

## **2013 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship – Allowed and prohibited items at Hartwall Arena**

When designing your fan items, please keep in mind the positive spirit of sport and the nature of the Championship event.

According to the principles of good sportsmanship, and taking into account there are children in the audience, offensive, abusive or otherwise inappropriate messages do not belong to the World Championship. Fan items should be of such nature as not to disturb or cause harm to other spectators.

The IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship will be internationally televised. Without diminishing the tournament visitors' right to express their enthusiasm and to cheer for their own team, the quality of TV broadcasting must be assured. Therefore any noisemakers as well as large signs and banners that block camera view are prohibited.

The organizer reserves the right to inspect the fan items during security checks, and if need be, prohibit their use at the Arena. Spectators smuggling prohibited items and substances may not be permitted into the Arena.

### **Prohibited items and substances**

Own alcoholic beverages are not allowed to be brought to or consumed at Hartwall Arena or in its immediate vicinity.

According to the Assembly Act, in a public event, objects and substances that could be used to harm others are prohibited. These refer to all kinds of firearms, explosives, edged weapons or other comparable objects as well as corrosives, substances affecting respiration, alcohol, drugs and other intoxicants, and laser pointers.

### **Professional photography**

Professional photography is only allowed to accredited media representatives who have a permit issued by the organizer. Taking photographs for personal use is allowed. If the organizer has reasons to suspect that photographs taken will be used for other than private purposes, they have the right to prohibit taking pictures in the stands.

Capturing videos inside Hartwall Arena is strictly prohibited.

### **Horns, whistles, drums, noisemakers and other fan items**

Small party whistle type horns and other instruments are allowed, if used moderately. They are part of the positive fan culture that is fostered also in the World Championship. If the use of allowed items cause unreasonable harm or disturbance to other spectators, bouncers at the Arena may step in.

Air horns, vuvuzelas, megaphones, and other very loud or buzzer-like noisemakers are prohibited along with whistles that resemble referee whistles.

Using drums and megaphones to lead fan chants and songs may be negotiated case-by-case: [security@2013.iihfworlds.com](mailto:security@2013.iihfworlds.com)

### **Flags and banners**

Maximum sizes and approved materials of flags and banners have been specified in order to guarantee fire safety and an unblocked view for other spectators and TV cameras. Large tifos in wrong places may interfere with audience and TV camera visibility. The organizer adheres to the fire safety regulations set by the authorities.

Maximum size of an individual banner or flag is 100cm x 100cm. Fan items larger than that must be separately approved and fire-protected. An indisputable proof of fire protection will be required. The maximum allowed length of flag poles is 100cm with diameter of approx. 10mm. The material should preferably be plastic e.g. electrical conduit or air-conditioning tube.

Using flags and banners exceeding the maximum allowed size in the stands during games may be negotiated case-by-case: [security@2013.iihfworlds.com](mailto:security@2013.iihfworlds.com)

### **Cloakroom**

There is a cloakroom outside the ground floor doors of Hartwall Arena. However, the spectators are requested to leave bags and other belongings home to ensure quick and easy access to the Arena.

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