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Definition

Official IKBF International Events designated by the abbreviation “OIIE” include the following competitions:

World Cup
European Championships
Asian Championships*

These competitions are organized by IKBF National Federation members following the approval of potentially participating IKBF members.

They are disputed under the auspice of the IKBF rules.

*Recognition in progress

The organizers of other type of international competitions are free to use the IKBF rules or not and to request the support of the IKBF or not.

Rules related to participation

Rules related to the participation of the teams of a national federation

A national federation will be allowed to participate in an OIIE if it is a member of the IKBF. To be considered a member, the affiliation document must have been sent and approved and the affiliation fee must have been paid at least a month before the event.

Exception: A country can request to participate to an OIIE even if not a member of the IKBF. This written request must be sent at least three months before the event.
The IKBF will be looking at the state of development of the country as well as the history behind the federation to make a decision.

A national federation can only register one team per category.

In order to participate in an OIIE, a national federation must respect all limit dates in regards of documents to complete, information to provide and requested payments.

Rules related to members of participating teams

A player, a coach or an assistant coach can participate in an OIIE in the Senior Category if aged of 16 years old and over on the day of the first games of the competition. There is no derogation possible for players younger than 16 years old.

Therefore, participants aged less than 18 years old will have to submit to the IKBF and the hosting organization the following documents two months prior to the event:

- Signed parental authorization form stating that it is understood that there are risks involved in the participation of the event where most participants are aged of 18 years old and more.
- Signed parental authority delegation form.

These forms will be provided by hosting organization and/or the IKBF following the official registration of participants.

A player can only represent the country for which he has nationality or where he has been living continuously for 6 months or more in the year preceding the event.

A player can only play for one team but can act as a coach for more than one team.

A head coach or assistant coach can represent any country independently of its nationality or the place where he lives.

Rules related to teams composition

At the moment of the registration, the national federation has to send to the IKBF and the organization committee the list of the members of their team(s) including the following information:

- Birth date
- Gender
- Travel Insurance Policy Company and number

Organizing federations may request extra information including e-mail address & picture.

A team can be composed of a maximum of 12 players, a head coach and two assistant coaches.

Except under exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the IKBF, the list of head coach and players is final and can't be modify from one month prior to the event.

The assistant coaches list can be modified at any moment before or during the competition. The team's national federation responsible must inform the IKBF and the organization at least 1 hour prior to the game.

Participating National Federations have complete authority to determine the selection process leading to the construction of their national team(s). Therefore, a player cannot be registered as a member of a national team against its will. A qualifying player selected by more than one federation will be playing in the national team of its choice.

Rules related to the Competition

Game Formula

In OIIE, all games are played using the variable amount of period system with best 3 out of 7 (see the official Rulebook at 7.18) using periods of 13 points.

Detailed description

Each period lasts until a team reaches 13 points.

To win the game a team must win three periods.

At the moment a fault bring the score of a team to 11, the team with the lowest score has to exit the court and both other teams finish the period keeping their score.

The team from the two left with the lowest score gains possession of the ball in the middle of the court, if both teams reach 11 at the same time; the head referee will make a draw.

The first team to reach 13 points wins the period.

Note:

The hit-in happening after the third team left the court is in continuation of the game.

If there is no draw to be done, the team gaining possession has 10 seconds to present an appropriate offensive position from the moment the Assistant Referee has replaced the ball in the middle of the court

If there is a need for a draw, the team gaining possession has 10 seconds to present an appropriate offensive position from the moment the draw is completed and the Head Referee has announced the result.

At the beginning of each period, the score is reset to 0 for the three teams.

When a team wins three periods, the team that finishes second is the one that has won the second greatest amount of periods. If both teams have the same amount, there will be a 5 points tie-break of to determine who finishes second.

Ranking Points

The team that finishes first will get 10 game ranking points.

The team that finishes second will get 6 game ranking points.

The team that finishes third will get 2 game ranking points.

Each team will also receive one period ranking point for each period they have won.

Each team will also receive sportsmanship point according to the sportsmanship table.

SPORTSMANSHIP RANKING POINTS TABLE

Number of warnings during a game	Total sportsmanship ranking points
0	5
1	4
2	1
3	0
4	0

See the example in Appendix C

Schedule of preliminary games' construction

In order to build the schedule of preliminary games, the ranking of the World Cup preceding the Official IKBF International Event will be used.

Teams participating to an OIIE for the first time would be ranked in last position.

If more than one team attends an OIIE for the first time, they would be ranked according to their Federation's Affiliation Date to the IKBF.

If a Federation does not participate in a World Cup (exception for extraordinary reasons) its non-participating teams will be ranked last as if they were taking part in the World Cup for the first time. In case of extraordinary reasons, the IKBF and its members will attribute a ranking that is fair and representative of the level of play of the team(s) based on results from the most recent World Cups in which team(s) took part. It is up to the IKBF to determine if a reason for not participating in a World Cup can be considered extraordinary.

You can find in Appendix A the official table that will be used to create the preliminary game schedule.

Less than 6 participating teams

If the amount of participating teams is lower than 6, the IKBF will make decision on how to build the schedule of preliminary games.

6 participating teams

Teams would be divided into 3 groups:

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 1 and 6 to be assigned #1 and #2 in the schedule.

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 2 and 5 to be assigned #3 and #6 in the schedule.

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 3 and 4 to be assigned #4 and #5 in the schedule.

7 participating teams

The actual method of doing a draw between the 7 teams would stay the same independently of their ranking at the previous World Cup since all teams will be playing once against each other.

8 participating teams

Teams would be divided into 4 groups:

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 1 and 2 to be assigned #1 and #5 in the schedule.

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 3 and 4 to be assigned #2 and #7 in the schedule.

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 5 and 6 to be assigned #3 and #6 in the schedule.

There would be a draw for teams ranked in position 7 and 8 to be assigned #4 and #8 in the schedule.

9 participating teams and perfect number amount of teams (9, 12, 15, ...)

9 teams

Teams would be divided into 3 groups: BLUE, GREY and BLACK

Teams ranked from position 1 to 3 would be part of the BLUE group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 4 to 6 would be part of the GREY group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 7 to 9 would be part of the BLACK group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

12 teams

Teams would be divided into 3 groups: BLUE, GREY and BLACK

Teams ranked from position 1 to 4 would be part of the BLUE group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 5 to 8 would be part of the GREY group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 9 to 12 would be part of the BLACK group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

More than 9 participating team but non-perfect amount of teams (10, 11, 13, ...)

11 teams

Teams would be divided into 3 groups: BLUE, GREY and BLACK

Teams ranked from position 1 to 3 would be part of the BLUE group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 5 to 7 would be part of the GREY group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Teams ranked from position 9 to 11 would be part of the BLACK group and a draw would be done to know which team is having which number.

Team that ranked in 4th position automatically gets #4 for the draw as they will play two games in BLUE and one game in GREY.

Team that ranked in 8th position automatically gets #8 for the draw as they will play one game in GREY and two games in BLACK.

The same principle applies to all other schedule making with non-perfect amount of teams.

Hosting federation's advantage for preliminary games' schedule

In order to maximize the promotional benefits of hosting an OIIE, the hosting federation's teams will have the privilege of choosing when and which games its team(s) will be playing.

Once this choice has been done, the IKBF will build the preliminaries complete game schedule with the objective of making it as fair as possible for all teams in regards of the amount of games to play per day (if more or less than one) and the time at which the games are played. If the IKBF has to make a decision between teams, the ones with the higher ranking (based on the last World Cup) will have priority.

Tie Break rules

If after playing all the preliminary games or semi-final games two teams or more have the same amount of ranking points, here are the criterion list that will determine which one finishes in front of the other team(s):

- 1st Largest amount of first places won. If the teams have the same amount;
- 2nd Largest amount of second places won. If the teams have the same amount;
- 3rd Largest amount of Fair-Play ranking points. If the teams have the same amount;
- 4th Largest amount of ranking points in the game(s) where the teams played against each other. If the teams have the same amount;
- 5th Largest total amount of won periods. If the teams have the same amount;
- 6th Largest amount of periods won by each teams during the game(s) they played one against the other. If teams have the same amount;
- 7th Smallest total amount of lost periods during preliminaries. If the teams have the same amount;
- 8th Largest total amount of periods where the teams finished 2nd. If the teams have the same amount;
- 9th Smallest total amount of points of difference with the team finishing the period first place in period where the teams finished second. If teams have the same amount;
- 10th If after preliminary or final phase, a tie still exists even after applying the official criterion list, the IKBF will determine if the impact of the tie justifies playing or not a 5 point tie break or a tie break played according to this formula:

Two teams: Periods of 13 points – best 2 out of 3
Three teams: Periods of 13 points – best 2 out of 4
Four teams or more: Round robin (little tournament) between the teams only 1 period of 13 points.
The team leaving the court when other team(s) reach 11 points is considered finishing 3rd.

Semi-Finals

9 participating teams or less

If the amount of participating teams in a category is 9 or less, the IKBF will make the decision about the semi-final formula that will be used by a vote from the participating teams' national federations.

10 participating teams or more

Following the preliminaries, a ranking will be established and the top 9 teams will advance to the next round. It will be up to the organization committee of the World Cup to determine if teams ranked higher than 9 will be having an exhibition game. If played, this or these exhibition games have no impact on the ranking used for the following World Cup.

In order to determine which teams are going to make it to the final, there will be two rounds of semi-final games called the "Round of the 9" and "Round of the 6".

The round of the 9

The "Round of the 9" is made of three games where teams ranked from 1st to 9th positions will be playing against each other as followed:

Teams ranked in 1st, 6th and 9th positions will be playing in Semi-Final 9A
Teams ranked in 2nd, 5th and 8th positions will be playing in Semi-Final 9B
Teams ranked in 3rd, 4th and 7th positions will be playing in Semi-Final 9C

The teams finishing in first and second positions in each Semi-Final (9A, 9B, 9C) will advance to the "Round of the 6" and the amount of ranking points received in each game will be used to determine the ranking of the "Round of the 6".

In case of tie in the amount of ranking points, preliminaries ranking will be used if the tie-break criterion list is ineffective.

The three teams finishing in third place in each Semi-Final (9A, 9B, 9C) will play an extra game to confirm their final ranking for the next World Cup.

The round of the 6

****The team winning a game in the round of the 6 will be awarded 3 extra ranking points**
** (will receive 21 points instead of 18) ****

Using the “Round of the 9” ranking, the six teams that have finished in first and second place will be ranked from 1st to 6th positions and will be playing against each other as followed:

Teams ranked in 1st, 4th and 6th positions will be playing in Semi-Final 6A
Teams ranked in 2nd, 3rd and 5th positions will be playing in Semi-Final 6B

Once these two games are played, ranking points are given to each team adding them to the ranking points received in the “Round of the 9”.

The ranking after the “Round of the 6” determines the World Cup final ranking for teams finishing in 4th, 5th and 6th positions.

In case of tie in the amount of ranking points, preliminaries’ rankings and tie break results will be used if the tie-break criterion list is ineffective.

The three teams with the highest amount of ranking points will take part in the Final.

Rules Related to the Disciplinary Measures

Disciplinary and Suspension rules

For the purpose of suspension rules, a tie-break is not considered as a game.

A suspended team member will not be able to take part in a tie-break if suspended for the next game of its team. That is to say that the player will be suspended for the tie-break AND the next game.

When a member of a team is expelled, this member has to leave the floor level of the playing area.

A suspended member of a team cannot assist the game from the floor of the playing area.

A suspended member of a team can't take part in the game if he/she is suspended for in any manner (either by coaching or directing the game from the spectator or meeting the team members, ...) until the game is over.

Any suspended member not respecting these conditions will be suspended for the next game of his/her team.

A team member who receives 2 minor warnings in the same game or tie-break or 1 major warning during a game or a tie break will be expelled from it and will be suspended for the next game of his/her team. For the rest of the tournament, any minor warning given in a game or a tie-break will result in a game suspension, the next one of the team.

A team member who receives 2 minor warnings in two separate games will be suspended for the next game of his/her team. For the rest of the tournament, any minor warning given in a game or a tie-break will result in a 1 game suspension.

A team member who receives 1 major warning after the game is over will be suspended for the next 2 games of his/her team. For the rest of the tournament, any minor warning given in a game or a tie-break will result in a 1 game suspension.

A team member having inadequate behaviors at any moment during the event, either at the sport center during games or at the hotel, could be suspended for his/her next team game(s). Inadequate behaviors include:

- Criticising other teams, referees, IKBF or organization committee untimely or excessively;
- Abusive arguing with officials;
- Causing damage at the hotel, sport facilities or training center;
- Physical abuse on any of the tournament's participants;
- Any other action that could hinder the image of the tournament, the IKBF and its partners and the organization and its partners.

If inadequate behavior is observed, the IKBF will create an Ad Hoc committee with the National Federations responsible persons to hear the version of the participant at fault and to determine the nature of the suspension that will be issued. This decision is final.

Rules Related to Referees & Officials

The IKBF is responsible for selecting the Referees and the other officials that we be active during game in OIIE.

Referees

The selection process of the referees will be happening at least 2 months prior to the event or following the confirmation of the amount of participating teams.

The amount of chosen referee depends on the amount of participating teams and the duration of the OIIE. The IKBF makes the decision according to available budget and location of the OIIE.

The selection of the referees is based on an evaluation grid that can be found in Appendix B.

Referees applying must also complete and sign the Referee Agreement that can be found in Appendix B.

Selection of the referees will be done according to the evaluation grid and the location (place where the referee lives).

In order to make the best choice, the IKBF can request references on candidates to Federations' staff and Master-Instructors.

Other Officials

The linemen, scorekeeper and any other person considered as an official during an OIIE game will be chosen by the IKBF following recommendation from the hosting organization.

Appendix A

Official Tables for preliminary games schedule

6 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	3	5	6
2	1	5	4
3	1	2	6
4	3	4	6
5	2	4	5
6	2	1	3

7 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	3	6	5
2	1	4	5
3	1	6	7
4	2	6	4
5	2	5	7
6	3	4	7
7	3	1	2

8 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	4	7
2	5	2	8
3	1	2	6
4	3	5	7
5	4	5	6
6	1	3	8
7	2	3	4
8	6	7	8

9 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	4	7
2	2	5	8
3	3	6	9
4	1	5	9
5	2	6	7
6	3	4	8
7	3	5	7
8	1	6	8
9	2	4	9

10 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	4	7
2	2	5	8
3	3	6	9
4	1	5	9
5	2	4	10
6	3	7	8
7	2	7	9
8	1	6	10
9	3	5	10
10	4	6	8

11 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	5	9
2	2	6	10
3	3	7	11
4	4	8	10
5	1	6	11
6	2	7	9
7	3	6	8
8	4	5	11
9	1	7	10
10	3	4	9
11	2	5	8

12 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	5	9
2	2	6	10
3	3	7	11
4	4	8	12
5	1	6	11
6	2	7	12
7	3	8	9
8	4	5	10
9	1	7	10
10	2	8	11
11	3	5	12
12	4	6	9

13 teams

Game #	COLORS		
	BLUE	GREY	BLACK
1	1	5	9
2	2	6	10
3	3	7	11
4	4	8	12
5	2	7	13
6	1	6	11
7	4	9	10
8	3	5	13
9	1	7	12
10	2	8	11
11	4	6	13
12	3	9	12
13	5	8	10

Appendix B

Example of Referee Evaluation Grid for Selection

REFEREE REGISTRATION

WORLD CUP

Limit date:

PERSONAL INFORMATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral	
Family Name: _____	First Name : _____
Address : _____	City : _____
Province : _____	ZIP Code : _____
Phone # : _____	Email : _____
Birthday: _____	Occupation: _____

YOUR MOTIVATIONS
Explain why do you want to be a Referee during the World Cup?

REFEREES' EVALUATION GRID

Selection for Kin-Ball World CUP

	Evaluation criteria	Referee's own evaluation (please complete)	Note
Experience	In the Kin-Ball domain in general (years of experience, what kind of implication, responsibilities assumed, positions occupied...)		/50
	As a Referee (years of experience, levels refereed, high lights like finals...)		
	At the International level (referee, player, coach, organizer, international cultural exchanges)		

Formation	Referee Certifications		/20
	Coaching Certifications		
Formation Spoken Languages	Master Instructor		/20
	Amount of spoken languages. (Describe which language you can speak and understand as well as your mastering level of it)		
Reputation	This part of the evaluation is purely subjective. Even if it counts in the evaluation, the amount of points given is low.		/10
		Total :	/100

REFEREES' AGREEMENT

I agree to comply with the following duties and responsibilities during World Cup on designated dates:

- Take part in the Rules update with the National Federations on Tournament's eve;
- Respect the curfew and avoid abusive consumption of alcohol on evening preceding games and no alcohol at all on day time on days when games are played;
- No drugs on any forms will be accepted ;
- To get to the sport hall at least 60 minutes before the games beginning;
- Handle and fill the Game sheets;
- To act as a referee for a minimum of 2 games per day;
- To have respectful behavior regarding the countries' officials and the players in order to preserve the referees' credibility and the image of the IKBF.
- Take part in the "Trainer Event" happening between August 15th to 17th as a participant and/or a presenter (expenses covered by the IKBF).
- Take part in the opening and closing ceremonies of the event.

In the unlikely event that I have to cancel my participation before the event, I understand that I'll have to reimburse the charges that will have been engaged for me.

In the unlikely event that I fail to fill my listed duties and responsibilities during the event, I will have to reimburse the entire charges that will have been engaged for me.

SIGNATURE	
Referee's Signature:	
Print letters:	Date :

This document needs to be completed and signed by the applying person then sent to the following address:

info@kin-ball.com

Appendix C

EXAMPLES OF GAMES RESULTS

Here are some examples of games with the points that would be attributed to each team:

EXAMPLE #1

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7	Tie break
TEAM A	13	X	13	12	X	X	13	-
TEAM B	11	10	12	X	13	13	10	5
TEAM C	X	13	X	13	10	12	X	3

No warnings were given in this game

TEAM A will get 10 game ranking points for the 1st place + 3 period ranking points + 5 sportsmanship points for a total of 18 ranking points

TEAM B will get 6 game ranking points for the 2nd place + 2 period ranking points + 5 sportsmanship ranking points for a total of 13 ranking points

TEAM C will get 2 game ranking points for the 3rd place + 2 period ranking points + 5 sportsmanship ranking points for a total of 9 ranking points

EXAMPLE #2

	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7	Tie break
TEAM A	X	12	13	X	-	-	-	-
TEAM B	13	13	12	13	-	-	-	-
TEAM C	10	X	X	12	-	-	-	-

TEAM A received 1 minor warning with sportsmanship point loss

TEAM B received 1 major warning

TEAM C received 0 warning

TEAM A will get 6 game ranking points for the 2nd place + 1 period ranking point + 4 sportsmanship ranking points for a total of 11 ranking points

TEAM B will get 10 game ranking points for the 1st place + 3 period ranking points + 1 sportsmanship ranking point for a total of 14 ranking points

TEAM C will get 2 game ranking points for the 3rd place + 0 period ranking point + 5 sportsmanship ranking points for a total of 7 ranking points