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EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL REFEREES

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From: WS EUROPE RINK-HOCKEY PRESIDENT

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Subject: FEMALE LEAGUE CUP – NEW COMPETITION MODEL

Dear Sirs:

Starting in the 2019/2020 sporting season, Female League Cup will be played according to a new competitive model, as set out in the following points.

1. REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION OF TEAMS

- 1.1** The Female League Cup will be played by a **minimum of 12 and a maximum of 16 clubs** that are affiliated with the National Federations that are integrated into WS Europe
- 1.1.1** **Each National Affiliated Federation can register a maximum of 4 clubs**, always having to indicate the "order of priority" in the registrations made (*national champion, 2nd place, winner of the Cup, etc.*);
- 1.1.2** When the total number of inscriptions is greater than 16 teams, it will be necessary to organize a pre-qualification eliminator, to be played by the lower priority clubs of the National Federations with the highest number of entries in the competition.
- 1.2** The fees payable for each registered club are as follows:
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| 1.2.1 Registration fee per club | € 300,00 |
| 1.2.2 Registration fee per player | € 5,00 |
| 1.2.3 Registration fee per another representative..... | € 10,00 |
| 1.2.4 Refereeing fees per designated Referee (<i>home games</i>) | € 200,00 |
- 1.3** Clubs are also responsible for **reimbursing WS Europe-RH for additional costs - duly justified - to be paid to referees, Technical Delegates and / or members of WS Europe-RH.**

2. COMPETITIVE MODEL OF THE FEMALE LEAGUE CUP

- 2.1** **PHASE 1 – CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2 ROUNDS IN EACH TEAM GROUP**
- 2.1.1** After the period of the teams registration, **WS Europe RH will establish - according to the respective geographical areas - the breakdown of the teams by each one of the 4 GROUPS (A+B+C+D) to be constituted (3 or 4 teams by Group), based on criteria of geographical proximity**
- 2.1.2** In each Group will be played a **Championship with 2 rounds (all against all).**
- 2.1.3** **The teams classified in the 1st. and 2nd. places of each Group will be qualified to compete in the PHASE 2 of this competition.**

2.2 PHASE 2 – QUARTER-FINALS ELIMINATORIES

These eliminatories will be played in two matches (*home and away*) by the 8 classified teams in the PHASE 1, according to the following "alignment":

match 01 – 2nd. classified of Group B x 1st. classified of Group A

match 02 – 2nd. classified of Group C x 1st. classified of Group B

match 03 – 2nd. classified of Group D x 1st. classified of Group C

match 04 – 2nd. classified of Group A x 1st. classified of Group D

2.3 PHASE 3 - FINAL 4 (SEMI-FINALS + FINAL)

The Female League Cup Final 4 will be played the 4 winning teams of the eliminatories of the PHASE 2 of this competition, according to the following "alignment":

Semi-finals: **match 05 - Winner of match 01 x Winner of match 04**

match 06 - Winner of match 02 x Winner of match 03

Final: **match 07 - Winner of match 05 x Winner of match 06**

With sporting regards



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