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Memorandum:

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To: The National Association of:

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Latvia	Lithuania	Netherlands	Norway	Poland
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Switzerland	Ukraine	USA		

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Subject: 2007 IIHF Championship Program - Goalkeeper Equipment Measurement Standards
Wrist Cuff of the Catching Glove

CC: Dave Fitzpatrick, IIHF Sport Director
IIHF Marketing Department
IIHF Rules Committee
IIHF Referee Supervisors

Dear Friends,

With the guidance of the IIHF Rules Committee we are writing to advise member national associations that the IIHF will strictly follow the 2006-2007 Goalkeeper Equipment Measurement Standards along with the 2006 IIHF Official Rule Book for measuring goalkeepers equipment during IIHF Championships. In particular, we will pay strict attention to the goalkeepers catching gloves.

The sizes of the wrist cuff of the catching glove shall be according to the 2006 IIHF Rule Book and the 2006-2007 Goalkeeper Equipment Measurement Standards. Any extension of the wrist cuff for any purposes or padding that is intended to protect the back-side of the hand, which increase the sizes of the blocking surface of the catching glove, will be prohibited and the use of such a catching glove during IIHF Championships is illegal. (See attached picture to this memo).

Therefore, we strongly suggest that all national associations review this issue with the equipment managers on your respective national teams and control the catching gloves used by your goalkeepers to avoid difficulties and confusion while participating in the upcoming IIHF Championship Program.



We trust that all national associations understand our demands, which are directed for the benefit of the "Fair Play" in IIHF Championships and Competitions.

Best regards,

International Ice Hockey Federation

Konstantin Komissarov

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Attachments:

Picture of Goalkeepers Catching Gloves