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Information from the Competitions part regarding changes of the Regulations for the 2010/11 EHF Men's Champions League

Wild Card Tournament

There are no "Wild Cards" for a direct participation in the EHF Men's Champions League anymore.

On the other hand, the "EHF Champions League Wild Card Tournament" is a fixed part of the qualification process and open for a maximum of four teams.

A club can apply to the EHF for participation in this tournament via its National Federation.

The National Federation can submit a request of a maximum of one club. Logically, a maximum of one club per Federation is entitled to participate in the tournament.

A club can apply for a participation in the tournament only if the club is basically qualified for any European Cup.

A club applying for a participation in the tournament must fulfil all requirements for a participation in the competition, exactly as any regular participant.

The participation of a club in the Tournament does not lead to an additional place for the Federation concerned in any of the European Cup competitions.

Should there be more than four applications for a participation in the tournament, the EHF Executive Committee will decide on the four participating clubs.

The right of hosting the tournament will also be awarded by the EHF Executive Committee.

Place for the defending champion

If the defending champion does not qualify for the EHF Champions League via its domestic competition, it has the right to participate in the EHF Wild Card Tournament. The defending is no longer automatically qualified for the competition of the following season.

Further changes

In principle there are no substantial changes to be mentioned on a regulation level. As in each season, there are some minor changes in the regulations, which are not considered as being really important at such an early stage of the process.