



Press Release 06: Kegel Agreement 2009-2011

The first lane maintenance agreement between Kegel and ETBF was a one year agreement for 2005 and the second lane maintenance agreement between Kegel and ETBF is a three years agreement, terminating at the end of this year.

In the last months pleasant, constructive and progressive negotiations has taken place between Kegel and ETBF, with the purpose to enter into the third consecutive lane maintenance agreement between the two partners.

As expected, we succeeded and we are therefore able to present **Kegel as the Official Lane Maintenance Partner for ETBF** for yet another three years period, namely for 2009-2011.

The main objectives for the agreement is lane maintenance at ETBF Championships, lane maintenance at selected EBT Stops and in addition some other services provided by Kegel.

Lane maintenance provided by Kegel is mandatory for championship hosts and in the agreement period ETBF will conduct a total of 9 championships, which is 1 European Women Championships (2010), 2 European Men Championships (2009 and 2011), 3 European Youth Championships and 3 European Champion Cups.

Lane maintenance provided by Kegel is optional for the organizer of all categories of EBT Tournaments, but with different conditions for organizers of EBT Masters, Premiers and Majors on the one side and EBT Challengers on the other side.

In addition to the lane maintenance part of the agreement, Kegel will provide the ETBF Technical Committee with a new Kegel LaneMapper to efficiently and accurately inspect the bowling lanes in centers hosting ETBF Championships as well as any bowling center wishing to obtain an official ETBF Centre Certification.

It was and it is essential for the ETBF Presidium to deal with a professional lane maintenance partner to ensure as fair conditions as possible for our sport. The ETBF Presidium is therefore very pleased and satisfied for the continued close partnership with Kegel for 2009-2011.

Each of the organizers will in a few days receive detailed information about the new lane maintenance agreement and the possibilities it opens for each organizer.

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