



ERSTE LIGA DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

Decision

FTC-Telekom

Lauri Heino

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The Disciplinary Committee of the Erste Liga for the request of the Erste Liga Chief of Referee, investigated the Erste Liga EL 196 (FTC-Telekom - CSM Corona Brasov) where in the 37th minutes Lauri Heino (FTC-Telekom) pushed his opponent to the boards. The referees penalized the player with a 2-minute penalty for boarding.

IIHF RULE 41 BOARDING

A boarding penalty shall be imposed on any Player who checks or pushes a defenseless opponent in such a manner that causes the opponent to hit or impact the Boards violently or dangerously.

The severity of the penalty, based upon the impact with the Boards, shall be at the discretion of the Referee. There is a considerable amount of judgment involved in the application of this rule by the Referees. The duty is on the Player applying the check to ensure their opponent is not in a defenseless position and if so, they must avoid or minimize contact. However, in determining whether such contact could have been avoided, the circumstances of the check, including whether the opponent put themselves in a vulnerable position immediately prior to or simultaneously with the check or whether the check was unavoidable can be considered. This balance must be considered by the Referees when applying this rule.

IIHF 41.5. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

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

The Committee made the following conclusions:

The FTC-Telekom player pushed his opponent, who was a dangerous distance from the boards, into the boards with great force, raising both hands and his stick high. He did not attempt to gain the puck.

The Disciplinary Committee prohibits Lauri Heino, the player of FTC-Telekom from 1 Erste Liga game due to an aggressive boarding.

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

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

During the suspension, the maximum total points value of the team's players eligible for the match will be reduced by the points value of the suspended player or players. Only after the suspension or suspensions have expired will it reach the maximum set in the competition schedule again.

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