



Erste Liga Disciplinary Committee

no.2023-24/024 decree

The Disciplinary Committee of the Erste Liga for the request of the Chief of Referee, investigated the Erste Liga EL 88 game (DEAC - Gyergyói Hoki Klub) where in the 53th minutes Tamás-Róbert Sárpátki (Gyergyói Hoki Klub) hit his opponent with his stick. The referees did not impose a penalty.

The Committee made the following conclusions:

In the 53th minutes of the game, the player of the Gyergyói Hoki Klub hit his opponent's groin from behind with his stick. The movement was not aimed at getting the puck, it was not a fight for a position, the puck was far from the case. Tamás-Róbert Sárpátki holding his stick with both hands, he delivered a conscious, deliberate hit to the vulnerable part of his opponent's body.

The referees should have detected and penalized the incident based on Rule 61 of the IIHF.

IIHF RULE 61 SLASHING

Slashing is the act of a Player swinging their stick at an opponent, whether contact is made or not. "Non-aggressive" stick contact to the pant or front of the shin pads, should not be penalized as slashing. Any forceful or powerful chop with the stick on an opponent's body, the opponent's stick, or on or near the opponent's hands that, in the judgment of the Referee, is not an attempt to play the puck, shall be penalized as slashing.

IIHF 61.6. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

If deemed appropriate, Supplementary Discipline can be applied by the Proper Authorities at their discretion.

The Disciplinary Committee prohibits Tamás-Róbert Sárpátki, player of the Gyergyói Hoki Klub, for 1 Erste Liga game due to dangerous movement.

The player will spend down his sentence at the next Erste Liga game.

According the Erste Liga Competition Rules 72/B. § (1) the prohibition imposed an automatic fine on the Gyergyói Hoki Klub. The organization must pay a fine of EUR 150 according the 72/B. § (2).

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