

75th FIDE CONGRESS
CALVIA, MALLORCA, SPAIN
21-31 October 2004
Sol Antillas Hotel

Committee/Commission: Arbiters' Council

Chairman: IA P. Nikolopoulos

Date: 24 October 2004

Venue: Sala Menorca

Present: D. Madhloom (IRQ), A. Nahdi (IRQ), Z. Ambrus (HUN), D. Levacic (FRA), S.L. Harsh (IND), A. Hamid Majid (MAS), G. Wijesuriya (SRI), M. Pahlevanzadeh (IRI), C. Abundo (PHI), E. Einarsson (ISL), I. Vereschagin (RUS), H. Dalso (DEN), E. Abdalla (LBA), J. C. Basaille (FRA), F. Delboe (FRA), N. Divinsky (CAN), M. Shadarevian (QAT), M. Said (PLE), E. Price (RSA), S. Chuit (CUB), J. Ochoa (ESP), L. Bellhouse (BAR), P. Nimityongskul (THA), M. Hermida (ARG), R. Barrera (ARG), A. Cimina (LAT), F. Dapiran (ITA), M. Markkula (FIN), A. Schuering (NED), P. Votruba (CZE), A. Vardapetian (ARM), G. Gijssen (NED), Dr. D. De Ridder(BEL), M. Jamshedy (AFG), M. Emherweed (LBA)

1. Chairman P. Nikolopoulos welcomed all members of the committee and observers and thanked Javier Ochoa for the Spanish hospitality.
2. Title applications for IA and FA included and not included in the Agenda were discussed and decided. The applications not published in the official FIDE Congress Agenda will be published on the FIDE website so allowing a 30 day period for anyone to make remarks. After this period the approval given in this meeting will be final.
3. Scheveningen Tournaments are accepted for FA/IA applications since it is a different tournament system.
Being a Tournament Director of a national or league competition is not accepted as a FA/IA norm.
4. Currently the FA/IA title is awarded for life. Restriction of validity during a certain time can only be possible when the complete FA/IA database is available
 - 1.1.6 maximum one member per federation
 - 2.11 the table has to be reviewed by the QC.In future FA/IA norm certificates have to be sent to FIDE Secretariat together with the full tournament report.
5. Proposal to award first the FA title and then the IA title (both fulfilling the necessary requirements), *i.e.* a 2-step process was accepted with 8 YES and 4 NO.
Proposal for a new title of FIDE School Arbiter is not accepted.
Proposal for requirement that in order to achieve a title of International Arbiter, it is necessary to have an elo rating of 1800 was not accepted.

4. The FA/IA database available in the FIDE office will be sent to Dirk De Ridder so that it can be merged with the data of the latter in order to obtain one complete database which will be used to award the FA/IA ID's.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Nikolopoulos', written over a light blue grid background.

P. Nikolopoulos
Chairman

D. De Ridder
Secretary

ARBITERS' TITLE APPLICATIONS

FOR APPROVAL IN CALVIA CONGRESS 2004

A. TAs included in the Agenda

1. International Arbiter Title Applications

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1	Nesla, Adnane	ALG	NO	Only SS tourn., less than 100 part.
2	Bounchas, Halim	ALG	YES	
3	Petrelli, Ricardo	ARG	YES	
4	Amaral, Mauro	BRA	YES	
5	Carrasco, Ramon	BRA	YES	
6	Horiguti, Augusto M.	BRA	YES	
7	Al-Afoo, Shaker	BRN	YES	
8	Mc Donald, Patrick	CAN	YES	
9	Brokko-Oloe, Margit	EST	YES	
10	Bounzou, Nadir	FRA	YES	
11	Desmoulieres, Serge	FRA	YES	
12	Pernoud, Claire	FRA	YES	
13	Poenisch, Egmont	GER	YES	
14	Schulz, Hugo	GER	YES	
15	Wadewitz, Ralf	GER	YES	
16	Marti, Gyorgy	HUN	YES	
17	Pergel, Laszlo	HUN	YES	
18	Joshi, Ambrish C.	IND	YES	
19	Sharma, Rajinder	IND	YES	
20	Tewari, Hari Krishna	IND	YES	
21	Vasudevan, R.R.	IND	NO	Only SS tourn., less than 100 part.
22	Carag, Erwin	PHI	YES	
23	Szewczak, Andrzej	POL	YES	
24	Kizova, Sava	SCG	YES	
25	Stojanovic, Vlado	SCG	YES	
26	Eriksson, Mats	SWE	YES	
27	Anka, Emil	HUN	YES	

2. FIDE Arbiter Title Applications

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1	Mascheroni, Maurizio	ITA	YES	
2	Vijjuprabha, Panupad	THA	YES	
3	Savulescu, Romulus	ROM	YES	
4	Lakatos, Josef	SVK	YES	
5	Mindzak, Jaroslav	SVK	YES	

B. TAs not included in the Agenda

The final approval is subject to 30 days delay after the publication on the FIDE website

1. International Arbiter Title Applications

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1	Zilli, Mario	ARG	COND.	FRL 01.05
2	Stadler, Peter	AUT	YES	
3	Strallhofer, Hermann	AUT	COND.	FRL 01.05
4	Calle, Jose Jesus	COL	YES	
5	Dindhard, Lars	DEN	YES	
6	Blasco de la Cruz, Luis	ESP	YES	
7	Fernandez-D. M., Miguel	ESP	NO	According to the QC decision. Case sent to the FIDE Ethics Commission
8	Fernandez Sanchez, F.	ESP	YES	
9	Fernandez Hierro, J.	ESP	YES	
10	Garcia Villamanta, B.	ESP	YES	
11	Martin V., Jose Luis	ESP	YES	
12	Mauleon C., Nerea	ESP	YES	
13	Navarro C., Jose A.	ESP	NO	Tourn. 3 and 4 not valid as norms
14	Reinaldo, Alvaro	ESP	NO	Only 3 norms (Tourn. 2 and 3 are 1 norm)
15	Torrens Gordiola, J.A.	ESP	YES	
16	Dharmendra, Kumar	IND	YES	
17	Narendra, Shrimali	IND	YES	
18	Asaad, Ismail Ali	IRQ	YES	
19	Mohsin, Nazar	IRQ	YES	
20	Basim, Jebraha	IRQ	YES	
21	Erghei, Nureddin	LBA	YES	
22	Elsaker, Abdul Hamid	LBA	YES	

23	Kim, Tse Pin	MAS	YES	
24	Lebel, Patrick	MNC	NO	Only 3 norms (Tourn. 2 not valid – 3rds)
25	Ahmed, Jamil	PAK	NO	Only 3 norms (Tourn. 1 and 2 are 1 norm)
26	Moseros, Jose	PHI	COND.	FRL 01.05
27	Yap, Lincoln	PHI	YES	According to the QC decision
28	Rodrigues, Pedro	POR	YES	
29	Zayed, Yusef Mahmud	QAT	YES	
30	Gamback, Bjorn	SWE	NO	Norm 1 not valid
32	Nguyen, Thi Anh Thu	VIE	COND.	FRL 01.05

2. FIDE Arbiter Title Applications

No	NAME	FED	APPR.	NOTES
1	Arnaiz Yanes, M. Angel	ESP	YES	
2	Blasquez Murez, J. A.	ESP	YES	
3	Kulac, Olgun	TUR	YES	
4	Seckinger, Suzan	TUR	YES	
5	Unal, Tugan	TUR	COND.	FRL 01.05
31	Nguyen, Phuoc Trung	VIE	YES	
33	Nguyen, Tan Tung	VIE	YES	

IA TAs : 60 YES: 46, COND.: 4, NO : 8
FA TAs : 10 YES: 11, COND.: 1, NO : -

Regulations for the Titles of Arbiter

As approved by GA 1982, amended by GA 1984 to 2004

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The following regulations can only be altered by the General Assembly following recommendation by the Arbiters Council.
- 1.1.1 Changes to the regulations shall only be made every fourth year, commencing from 2004 (unless the Council agrees urgent action is required).
- 1.1.2 Any such changes shall take effect from 1 July of the year following the decision by the General Assembly.
- 1.1.3 The titles for award are International Arbiter (IA) and FIDE Arbiter (FA).
- 1.1.4 the titles are valid for life from the date awarded or registered.
- 1.1.5 the judging unit is the FIDE Arbiters' Council.
- 1.1.6 The Arbiters' Council is appointed by the General Assembly for the same period of office as the FIDE President. The Council shall include a chairman and not more than 16 experts who shall have voting rights in the Council. No Federation shall have more than one representative in the Council. The Council may subsequently include new members who shall have consultative voice but no voting rights.
- 1.1.7 The Presidential Board or Executive Board may confirm the titles under 1.1.3 in clear cases only, after consultation with the Arbiters Council chairman.
- 1.1.8 The Council usually makes its decisions in the sessions immediately preceding the opening of the General Assembly.
- 1.1.9 In exceptional circumstances, the Council may recommend a title by correspondence voting.

2.1 General Regulations for Arbiter norms

- 2.1.1 Format - Swiss, Round Robin or other
- Level - World, Continental, International, National
- Type - Individual, Team
- Certificates - number of norm certificates to be issued
- Norms - number of norms that can be used in application

Format	Level of Event	Type	Maximum number of Norm Certificates to be issued	Number of Norms that can be used for Title Application
	World		No limit (depending on the number of the rounds in the case of KO)	No limit
	Continental		No limit	No limit
	Olympiad		No limit	Max. one norm
Swiss	International		2+1 more per every 50 players (i.e. for more than 50 players: 3, for more than 100 players: 4)	No limit
Swiss	National Championships	Individual (adult)	2+1 more per every 50 players	Max. two norms
RR	National Championships	Individual (adult)	Max. 2	Max. two norms
Swiss / RR	National Championships	Team	No limit (depending on the number of teams)	Max. one norm
Rapid Chess	World / Continental		No limit (depending on the number of rounds if KO)	Max. one norm

- 2.1.2 A norm of FA or IA is accepted if the candidate has been working as an arbiter in the highest division of the National Team Championship, whereby the following requirements are met:
- (a) A minimum of four (4) boards per team;
 - (b) A minimum of ten (10) teams;
 - (c) At least 60% of the players are FIDE rated.

- 2.1.3 Applicants for the title of IA/FA must be at least 21 years old. Norms can be achieved only after the age of 18.

3. Requirements for the title of International Arbiter (IA).

All of the following:

- 3.1 Thorough knowledge of the Laws of Chess, the FIDE Regulations for chess competitions, the Swiss Pairing Systems, the FIDE Regulations regarding achievement of title norms and the FIDE Rating System.
- 3.2 Absolute objectivity, demonstrated at all times during his activity as an arbiter.
- 3.3 Obligatory knowledge of English language, minimum at conversation level, and of chess terms in other official FIDE languages.
- 3.4 Minimum skills at user level to work on a personal computer. Knowledge of pairing programs endorsed by the FIDE Swiss Pairing Committee, Text editing and Spreadsheets programs and usage of E-mail.
- 3.5 Skills to operate electronic chess clocks of different types and for different systems.
- 3.6 Experience as chief or deputy arbiter in at least four FIDE rated events such as the following:
 - (a) The final of the National Individual (adult) Championship (maximum two norms).
 - (b) All official FIDE tournaments and matches.
 - (c) International title tournaments and matches.
 - (d) International chess events with at least 100 players.
 - (e) All official World and Continental Rapid Championships (maximum one norm).
- 3.7 The title of the International Arbiter for each of the IBCA, ICSC, IPCA shall each be equivalent to one IA norm.
- 3.8. Being a match arbiter in an Olympiad is equivalent to one IA norm. No more than one such norm will be considered for the title.
- 3.9 The title of International Arbiter can be awarded only to applicants who have already been awarded the title of FIDE Arbiter.

4. Requirements for the title of FIDE Arbiter (FA).

All of the following:

- 4.1 Thorough knowledge of the Laws of Chess, the FIDE Regulations for chess competitions, the Swiss Pairing Systems.
- 4.2 Absolute objectivity, demonstrated at all times during his activity as an arbiter.
- 4.3 Sufficient knowledge of at least one official FIDE language.
- 4.4 Experience as chief or deputy arbiter in at least four FIDE Rated events. These can be either national or international.
- 4.5 The title of FIDE Arbiter for each of the IBCA, ICSC, IPCA shall each be equivalent to one FA norm.

- 4.6 For a candidate, being a match arbiter in an Olympiad is equivalent to one FA norm. No more than one such norm will be considered for the title.
- 4.7 Applicants from federations which are unable to organize any tournaments valid for titles or rating, may be awarded the title on passing an examination set by the Arbiters' Council.

5. Application Procedure

- 5.1 Application forms for the titles listed in 1.1.3 are annexed hereto. They are:
Tournament Report Form with cross-table and decisions on appeals - TRF (one for each norm)
Arbiter Norm Report Form - ANR (one for each norm)
Arbiter Title Application Form - ATA
- 5.2 The norm reports supporting a title application must be for at least two different types of tournament, or at least one international rated event according to 3.6(d), and achieved in events with starting dates that fall within a six-year period. The application must be submitted not later than the second FIDE Congress after the date of the latest event listed.
- 5.2 Applications must be submitted to the *FIDE Secretariat* by the federation of the applicant. The national federation is responsible for the fee.
- 5.3 All title applications together with full details must be posted on the FIDE website for a minimum of 60 days prior to finalisation. This is in order for any objections to be lodged.