

## **The CNMC analyses the Royal Spanish Football Federation's proposals to market the broadcasting rights for the Copa and the Supercopa to betting companies**

- Some of the conditions proposed by the Royal Spanish Football Federation (RFEF in Spanish) for the tender do not meet the requirements set out in [Royal Decree-Law 5/2015](#).

**Madrid, 20 September 2022.-** The CNMC has issued a report analysing the conditions proposed by the Royal Spanish Football Federation to market the broadcasting rights for the Copa del Rey and the Supercopa in betting shops ([INF/DC/162/22](#)).

The CNMC considers that the proposed marketing bases do not comply with the conditions required by [Royal Decree-Law 5/2015](#). Specifically, the CNMC recommends to the RFEF a bidding procedure that respects the principles of competition, transparency, and non-discrimination by introducing the following changes:

- Clarifying whether the rights are tendered in 3 lots (Spain, the United States and Canada, and the rest of the world) or in a single lot.
- Granting sufficient time for the preparation and submission of bids and requests for clarification.
- Using tender access requirements that respect the principles of necessity, proportionality, and non-discrimination.
- Eliminating wording that creates uncertainty for the applicants and gives excessive discretion to the RFEF in the awarding of rights.
- Limiting the bidding period to 3 seasons.

These reports are issued pursuant to Article 4 of [Royal Decree-Law 5/2015](#), of 30 April, on urgent measures in relation to the marketing of the rights to exploit broadcasting content of professional football competitions, which requires distributors to request a prior report from the CNMC on the proposed conditions.

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