian SZABO, player of Fehervari Titanok was being penalized 5+20 minutes for checking the head and neck area (CHE-H, MISC), and penalized 5+20 minutes for roughing (ROUGH, GA-MI). Tamas LENCSES the player of Dunaujvarosi Acelbikak was penalized 5+20 minutes for roughing (ROUGH, GA-MI).

The Committee made the following conclusions:

The player of the Fehervari Titanok hit the opponent player on the head during a collision in the 36th minute. After it, the Dunaujvarosi Acelbikak player started a fight with the player of the Fehervari Titanok.

IIHF RULE 124 – CHECKING TO THE HEAD OR NECK

DEFINITION: A player who directs a hit of any sort, with any part of his body or equipment, to the head or neck of an opposing player or drives or forces the head of an opposing player into the protective glass or boards. This rule supersedes all similar actions regarding hits to the head and neck except those related to fighting.

There is no such thing as a clean hit to the head. Whether accidental or intentional, every direct hit to the head or neck of an opponent will be penalized. A player who directs a check to the head or neck of an opponent will be assessed one of: (1) a minor penalty and misconduct penalty; (2) a major penalty and automatic game-misconduct penalty; (3) a match penalty.

IIHF RULE 158 – ROUGHING

DEFINITION: A player who jostles or strikes an opponent during the game.

A player involved in a confrontation with an opponent will be assessed a minor, double minor, or major and automatic game-misconduct penalty. A player who persists in continuing to be involved in roughing is subject to rules for fighting.

IIHF RULE 141 – FIGHTING

DEFINITION: A player who punches an opponent during game action, after a whistle, or any time during the regular course of a game during a prolonged player confrontation.

A player who starts a fight will be assessed a match penalty.

According to the establishment of the Disciplinary Committee the Fehervari Titanok player hit the opponent player's head with his elbow. The collision was directed toward the head on purpose, without the intention of playing the puck.

According to the IIHF rules and guidelines, the attack of the head and neck area is one of the most serious irregularities.

The Disciplinary Committee prohibited Pal Krisztian SZABO, the Fehervari Titanok player for 2 matches.

During the game for Pal Krisztian SZABO, second time was imposed Game Misconduct (GA-MI) penalty.

IIHF rule book RULE 109 - DURATION OF PENALTIES - GAME MISCONDUCT

A player who receives two game-misconduct penalties in the same game or different games of a tournament or event is automatically suspended for one further game.

Pal Krisztian SZABO will skip +1 match of his team.

According to the establishment of the Disciplinary Committee Tamas LENCSES, the player of the Dunaujvarosi Acelbikak started a fight, and became an agressor after this case.

The Disciplinary Commitee prohibited Tamas LENCSES, the Dunaujvarosi Acelbikak player for 1 match.

The players will spend down their sentences at the next MOL League and Hungarian Cup matches.

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