



CHANGES OF THE COMPETITIONS REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE EC

Subject : CEREMONIAL

Art. 19.01, 19.03, 19.04, 19.05, 19.06 (partially amended and renumbered)

Art. 19.02 (new)

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Present writing :

19.01. Participating Teams shall make all necessary arrangements to be present at the Opening Ceremony and at the Closing Ceremony of the Competition.

19.02. To be considered as "present", a team must be represented by a minimum of 9 (nine) members. Only players and other team members entered on the Official Competition Roster of a given team may represent said team at the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

19.03. During the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, team members must wear team uniforms pursuant to article 22.01 or must be all dressed alike.

19.04. During the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, team members shall conduct themselves with the most appropriate manner. In particular, eating, drinking, unsportsmanlike or inadequate gestures, or excessive demonstrations are strictly prohibited.

19.05. Teams which do not abide by articles 19.01 to 19.04 will be subject to the penalties specified in the Financial Appendix, without prejudging of any disciplinary sanctions as decided by the Executive Council.

Approved changes to be included in the 2010 BY-LAWS:

19.01. Participating Teams **must** make all necessary arrangements to be present at the Opening Ceremony **and at the Closing Ceremony** of the Competition.

19.02 (new) Only Teams classified from first to third position in the Competition must be present at the Closing Ceremony. Teams ranked from 4th and below shall receive their trophies either at the end of their last game or before the end of the competition, as decided by the TC and/or the EC assigned to each Competition.

19.03. (ex-19.02) To be considered as "present" a team must be represented by a minimum of 9 (nine) members. Only players and other **team** members entered on the Official Competition Roster of a given team may represent said team at the Opening and Closing Ceremonies Ceremony.

19.04. (ex-19.03) SAME AS ABOVE.

19.05. (ex-19.04) SAME AS ABOVE.

19.06. (ex-19.05) Teams which do not abide by articles from 19.01 to **19.05** will be subject to the penalties specified in the Financial Appendix, without prejudging of any disciplinary sanctions as decided by the Executive Council.

Reasons for change

- To make Closing Ceremony in the style of awarding medalists (different than Opening Ceremony made like presentation and introduction of all)
- To help the teams to save money in case they want to leave from the tournament before the Closing Ceremony

Date of effect

Immediate, starting from all 2010 ESF Competitions.