



Regulations of the UEFA European Under-21 Championship

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Preamble

The UEFA European Under-21 Championship is a UEFA representative team competition embodied in the *UEFA Statutes*.

The present regulations govern the rights, duties and responsibilities of all parties participating and involved in the preparation and organisation of the UEFA European Under-21 Championship.

I Representation – Entries – Duties and Obligations

Article 1

Representation

- 1.01 In principle, UEFA stages a European Under-21 Championship (hereinafter the Competition) every two years. However, due to the change of format, final tournaments will be played in both 2006 and 2007. All UEFA member associations are invited to enter their national Under-21 team for the Competition.

Entries

- 1.02 Only entries submitted to the UEFA Administration within the requested deadline and on the official entry form will be accepted. Entry into the Competition is free of charge.

Duties

- 1.03 On entering the Competition, participating national associations undertake, in particular:
- a) to stage all matches in the Competition in accordance with the present regulations and to field their strongest teams;
 - b) to observe the principles of fair play (see fair play definition in Annexe II);
 - c) to comply with the provisions of the UEFA *Binding Safety and Security Instructions* and of all other relevant UEFA regulations, guidelines and directives;
 - d) to fulfil their commitments and responsibilities towards the international media;
 - e) to comply with these regulations and in particular the provisions laid out in Chapter XV Exploitation of the Commercial Rights and to ensure that each of their respective players, officials and other representatives comply with these regulations and such provisions.

Final tournament host

- 1.04 At the recommendation of the CEO, the Executive Committee will entrust one of UEFA's member associations with the organisation and staging of the final

tournament via a tender process. The appointed host association will automatically qualify for the final tournament.

II Trophy and Medals

Article 2

Trophy

- 2.01 A trophy donated by UEFA is presented to the winning association. The holders are responsible for the loss of or any damage to the trophy, and must return it to the UEFA Administration in perfect condition before the final draw of the following final tournament. UEFA is responsible for engraving the trophy with the name of the winning team. The trophy becomes the permanent property of any association which wins it three consecutive times or five times in total.
- 2.02 If the Competition is discontinued for any reason, the trophy must be returned to UEFA by the holders.

Replicas

- 2.03 When requested, a scaled-down replica of the trophy will be awarded to the winner of the Competition, which it may keep.
- 2.04 The winner of the Competition may have a copy of the trophy made, provided the copy is clearly marked as a replica and does not exceed 4/5 (four fifths) of the size of the original.

Commemorative plaque

- 2.05 Each association that competes in the final tournament will receive a commemorative plaque.

Plaques

- 2.06 Each of the finalists and semi-finalists will receive a plaque.

Medals

- 2.07 33 gold medals are presented to the winning team and 33 silver medals to the runners-up. 33 bronze medals will be presented to the defeated semi-finalists. Additional medals may not be produced.

III Organisation – Responsibilities

Article 3

UEFA Organisation

- 3.01 The UEFA Chief Executive (hereinafter CEO) is the highest operational management organ. He is responsible for all decisions concerning the present regulations, except for matters concerning control and discipline. The

CEO delegates some of his duties to the UEFA Administration or relevant bodies, in accordance with paragraph 3.02.

- 3.02 The following bodies are competent for matters related to the Competition.
- a) The National Teams Committee supports the CEO in an advisory capacity on all competition-related matters.
 - b) The Referees Committee deals with all refereeing-related matters (Article 18).
 - c) The Medical Committee is responsible for all medicine-related matters.
 - d) The Anti-Doping Panel is responsible for all anti-doping matters (Article 24).
 - e) The Fair Play and Ethics Panel deals with all matters concerning fair play (Annexe II).
 - f) The Stadium and Security Committee is responsible for stadia matters.
- 3.03 The UEFA Administration manages the Competition according to these regulations.
- 3.04 The disciplinary bodies deal with matters concerning control and discipline in accordance with the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations*, which apply accordingly.

UEFA responsibilities

- 3.05 UEFA will create the best possible conditions for the staging of the Competition, covering among other aspects, the promotion, coordination and administration of the Competition, the entry procedure and authorisation to take part, the match system, the *Laws of the Game*, refereeing, control and disciplinary matters and the exploitation of the Commercial Rights as defined in Chapter XV.

Responsibilities of the associations

- 3.06 The associations are responsible for the behaviour of their players, officials, members, supporters and any person carrying out a function at a match on their behalf.
- 3.07 The national association of the country where the qualifying-competition match or the final tournament is being staged is considered the host association.
- 3.08 The host association is responsible for order and security before, during and after the match. The host association may be called to account for incidents of any kind, and may be disciplined.

IV Insurance

Article 4

A. Qualifying competition

- 4.01 All persons involved in the qualifying competition are responsible for their own insurance coverage. The participating teams are responsible for the insurance coverage of their delegation, including players and officials, at their own expense. Claims for damages against UEFA are expressly excluded.
- 4.02 Associations hosting matches must conclude all necessary insurance, including, but not limited to, third-party liability coverage with reputable insurance companies. The third-party liability policy must include an appropriate guaranteed sum for injury and damage to persons, objects and property, and correspond to the specific circumstances of the associations concerned, fully covering all risks connected with the staging of the home matches of the associations in question (including, without limitation, bad weather and force majeure events).
- 4.03 If the national associations are not the owners of the relevant stadiums in which matches are played, they are also responsible for ensuring that a fully comprehensive insurance policy is taken out by the relevant stadium owner and/or tenant.
- 4.04 Consequently, UEFA is exempt from any claims for liability that may arise from or in relation to the staging of the matches in question. On request, the national associations must submit an English version of all policies concerned to UEFA.

B. Final tournament

- 4.05 For the final tournament, UEFA will conclude the necessary spectators' accident and third party liability insurance coverage for itself and the host association in accordance with the respective responsibilities of UEFA and the host association as set out under Article 3.
- 4.06 All remaining risks of the host association must be covered by the association itself, at its own expense, by means of additional insurance contracts. UEFA must be notified of such additional insurance coverage, and may request copies of the policies concerned in English.
- 4.07 If a stadium is not the property of the host association, the areas of responsibility must be clarified and defined with its owner(s). UEFA must be assured of exemption from liability for all relevant stadiums by the stadium owners. Confirmation in this respect must be presented at least two months before the final tournament. If such an exemption from liability is not presented in due time, the host association agrees that the necessary insurance coverage may be concluded by UEFA at the host association's expense.

- 4.08 The participating teams are responsible for the insurance coverage of their delegation, including players and officials, at their own expense for the whole duration of the final tournament.

V Competition System

Article 5

Competition stages

- 5.01 The Competition consists of a qualifying competition and a final tournament.

Article 6

A. Qualifying competition

- 6.01 The qualifying competition consists of:

- a) a preliminary round;
- b) a group stage;
- c) play-off matches.

a) Preliminary round

- 6.02 Home and away matches are played between the lowest ranked teams for the purpose of reducing the number of participating teams to 42. In order to determine the lowest ranked teams, a coefficient list is drawn up by the UEFA Administration based on principles established by the National Teams Committee. The number of teams participating in the preliminary round depends on the total number of teams entered for the competition.
- 6.03 Matches within the preliminary round are played according to the knock-out system, with each team playing each opponent twice, in home and away matches. The lower ranked team has to play the first match at home, unless otherwise agreed between both teams. The team which scores the greater aggregate of goals in the two matches qualifies for the group stage. Otherwise, the provisions of paragraph 6.10 apply.

b) Group stage

Group formation

- 6.04 The remaining 42 teams are drawn into 14 groups with three teams each. The teams will be classified on the basis of the coefficient list drawn up by the UEFA Administration (see paragraph 6.02).
- 6.05 If two or more associations have the same coefficient, the following criteria from the qualifying competition of the 2004/06 UEFA European Under-21 Championship will be applied:
- a) coefficients (points obtained divided by the number of matches played);
 - b) superior goal difference;

- c) higher number of goals scored;
- d) higher number of away goals scored;
- e) drawing of lots.

Match system

- 6.06 Each team plays one home match and one away match in its group. Three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw, and no points for a defeat. The following match sequence applies (for exact match dates, see paragraph 9.01):

1st match day:	B v. C	A not playing
2nd match day:	C v. A	B not playing
3rd match day	A v. B	C not playing

Equality of points

- 6.07 If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the group matches, the following criteria are applied to determine the rankings:
- a) superior goal difference from all group matches played;
 - b) higher number of goals scored;
 - c) higher number of away goals scored;
 - d) higher number of coefficient points (see paragraph 6.02);
 - e) drawing of lots.
- 6.08 If two teams having both the same number of points and the same number of goals scored and conceded play their last group match against each other and are still equal at the end of that match, the ranking of the two teams in question will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark (Article 15), provided that the third team within the group does not have the same number of points on completion of all group matches. Should all three teams have the same number of points, the criteria listed under paragraph 6.07 a) to e) will apply. The 14 group winners from the group stage qualify for the play-off matches. The teams that finish the group stage in second and third position are eliminated.

c) Play-off matches

- 6.09 The fixtures of the seven play-off matches are determined by means of a draw. Play-off matches are played according to the knock-out system, with each team playing each opponent twice, in home and away matches. The team which scores the greater aggregate of goals in the two matches qualifies for the final tournament. Otherwise, the provisions of paragraph 6.10 apply.

Away goals and extra time in the knock-out system

- 6.10 For matches played under the knock-out system, if the two teams involved in a tie score the same number of goals over the two legs, the team which scores more away goals qualifies for the next stage. If this procedure does not produce a result, i.e. if the two teams score the same number of home and away goals, two 15-minute periods of extra time will be played at the end of the second leg. If, during extra time, both teams score the same number of goals, away goals count double (i.e. the visiting team qualifies). If no goals are scored during extra time, kicks from the penalty mark (Article 15) determine which team qualifies for the next stage.

Article 7

B. Final tournament

Group formation

- 7.01 The UEFA Administration draws the seven teams that qualify for the final tournament and the host team that qualifies automatically into two groups of four (Groups A and B).
- 7.02 The two groups will be formed as follows:

Group A	Group B
A1	B1
A2	B2
A3	B3
A4	B4

Coefficients

- 7.03 The seeded teams will be the host country, the reigning European champions, if they qualify, and two or three teams with the best coefficients on the basis of the results achieved in the qualifying competition for the 2006/07 UEFA European Under-21 Championship (only group stage and play-off matches). The other finalists will be assigned to the two groups by means of a draw, according to their coefficients.
- 7.04 If any of the teams in question have the same coefficient, the following criteria relating to the play-offs (results after normal time) will be decisive, in the order given:
- a) average number of goals scored per match;
 - b) average number of goals conceded per match;
 - c) average number of away goals scored;
 - d) drawing of lots.

Group match schedule

- 7.05 Each team plays each of the other teams in the same group according to the league system (three points for a win, one point for a draw, no points for a defeat). The group matches will be played in accordance with the following schedule. The last two matches in each group must both kick off at the same time. The first-named team will be considered as the home team.

	Match day 1	Match day 2	Match day 3
Group A	A1 vs A2	A1 vs A3	A4 vs A1
	A3 vs A4	A2 vs A4	A2 vs A3
Group B	B1 vs B2	B1 vs B3	B4 vs B1
	B3 vs B4	B2 vs B4	B2 vs B3

Equality of points

- 7.06 If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of all the matches in their group, the following criteria will be used to determine the rankings in the order given:
- number of points obtained in the matches between the teams in question;
 - goal difference in the matches between the teams in question;
 - number of goals scored in the matches between the teams in question (if more than two teams finish equal on points);
 - goal difference in all the group matches;
 - number of goals scored in all the group matches;
 - coefficient in the play-offs (points obtained divided by the number of matches played);
 - goal difference from the play-offs;
 - average number of goals scored per play-off;
 - fair play conduct of the teams (final tournament);
 - drawing of lots.
- 7.07 If two teams having both the same number of points and the same number of goals scored and conceded play their last group match against each other and are still equal at the end of that match, the ranking of the two teams in question will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark (Article 15), provided that no other team within the group has the same number of points on completion of all group matches. Should more than two teams have the same number of points, the criteria listed under paragraph 7.06 a) to j) will apply.

Semi-finals

- 7.08 The winners and runners-up in each group play the semi-finals over one match, as follows:

Winner Group A vs Runner-up Group B

Winner Group B vs Runner-up Group A

Final

- 7.09 The winners of the semi-finals play in the final.

Same number of goals in a semi-final or the final

- 7.10 If the result is a draw at the end of normal playing time, two 15-minute periods of extra time will be played. If the two teams are still equal after extra time, the winners will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark (Article 15).

Qualification for the Olympic Football Tournament in 2008

- 7.11 The qualification process and the number of teams qualifying for the Olympic Football Tournament will be decided at a later stage and each association will be informed accordingly.

VI Refusal to play and similar cases

Article 8

- 8.01 In the case of an association's refusal to play or if, through the fault of an association, a match cannot take place or cannot be played in full, the Control and Disciplinary Body will take a decision in the matter. The disciplinary measure(s) to be imposed, notably forfeit and/or disqualification from the Competition, will be determined by the Control and Disciplinary Body.
- 8.02 Exceptionally, the Control and Disciplinary Body can validate the result as it stood at the moment when the match was abandoned if the match result was to the detriment of the association responsible for the match being abandoned.
- 8.03 If a team is disqualified during the qualifying competition matches or at the final tournament, the results of all of its matches will be declared null and void, and the points awarded forfeited.
- 8.04 If a team refuses to play during the final tournament, the UEFA Administration is empowered to decide on a possible replacement. In selecting a replacement association, the UEFA Administration will consider the results achieved by the associations eliminated previously. The UEFA Administration's decision is final.

- 8.05 If a team that qualifies for the final tournament is unable to compete for reasons of force majeure, UEFA will decide whether another team may qualify in its place.
- 8.06 Upon receipt of a justified and well-documented request from the association concerned, the UEFA Administration may set an amount of compensation due for financial loss.

VII Match dates, venues and kick-off times

Article 9

A. Qualifying competition

Match dates

- 9.01 Matches in the qualifying competition of the 2006/07 UEFA European Under-21 Championship must be played according to the following calendar:

Preliminary round

- a) Before 15 July 2006 (match dates to be agreed between the teams concerned)

Group stage

- b) 16 August 2006 (friendly date)
c) 02/03 September 2006
d) 05/06 September 2006

Play-offs

- e) 07/08 October 2006
f) 10/11 October 2006

- 9.02 If both associations concerned are in agreement, matches may be played on other dates, but it must be noted that the principles governing the release of players for association teams as laid out in Annex 1, Article 1 of the FIFA Regulations for the Status and Transfer of Players will apply. The associations in a group have 30 days after the draw in which to confirm to UEFA the exact date of each match (e.g. Saturday, 2 September 2006).

Venues and kick-off times

- 9.03 The venues of the matches have to be fixed by the host associations and announced to their opponents and the UEFA Administration at least 30 days in advance (and 60 days in advance for matches hosted by associations directly qualified for the group stage). Match venues for the play-offs have to be fixed by the host associations and announced to their opponents and the UEFA Administration seven days after the play-off draw. When fixing a venue, the host association must take into account the length of the journey to be undertaken by the visiting association. In principle, the venue for a

qualifying match must be no more than 100 km from the nearest international airport. The kick-off times must be announced to the UEFA Administration at least 30 days before the match (and for play-off matches seven days after the play-off draw respectively).

Arrival of the teams at the match venue

- 9.04 The associations must arrange for their teams to arrive at the match venue early enough in order to be able to hold their pre-match press conference before the media deadlines of both involved countries and in any case no later than 24 hours before kick-off.

B. Final tournament

- 9.05 The final tournament will take place from 11 to 24 June 2007.
- 9.06 The UEFA Administration is responsible, in conjunction with the local organising committee (LOC), whom it will consult in this regard, for drawing up the fixture list for the final tournament. Each team must have a rest period of at least 48 hours between two matches played.
- 9.07 Each association taking part in the final tournament must arrive in the host country at least two days before their first match.

VIII Stadiums and Match Organisation

Article 10

Retractable roofs

- 10.01 Before the match, the UEFA delegate, in consultation with the referee, decides whether a stadium's retractable roof will be open or closed during the match. This decision must be announced at the match-day organisational meeting, although it may subsequently be altered at any time prior to kick-off if the weather conditions change, again in consultation with the referee.
- 10.02 If the match starts with the roof closed, it must remain closed for the entire match. If the match starts with the roof open, only the referee has the authority to order its closure during the match subject to any applicable laws issued by a competent state authority. Such a decision may only be taken if the weather conditions seriously deteriorate. If the referee does order the closure of the roof during the match, it must remain closed until the final whistle.

Clocks

- 10.03 Clocks in the stadium showing the amount of time played may run during the match, provided they are stopped at the end of normal playing time in each half, i.e. after 45 and 90 minutes respectively. This stipulation also applies in the event of extra time being played (i.e. after 15 and 30 minutes).

Giant Screens

- 10.04 Transmissions of any images and/or messages on giant viewing screens inside the stadium are in principle not allowed but may be authorised subject to the prior written permission of UEFA. On receipt of a justified request to this effect, the UEFA Administration may grant a participating national association such a permission, which may, however, be withdrawn at any time for improper use. The results of other matches can be shown on the scoreboard and/or giant screen during the match without UEFA's prior written permission, while simultaneous transmissions and replays are similarly permitted for press monitors and closed-circuit channels.

Balls

- 10.05 Balls used must conform to the requirements laid down in the *Laws of the Game*.
- 10.06 For qualifying-competition matches the balls must be provided by the host association. The balls used in the final tournament will be supplied by UEFA.

A. Stadiums for the qualifying competition

- 10.07 The UEFA Administration may refuse to permit matches to be played at stadiums which do not measure up to international standards. Stadiums must be in good condition in terms of both their playing surface and facilities. They must conform to the safety and security prescriptions of the competent civil authorities.
- 10.08 The associations taking part in the Competition must ensure that the stadiums they use undergo a periodic safety check, including a determination of the capacity, by the competent authorities, or by a body recognised by the latter.
- 10.09 In the interests of the safety of players and match officials, host associations must provide access to the field of play that guarantees the safe entry and exit of these persons.

Floodlights

- 10.10 Matches may be played in daylight or under floodlights. For matches in the qualifying competition where floodlighting is required, the light average must correspond to Ev (lux) 800 towards the main camera(s) and Ev (lux) 500 towards areas of secondary interest. In addition, an emergency lighting system must be available, ensuring that a match can be completed even in the event of a power failure. The association must provide UEFA with a current lighting certificate, issued within the previous 12 months. Exceptions may be granted by the UEFA Administration. For further recommendations see also the booklet *Guidelines and Recommendations for Floodlighting for all UEFA Competitions*.

Field of play dimensions

- 10.11 The field of play must meet standard dimensions of 105 x 68 metres. Exceptions may be granted by the UEFA Administration only at the written request of the national association concerned as long as the length is between 100 and 105 metres and the width between 64 and 68 metres.

Safety certificate

- 10.12 When notifying UEFA of the venues for their matches, the associations must also enclose a copy of the relevant safety certificate, which must be renewed every year, together with confirmation from the competent civil authorities concerning the level of safety for spectators (Confirmation form). These documents must be in the possession of the UEFA Administration at least two months before the match.

Artificial turf

- 10.13 In accordance with Law 1 of the *Laws of the Game*, matches may be played on artificial turf, provided that such artificial turf meets the following conditions:
- a) the artificial turf meets the highest FIFA quality standards for artificial turf, currently corresponding to the FIFA Recommended 2-Star standard in accordance with the “FIFA Quality Concept - Handbook of Test Methods and Requirements for Artificial Turf Football Surfaces” dated February 2005 as well as all requirements under the applicable national laws and regulations;
 - b) the artificial turf has passed all the necessary tests (laboratory and field tests) and has obtained the required FIFA licence; and
 - c) the artificial turf has passed all the necessary yearly tests confirming that it still meets the applicable FIFA quality standards. Such tests must be conducted by a FIFA accredited laboratory; and
 - d) the surface of the artificial turf must be of a green colour.
- 10.14 The use of artificial turf in accordance with paragraph 10.13 is subject to any other requirements set out in these regulations with regard to the field of play and the stadium.
- 10.15 When submitting their entry form, associations wishing to play on artificial turf must provide the UEFA Administration with a copy of the FIFA Recommended 2-Star standard licence and a certificate confirming that the artificial turf still meets the applicable FIFA quality standards. This certificate must have been issued by a FIFA accredited laboratory within the 12 months before the start of the Competition.

- 10.16 The owner of the artificial turf and the host association are fully responsible for meeting the above requirements, in particular those related to:
- maintenance work and ongoing improvement measures; and
 - safety and environment measures as set out in the relevant sections of the applicable manuals.
- 10.17 The owner of the artificial turf and the host association must obtain sufficient warranties and/or guarantees related to the material and the installation from the manufacturer and the installer of the artificial turf. UEFA cannot be held responsible for any damages to third parties resulting from the use of the artificial turf.
- 10.18 A host association organising a qualifying match in a stadium with artificial turf has to announce this to their opponents and the UEFA Administration at least 60 days in advance.

B. Stadiums for the final tournament

- 10.19 All stadiums chosen to host matches in the final tournament must observe the technical recommendations and requirements of the stadium agreements.
- 10.20 Stadiums for matches in the final tournament must be available free of existing commercial rights contracts of any kind, reserved seats, etc.
- 10.21 No matches of the final tournament may be played on artificial turf.

Article 11

Unfit fields of play

A. Qualifying competition

- 11.01 If, for a qualifying-competition match, the host association deems that a field of play will not be fit for play, it must notify the visiting team and the referee prior to their departure. Otherwise, the host association is responsible for their travel, board and lodging expenses. The UEFA Administration must be notified at the same time.
- 11.02 If any doubt arises as to the condition of the field of play after the visiting team's departure from home, the referee will decide on the field of play itself whether or not it is fit for play.
- 11.03 If the referee declares the field of play not to be fit for play, the match will be played the following day, unless, for reasons beyond control, the match cannot take place then. In this case, the associations are free to play the match two days later than originally scheduled. Such rearranged fixtures are subject to the approval of the UEFA Administration. If the match cannot take place at all, the travel, board and lodging expenses of the visiting team, as well as the relevant hosting costs, are borne by the two associations in equal parts. The same provisions apply if a match is abandoned for such reasons.

B. Final tournament

- 11.04 If the referee declares the field of play unfit for play, the match will be played the following day, unless, for reasons beyond control, the match cannot take place then. The UEFA Administration will decide.

Bad weather, reasons beyond control, match abandoned

A. Qualifying competition

- 11.05 If a match is abandoned before the end of normal playing time, or during any extra time, because of the weather conditions or for other reasons beyond control, a 90-minute replay must be played the next day, given the need to complete the corresponding phase and to avoid additional expenses for the visiting team. If, for reasons beyond control, the match cannot be replayed the next day, the two associations are free to agree to play the match two days later than originally scheduled.
- 11.06 If the match cannot take place at all, the travel, board and lodging expenses of the visiting team, as well as the relevant hosting costs, are borne by the two associations in equal parts. These provisions also apply if a match cannot commence for any of these reasons set out above.

B. Final Tournament

- 11.07 If a match is abandoned before the end of normal playing time, or during any extra time, because of the weather conditions or for other reasons beyond control, a 90-minute replay must be played the next day, given the need to complete the corresponding phase. If, for reasons beyond control, the match cannot be replayed the next day, the UEFA Administration will decide.

Article 12

Match organisation

- 12.01 The following provisions must be observed at all matches of the Competition:
- a) The UEFA, FIFA and UEFA Fair Play flags, as well as the flags of the teams taking part in the match, must be flown in the stadium at all matches in the Competition. The national anthems of both teams involved must be played.
 - b) At all matches in the Competition, the players are invited to shake hands with their opponents and the referees after the line-up procedure as well as after the final whistle, as a gesture of fair play.
 - c) Only six team officials and the seven (final tournament: 11) substitute players are allowed to sit on the substitutes' bench, i.e. a total of 13 (final tournament: 17) persons. The names of all these persons and their functions must be listed on the match sheet.
 - d) Smoking is not allowed in the technical area during the match. Any violation of this rule will be reported to the Control and Disciplinary Body.

- e) An adequate number of ground staff and police must be present, to guarantee safety and security in the stadium.
- f) The host association must ensure an appropriate medical service at matches, including a stretcher and a sufficient number of carriers, an ambulance and stand-by medical personnel. Stretchers should be kept by the substitutes' benches.
- g) No spectators are allowed in the area between the stands and the touch-line or goal-line.
- h) If space so permits, up to 5 additional technical seats are allowed for association's staff providing technical support to the team during the match (kit manager, assistant physiotherapist, etc.). Such seats shall be outside the technical area and positioned at least 5 metres away from the benches but with access to the dressing rooms. The names of all these persons and their functions must be listed on the match sheet.

12.02 The following provisions must also be observed during the qualifying competition:

- a) An appropriate number of complimentary tickets and purchase tickets, to be fixed by mutual agreement, will be set aside for the visiting association.
- b) The official UEFA representatives and at least four representatives of the visiting association must be provided with top-category seats in the VIP sector.
- c) Weather permitting, the visiting association will be allowed to train on the field where the match is to take place the day before the match. The visiting association will agree with the host association on the length of the training session, which shall not exceed one hour, unless agreed otherwise with the host association. In addition, the visiting association may hold private training sessions at a location to be agreed on with the host association, but not at the stadium where the match will be played.

IX Laws of the Game

Article 13

13.01 Matches are played in conformity with the *Laws of the Game* promulgated by the International Football Association Board (IFAB).

Substitution of players

13.02 The substitution of three players per team is permitted in the course of the match. The use of substitution boards (preferably electronic) to indicate the substitution of players is compulsory. For ease of information, the substitution boards must be numbered on both sides.

Article 14

Half-time interval, break before extra time

- 14.01 The half-time interval lasts 15 minutes. If extra time is required, there will be a five-minute break between the end of normal time and the start of extra time. As a rule, the players remain on the field of play during this five-minute break, at the discretion of the referee.

Article 15

Kicks from the penalty mark

- 15.01 In case the winner of a match played under the knock-out system, the semi-finals and the final, can not be determined after extra time (or in case the paragraphs 6.08 or 7.07 apply), kicks from the penalty mark will be taken in accordance with the procedure laid down in the *Laws of the Game* promulgated by the IFAB.
- 15.02 The referee decides which goal will be used for the kicks from the penalty mark:
- a) In particular, but without limitation, for reasons of safety/security, state of the field of play, lighting, etc., the referee may choose which goal will be used without tossing a coin. In this case, he is not required to justify his decision, which is final.
 - b) If he considers that both goals can be used for the kicks, then, in the presence of the two captains, he decides that the head side of the coin corresponds to one goal and the tail side to the other. He then tosses the coin to determine which goal will be used.
- 15.03 To ensure that the procedure is strictly observed, the referee is assisted by the assistant referees and the fourth official, who also note down the numbers of the players on each team who take kicks from the penalty mark. The assistant referees position themselves according to the diagram in the *Laws of the Game*.
- 15.04 If the taking of kicks from the penalty mark cannot be completed because of weather conditions or for other reasons beyond control, the results will be decided by the drawing of lots by the referee in the presence of the UEFA delegate and the two team captains.
- 15.05 If through the fault of a team, the taking of kicks from the penalty mark cannot be completed, paragraphs 8.01 to 8.04 of the present regulations shall apply.

X Player Eligibility

Article 16

- 16.01 Each national association must select its national representative team from players who are holding the nationality of its country and who comply with the provisions of Article 15 of the *Regulations governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes*.

Player eligibility and age

- 16.02 Players are eligible to play in the 2006/07 UEFA European Under-21 Championship if they were born on or after 1 January 1984. Players who are eligible to take part at the start of the Competition will be eligible until the end of the Competition. The national associations are responsible for the strict observation of this provision.

Provisional list of all players selected for the qualifying competition

- 16.03 Each competing national association must provide the UEFA Administration with a provisional list of all selected players (surname, first name, club, shirt number and date of birth) as well as the name of the coach. This list must be submitted to the UEFA Administration at least seven full days before each qualifying-competition match is played.
- 16.04 As the name suggests, this list is provisional and amendments are allowed until the day of the match. The match sheet will constitute the final list of 18 players.

Lists of players for the final tournament

- 16.05 A list of 30 players must be submitted to the UEFA Administration 30 full days prior to the opening match in the final tournament. No further changes may be made to this list after this deadline.
- 16.06 Only 22 of the 30 players listed are authorised to take part in the final tournament. A list of these 22 players must be in the possession of the UEFA Administration at least 15 full days before the opening match in the final tournament. Three of these 22 players must be goalkeepers.
- 16.07 In the event of serious injury to a listed player before his team's first match in the final tournament, the player in question may be substituted only if a doctor from the UEFA Medical Committee and the team doctor concerned both confirm that the injury is sufficiently serious to prevent the player from taking part. In this case, the national association concerned is entitled to call upon an additional player from the list of 30 players.
- 16.08 These official players' lists will be published by the UEFA Administration.

Passports

- 16.09 The players' official passports/identity cards, each containing a photograph and date of birth, must be submitted to the UEFA representative, for

verification of age and identities of these 22 players, one day prior to the opening match in the final tournament. If a player is not in possession of a valid passport/identity card, he will not be allowed to take part in the final tournament.

Match sheet

- 16.10 Before the match, each association will receive a match sheet on which the numbers, full names, dates of birth and, if applicable, the nicknames of the 18 players in the squad (22 players in the final tournament) must be entered, together with the full names of the officials seated on the substitutes' bench and on the additional technical seats. The match sheet must be properly completed in block capitals, and signed by the captain and competent association official.
- 16.11 The 11 first-named players must commence the match. The other 7 (11 in the final tournament) are designated as substitutes. The numbers on the players' shirts must correspond with the numbers indicated on the match sheet. The goalkeepers and team captain must be identified.
- 16.12 Both teams must hand their match sheets to the referee at least 75 minutes before kick-off.
- 16.13 The referee may ask to see the player's registration licence, personal identity card or passport of the players whose names are listed on the match sheet. Each player participating in a UEFA competition match must be in possession of a player's registration licence issued by his national association or an official personal identity card/passport, each containing his photograph and date of birth.
- 16.14 If the match sheet is not completed and returned in time, the matter will be submitted to the Control and Disciplinary Body.
- 16.15 Only three of the substitutes listed on the match sheet may take part in the match. A player who has been substituted may take no further part in the match.
- 16.16 If there are fewer than 7 players on either of the teams, the match will be abandoned. In this case, the Control and Disciplinary Body decides on the consequences.

Replacement of players on the match sheet

- 16.17 After the match sheets have been completed and signed by both teams and returned to the referee, and if the match has not yet kicked off, the following instructions apply.
 - a) If any of the first 11 players listed on the match sheet are not able to start the match for any reason, they may be replaced by any of the seven substitutes (11 in the final tournament). Such replacements will reduce the quota of substitute players accordingly. During the match, three players may still be replaced.

- b) If any of the seven substitutes (11 in the final tournament) listed on the match sheet are not able to be fielded for any reason, they may not be replaced, which means that the quota of substitute players will be reduced accordingly.
- c) If a goalkeeper listed on the match sheet is not able to be fielded for any reason, he may be replaced by another goalkeeper not previously listed on the match sheet.

XI Kit

Article 17

UEFA Kit Regulations

- 17.01 The *UEFA Kit Regulations* apply to any kit used in the stadium during the entire Competition.

Disclaimer

- 17.02 UEFA declines all responsibility and authority in the event of conflicts arising from contracts between an association and its sponsors and/or an association and a manufacturer on account of the provisions of the *UEFA Kit Regulations* regarding the sponsor advertising and/or manufacturer identification.

Sanctions

- 17.03 Any breach of the aforementioned provisions or of the *UEFA Kit Regulations* will be punished by the UEFA Control and Disciplinary Body. UEFA reserves its right to claim damages in this respect.

Responsibility

- 17.04 The official delegate has the right and duty to check kit items at the match venue. He is also entitled to send such items to the UEFA Administration for further control after the match.

A. Qualifying Competition

Kit approval procedure

- 17.05 Kit used by associations must be approved by the UEFA Administration. The associations must therefore submit samples of their first choice, second choice and any additional kit (shirt, shorts and socks) to the UEFA Administration, together with the official kit application form, duly completed and signed, four weeks prior to their first match at the latest. If the participating teams play in kits which have already been approved for another UEFA competition, only a copy of the official kit application form needs to be sent to the UEFA Administration.

Colours

- 17.06 The home team should always wear the official colours announced to the UEFA Administration on the entry form as first choice, unless the associations concerned agree otherwise in due time, in which case the details should be submitted to the UEFA Administration in writing. If the referee decides on the spot that the colours of the two teams could lead to confusion, the home team must wear other colours for practical reasons. If the associations are unable to agree on the colours to be worn by their teams, the UEFA Administration will decide in consultation with the referee.

B. Final Tournament

Kit approval procedure

- 17.07 Kit used by the finalist teams (including playing attire and all other kit items) must be approved by the UEFA Administration. A kit workshop will be organised by the UEFA Administration linked to the Final Draw. The associations concerned will receive a separate invitation with all necessary instructions beforehand. The UEFA Administration will issue a written decision regarding the approval of kit items.

Numbers

- 17.08 The players must be allocated fixed numbers from 1 to 22. The numbers on the back of the shirts shall correspond with the numbers indicated on the official players' list. The number 1 shall be worn by a goalkeeper.
- 17.09 Numbers must also be placed on the front of the shirt at chest height, in accordance with Article 26 of the *UEFA Kit Regulations*.

Player names

- 17.10 Players' names are compulsory on the back of the shirts, in accordance with Article 9 of the *UEFA Kit Regulations*.

Competition logo badge and fair play logo badge

- 17.11 The competition logo badge will be distributed by UEFA to the finalist teams. This badge must appear on the right sleeve of the players' shirt (from the perspective of the wearer) between the shoulder seam and the elbow. The competition logo badge or any logo incorporated in it may not be used for any other purpose, including commercial or promotional activities.
- 17.12 UEFA will also provide the finalist teams with a UEFA fair play logo badge. This badge must appear on the left sleeve (from the perspective of the wearer) between the shoulder seam and the elbow. The fair play logo badge or any logo incorporated in it may not be used for any other purpose, including commercial or promotional activities.

Colours

- 17.13 The UEFA Administration will issue a written decision regarding the playing colours for matches in the final tournament. In principle, each team shall wear its official colours as announced to the UEFA Administration at the kit workshop. If on the match day, in the opinion of the referee or the UEFA Administration, the colours of the two teams could lead to confusion, they shall be modified. The decision of the UEFA Administration and the referee is final.

Other kit items worn by players and officials

- 17.14 All kit items worn by players, officials and other representatives must be free of any sponsor advertising, political, religious and/or other messages. Manufacturer identification is allowed in accordance with the *UEFA Kit Regulations*. This provision applies on the day immediately preceding a match (MD-1) and on the day of a match:
- a) from arrival at the stadium until departure from the stadium (including any training session); and
 - b) at any official press conference.

Special material

- 17.15 Each participating association of the final tournament will be provided with the following items:
- a) Drinking bottles bearing the UEFA Fair Play or Competition logo;
 - b) Drinking bottle holders bearing the UEFA Fair Play or Competition logo;
 - c) Medical bags;
 - d) Captain's armbands (for use during the match); and
 - e) Ice boxes.
- 17.16 Each team shall use these items to the exclusion of any similar items at all training sessions held from 2 days before the first match of the final tournament until the conclusion of the final tournament, and in the stadium before, during and after any match.
- 17.17 If UEFA, at its discretion, provides water or isotonic beverages to the teams, then the teams may use such beverages in the containers in which they are provided and any commercial identification on such containers may not be removed or altered.

Warm-up bibs

- 17.18 Substitute players warming up during the match must wear the warm-up bibs provided by UEFA. Only warm-up bibs provided by UEFA bearing the tournament logo may be used during any training session and pre-match warm-up held at a stadium.

XII Referees

Article 18

- 18.01 The General Terms and Conditions for Referees apply to match officials appointed for this competition.

Appointment of referees for the qualifying competition

- 18.02 The Referees Committee, in cooperation with the UEFA Administration, appoints a referee for each match. Only referees whose names appear on the official FIFA list of referees are eligible. The assistant referees and the fourth official are appointed by the national association of the referee, in accordance with criteria established by the Referees Committee. Exceptionally, the appointment of the assistant referees and the fourth official may be made directly by UEFA.

Appointment of referees for the final tournament

- 18.03 The Referees Committee, in cooperation with the UEFA Administration, will appoint the referees and assistant referees for the final-tournament matches. The Referees Committee's decision is final.

Arrival of referees for the qualifying competition

- 18.04 Referees and assistant referees must arrange to arrive at the venue the day before the match.
- 18.05 If the referee and/or assistant referees do not arrive at the match venue by the evening before the game, the UEFA Administration and both teams must be informed immediately. The UEFA Administration in cooperation with the Referees Committee will take the appropriate decisions. If they decide to replace the referee and/or assistant referees and/or fourth official, such a decision is final, and no protests against the person or nationality of the referee and/or assistant referees and/or fourth official are allowed.

Unfit referee

- 18.06 If a referee or assistant referee becomes unfit before a match through illness, injury, etc. and is unable to officiate, he is, in principle, replaced by the fourth official. This will be decided on a case-by-case basis by the UEFA Administration in cooperation with the Referees Committee. Such a decision is final.
- 18.07 If a referee or assistant referee becomes unfit during a match through illness, injury etc. and is unable to continue to officiate, he is replaced by the fourth official.

Referee's report

- 18.08 Directly after the match, the referee completes an official report, signs it and faxes it to the UEFA Administration (+41 22 707 27 76), together with both match sheets. In addition, the originals must be sent by post within 24 hours

of the end of the match. The referee must always keep a copy of his report and both match sheets.

- 18.09 On his report, the referee reports in as much detail as possible on any incidents before, during and after the match, such as:
- a) misconduct of players, leading to caution or expulsion;
 - b) unsporting behaviour by officials, members, supporters, or anyone carrying out a function at a match on behalf of an association;
 - c) any other incidents.
- 18.10 During the final tournament, the referee must hand in his report and both match sheets to the official UEFA tournament office immediately after the match.

Referee liaison officer

- 18.11 During their stay at the match venue, the referees are taken care of by a referee liaison officer, who is an official representative of the host association.

XIII Disciplinary Law and Procedures - Doping

Article 19

UEFA Disciplinary Regulations

- 19.01 The provisions of the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations* apply for all disciplinary offences committed by associations, officials, members or other individuals exercising a function at a match on behalf of an association, unless the present regulations stipulate otherwise.
- 19.02 Participating players agree to comply with the present regulations, the *Laws of the Game*, *UEFA Statutes*, *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations*, *UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations*, as well as the *UEFA Kit Regulations*. They must notably:
- a) respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence, and behave accordingly;
 - b) refrain from any activities that endanger the integrity of the UEFA competitions or bring the sport of football into disrepute;
 - c) refrain from anti-doping rule violations as defined by the *UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations*.

Article 20

Yellow and red cards

- 20.01 As a rule, a player who is sent off the field of play is suspended for the next match in the Competition. The Control and Disciplinary Body is entitled to augment this sanction.

20.02 In the case of repeated cautions the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations* apply.

Final tournament

20.03 Cautions and pending yellow-card suspensions from qualifying-competition matches expire on completion of the qualifying competition in question. They are not carried forward to the final tournament.

20.04 Cautions and pending yellow-card suspensions from the final tournament expire at the end of the Competition.

Article 21

Declaration of protests

21.01 Member associations are entitled to protest. The party protested against and the disciplinary inspector have party status.

21.02 The protest fee is CHF 1000. It must be paid at the same time as the protest is filed.

A. Qualifying competition

21.03 Protests must reach the Control and Disciplinary Body in writing, stating the reasons, within 24 hours of a match.

21.04 This 24-hour time limit cannot be extended.

B. Final Tournament

21.05 Protests regarding the eligibility of players on the list of 22 players must reach the UEFA Administration six full days before the first match in the final tournament.

21.06 Protests lodged during the final tournament must be presented in writing to the Control and Disciplinary Body within a maximum of 12 hours of the end of the match.

Article 22

Reasons for protest

22.01 A protest is directed against the validity of a match result. It is based on a player's eligibility to play, a decisive breach of the regulations by the referee, or other incidents influencing the match.

22.02 Protests concerning the state of the field of play must be submitted to the referee in writing by the relevant officials before the match. If the state of the field of play becomes questionable in the course of the match, the team captain must inform the referee, in the presence of the captain of the opposing team, orally without delay.

22.03 Protests cannot be lodged against factual decisions taken by the referee.

22.04 A protest against a caution or expulsion from the field of play after two cautions is admissible only if the referee's error was to mistake the identity of the player.

Article 23

Appeals

- 23.01 The Appeals Body deals with appeals lodged against decisions of the Control and Disciplinary Body. The *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations* apply.

Final Tournament

- 23.02 To be valid, appeals lodged during the final tournament must be submitted to the official UEFA tournament office in writing within 24 hours of the dispatch of the contested decision.

Article 24

Doping

- 24.01 Doping is defined as the occurrence of one or more of the anti-doping rule violations set out in the *UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations*.
- 24.02 Doping is forbidden and is a punishable offence. In case of anti-doping rule violations, UEFA will instigate disciplinary proceedings against the perpetrators in accordance with the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations*. This may include the imposition of provisional measures.
- 24.03 UEFA may test any player at any time.
- 24.04 Testing and any other anti-doping related matters that are not governed by the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations* will be conducted in conformity with the *UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations*.
- 24.05 The national associations undertake to ensure that the *Acknowledgment and Agreement* form (see Annexe III) is duly completed and signed for each minor participating in the competition before the beginning of the competition. The forms shall be kept by the national associations and submitted to UEFA upon request.
- 24.06 The national associations undertake to verify in accordance with their respective domestic laws who is considered a minor and what requirements the form has to fulfil to be legally binding.

XIV Financial Provisions

Article 25

A. Qualifying competition

- 25.01 In principle, the host association retains its revenue and bears all organisational costs (including any and all taxes, duties, levies, etc.).
- 25.02 The host association bears the cost of board, lodging and travel within its territory for the referee, assistant referees and fourth official. The international travel expenses and daily allowances of the match officials are covered by UEFA.

25.03 The visiting association bears its own travel, board and lodging costs, unless the associations concerned agree otherwise. Where appropriate, the provisions of paragraphs 11.03 and 11.06 apply.

25.04 UEFA will not impose levies on qualifying competition matches.

Contributions to participating associations

25.05 The following contributions will be made to each association participating in the qualifying competition:

- a) Fixed participation contribution of CHF 100,000 to compensate additional costs (travel, board and lodging) for away matches.
- b) Additional contribution for matches where long-distance travel is required. The payments will be credited as follows:
 - CHF 10,000 if direct flight distance (round trip) is more than 6,000 km;
or
 - CHF 15,000 if direct flight distance (round trip) is more than 10,000 km.

The distance will be calculated from the visiting association's main airport to the international airport nearest to the match venue in the country of the host association.

- c) Additional contribution for away matches played within the play-offs: CHF 40,000. However, this contribution will be paid only if the team has played two away matches prior to the play-offs (including matches played in the preliminary round).

Article 26

B. Final tournament

Overall receipts

26.01 The overall receipts consist of the following:

- a) revenue from ticket sales for all matches;
- b) revenue generated by the exploitation of the commercial rights (see definition in Article 27);
- c) other income.

26.02 The number of complimentary tickets per match will be determined in agreement with the UEFA Administration.

Participating associations

26.03 The following costs will be covered by UEFA:

- a) International travel expenses for the eight participating delegations - return ticket by air-conditioned bus, rail (first-class or sleeper) or air (economy class) - for a maximum of 35 persons per delegation

(22 players and 13 officials). A lump sum to cover travel expenses will be credited to the competing associations based on existing published full fare economy tariffs of the national home carrier. The fare will be calculated from the competing association's main airport to the international airport nearest to the team's headquarters in the host country.

- b) Local ground transport will be provided for the eight participating delegations within the territory of the host country for a maximum of 35 persons. Any additional transport must be arranged and paid for by the participating delegations.
- c) Cost of board and lodging for the eight participating delegations (maximum of 35 persons per delegation). These costs will be covered as from two days before the start of the tournament until one day after a team has been eliminated, or until one day after the end of the tournament for the finalists. Exceptions to this are any unforeseen circumstances which arise as a result of transport difficulties and which are acknowledged by the UEFA Administration.

26.04 The UEFA Administration will take a decision with regard to any dispute concerning the settlement of accounts between the eight participating associations and UEFA. UEFA's decision will be final.

26.05 The amounts paid by UEFA correspond to gross amounts. As such, they cover any and all taxes, levies, charges, etc. (including, but not limited to, value added tax).

26.06 If, after deduction of all costs - including contributions to the national associations as provided for by art. 25.05 - any surplus remains from the revenue generated by the exploitation of commercial rights, the UEFA Administration will recommend an amount for distribution, as well as a distribution procedure, to the Executive Committee.

UEFA official representatives

26.07 The following costs will be covered by UEFA:

- a) International travel, board and lodging expenses (accommodation, meals and excursions), plus daily allowances and bonus payments, for referees and assistant referees, in accordance with the amounts proposed by the Referees Committee to the CEO.
- b) Travel, board and lodging expenses, plus daily allowances, for UEFA committee members (members of the Executive Committee, National Teams Committee, Control and Disciplinary Body, Appeals Body, Referees Committee, Medical Committee, Stadium and Security Committee, Technical Study Group) and UEFA Administration representatives.

XV Exploitation of the Commercial Rights

Article 27

Definitions

27.01 For the purposes of these regulations, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- a) “Commercial Rights” means any and all commercial and media rights and opportunities on a worldwide basis in and in relation to the final tournament and/or the qualifying competition (as applicable) including, without limitation, the relevant Media Rights, Marketing Rights and Data Rights;
- b) “Media Rights” means the right to create, broadcast, transmit or display by any and all means and in any and all media whether now known or devised in the future (including, without limitation, all forms of television, radio, wireless, fixed-line and Internet distribution) or to otherwise exploit audio-visual, visual and/or audio recordings or reproductions (whether in whole or in part) (including, without limitation, photographs), and audio-visual, visual and/or audio coverage, of any match of the final tournament and/or the qualifying competition (as applicable) and any official events related to the final tournament and/or the qualifying competition (as applicable) and the right to conduct any revenue-generating activity in connection therewith;
- c) “Marketing Rights” means the right to exploit by any and all means and in any and all media whether now known or devised in the future all types of advertising, promotion (including, without limitation, electronic and virtual promotion), public relations, marketing, merchandising, licensing, franchising, sponsorship, hospitality, publishing and all other commercial association rights in relation to the final tournament and/or the qualifying competition (as applicable);
- d) “Data Rights” means the right to compile and exploit statistics and other data in relation to the final tournament and/or the qualifying competition (as applicable);
- e) “Imagery” means visual materials representing any participating association’s players, officials and other representatives, the names, relevant statistics, data and images of such persons and any participating association’s name, emblems, logos, crests, team shirts (including references to kit manufacturers) and colours; and
- f) “Sponsors” means the official sponsors of the final tournament, appointed by UEFA.

A. Qualifying competition

- 27.02 The host association of any match of the qualifying competition is entitled to exploit the Commercial Rights in relation to such a match. In doing so, a host association must observe the stipulations of Article 48 of the UEFA Statutes as well as the regulations governing the implementation of that Article and any other instructions or guidelines issued by UEFA from time to time.
- 27.03 All member associations participating in the qualifying competition shall take all legal and other measures that UEFA deems appropriate at its sole discretion to prohibit, prevent and stop any unauthorised exploitation of the Commercial Rights to the qualifying competition and to protect the ownership thereof.
- 27.04 The Commercial Rights to any match of the qualifying competition may not be sold unless the sale is documented in a written agreement that provides for the payment of an appropriate fee to the host association. Any such fee forms part of the match receipts and remains with the host association.
- 27.05 All agreements relating to the exploitation of Commercial Rights to any match of the qualifying competition must be presented to the UEFA Administration upon request. The withholding of any such agreement will be referred to the Control and Disciplinary Body and may result in disciplinary sanctions.
- 27.06 All agreements relating to the exploitation of Commercial Rights to any match of the qualifying competition must include (as an integral part thereof), and be subject to, Article 48 of the UEFA Statutes and the regulations governing its implementation. Furthermore, any such agreement must provide that if any amendment is made to such regulations, the agreement shall be amended as necessary to conform with the relevant amendment within 30 days of their coming into force.
- 27.07 For any match of the qualifying competition where TV production is foreseen, the host association shall provide UEFA free of charge and at least 60 minutes prior to the kick-off of the match with access to the television frequency information for receiving the broadcast signal at a location of UEFA's choice. If a member association chooses to broadcast live audio-visual, video or audio coverage of any qualifying competition match on the Internet, the feed of such coverage must also be provided live to UEFA free of charge to a location of UEFA's choice. These broadcasts can be recorded by UEFA for monitoring and editorial purposes and UEFA may publish extracts thereof on an official UEFA website from midnight (C.E.T.) on the day of the match. Notwithstanding paragraph 27.06, UEFA's right to publish extracts on an official UEFA website is subject to any restriction included in any agreement relating to the exploitation of Commercial Rights that is concluded as of the date of publication of these regulations. UEFA shall make any such recordings available to the relevant host association upon request. In the event it is required by UEFA, the host association shall provide UEFA free of charge with a recording of the entire match [in Digibeta

(or if not available, Betacam SP) format] to be sent to a destination determined by UEFA within seven days of the relevant match.

Footage

- 27.08 Following the final draw, UEFA may use up to 10 minutes of moving audio-visual or visual footage of any match of the qualifying competition for the purposes of presenting or promoting the final tournament or any element thereof and for the purposes of its archives and multimedia databases. These purposes shall include the broadcast or other transmission of any programming created in relation to the final tournament by UEFA or parties that have acquired Media Rights to the final tournament. This licence is granted to UEFA free of charge on a non-exclusive perpetual worldwide basis for use in any media now existing or hereafter devised with the right to authorise others to use such footage in connection with these purposes.

B. Final Tournament

- 27.09 UEFA owns and has the sole right, to the exclusion of the participating associations and any other party, to exploit all of the Commercial Rights to the final tournament including, without limitation, those arising at, and relating to, the official training ground of each participating association. UEFA may exercise this right to exploit these Commercial Rights at its sole discretion and on a universal basis.
- 27.10 The Commercial Rights arising at, and relating to, the official training ground of each participating association commence 2 days before the first match of the final tournament and terminate upon the conclusion of the final tournament.
- 27.11 All participating associations shall take all legal and other measures that UEFA deems appropriate at its sole discretion to prohibit, prevent and stop any unauthorised exploitation of the Commercial Rights to the final tournament and to ensure that all Commercial Rights to the final tournament are owned and exercised solely and exclusively by UEFA and that UEFA may exploit them without any restrictions whatsoever.
- 27.12 A participating association may not display any third party commercial identification or branding in any stadium or training ground of the final tournament or at any official press conference other than:
- a) on the kit used at any training session (except as provided in paragraphs 17.14 - 17.18); and
 - b) in the indoor press conference facility at its official training facility (except during any official press conference held at such facility, see paragraph 28.13).

This provision applies from 2 days before the first match of the final tournament until the conclusion of the final tournament.

- 27.13 Permission for associations participating in the final tournament to make "coaching" films, which must not be used for any commercial purposes whatsoever and which will be used exclusively for the instruction of players, referees and officials of the relevant associations, must be obtained from the UEFA Administration, which will set any relevant financial and other conditions. Any such requests for permission must be submitted to UEFA at least 30 days before the start of the final tournament.
- 27.14 UEFA declines all responsibility and liability in the event of any conflict between any agreement entered into by a member association and any arrangement entered into by UEFA relating to the exploitation of the Commercial Rights to the final tournament.
- 27.15 Following the final draw, UEFA may use Imagery to produce articles that illustrate a participating association's involvement in the final tournament. Production of such articles will draw on the Imagery of all participating associations without giving undue prominence to the Imagery of one participating association over any other. UEFA shall ensure that there will be no direct association on such articles between the Imagery used and the Sponsors of the final tournament.

XVI Media Matters

Article 28

- 28.01 The commitments and responsibility of the national associations towards the international media are to provide information, news and access to players and officials, while protecting the game and the players.
- 28.02 If the rules relating to the media are not observed, the matter may be submitted to the UEFA Control and Disciplinary Body.

A. Qualifying competition

- 28.03 Each national association must appoint a press officer to coordinate cooperation between the team and the media in accordance with UEFA's regulations and guidelines. Where requested, the press officer will assist UEFA in compiling editorial features and statistics to help promote the competition. The press officer must attend all home matches as well as travel with the team to away fixtures in order to coordinate all media arrangements, cooperate with the press officer of the host association and, if appointed, the UEFA Media Officer. The visiting team's press officer must send a full list of media accreditation requests at least 5 working days before the match to the press officer of the host association. Both press officers shall ensure that all accreditation requests come from bona fide media representatives covering football and/or subjects related hereto.
- 28.04 For all matches in the qualifying competition, an adequate number of seats – covered, if available, and where possible at least half of which equipped with

desks, telephone points and modem plugs – must be put at the disposal of both local and visiting media representatives.

- 28.05 If the teams arrange to hold a training session the day before the match, it has to be open to media representatives (TV and radio representatives, written press, website journalists and photographers) for at least 15 minutes. The host association, together with the visiting team's press officer or, if appointed, the UEFA Media Officer, is responsible for ensuring that the stadium is clear of media after 15 minutes, and that all cameras are turned off.

Press conferences

- 28.06 Each team must hold a pre-match press conference the day before the match (MD-1). Ideally, the press conference will be staged in the stadium but, in any case, they must take place in the city where the match is to be played. The press conferences of both teams must be arranged so that a media representative can attend both, and so that media deadlines in the countries concerned can be respected. Each press conference must be attended by at least the head coach of the team plus one or, preferably, two players. The host association is responsible for providing a qualified interpreter and any technical facilities necessary.
- 28.07 The post-match press conference at the venue must start no later than 20 minutes after the final whistle. The host association is responsible for providing a qualified interpreter and any technical facilities necessary. Both teams are obliged to make their team manager/coach, as well as a player, available for this press conference. Both press officers (or, if appointed, the UEFA Media Officer) taking into consideration the interviews for the broadcasters, will decide the order of the coaches attending the press conference.

Mixed zone

- 28.08 After the match, a mixed zone must be set up for the media on the way from the dressing rooms to the team transport area. This area – accessible only to coaches, players and representatives of the media – must be divided into four areas: one for the TV rights-holders, one for written press, one for radio reporters and one for TV non-rights holders. The host association must ensure that the area is safe and not accessible by the general public or any other non-authorised people. Players of both teams are obliged to pass through the mixed zone but they are not obliged to give interviews.

Interviews

- 28.09 All interview requests have to be coordinated with and approved by the UEFA Media Officer, if appointed. All interview locations must be pre-determined by the UEFA Media Officer, if appointed. All interviews are to be held with prior consent of the interviewees. Interviews are not permitted before, during or after the match on the field of play itself or in its immediate

vicinity. However, “upon arrival”, “half-time” and “flash” interviews can take place under the following circumstances.

- a) “Upon arrival” interviews are allowed with coaches and players upon their arrival at the stadium, at a pre-determined location where a fixed camera can be positioned before entry to the dressing rooms. For matches where a UEFA Media Officer is present, such interview requests must be coordinated with and approved by the UEFA Media Officer. Once the coaches and players have entered the dressing rooms, no further interviews are permitted.
- b) A “half-time” interview may only be conducted in a designated area outside the technical zone. If appointed, the UEFA Media Officer, together with the press officer of the home association, may designate an area between the substitutes’ benches and dressing-rooms upon request. Teams, if they agree, can only make one of their listed team officials available for this purpose. No players, including those on the substitutes’ bench, may be interviewed at half time.
- c) “Flash” interviews may last a maximum of 90 seconds and take place immediately after the final whistle in an area between the substitutes’ benches and the dressing rooms, which is pre-determined by the UEFA Media Officer, if appointed. Both teams must make their team manager/head coach and at least one key player available.
- d) Players who have been sent off may not be interviewed.

Media positioning

28.10 The UEFA Media Officer, where appointed, assisted by both press officers of the teams, must ensure that:

- a) no media representatives are allowed on the field of play before, during or after the match, with the exception of the hand-held host broadcaster camera crew covering the team line-ups before the match and the activities after the final whistle, if this has been previously approved by both team press officers or the UEFA Media Officer, if appointed;
- b) non-authorized media representatives are not allowed on the playing area or the area between the boundaries of the field and the spectators. Only media representatives who have been granted permission as agreed by the press officer of the host association (and/or the visiting team) are allowed to carry out their work in the specific locations assigned to them (Annexe Ia and Ib);
- c) no media representatives are allowed in the players’ tunnel or the dressing room area, with the exception of flash interviews in the predefined positions and a host broadcaster camera in a fixed position covering the teams during the stud control before they enter the pitch;

- d) the dressing rooms are off limits to representatives of the media before, during and after the match with the exception of a host broadcaster camera filming the team kits in the dressing rooms before the arrival of the teams.

B. Final tournament

- 28.11 Each participating National Association must appoint a press officer for the whole tournament to coordinate media matters in cooperation with his team, the press officer of the opposing team and the media as well as UEFA and UEFA Media Officers in accordance with UEFA's regulations. The press officer will assist UEFA in compiling editorial features and statistics to help promote the competition as well as compile information for UEFA's official website for the tournament. The National Association's press officer must attend all media activities as well as travel with the team to all matches and work alongside the UEFA Media Officer.
- 28.12 The teams must arrange to hold an official training session, preferably at the stadium where the match is to be played, the day before the match. This training session – whether it is at the stadium where the match is to be played or not – has to be open to media representatives (TV and radio representatives, written press, website journalists and photographers) for at least 15 minutes. It is the responsibility of the UEFA Media Officer (in cooperation with the press officers of both teams) to ensure the stadium is clear of media after 15 minutes and that all permanently installed TV cameras are switched off.

Official press conferences

- 28.13 Each team must hold an official press conference a day prior to their match (MD-1) and immediately after the match (post-match press conference). These official press conferences have to be organised in cooperation with the UEFA Media Officer in order to help media representatives meet their deadlines in the countries concerned. Each official press conference must be attended by at least the head coach of the team plus one or, preferably, two players. Access to these official press conferences must be open to all accredited media representatives and not exclusively to those from the country concerned, subject to available space. UEFA-provided backdrops shall be used at all official press conferences.
- 28.14 The official post-match press conference at the venue must start no later than 20 minutes after the final whistle. Both teams are obliged to make their team manager/head coach, as well as at least one, preferably two players, available for this press conference. The UEFA Media Officer, taking into consideration the interviews for the broadcasters, will decide the order of the coaches attending the press conference. It is the role of the press officers of the national associations to provide translation.

Mixed zone

- 28.15 After the match, a mixed zone must be set up for the media on the way from the dressing rooms to the team transport area. This area - accessible only to coaches, players and representatives of the media – must be divided into four areas: one for the TV rights-holders, one for written press, one for radio reporters and one for TV non-rights holders. UEFA will ensure that the area is safe and not accessible by the general public or any other non-authorized people. Players of both teams are obliged to pass through the mixed zone but they are not obliged to give interviews. UEFA will issue the appropriate access passes.

Accreditations

- 28.16 Accreditation of media representatives is the sole responsibility of UEFA. National associations will be consulted by UEFA for careful checking of applications received from media representatives from their countries. All applicants will receive a written response to their accreditation application as soon as possible after the application deadline, which will be announced in due time. Accreditation applications will be processed via the UEFA on-line accreditation system.
- 28.17 The final decision on acceptance or refusal of accreditation applications is the sole responsibility of UEFA at its entire discretion. In addition, UEFA may withdraw an accreditation at any time.
- 28.18 Admission tickets for individual matches will be distributed to the media by UEFA.

Interviews

- 28.19 All interview requests have to be coordinated with and approved by the UEFA Media Officer. All interview locations must be pre-determined by the UEFA Media Officer. All interviews are to be held with the prior consent of the interviewees. Interviews are not permitted before, during or after the match on the field of play itself or in its immediate vicinity. However, “upon arrival”, “half-time” and “flash” interviews can take place under the following circumstances.
- a) “Upon arrival” interviews are allowed with coaches and players upon their arrival at the stadium, at a pre-determined location where a fixed camera can be positioned before entry to the dressing rooms. Once the players and coaches have entered the dressing rooms, no further interviews are permitted.
 - b) A “half-time” interview may only be conducted in a designated area outside the technical zone. The UEFA Media Officer may designate an area between the substitutes’ benches and dressing rooms upon request. Teams, if they agree, can only make one of their listed team officials

available for this purpose. No players, including those on the substitutes' bench, may be interviewed at half time.

- c) "Flash" interviews last a maximum of 90 seconds and take place immediately after the final whistle in an area between the substitutes' benches and the dressing rooms, which is pre-determined by the UEFA Media Officer. Both teams must make their team manager/head coach and at least one key player available.
- d) Players who have been sent off may not be interviewed.

Media positioning

28.20 The UEFA Media Officer, assisted by both press officers of the teams, must ensure that:

- a) no media representatives are allowed on the field of play before, during or after the match, with the exception of the hand-held host broadcaster camera crew covering the team line-ups before the match and the activities after the final whistle, if this has been agreed in advance by UEFA;
- b) non-authorized media representatives are not allowed on the playing area or the area between the boundaries of the field and the spectators. Only media representatives who have been granted permission by the UEFA Media Officer are allowed to carry out their work in the specific locations assigned to them;
- c) no media representatives are allowed in the players' tunnel or the dressing room area, with the exception of flash interviews in the predefined positions and a host broadcaster camera in a fixed position covering the teams during the stud control before they enter the pitch;
- d) the dressing rooms are off limits to representatives of the media before, during and after the match with the exception of a host broadcaster camera filming the team kits in the dressing rooms before the arrival of the teams.

XVII Intellectual Property Rights

Article 29

- 29.01 UEFA is the exclusive owner of all intellectual property rights of the Competition, including but not limited to any current or future rights of UEFA's names, logos, brands, medals and trophies. Any use of the aforementioned rights requires the prior written consent of UEFA and must always conform to UEFA's instructions and guidelines on correct usage.
- 29.02 All rights to the fixture list, as well as the matches in the Competition, are the sole and exclusive property of UEFA.

XVIII Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS)

Article 30

Ordinary Court of Arbitration

- 30.01 CAS shall have exclusive jurisdiction to deal with all civil law disputes (of a pecuniary nature) relating to UEFA matters which arise between UEFA and Member Associations, clubs, players or officials, and between themselves.
- 30.02 There shall be no recourse to legal action in the ordinary courts of law in relation to such disputes.
- 30.03 Proceedings before CAS shall take place in accordance with the *Code of Sports-related Arbitration* of CAS.

Article 31

Legal Challenge to Decisions of the Organs for the Administration of Justice

- 31.01 CAS shall have exclusive jurisdiction to deal with any challenge against a decision under civil law (of a pecuniary nature) of the Organs for the Administration of Justice. Any such challenge must be made at CAS within ten days of the notification of the decision which is challenged.
- 31.02 A decision of the Organs for the Administration of Justice of a sporting nature, or any part or parts of a decision that is of a sporting nature, may not be challenged in civil law.
- 31.03 A civil law challenge through CAS may only be brought after UEFA's official internal procedures have been exhausted.
- 31.04 There shall be no recourse to legal action in the ordinary courts of law in relation to such matters.
- 31.05 A civil law challenge shall not have any suspensory effect as a stay of execution of a disciplinary sanction, subject to the power of the President of the Division or the President of the Panel appointed to deal with the matter after hearing the parties, to order that any disciplinary sanction be stayed pending the arbitration.
- 31.06 Proceedings before CAS shall take place in accordance with the *Code of Sports-related Arbitration* of CAS.

Article 32

CAS Arbitrators

- 32.01 Only arbitrators who have their domicile in Europe shall be competent to deal with matters involving UEFA.

XIX Unforeseen Circumstances

Article 33

- 33.01 The CEO will decide on any matters not provided for in these regulations, as well as in cases of force majeure. Such decisions are final.

XX Closing Provisions

Article 34

- 34.01 All annexes form an integral part of these regulations.
- 34.02 In the event of any discrepancy in interpretation between the official languages of UEFA in the wording of these regulations, the English version is the authoritative text.
- 34.03 These regulations come into force on their approval by the UEFA Executive Committee, and apply to all matches in the 2006/07 UEFA European Under-21 Championship.

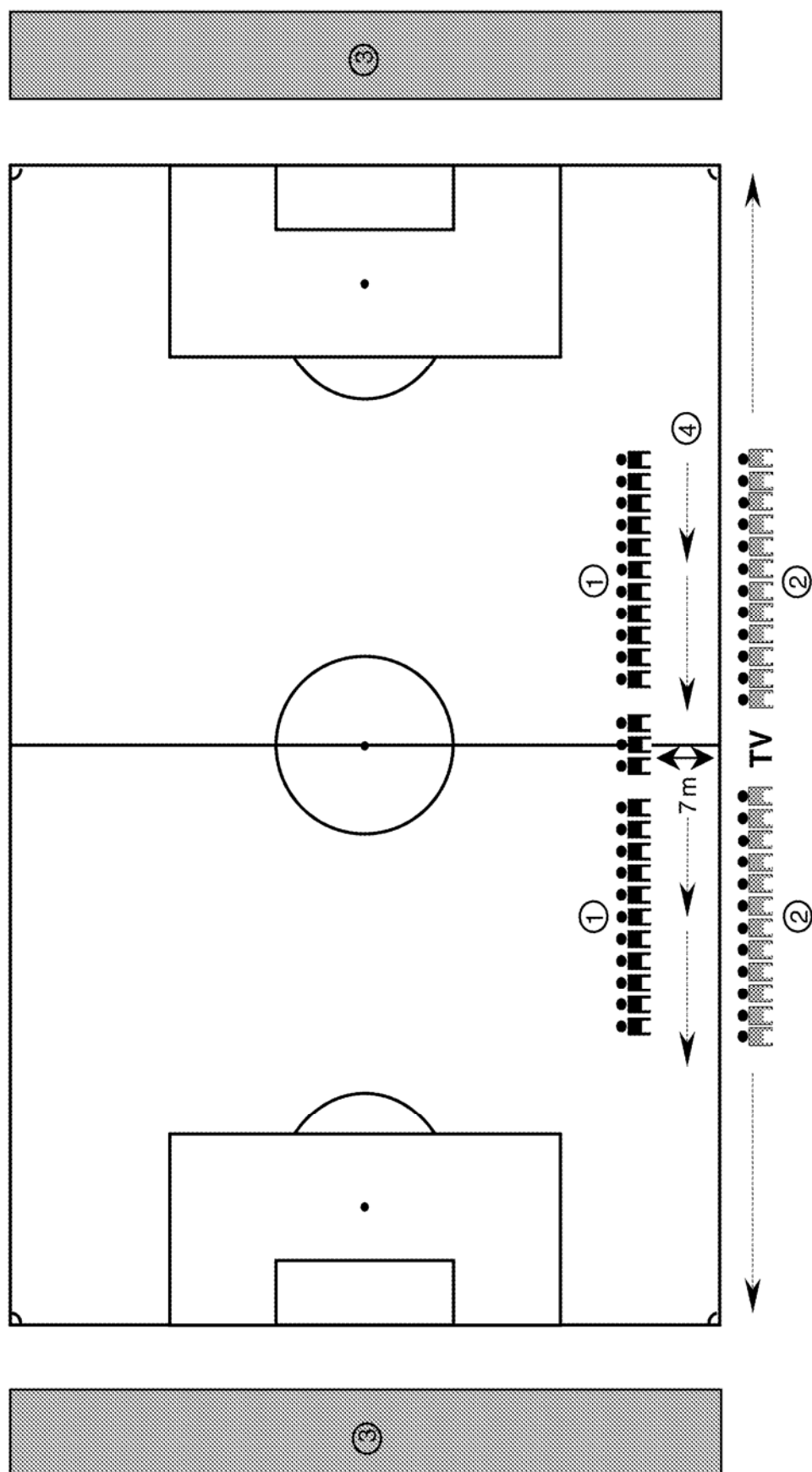
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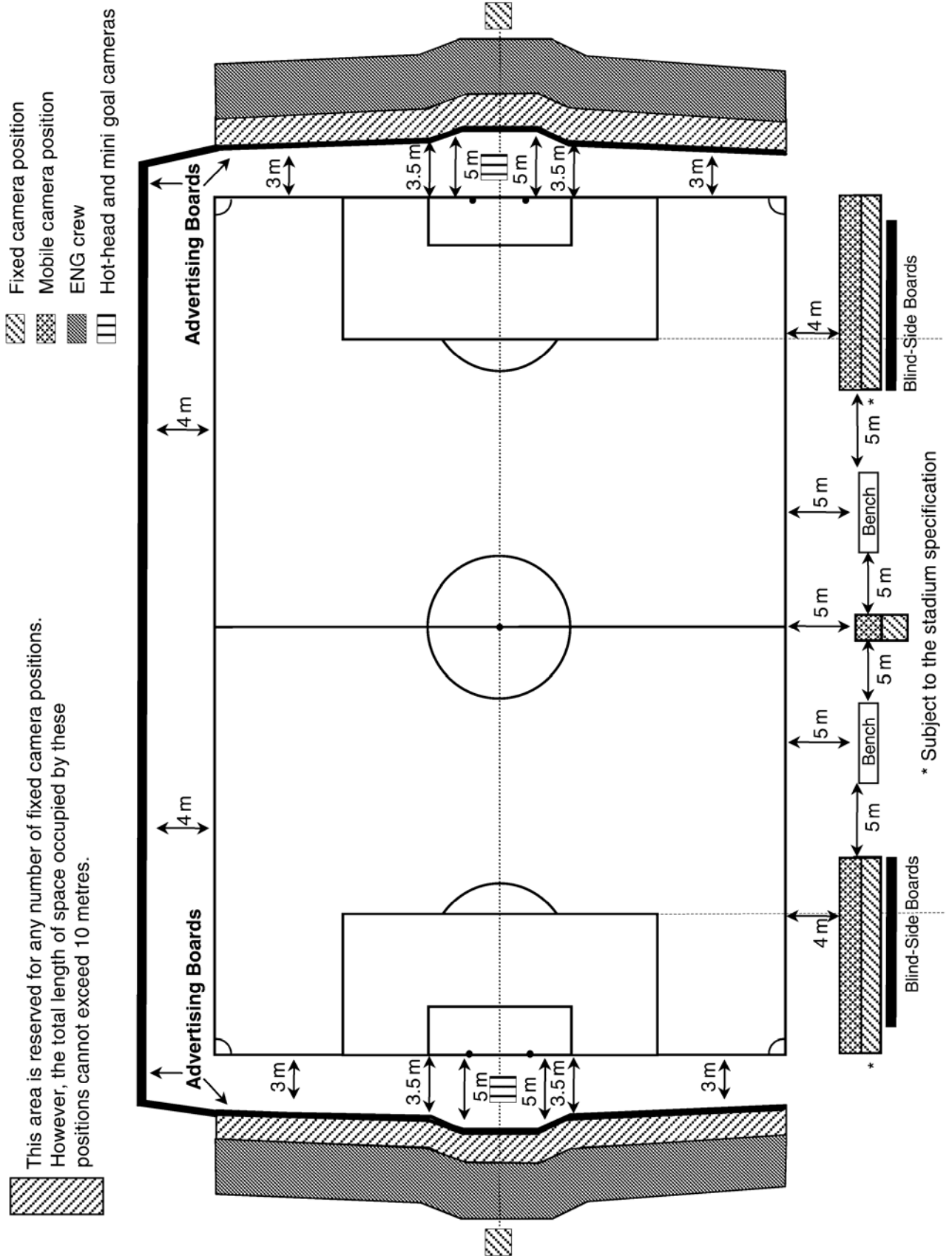
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ANNEXE Ia: Media Positioning at UEFA Matches



ANNEXE Ib: TV Camera Positions



ANNEXE II: Fair Play

Fair Play Definition

The idea of playing a game fairly and treating an opponent in a sporting manner is one of the finest elements to be found in any sport. In fact, it was sport that gave birth to the now widely used expression and concept of fair play. It remains as vital an ingredient of our sport today as it ever did, and most spectators would agree that only a fair match can be an entertaining one.

The concept of fair play can be broken down into the following principles, which apply as much to the players as to other individuals connected with the game:

- a) The *Laws of the Game* and the regulations of the various competitions must be respected.
- b) Every effort should be made to behave in a sporting manner towards opponents, referees and any other persons involved in matches, such as spectators, officials of other clubs and associations, and representatives of the media.
- c) Anyone else involved in matches should be encouraged to behave in the manner outlined above before, during and after a match, irrespective of the result of the match and the decisions taken by the match officials.

Fair Play Assessment

Introduction

1. Conduct according to the spirit of fair play is essential for the successful promotion and development of and involvement in sport. The objective of activities in favour of fair play is to foster a sporting spirit, as well as the sporting behaviour of players, team officials and spectators, thereby increasing the enjoyment of all those involved in the game.
2. In its efforts to promote fair play, UEFA establishes association fair play rankings for each season, based on all matches played in all UEFA competitions (national representative and club teams) between 1 June and 31 May. In establishing these rankings, only those associations whose teams have played at least the required number of matches (total number of matches assessed divided by the number of associations) are taken into account. For this purpose, fair play conduct is assessed by the appointed UEFA match delegate. In reward for the fair play example they set, a maximum of three associations which attain a previously-defined standard (average of 8.0 points or more in the rankings) each receive one additional place in the UEFA Cup of the next season. These additional places are reserved for the winners of the respective domestic top-division fair play

competition. If the winners of the domestic top-division fair play competition in question have already qualified for a UEFA club competition, the UEFA Cup fair play place goes to the highest team in the domestic top-division fair play rankings which has not already qualified for a UEFA competition.

3. After the match, the match delegate is expected to complete a fair play assessment form in consultation with the referee and, where applicable, the referee observer. The referee confirms that fair play aspects have been duly discussed by signing the fair play assessment form.

Methods of Assessment

4. The assessment form identifies six criteria (components) for the evaluation of the fair play performance of the teams. Assessment should be based on positive rather than negative aspects. As a general rule, maximum assessment marks should not be awarded unless the respective teams have displayed positive attitudes.

a) The individual items on the assessment form

5. **Red and yellow cards.** Deduction from a maximum of 10 points:

- yellow card 1 point
- red card 3 points

If a player who has been cautioned with a yellow card commits another offence which would normally be punishable with a yellow card, but who must be sent off for this second offence (combined yellow and red card), only the red card counts, i.e. total of 3 points to be deducted.

If, however, a player who has been cautioned with a yellow card commits another offence for which the punishment is dismissal, a total of 4 points (1+3) must be deducted.

Red and yellow cards is the only item which may take a negative value.

6. **Positive play**

- maximum 10 points
- minimum 1 point

The aim of this item is to reward positive play which is attractive for the spectators. In assessing positive play, the following aspects should be taken into consideration:

Positive aspects:

- attacking rather than defensive tactics
- acceleration of the game
- efforts to gain time, e.g. bringing the ball quickly back into play, even when in a winning position

- continued pursuit of goals, even if the desired result (e.g. qualification or an away draw) has already been achieved

Negative aspects:

- deceleration of the game
- time-wasting
- tactics based on foul play
- play-acting, etc.

In general terms, positive play correlates with the number of goal-scoring chances created and the number of goals scored.

7. Respect of the opponent

- maximum 5 points
- minimum 1 point

Players are expected to respect the *Laws of the Game*, the competition regulations, opponents, etc. They are also expected to ensure that fellow team members and everyone else involved in the team abide by the spirit of fair play as well.

In assessing the players' behaviour vis-à-vis the opposition, double counting against the item 'red and yellow cards' should be avoided. However, the delegate may take into account the seriousness of the offences punished by cards, as well as offences overlooked by the referee.

Assessment should be based on positive attitudes (e.g. helping an injured opponent) rather than infringements. Blameless behaviour, but without any particularly positive attitude or gestures towards opponents, should be assessed with a mark of 4 rather than 5.

8. Respect of the referee

- maximum 5 points
- minimum 1 point

Players are expected to respect the referees (including assistant referees and fourth officials) as people, as well as for the decisions they take. Double counting against the item 'red and yellow cards' should be avoided. However, the delegate may take into account the seriousness of the offences punished by cards.

A positive attitude towards the referee should be rewarded by high marks, including the acceptance of doubtful decisions without protest. Normal behaviour, but without any particularly positive attitude or gestures with respect to the match officials, should be assessed with a mark of 4 rather than 5.

9. **Behaviour of team officials**

- maximum 5 points
- minimum 1 point

Team officials, including coaches, are expected to make every effort to develop the sporting, technical, tactical and moral level of their team through all permitted means. They are also expected to instruct their players to behave in a manner which is in accordance with the fair play principles.

Positive and negative aspects of the behaviour of team officials should be assessed; e.g. whether they calm or provoke angry players or fans, how they accept the referee's decisions, etc. Cooperation with the media should also be considered as a factor in the assessment. Blameless behaviour, but without any particularly positive attitude or gestures, should be assessed with a mark of 4 rather than 5.

10. **Behaviour of the crowd**

- maximum 5 points
- minimum 1 point

The crowd is considered to be a natural component of a football game. The support of the fans may contribute to the success of their team. The crowd is not expected to watch the game in silence. Encouragement of teams by shouting, singing, etc. may have a positive influence on the atmosphere, in accordance with the spirit of fair play.

The spectators are, however, expected to respect the opposing team and the referee. They should appreciate the performance of the opposition, even if they emerge as the winners. They must in no way intimidate or frighten the opposing team, the referee or opposing supporters.

A maximum number of points (5) should not be awarded unless all these requirements are satisfied, especially with respect to the creation of a positive atmosphere.

This item is applicable only if a substantial number of fans of the team concerned are present. If the number of fans is negligible, 'N/A' (not applicable) should be recorded under this entry.

b) Overall assessment

11. The overall assessment of a team is obtained by adding up the points given for the individual components, dividing this total by the maximum number of points and multiplying the result by 10.
12. The maximum number of points per game generally equals 40. If, however, a given team is being supported by a negligible amount of fans, and the item "Behaviour of the crowd" is not being assessed as a result ('N/A' – see paragraph 10 above), the maximum number of points obtainable will be 35.

Example:

The various items for team 1 are assessed as 8+7+3+4+5+4, giving a total of 31. The general assessment will therefore be:

$$(31/40) \times 10 = \mathbf{7.75}$$

If team 2 had only a small number of fans, and the assessment for the other items was 7+8+2+5+2, with 24 as the total, the general assessment would be:

$$(24/35) \times 10 = \mathbf{6.857}$$

The general assessment should be calculated to three decimal points and not rounded up.

13. In addition to this assessment, the delegate should also give brief written comments on the fair play performance of the teams, to explain the positive and negative aspects which formed the basis for his assessment. This written explanation may also include outstanding individual gestures of fair play by players, officials, referees or any other persons.

ANNEXE III: Doping controls - Acknowledgment and Agreement

The undersigned player agrees to comply with the *UEFA Anti-Doping Regulations* and the applicable UEFA competition regulations, which he has read and understood. In particular, he acknowledges that he must refrain from using prohibited substances and methods.

The undersigned player recognises that failure to comply with the said regulations may result in investigation and sanctions by UEFA. He acknowledges and agrees that UEFA has the jurisdiction to impose sanctions as provided for in the *UEFA Disciplinary Regulations*.

The undersigned player agrees to undergo doping controls at any time (in and out of competition).

The undersigned player agrees that any dispute that remains unresolved after the legal remedies established by UEFA have been exhausted shall be submitted exclusively to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) for final and binding arbitration. He notes that he must submit such a dispute to the CAS within 10 days of the challenged decision being notified. Proceedings before CAS shall take place in accordance with its Code of Sports-related Arbitration.

The undersigned has/have read and understood the present Acknowledgement and Agreement.

Date

Name of player
(surname, first name)

Date of birth
(day/month/year)

Signature of player

Name of parent/legal guardian
(surname, first name)

Signature of parent/legal guardian

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