



Erste Liga Disciplinary Committee

no.2023-24/031 decree

The Disciplinary Committee of the Erste Liga for the request of the Erste Liga Disciplinary Committee's president, investigated the Erste Liga game EL 167 (FTC-Telekom - FEHA19) case where in the 5th minutes Crespi Jacob (FTC-Telekom) collided with his opponent. The referees did not impose a penalty.

The Committee made the following conclusions:

Jacob Crespi collided with an opponent who was no longer in possession the puck. During the collision, he raised his elbow in such a way that he delivered a direct hit to the opponent's head. The referees should have detected the incident and sanctioned it based on the IIHF Rule 48.

IIHF RULE 48 ILLEGAL CHECK TO THE HEAD OR NECK

There is no clean check to the head or neck.

The Player delivering the hit must avoid hitting the opponent's head or neck. A hit resulting in contact with an opponent's head where the head was the main point of contact and such contact to the head was avoidable is not permitted. This rule supersedes all similar actions regarding hits to the head and neck. When a Player is skating with their head up, whether they are in possession of the puck and may reasonably be expecting impending contact, an opponent does not have the right to hit them on the head or neck.

IIHF RULE 28 SUPPLEMENTARY DISCIPLINE

The Proper Authorities may, at their discretion, investigate any incident that occurs in connection with any game played under the jurisdiction of the IIHF, including any championship, pre-championship, practice or exhibition games and league games.

The Proper Authorities may assess additional Disciplinary Measures for any offense committed during the course of a game or any aftermath thereof by a Player, Coach, or team personnel or Team executive, whether or not such offense has been penalized by the Referee(s).

The Disciplinary Committee prohibits Crespi Jacob, player of the FTC-Telekom, for 2 Erste Liga games due to check to the head.

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

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 250 according the 72/B. § (2).

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