

Abstract

This diploma thesis is aimed at the spectator violence during the football matches from the point of view of criminal law. Due to the size of this problematics, the part of the thesis is also devoted to the administrative and private legislation. The term spectator violence can include a whole range of dangerous and violent behavior of fans at the football match. Most often we can qualify such behavior as disturbing the preparations and the progress of organized sports match, so as the criminal offense of disorderly conduct.

The first chapter is dedicated to characteristics and typology of visitors of the football matches as potential perpetrators, focusing on football hooligans. The second chapter deals with the various manifestations of spectator violence and the development of this phenomenon in the Czech Republic. The third chapter is devoted to selected offences that can include the spectator violence most frequently. The largest part is devoted to the analysis of current legislation of the criminal offence of disorderly conduct, focusing on the explanation of vague legal terms and the principle of subsidiarity of criminal repression. Furthermore it is dedicated to theoretical analysis and practical examples of other selected offences related to spectator violence such as assault, rioting, violence against public official or the hate crimes. Chapters four and five are aimed at the measures taken by the stakeholders at the national and international level that lead to suppression of the spectator violence. Special part is devoted to the alternative form of punishment of prohibiting the entrance to sport, cultural or other social events. The sixth chapter is devoted to anti-hooligan legal precautions of Great Britain, Germany and Poland that can serve as inspiration for possible improvements of Czech legislation. The last chapter summarizes the findings and proposes of possible ways towards the suppression of spectator violence and improving of security and the atmosphere on football stadiums.