



Erste Liga Disciplinary Committee

no.2023-24/026 decree

The Disciplinary Committee of the Erste Liga for the request of the Chief of Referee, investigated the Erste Liga EL 130 (FTC-Telekom- DVTK Jegesmedvék) where in the 12th minute of the game Boros Dániel (FTC-Telekom) penalized 2 minutes 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.

The Committee made the following conclusions:

In the 12th minute of the game, Dániel Boros collided down his opponent. The collision points were the upper body of Dániel Boros, and the back of the DVTK Jegesmedvék player. The DVTK Jegesmedvék player was in a dangerous position, he could not protect himself from the checking from behind, he hit the boards, he was injured, and could not continue the game. The referees should have assessed the incident with a major penalty and an automatic game misconduct penalty based on IIHF Rule 43.

IIHF RULE 43 CHECKING FROM BEHIND

A check from behind is a check delivered to a vulnerable Player who is not aware of the impending hit, therefore unable to protect or defend themselves from such a hit and contact is made on the back part of the body. A Player who hits an opponent from behind into the Boards, the Goal Net, or on open ice in any manner (i.e., high-sticking, cross checking, etc.) shall be penalized according to this rule.

IIHF 43.4. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

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

The Disciplinary Committee prohibits Dániel Boros, player of the FTC-Telekom, for 1 Erste Liga game due to an checking from behind which caused injury.

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 FTC-Telekom. The organization must pay a fine of EUR 150 according the 72/B. § (2).

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