

# **Professional ice hockey player contracts**

## **Abstract**

The topic of this thesis is professional player contracts in ice hockey. It is a very specifically chosen topic of the thesis, the main aim of which is to analyze the subject of individual player contracts. In order to achieve this, however, it was necessary to first set out the smaller sub-objectives of the thesis.

These minor objectives will help to introduce the subject in a sufficient manner and also serve as a basis for the subsequent analysis of the problematic provisions of the players' contracts. The minor objectives were to set out the concept of "sport" and its division, to point out the insufficient legal regulation of professional sport in the Czech Republic and to compare activities of a professional hockey player with employment status and with entrepreneurship.

In the last and main chapter, I aimed to analyze in detail the professional player contracts in ice hockey, their individual arrangements and to point out the problems caused mainly by the absence of legal regulation of professional sport and the autonomy of the will of the parties, especially the stronger party, the ice hockey club.

**Key words:** player contract, professional sport, ice hockey