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Report

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- 1. IA and FA title applications See attached list
- 2. Proposals for amendments of the requirement in obtaining IA and FA norms
 The Dutch Chess Federation proposes to allow the National Team Championship to be taken
 into account as a valid norm. The following proposal is accepted:

A norm for IA or FA is accepted if the candidate has been working as an arbiter in the National Team Championship provided that the competition is played with a) a minimum of 4 boards per team, b) a minimum of 10 teams, c) at least 60% of the players need to have a FIDE rating. These requirements are only valid for the highest division of the National Team Championship.

The proposal of the Russian Chess Federation to first achieve the FA-title and after a certain period the possibility to achieve the IA-title is not accepted. Their proposals for the requirements, however, is unanimously accepted:

- Obligatory knowledge of English language, minimum at conversation level; and of chess terms in other official FIDE languages.
- Minimum skills at user level to work with a personal computer. Knowledge of pairing programs endorsed by the FIDE Swiss Pairing Committee, Word, Excel and E-mail
- Sufficient knowledge of FIDE Regulations regarding the achievement of title norms and the FIDE rating system
- Sufficient knowledge of Swiss Pairing Systems
- Skills to operate electronic chess clocks of different types and for different systems

The Turkish Chess Federation proposed not to award the IA and FA titles for life.

With respect to awarding the IA and FA titles it is repeated that FIDE has to trust the national federations sending in the applications.

Examinations for achieving the IA of FA title could be organized in the federation itself.

The question of Geurt Gijssen whether a "match" arbiter in a Swiss tournament responsible for 25-30 games (e.g. the Aeroflot tournament) can be awarded an IA/FA certificate is positively answered.

- 3. There are no restrictions for IA and FA changing federation.
- 4. Dirk De Ridder explains the current situation of the IA/FA database: starting from the Golden Book he now has 1565 names (up to 2001). He will verify the data with the last known list and the FIDE-website. Then listings per federation will be distributed for updating immediately asking for email addresses and an activity overview of the arbiters. The proposal is made to create an input form on the website for arbiters. The email address list will be used to distribute circular letters to all arbiters over the world.

Panagious Nikolopoulos Chairman

INTERNATIONAL ARBITERS' TITLE APPLICATIONS

FOR APPROVAL IN HALKIDIKI CONGRESS

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1	Hermida, Marcelo Mariano	ARG	YES	
2	Lazaj, Shelquim	ALB	YES	
3	Roustamov, Loutfiyar	AZE	YES	
4	Lukac, Nikola	BIH	YES	
5	Nedeljko, Ilic	BIH	YES	
6	Gomez Roca, Vicente	ESP	YES	
7	Monne Aules, Enric	ESP	NO	Only one type of trnmt. Less than 100 partic.
8	Montelio Benedicto, C.	ESP	YES	
9	Montes Mayo, Juan C.	ESP	YES	
10	Quinterro Torres, P.	ESP	YES	
11	Piquemal, Christiane	FRA	NO	Trnmts. more than 7 years. Data missing.
12	Variniac, Emmanuel	FRA	YES	
13	Kofidis, Spyridon	GRE	YES	
14	Pendidis, Nikolaos	GRE	YES	
15	Bagonyai, Attila	HUN	YES	
16	Rajunder, Sharma	IND	NO	
17	Tewari, H. K.	IND	NO	3 rd norm not valid for IA
18	Lagerman, Robert	ISL	NO	2 nd - 4 th norm not valid.
19	Yurovsky, Sergey	KAZ	YES	
20	Alybaev, Djekshenbeck	KGZ	NO	3 norms only.
21	Haou, Mostapha	MAR	YES	
22	Chirila, Radu-Catalin	ROM	YES	
23	Zivic, Dragan	SCG	YES	
24	Rusjan, Dusan	SLO	YES	
25	Sandsroem, Anders	SWE	YES	
26	Adhami, Hesham M.	UAE	YES	
27	Aljasmi, Jawahir G.	UAE	YES	
28	Khoori, Tareq M.	UAE	YES	
29	Maruschenko, Lubov	UKR	YES	
30	Nguyen, Tan Tung	VIE	NO	1 st norm not valid for IA. 3 rd -4 th trnmts valid as one norm.
31	Savic, Radislav	SCG	YES	

New IA Title Applications received during 74th FIDE Congress

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1.	Griffith, Trevor	BAR	YES	
2.	Honari, Kaveh	IRI	YES	
3.	Kazemi, Hossein	IRI	YES	

Panagions Nikolopoulos Chairman

To: FIDE Arbiters' Council

From: Arbiters' Council of Russian Chess Federation

Current requirements for awarding IA title are not high enough to express knowledge and experience of arbiter with highest degree. We expected that establishment of new FA title would make the number of applications for IA title much less than it was before, but this did not happen because in reality these two titles became very much alike.

In order to increase level of chess arbitrating we should establish some kind of license for acting arbiters with IA title and increase requirements for new applicants for this title.

Arbiters' council of Russian Chess Federation makes the following proposals for current requirements for achievement IA title:

To change

Obligatory knowledge of English language, minimum, at a level of conversation and also chess terms in other official FIDE languages.

To add

Skills, minimum at the level of the user, to work on a personal computer. Knowledge of Pairing Programs (e.g.SM-46, 48, etc.), Word, Excel, E-mail.

Sufficient knowledge of FIDE Regulations of classification and Rating system.

Skills to operate electronic chess clocks of different systems and types.

The title of the International arbiter can be given only two years after receiving the title of FIDE Arbiter.

The right to sign recommendation for applicant of IA and FA title can be given to arbiter who got IA title himself at least three years before.

Arbiters' council of RCF Chairman

Vladimir Dvorkovich

Secretary

Igor Vereshchagin