REGULATIONS

on the Gazprom Neft Cup KHL International Open Kids' Hockey Tournament

1. 1. Goals and Objectives

- **1.1.** The Gazprom Neft Cup KHL Children's Ice Hockey Tournament (the "Tournament") is part of the "Gazprom for Children" programme.
- **1.2.** The key goals and objectives of the Tournament are:
- **1.2.1.** to promote healthy lifestyles and active involvement in sports;
- **1.2.2.** to promote youth ice hockey;
- **1.2.3.** to give participants the opportunity to gain experience in major competitions;
- 1.2.4. to prepare teams for participation in national and international competitions; and
- **1.2.5.** to improve the quality of teaching, training and educational work among youth hockey teams.

2. Tournament Management

- **2.1.** Responsibility for all management, organization and preparation relating to the Tournament rests with the Organising Committee.
- **2.2.** Responsibility for the running of the Tournament per se rests with the Executive Directorate and the Referee Board, the composition of which is determined by the Chairman of the Organising Committee.

3. Tournament Venues and Dates

- **3.1.** The venues and dates of each Tournament are determined annually pursuant to the Tournament Regulations.
- **3.2.** Omsk shall be one of the cities where the Tournament is held.

4. Tournament Participants

- **4.1.** Teams of ice-hockey schools of clubs which have received an official invitation from the Organising Committee of the Tournament shall be allowed to take part in the Tournament. If a club has several hockey schools, a single team made up of players from the several schools may take part in the Tournament.
- **4.2.** Invitations to take part in the Tournament can be sent to youth teams of KHL clubs participating in KHL Championship in the current or previous seasons following recommendation from the KHL; or to youth teams of foreign clubs subject to approval from the KHL.
- **4.3.** Teams participating in the Tournament cannot include girls.
- **4.4.** Players enrolled in a hockey school at a club, but who have played for the team of another club during the last six (6) months prior to the start of the Tournament, are not permitted to take part in the Tournament.

5. Tournament Programme

- **5.1.** The participation of teams in the official opening, awards and closing ceremonies is compulsory.
- **5.2.** All games, as well as all members of participating teams, together with their coaches, will be photographed during the course of the Tournament.

6. Terms and Conditions Governing the Conduct of the Tournament and Procedure for Determining the Winning Team

- **6.1.** All tournament games are conducted pursuant to current regulation of the International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) with body checking prohibited at all games.
- **6.2.** Players without standard protective masks and neck protection will not be allowed to participate in any game

- **6.3.** KHL youth club teams participating in the Tournament must compete in the official kit of the KHL club they represent;
- **6.4.** Each game shall be refereed by match officials (including three on-ice referees) appointed by the Chief Referee.
- **6.5.** Special prizes will be made available by the KHL for award to players, participating teams and match officials.

7. Application Procedure

- **7.1.** Participating teams must submit preliminary (detailed) applications to the Executive Directorate within the deadlines specified under Tournament Regulations. Applications must include the following information: the full name (i.e., the surname (last or family name), first name and patronymic) of each player, together with their date of birth, position on the team, and squad number. A photo must be provided for each player listed in such preliminary (detailed) application. Such preliminary (detailed) applications (including players' full names, photographs, dates of birth, positions on the team and squad numbers) will be posted on the Tournament website (http://www.gazprom-neft.ru/hockey/) and this link sent to all team managers.
- **7.2.** The Executive Directorate may, in response to claims filed by team managers and/or coaches regarding the age(s) of a player or players listed in a preliminary (detailed) application and the eligibility of such player(s)' membership of the team for which they are registered, organise further verification of such player(s)' personal data and, in the event of two or more claims being filed in respect of a single participating team, may undertake an inspection visit in order to verify the data of those players listed in such preliminary (detailed) application. During the course of such inspection the Executive Directorate has the right to request additional documents proving the age of such player or players and his/their eligibility for membership on the team, including such player or player's birth certificate; other official certification (bearing the seal of the relevant organisation) including a photograph and stating such player's last name, first name, patronymic, year of birth and place of residence; a statutory medical insurance certificate, and copies of such player's parents' passports, etc.
- **7.3.** In the event of a preliminary (detailed) application being in breach of these Conditions the Executive Directorate will, in the first instance, send a letter to the registered address of the management of such club, signed by the executive Director of the Tournament. In the event of repeated violations in the submission of preliminary (detailed) applications the Organising Committee has the right to enforce sanctions up to and including expulsion from the Tournament.
- **7.4**. All teams are required to provide the Executive Directorate and the Referee Board with the following documents on the day of their arrival:
- **7.4.1.** The official application (in duplicate), authenticated by the organization submitting the application and by the medical institution authorizing players' participation in the Tournament. Such official application must include those participants listed the preliminary (detailed) application including each player's full name, date of birth, registered place of abode, position on the team, and squad number.
- **7.4.2.** The following are presented for each player:
- **7.4.2.1.** a birth certificate:
- **7.4.2.2.** the hockey-player's card, which must include: a recent photo; seal of the educational institution where the child is enrolled; seal of the official bodies responsible for registration of persons at the player's place of permanent residence (or a document certifying registration as permanently resident); record of enrolment and/or discharge from the hockey school with the seal of the hockey school (if such a record is not available, a document from the child's school or housing organization with a photograph of the child, indicating his full name, date of birth and place of permanent residence, certified by the seal of the school or organization);
- **7.4.2.3.** policy of mandatory health insurance.

7.5. Teams failing to comply with the requirements of clauses 7.1–7.4 will be prohibited from taking part in the Tournament.

8. Other Conditions

- **8.1.** Any other matters not covered by these Conditions are governed by the Tournament Regulations or are at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- **8.2.** The Organising Committee has the right to supplement and/or amend these Conditions provided that any such amendments do not result in any increase in the total costs of the Tournament, or its duration.