



AGREEMENT

Finnish Ice Hockey Association and Swedish Ice Hockey Association hereby agree terms of player movement in the border area in Lapland/Norrbotten near Torneå River.

Clubs involved:

HTUHC, Haparanda
Asplöven HC, Haparanda
Övertorneå HF, Övertorneå
Pajala HC, Pajala
EtPo-72, Ylitornio
TIHC, Tornio
Lämärit, Kemi
Pellon Kiekko, Pello

Purpose

Purpose of this agreement is to improve and help the player movement and co-operation of ice hockey clubs in this area. Agreement is based on IIHF's permission to allow players on that Haparanda/Tornio area to transfer over the border without IIHF Letter of Approval and to allow playing in both countries.

Rules

To improve to the co-operation and player movement we agree the following:

- Players can be loaned from other side of the border when needed. Loaning other country's player cannot in any case mean that any own player of the team shall not play.
- All own players comes first, then possible loans
- When making possible joined teams, the amount of teams and players shall remain at least the same as before. Players cannot be transferred to other side of the border if at the same time there's a team that end their playing
- If a player moves to other side of the border for whole season, the receiving club accepts the player only with the permission of the old club in Finland or Sweden. In these case, players won't neither be transferred
- Loaning of player to various teas happens only at the decision on respective clubs, not a single team or it's leaders or coaches. Every loan has to be accepted in both clubs.
- In each game (Sweden and in Finland) at least 60 % of players in game line-up has to be own country players. Only exception is if a single age group there's altogether players for one team only in that area

- Player's are accepted to play official games when they have official registration made to their home country. That means all players are registered to their own country despite which team and country they play.
- Player can represent only one team when playing in other country. One player cannot play in all clubs in this area
- Player movement in player's own country shall be follow the rules of respective country.
- If there's any aggressive recruiting or any other action against the spirit of this agreement, the agreement can be ended at any time during the season if SIHA and FIHA decides to do so.

This agreement is followed and sanctioned by:

Mikael Lundström, Sport Director, SIHA

Pirkka Antila, Manager of Hockey Operations, FIHA

Curt Johansson, chairman of the competition commity , Norbottens Ice Hockey Association

Jari Lempinen, Area Manager, Lapland, FIHA