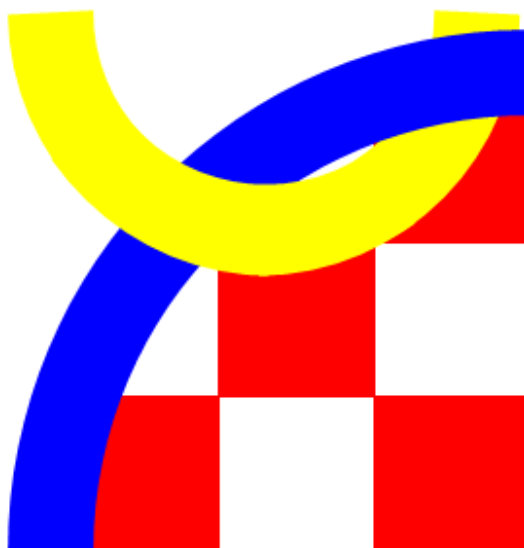


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In addition to the programmes and activities of the Croatian Olympic Committee and the annual fair play in sports award which promote the fair play principles, the Croatian Olympic Committee also involves the "Croatian Fair Play Committee" which overlooks the implementation of ideas and activities of fair play in sports.

The Croatian Fair Play Committee (CFPC) comprises 11 representatives of the Croatian Olympic Committee (athletes, coaches, Council members and other sports officials) and 4 representatives of the Croatian Sports Journalists Association. It operates in accordance with the Rules of the Croatian Fair Play Committee, which have been signed by both organizations. The Croatian Sports Journalists Association takes an active part in all CFPC activities, while giving a positive example of the cooperation of sports and media in promoting the values of sport and Olympism.

The CFPC acts in cooperation with the NOC of Croatia, the Central State Office for Sport, the Croatian School Sport Association, the Croatian Olympic Academy, and other governmental and non-governmental organizations in Croatia.

Here is a brief report on the CFPC activities during 2018:



During a physical education class the pupils send by post picture postcards having fair play messages

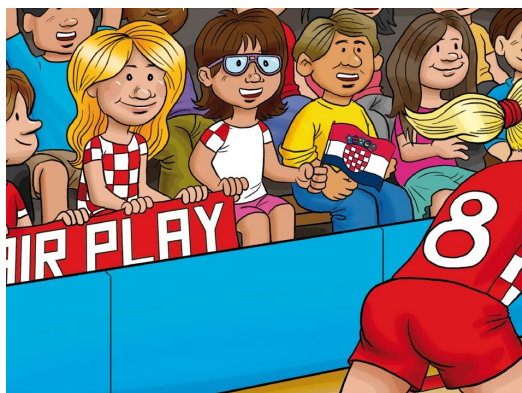
1.) In collaboration with the Central State Office for Sport and the Croatian School Sport Federation, the Croatian Fair Play Committee carried out a project of fair play promotion and non-violence in sport by publishing five different picture postcards with fair play messages, intended primarily for pupils who participate in sports competitions and can send them to their friends.

These postcards serve as a tool for work with children through universal sports schools and they are also an integral part of the Action plan for the realisation of education measures in the fight against violence in sport, sports competitions and outside them. 12,000 picture postcards were printed.

The cooperation between CFPC and the Croatian School Sport Federation is regulated by the signed Memorandum of Understanding. 4,277 pupils and 582 teachers took part in the finals of the 2017/2018 National championship of school sports associations. They all received T-shirts bearing fair play messages. A special attention in activities was paid to educational picture postcards with fair play messages that the pupils could send to their friends and other persons with whom they wanted to share a fair play message. The fair play award of school sport was presented at the National school championship. The importance of education about fair play was made prominent in the competition programme. Top-level Croatian athletes took part in this fair play promotion as well. The fair play week activities are planned to be carried out in 21 Croatian primary schools at the end of this year and at the beginning of the next one. This activity is also related to promotional picture postcards about fair play and for that purpose, a demonstration physical education class dedicated to fair play in sport was organised in February 2018. Since the mentioned picture postcards are bilingual, they are used at other international, national or regional sports competitions promoting fair play in sport.

2.) The Sports Code of Conduct for school and pre-school children is prepared and published in cooperation between Central State Office for Sport and CFPC this year.

The Sports Code of Conduct for school children contain caricatures and the relevant messages for school children in two languages while the Sports Code of Conduct for pre-school children are colouring books containing material for kindergarten teachers who will talk with children about fair play, tolerance and other aspects of positive behaviour towards other children.



Caricature from the Sports Code of Conduct for pre-school children

The Sports Code of Conduct for other groups of participants, such as students, coaches, referees, parents, fans ... is planned to be published. About 800 Sports Code of Conduct for pre-school children will be distributed at the Kindergarten Olympic Festival next year.

3.) The COC pays special attention to fair play values during special children's programmes. Under the motto "Što se nauči u djetinjstvu nikad se ne zaboravlja" („You never forget what you learn in childhood”), since 2002 the Croatian Olympic Committee has organized a national project of affirmation of Olympic values with the youngest children through the "Croatian Kindergarten Olympic Festival“. Since 2007, the festival has been taking place under the motto "I ja ću biti olimpijac" („I too will be an Olympian”), and every year it gathers more than 15,000 pre-school children, all wearing T-shirts bearing the inscription FAIR PLAY. Every child aged 5 or 6 who attends one of Croatian kindergartens has the right to participate in the Festival.



Competition of children at the Kindergarten Olympic Festival, Sisak 2018

Encouraging children to take up sports and developing sport activity and culture, as well as children's creativity and self-initiative, cooperation and learning to respect the fundamental values of Olympism, such as fair play, solidarity, respect for others, team work, self-respect and rejection of violence are the main guidelines of the Festival, whose participants increase every year. In 2018, 14.997 children from 440 kindergartens from 47 cities on the territory of Croatia took part in the 17th Croatian Kindergarten Olympic Festival. The Croatian Fair Play Committee thinks that this programme has a considerable potential for the promotion of sport, fair play principles and appropriate behaviour.

4.) This year's World Football Championship, as the most important competition, sent many messages to the public. CFPC took note of the Japanese fans' and players' gesture and therefore

sent the following message to the Japanese Embassy in Zagreb: “We are pleased to inform you that the Japanese fans and football players have been proclaimed the greatest fair play promoters at the World Football Championship in Russia by the Croatian Fair Play Committee. The gesture of fans and players, that is, cleaning tribunes and locker rooms at Rostov Arena, after the match with Belgium, on 2 July 2018, showed to the entire world that sport can be even nicer than it really is ...” Svjetsko prvenstvo u nogometu ove godine kao najznačajnije sportsko natjecanje, mnogim je zbivanjima slalo svoje poruke javnosti.



Locker room at Rostov Arena after the departure of Japanese football players (foto: Getty Images)

5.) Fair play activities and messages are promoted at Sports Television by fair play minute and reports about fair play activities. The cooperation with the editorial board of the Olimp magazine

6.) The CFPC's **plan for the next period** (2018/2019) includes the expansion and development of activities designed to promote fair play, tolerance and other sports values, cooperation with other governmental and non-governmental institutions, schools, athletes, clubs, especially national sports federations on:

- fair play promotion through different programme activities in collaboration with national sports associations
- collaboration with the Central State Office for Sport and Ministry of Science and Education in further activities on the promotion of fair play, tolerance, understanding, mutual respect and similar values among children and the youth have been foreseen.
- Fair play will be promoted at Sports Television. A fair play minute, fair play contribution should be singled out.
- The cooperation with the editorial board of the Olimp magazine will be continued with a special fair play messages and reports.

- The creation of the contact persons network that will coordinate fair play activities in different counties is launched.
- We plan to cooperate with the Croatian Olympic Academy in the following areas: fair play inclusion in the education programme for coaches as well as in other educational programmes, elaboration of a diploma for fair play achievements of the CFPC – in cooperation with the Art Academy, invitation of tenders for students.

Croatian Fair Play Committee