

# EDF Health and Safety Committee (HSC) Guidelines

Version 1.1

## **General Settings:**

The HSC consists of 6-9 people.

Of those 6-9 people no more than 2 can be of the same national allocation.

The HSC can meet however often they deem necessary. However, quarterly reports must be presented to council. If no meetings have occurred, then the report must say so.

## **Goal:**

The goal of the HSC is to create and continuously develop and improve health and safety regulations which are used within and around EDF tournaments and EDF activity, to strengthen and improve the health and safety of all individuals, teams and all other participants.

This is specifically not limited to the tournaments themselves or venues where tournaments are held, but expands to all activities and areas within an EDF-event (accommodations, linked social events or parties, after-events, and so on).

The HSC must always try their best, to find solutions in the best interest of the sport.

## **Voting within the HSC:**

Voting within the HSC happens with simple majority, in case of a tie, there is no vote, the issue then needs to be re-debated.

Voting can only occur, when quorum is met.

Quorum is met, when one third (1/3) plus one (1) of HSC members is present.

## **Term-Details & term-lengths:**

The term for elected committee-members is 4 years.

If a committee-member steps down from his or her position before their term has come to an end, congress can replace this person within an ordinary or extra-ordinary congress meeting. Congress can also choose, not to replace a person who has stepped down from the HSC.

The HSC has the right, to ask congress for removal of a person within the HSC, if one of the following is occurring:

- Not showing up to meetings on a constant basis
- Not fulfilling the work assigned to them by the HSC

The HSC can only request this to congress with a majority vote. Furthermore, this request must be accompanied by evidence.

### **Duties of the HSC:**

The HSC must report to the EDF Executive council at a minimum 4 times a year (quarterly report)

The HSC has to select a chair-person within the committee by itself.

- The Chair-person is responsible for the reports to EDF executive council.
- The Chair-person is responsible for organising and holding all meetings by the HSC.

The HSC has to select a scrutineer within the committee by itself.

- The scrutineer is responsible for the minutes of each meeting and keeping records of all votings.
- The votings are not public information. They can however be requested by Council and/or Congress if a majority of those bodies demands it.

Chair-person and scrutineer must be 2 separate people.

### **Powers of the HSC:**

The HSC is responsible for the Health and Safety Regulations that will be used within and around all EDF competitions. Therefore, the HSC has significant power to safeguard the sport of dodgeball in Europe. Committee-members must be aware of their power in this regard at all times and must always make decisions in the best interest of the sport.

### **Powers of EDF Council:**

As a failsafe, EDF council can – with a majority – choose not to accept an HSC decision about health and safety regulations, if:

- it conflicts with the EDF constitution
- it conflicts with the general understanding of the game of dodgeball
- it is financially not feasible by a host organisation

In this case the topic will automatically be passed on to congress to make a decision about it.

### **Timing for decisions:**

In General, the HSC can make adaptations and changes to EDF Health and Safety Regulations throughout the year, or whenever they deem it necessary. Changes cannot occur within 3 months prior to an EDF-event.

- Exceptions can be asked to council or congress.
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- These exceptions must be supported with extraordinary circumstances.