



ERSTE LIGA DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The Disciplinary Committee no.2018-19/045 decree

The Disciplinary Committee investigated the Erste Liga game EL 259 (Sport Club Csíkszereda - UTE) where in the 56th minutes Jedrick Kiss-Rusk (UTE) penalized 2+10 and 5+20 minutes for checking the head or neck, and fighting.

IIHF RULE 124 – CHECKING TO THE HEAD OR NECK

DEFINITION: There is no such thing as a clean check to the head. 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.

IIHF RULE 141 – FIGHTING

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

The Committee made the following conclusions:

Csanád Fodor, player of the Sport Club Csíkszereda hit up with his stick to Jedrick Kiss-Rusk, player of the UTE. The referees did not remark the situation. They could penalise the situation due to the IIHF 143th rule (high sticking). Jedrick Kiss-Rusk requited the irregularity with hitting with great force toward the opponent player's head with his stick, taking the stick with both of his hands. Only the opponent's reaction and luck caused, that there were no serious injury. After that the UTE player collided with his stick the Sport Club Csíkszereda's player, Hugó Gecse. The two players fought together. Húgó Gecse was injured in this case, and he couldn't continue the game.

The Disciplinary Committee pays emphasized attention to protect the physical safety of players, therefore it examines emphasizedly and punishes for dissuasive penalty the behaviour that directed only to cause injury.

The Disciplinary Committee prohibited Jedrick Kiss-Rusk player of UTE to 3 games.

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

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