

MINUTES

of the Arbiters' Commission Meeting in Tallinn 2013 FIDE Congress

2 October 2013, 15.00-19.00

Chairman and Secretary: Panagiotis Nikolopoulos (GRE), Dr. Dirk J.A De Ridder (BEL)

Councillors: Klaus Deventer (GER), Werner Stubenvoll (AUT) , Mahdi Abdulrahim (UAE)

Members: Franca Dapiran (ITA), Stephen Boyd (FRA), Ashot Vardapetyan (ARM), Hal Bond (CAN), Alexander Tkachev (RUS), G. Luxman Wijesuriya (SRI)

Observers: Andrzej Filipowicz (POL), Lakhdar Mazouz (ALG), Shaker Al-Afoo (BRN), Taha Jasim (BRN), Mehrdad Pahlevanzadeh (IRI), Samir Zerdali (ALG), Inaganti Amarnath (IND), Walter Brown (USA), Roberto Ricca (ITA), Igor Glek (RUS), Hadi Karimi (IRI), Jouni Lehtivaara (FIN), Igor Vereshchagin (RUS), Francisco Guadalupe (USA), Gary Wastell (AUS), Herman Hamers (NED), Erdem Ucarkus (TUR), Arthur Schuering (NED), Uvencio Blanco (VEN), Stephen Kisuze (UGA), Robert Katende (UGA), Tshenolo Maruatona (BOT), Russell Smith (TTO), Erick Hernandez (ESA), George Mastrokoukos (GRE), Varlam Vepkhvishvili (GEO), Sevan A Muradian (USA), Casto Abundo (PHI), Madhloom A. Dhafer (IRQ), Fidel Gonzales (VEN)

Chairman Takis Nikolopoulos opens the meeting at 3 PM greeting the participants.

11 out of 15 members of the Commission were present in the Meeting.

1. Arbiters' Commission Councilors' Meeting (Athens 21-23 June 2103)

The Minutes of the meeting is included in the Agenda.

2. IA and FA TAs

For the first time the recommendations of the ARB were put on the Arbiters' Commission website, so that federations were able to check the recommendations before this meeting. In case of rejection of an application, the reason was given. Some recommendations are conditional because form IT3 is missing in the application. As usual applications are still arriving during the Congress for which the core committee will give a recommendation during this Congress. In case a norm within an application is not valid, it can still be replaced during this Congress, so that the application will be approved.

Still a number of federations are not aware of the rule that two types of tournaments (i.e. SS and RR, or SS and TM, or RR and TM) are necessary. If only Swiss tournaments are submitted for a candidate at least one of them should have at least 100 participants, according to the article 5.2 of the regulations for the titles of Arbiters.

3. FA titles and norms from FIDE Arbiters' Seminars for approval

The candidates of federations which cannot organize tournaments can achieve the direct title by following a FIDE Arbiters' Seminar, according to the article 3.10 of the regulations for the titles of Arbiters

Chairman Nikolopoulos presents and comments some statistics of the FIDE Arbiters' Seminars organized during the last year.

4. Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminars.

11 of such seminars were organized, which is a very good number. Especially in the Americas the system is very successful.

The Arbiters' Commission decided to organize this type of seminars in each official FIDE language. The participation will be free of charge for all participants.

An Internet Seminar in Arabic is scheduled for November.

5. Amendments of the Regulations.

a. Regulations for the titles of Arbiters.

Some changes are proposed to B.06 of the FIDE Handbook. Some Federations did not pay attention to the article 5.2 of these regulations. Therefore a part of art. 5.2 was moved to article 2.1.3 for better clarification.

In the table of paragraph 2 an additional line will be added for "Round Robin", with maximum 2 certificates.

Scheveningen tournaments are not included, since they are very rare. The Commission will consider any norm from a Scheveningen tournament, in case of submission.

For the signing of the norms by the Federations it was clarified that as federation official the President, General Secretary or Rating Officer are acceptable.

An amendment is proposed to article 5.4 but the Commission will still contact the respective federation to find out why an application was not sent to the FIDE Secretariat.

The financial regulations are added to article 5.5 with the exception where the time limit of 60 days cannot be taken into account (e.g. Olympiad). From now on the financial regulations are the same as for the over-the-board titles.

For IA-applications the signatures of at least two different arbiters are necessary.

The definition of "deputy chief arbiter" is confusing. Especially in the case of national league competitions organized during a longer period (several months) in different cities this title is used whereas match arbiters are meant. In principal a tournament can have one or two deputy chief arbiters. Also in the case of youth tournaments the arbiter of a certain age category is often designated as "deputy chief arbiter". But in this case the title of "sector arbiter" is more accurate. In order to avoid confusion more lines should be added to the TRF-file and within the several Swiss programs.

The definition of the different type of arbiters should be fixed so that it would also be clear for a number of FIDE tournaments, e.g. Olympiad and the World Team Championship.

The Commission has submitted a proposal included in the Agenda of the Congress, for the structure and the number of the Arbiters in all FIDE events.

In the regulations the wording "deputy chief arbiter" and "deputy arbiter" will be checked.

Finally it is proposed to change the text into "arbiter in at least four events".

With respect of "assistant arbiter", it should be bear in mind that such persons do not necessary have followed an arbiter course.

National arbiters are defined as arbiters of a federation with national levels and who do not have the title of FA or IA.

b. Regulations for the classification of the Arbiters.

Article 3.2.3 is now divided in two paragraphs

The world youth tournaments will be split into youth (8 to 12) and cadets (14 to 18), next to the Junior Tournaments (up to 20).

If an A', B' of C' Category arbiter becomes inactive the Commission in consultation with the respective Federation shall decide on the new classification. In such case several aspects have to be taken into consideration.

The World Mind Games as well as Round Robin tournaments of high category are included in the classification system.

c. Regulations for the training of the Arbiters.

An addition is proposed to article 2.2, regarding the language of the lectures. Translation in a non-FIDE language is allowed but the test shall be in one of the official FIDE languages.

6. Update of the List of Lecturers.

The actual list, approved in Baku FIDE Presidential Board, contains 43 lecturers. The Commission received 7 applications from federations. H. Bond (CAN), M. Prevenios (GRE), Al Radhi (UAE), N.Y. Wong (AUS), D. Welch (ENG), Blas Pingas(ARG) and J. Kohlstaedt (GER). All of them were accepted.

7. Classification of the Arbiters.

Administration for the classification is done by Werner Stubenvoll.

Mr. Filipowicz proposes that the attendance of relevant commissions during FIDE Congress is also taken into consideration.

8. FIDE Arbiters' Commission Budget for 2013-2014.

This will be discussed with the FIDE Treasurer. The previous budget was 35000 €. Chairman indicates that all projects were successfully worked out.

9. Disciplinary regulations for Arbiters.

This is the new project which should be finalized before the FIDE Congress in Tromso (NOR) in August 2014. Chairman proposes a subcommittee composed by Takis Nikolopoulos (GRE), Werner Stubenvoll (AUS), Klaus Deventer (GER), Shaker Alafoo (BAH) and Sevan Muradian (USA) to work on this project and present the regulations until May 2014.

10. Training of the International Arbiters.

IOC requests continuous training of the current International Arbiters. A budget will be asked to the FIDE Treasurer. IA S. Muradian proposes a three-level system (IA, FA and refresher class) based on an online multiple-choice system. In addition workshops should be organized. According to General Secretary IA I. Leong such workshops should first be organized for the current FIDE Lecturers. In such way all lecturers would be able to teach in the same way and the same type of exams would be organized for all new candidates. This would unify the FIDE Seminar course and exam.

Regarding the Lecturers Chairman T. Nikolopoulos mentioned that another project is running by the Commission. A data base, which will include all questions the Lecturers are using in their Seminars, will be produced and published on the Arbiters' Commission web site. So all Lecturers will be able to use among them the questions they want in their seminars and the examination tests will be unified.

11. Others

a. License for Arbiters.

132 federations have some 5400 licensed arbiters: 3845 national arbiters and 1594 IA/FA arbiters.

b. FIDE Arbiters' Commission's website.

All documents of the PB meetings and this FIDE Congress as well as titles, applications, lecturers, and several other items are published on this website.

Everything concerning the Arbiters can be found on the site.

c. Arbiters' Manual.

The 2013 manual is nearly ready and will be published on the Arbiters' Commission's website. Some of the most experienced IAs (De Ridder, Gijssen, Dapiran Nikolopoulos, Stubenvoll and Vardapetyan) from different commissions have worked on this project.

The manual contains interpretations of the Laws of Chess, examples for calculating ratings, examples for calculating norms for the players, examples for pairings, all applications forms and all issues that will help an Arbiter to execute his duties during a tournament in the best way.

An update will be prepared and presented as the 2014 Arbiters' Manual in Tromso in August 2014. The 2014 Arbiters' Manual may be printed and distributed to all Federations and Arbiters.

12. Various

a. Bahrain Chess Federation's proposal

The Arbiters' Commission is not responsible for appointing the arbiters but this is done by the WCOC or EVE Commissions. General Secretary indicates that the Arbiters' Commission knows the arbiters and proposes that the Commission should make a strong recommendation to these commissions.

FIDE only communicates with a federation so all payments from an applicant should go through the federation.

b. Austrian Chess Federation's proposal

A download area is created on the Arbiters' Commission website.

FIDE Elista office is working on a system where norms will be published automatically.

A classification for arbiters is necessary.

Swiss pairing is included in the FIDE Arbiters' Seminar. Demonstration of pairings by computers is not necessary.

With respect to the proposal for an addition to the FIDE Rating Regulations, Chairman indicates that this question was answered by FIDE QC. FIDE does not interfere with the different levels of Arbiters in National Federations. But any arbiter of any national level should pay the license fee of 20 € in order to act in any FIDE-rated tournament.

c. IA Igor Vershagin's proposals

The first proposal is covered by the discussion to train the IAs starting with the Lecturers.

Translations of FIDE Laws of Chess should preferably be made by one federation and afterwards distributed to the other federations speaking the same language. Taking into account the small differences in a language spoken in different countries with the same language, it is proposed that such countries cooperate to have one unique translation for each language.

d. IA Ashot Vardapetyan indicates that FIDE lecturer IA E. Dubov is given opinions on websites which are not in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess. In addition he is accusing the chief arbiter of an important FIDE event, especially when this accusation is done in another language. IA A. Vardapetyan questions whether this type of person should still be allowed as Lecturer for FIDE Arbiter Seminars, as he may teach wrongly the participants of his Seminars.

The Commission disagrees with the attack made by IA E. Dubov and confirms that the Chief Arbiter's decision was correct. Additionally the Commission express its opinion that it should not happen that an Arbiter is accusing a Chief Arbiter of an event on website. He should consult the Arbiters Commission and forward his claim to be checked.

IA Takis Nikolopoulos
Chairman

IA Dirk De Ridder
Secretary

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for the FIDE ARBITERS' COMMISSION MEETING
Tallinn, 2 October 2013

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TITLE APPLICATIONS

for approval in Tallinn 2013 FIDE Congress

A. INTERNATIONAL ARBITER TAs

No	NAME		FED.	FA TITLE	APPR.	COMMENTS
1.	Mashal	Ruben	ARG	2011	YES	-
2.	Marjanovic	Miro	BIH	2008	YES	-
3.	Velchev	Hristo	BUL	4/2012	YES	-
4.	Yordanova	Svetla	BUL	6/2011	YES	-
5.	Nieto	Manuel, Guillermo	COL	2010	YES	-
6.	Ramirez Diaz	Jose, Luis	CUB	10/2011	YES	-
7.	Zaruba	Petr	CZE	6/2011	YES	-
8.	Olsen	Aage Dalstrup	DEN	10/2011	YES	-
9.	Olsen	Peter, Erik	DEN	10/2011	YES	-
10.	Pedersen	Hans Milter	DEN	4/2012	YES	-
11.	Rasmussen	Per	DEN	6/2009	YES	-
12.	Hosny	Gamal	EGY	2009	COND.	On info (rounds of League 2011/12)
13.	Raof	Adam N.	ENG	2005	YES	
14.	Arsenidze	Alexandre	GEO	2009	YES	-
15.	Johann	Gregor	GER	2008	YES	-
16.	Sinuraya	Dirwan	INA	10/2011	COND.	On info (not mentioned in Depdiknas tnmt., confirmation needed)
17.	Madhav	Vitthal Baba	IND	6/2009	YES	-
18.	Raj	Kumar	IND	6/2011	YES	-
19.	Hashemi	Amir Erfan	IRI	2008	NO	Only 3 norms (Asian Youth Rapid not valid for IA norm)
20.	Mousa Ali	Alireza	IRI	2006	YES	-
21.	Roshantabari	Roshanak	IRI	6/2007	NO	Only 3 norms (Asian Youth Rapid not valid for IA norm)
22.	D' Alesssandro	Flavio	ITA	2007	NO	Only SS tourn. with less than 100 participants (art. 5.2)
23.	Kanaan	Nesrin	JOR	2011	YES	-
24.	Zayed	Qasim	JOR	10/2011	YES	-
25.	Ghimire	Manoj	NEP	2009	YES	-
26.	Pun	Balaram	NEP	2011	YES	-
27.	Ang	Keong	NZL	6/2011	YES	-
28.	Infiesto	James	PHI	2009	YES	-
29.	Murray Ortiz	Edgar A	PUR	4/2007	COND.	On info (Federation officials to be confirmed)
30.	Du Toit	Hendrik Petrus	RSA	2011	YES	-
31.	Beletsky	Andrey V.	RUS	2011	YES	-
32.	Zlochevskij	Alexander	RUS	2009	YES	-

33.	Akalanka	Malith	SRI	4/2012	YES	-
34.	Bury	Ratislav	SVK	2011	YES	-
35.	Zidi	Abdullah	TUN	2009	NO	Only 3 norms (Mem. R.Fischer tourn. Not valid for IA norm)
36.	Demirci	Ulas	TUR	2/2012	YES	-
37.	Kisuze	Stephen Ssemango	UGA	2011	YES	-
38.	Rich	Tony D.	USA	6/2011	YES	-
39.	Gnyp	Yurij	UKR	6/2011	YES	-

B. LATE INTERNATIONAL ARBITER TAs

No	NAME		FED.	FA TITLE	APPR.	COMMENTS
1.	Neff	Gregor	AUT	8/2012	YES	-
2.	Hosseinali	Mehdi	IRI	2/2012	YES	-
3.	Tze-Meng	Mok	MAS	4/2012	YES	-
4.	Muntean	Ciprian-Sorin	ROU	2010	YES	-
5.	Slabu	Nistor	ROU	2011	YES	-
6.	Al Hammadi	Faisal Mohamed	UAE	9/2012	YES	-

C. FIDE ARITER TAs

No	NAME		FED.	APPR.	COMMENTS
1.	Blaghdji	Hocine	ALG	YES	-
2.	Cherrad	Mounir	ALG	YES	-
3.	Ghimouz	Chakib	ALG	YES	-
4.	Sekrane	Ahmed	ALG	YES	-
5.	Zerdali	Samir	ALG	YES	-
6.	Celis	Guillermo	ARG	YES	-
7.	Huergo	Juan, Jose	ARG	YES	-
8.	Renee	Silvio	ARG	YES	-
9.	Suarez	Edgardo	ARG	YES	-
10.	Iskandarian	Aram	ARM	YES	-

11.	Ordyan	Vrzeh	ARM	YES	-
12.	Webster	David	AUS	YES	-
13.	Froewis	Gerhard	AUT	YES	-
14.	Hofer	Stephan	AUT	YES	-
15.	Kastner	Walter	AUT	YES	-
16.	Tscharnuter	Hannes	AUT	YES	-
17.	Wilfling	Hermann	AUT	YES	-
18.	Guliyev	Shaig	AZE	YES	-
19.	Hajiyev	Emin	AZE	NO	Only SS tourn. with less than 100 participants (art. 5.2)
20.	Ibrahimov	Azar, Bilal oglu	AZE	YES	-
21.	White	Andre	BAH	COND.	On submission of another tournament. (In Bahamas Nat. CC he was also player. Fall Classic 2013 tourn. –RR, 10rds. - to be submitted).
22.	Korneevets	Alexander	BLR	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
23.	Santos	Rogério De Souza	BRA	YES	-
24.	Genova	Svetlana	BUL	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
25.	Vladimirova	Diana	BUL	YES	-
26.	Ouimet	Bernard	CAN	YES	-
27.	Yang	Ning	CHN	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
28.	Fonseca	Carlos Arturo	COL	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
29.	Rojas Villamil	Pedro	COL	YES	-
30.	Soto	Juan Carlos	COL	YES	-
31.	Trujillo	Otoniel	COL	YES	-
32.	Prokopova	Jirina	CZE	YES	-
33.	Nielsen	Chresten	DEN	NO	Only SS tourn. with less than 100 participants (art. 5.2)
34.	Mahmoud	Maha	EGY	YES	-
35.	Mahmoud	Myada	EGY	YES	-
36.	Soliman	Masoud	EGY	YES	-
37.	Yunes	Samy	EGY	YES	-
38.	Bissieres	Matthieu	FRA	YES	-
39.	Flamant	Jacky	FRA	YES	-
40.	Giorgadze	Giorgi	GEO	YES	-
41.	Iashvili	Akaki	GEO	YES	-
41.	Ackermann	Robert	GER	YES	-
42.	Anderberg	Peter	GER	YES	-
43.	Ast	Bernhard	GER	YES	-
44.	Bierwald	Martin	GER	YES	-
45.	Erfle	Steffen	GER	YES	-
46.	Hinrichs	Hans-Uwe	GER	YES	-
47.	Hodtke	Jorn	GER	YES	-
48.	Husemann	Dirk	GER	YES	-
49.	Niermann	Reiner	GER	YES	-
50.	Nogatz	Falco	GER	YES	-
51.	Radke	Robert	GER	YES	-
52.	Schulze	Frank	GER	YES	-
53.	Thorn	Ingo	GER	YES	-
54.	Uhlenbrock	Steffan	GER	YES	-
55.	Walther	Bernd	GER	YES	-
56.	Waschnewski	Bernd	GER	YES	-

57.	Karadimitriou	Georgios	GRE	YES	-
58.	Karali	Panagiota	GRE	YES	-
59.	Oustabasidou	Eleni	GRE	YES	-
60.	Pramateftakis	Georgios	GRE	YES	-
61.	Abbas Ali	J S	IND	YES	-
62.	Amaranth	Inaganti	IND	YES	-
63.	Raj S	Biju	IND	YES	-
64.	Vappangi	Srikanth	IND	YES	-
65.	Vashant Vishnu	Naik	IND	YES	-
66.	Venugopalan	Amayur Pisharam	IND	YES	-
67.	Boka	Seyed Iman	IRI	YES	-
68.	Golmakani	Maryam	IRI	YES	-
69.	Khatibzadeh	Amir	IRI	YES	-
70.	Manouchehri	Shahram	IRI	YES	-
71.	Niksresht	Homa	IRI	YES	-
72.	Pourangha	Ahmad	IRI	YES	-
73.	Sherafati	Masoud	IRI	YES	-
74.	Torabi	Neda	IRI	YES	-
75.	Scully	Brian	IRL	YES	-
76.	Yusuphanova	Sadi-Carolin	ISR	YES	-
77.	Bartolini	Leonardo	ITA	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
78.	Cascone	Fabio	ITA	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
79.	Jansen	Joost	NED	YES	-
80.	Van Roon	Ton	NED	YES	-
81.	Khamboo	Monalisa	NEP	YES	-
82.	Pant	Yagya Prasad	NEP	YES	-
83.	Pradhan	Mohan Singh	NEP	NO	Only SS tourn. with less than 100 participants (art. 5.2)
84.	Murillo	Augustin	PAN	NO	Only SS tourn. with less than 100 participants (art. 5.2)
85.	Barreto Carreno	Carlos	PER	NO	FA Seminar not valid (more than 4 years). XVIII Pan Am Youth tourn. not valid (more than 6 years)
86.	Judek	Magdalena	POL	YES	-
87.	Silva	Alzira Maria C. Faria	POR	YES	-
88.	King	Ronald	RSA	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
89.	Biriukov	Ilja	RUS	YES	-
90.	Gluhov	Viktor	RUS	YES	-
91.	Kalashnikov	Viktor	RUS	YES	-
92.	Kosel	Anatoliy	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
93.	Shamov	Evgeniy G.	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
94.	Tsipris	Pavel	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
95.	Vasiliev	Sangadzhi-Gorja	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
96.	Marko	Ondrej	SVK	YES	-
97.	Berg	Bo	SWE	NO	Team Tournament not valid (only 2 rounds)
98.	Kara	Aydin	TUR	YES	-
99.	Khripach	Artem	UKR	YES	-
100.	Pilavov	Georgy	UKR	YES	-
101.	Galyamov	Vildan	UZB	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
102.	Khamraev	Rustam	UZB	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
103.	Alejos Robles	Pedro Alejandro	VEN	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)

104.	Gomez Aranguren	Alexis Jose	VEN	YES	-
105.	Jimenes	Orlando Emisael	VEN	YES	-
106.	Montes de Oca	Miriam	VEN	YES	-
107.	Pereira Bernal	Mireya Elena	VEN	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)

D. LATE FIDE ARITER TAs

No	NAME		FED.	APPR.	COMMENTS
1.	Suarez	Edgardo	ARG	YES	-
2.	Froewis	Gerhard	AUT	YES	-
3.	Hofer	Stephan	AUT	YES	-
4.	Kastner	Walter	AUT	YES	-
5.	Wilfling	Hermann	AUT	YES	-
6.	Gonzales Jeldres	Nelson Aliro	CHI	YES	-
7.	Toktogonov	Damil	KGZ	NO	Only 2 norms (Issyk-kul 2013 Rapid not valid for FA norm, art. 3.8)
8.	Umarbekov	Aziz	KGZ	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
9.	Jansen	Joost	NED	YES	-
10.	Annenkov	Kirill	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
11.	Drugov	Pavel	RUS	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
12.	Rosebrock	Timotei, Alexander	SUI	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
13.	Kara	Aydin	TUR	COND.	On info (IT3 missing)
14.	De San Vicente	Sabrina	URU	YES	-
15.	Vibbert	Tracey	USA	COND.	On info (41 Annual World Open and DC Intl. same dates)
16.	Salama	Andre Sasson	BRA	YES	-
17.	Hoffpauir	Mike E	USA	YES	-

IA PAN. NIKOLOPOULOS
CHAIRMAN
FIDE ARBITERS' COMMISSION

International Arbiters / FIDE Arbiters

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country	fed	ID	name	ti	born	award	a/i	class	lic
Armenia	ARM	13301306	Nikoghosyan, Armen	IA	1964	1997		A	1301
	ARM	13305670	Vardapetyan, Ashot	IA	1955	1993		A	1301
Australia	AUS	13501151	Sorokina, Anastasia	IA	1980	2002		A	1301
Austria	AUT	1628488	Stubenvoll, Werner	IA	1943	1990		A	1301
Azerbaijan	AZE	13405152	Gasanov, Faiq	IA	1940	1980		A	1301
Bahrain	BRN	11200081	Al Afoo, Shaker	IA		2004		A	1301
Belgium	BEL	214655	De Ridder, Dirk	IA	1959	1986		A	1301
Brazil	BRA	2110598	Bento, Antonio	IA	1944	1990		A	1301
British Virgin Islands	IVB	2700034	Jarecki, Carol	IA	1935	1984		A	1301
Canada	CAN	2601699	Bond, Hal	IA	1959	2005		A	1301
China	CHN	8606986	Tang, Jianming	IA	1960	2004		A	1303
	CHN	8600929	Zhu, Jiaqi	IA	1976	2004		A	1303
Czech Republic	CZE	300764	Blatny, Frantisek	IA	1933	1989		A	
	CZE	301019	Votruba, Pavel	IA	1948	1994		A	1301
Egypt	EGY	10600736	Elgendy, Hesham	IA	1960	1994		A	
England	ENG	404020	Sedgwick, David	IA	1954	1994		A	1301
	ENG	419451	Walsh, Gerry F.	IA		1978		A	1301
France	FRA	632686	Escafre, Stephane	IA	1970	2002		A	1301
Georgia	GEO	13600230	Alexandria, Nana	IA	1949	1995		A	1301
Germany	GER	12900699	Deventer, Klaus	IA	1958	1997		A	1301
Greece	GRE	4203267	Logothetis, Sotiris	IA		2000		A	1301
	GRE	4226070	Nikolopoulos, Panagiotis	IA	1957	1993		A	1301
	GRE	4226151	Tsorbatzoglou, Viron	IA		1991		A	1301
Guatemala	GUA	6702937	Vega Fernandez, Jorge	IA		1979		A	1301
Hungary	HUN	701068	Veroci, Zsuzsa	IA	1949	1995		A	1301
India	IND	25016148	Anantharam, Rathinam	IA		2001		A	1301
Iran	IRI	12504270	Pahlevanzadeh, Mehrdad	IA	1967	2002		A	1301
	IRI	12508527	Saloor, Hossein Gholi	IA		1977		A	1303
Israel	ISR	2803640	Burstein, Almog	IA	1950	1977		A	1301
Italy	ITA	873217	Dapiran, Franca	IA	1951	1986		A	1301
Malaysia	MAS	5707021	Abd Majid, Abd Hamid B.	IA	1949	1990		A	1301
Mongolia	MGL	4900278	Altanoch, Genden	IA	1961	1999		A	1301
Netherland	NED	1036670	Gijssen, Geurt	IA	1934	1979		A	1301
	NED	1036831	Vasse Albert	IA	1958	2002		A	1301
Philippines	PHI	5200512	Abundo, Casto P.	IA	1950	1978		A	1301
Poland	POL	1100491	Filipowicz, Andrzej	IA	1938	1984		A	1301
Romania	ROU	1201611	Polihroniade, Elizabetha	IA	1935			A	
Russia	RUS	24157619	Bolotinski, Igor	IA	1948	1996		A	1301
	RUS	4101669	Bykhovsky, Anatoly	IA	1934	1993		A	1304
	RUS	4101189	Khasin, Alexander	IA	1951			A	1301
	RUS	4141016	Krjukov, Mikhail	IA	1956	2000		A	1301
	RUS	24158666	Namruev, Vyacheslav	IA	1955	2002		A	1301
Serbia	SRB	913545	Stoisavljevic Sava	IA	1974	2004		A	1301
Singapore	SIN	5800242	Leong, Ignatius	IA	1956	1979		A	1301
Spain	ESP	22280952	Mena Sarasola, Jesus	IA	1963	1992		A	1301
Turkey	TUR	6330452	Buyukvural, Selcuk	IA	1958	2008		A	1301
	TUR	6330460	Mete, Aykut Ilker	IA	1971	2008		A	1301
	TUR	6300510	Solakoglu, Ozgur	IA	1968	2001		A	
	TUR	6301118	Ucarkus, Erdem	IA	1963	2008		A	
	TUR	6325203	Unal, Huseyin Guran	IA	1972	2008		A	1301
	TUR	6325351	Unal, Tugan	IA	1967	2008		A	1301
United Arab Emirates	UAE	9304380	Abdul Rahim Mahdi	IA	1966	1992		A	1301
	UAE	9301712	Al Taher, Sultan Ali	IA	1977	1997		A	1301
Vietnam	VIE	12400700	Nguyen, Thi Anh Thu	IA		2005		A	1301

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country	fed	ID	name	ti	born	award	a/i	class	lic
Australia	AUS	3203972	Bekker, Gary David	IA	1968	1997		B	1301
	AUS	3205088	Zworestine, Charles	IA	1966	2003		B	1301
Austria	AUT	1627996	Baumberger, Albert	IA	1941	1986		B	1301
	AUT	1628496	Stummer, Hans	IA	1958	1999		B	1301
Bangladesh	BAN	10208291	Md. Haroon Or Rashid	IA	1967	1988		B	1301
Brazil	BRA	2128900	Amaral, Mauro	IA	1976	2004		B	1301
	BRA	2128918	Bariquello Calleros, Carlos	IA	1957	1987		B	1301
	BRA	2110652	Ribeiro, Pablyto Robert Baioco	IA	1978	2009		B	1301
	BRA	2129124	Salomon, Friederich Alfred	IA		1982		B	
	BRA	2100053	Van Riemsdijk, Herman Claudius	IA	1948	1981		B	1301
Bulgaria	BUL	2901854	Angelov, Rumen	IA	1954	1993		B	1301
	BUL	2914190	Nedev, Zdravko	IA	1941	1990		B	1301
China	CHN	8600198	Chen, De	IA	1949	2004		B	
	CHN	8606641	Dai, Lili	IA		2010		B	1303
	CHN	8606897	Du, Fuhua	IA	1963	2004		B	1303
	CHN	8601240	Gao, Zhiqian	IA	1973	2009		B	1303
	CHN	8606994	Huang, Xiwen	IA		1994		B	1303
	CHN	8606870	Li, Ang	IA				B	1303
	CHN	8606900	Lin, Feng	IA		1985		B	1303
	CHN	8603928	Luo, Yiping	IA		1997		B	1303
	CHN	8600147	Xie, Jun	IA	1970	2004		B	1303
	CHN	8606943	Xu, Jialiang	IA		1981		B	1303
	CHN	5800781	Xu, Yaping	IA	1965	2002		B	1303
	CHN	8600783	Yin, Hao	IA	1979	2002		B	
	CHN	8602867	Zhang, Jilin	IA	1986	2010		B	1303
Colombia	COL	4418719	Calle, Jose Jesus	IA	1952	2004		B	1301
	COL	4418808	Mejia, Julio	IA	1945	1974		B	1301
Croatia	CRO	14506203	Bratosevic, Mladen	IA	1959	1988		B	1301
Egypt	EGY	10610936	Abdel Haleem, Mohamed	IA		2000		B	
	EGY	10610979	Al-Husseiny, Mohamed	IA	1950	1984		B	
	EGY	10611088	El Olimy, Ahmed Mohamed	IA	1955	2000		B	
	EGY	10607846	Khaled, Hassan	IA	1955	1984		B	1301
	EGY	10611223	Said Hassanin, Mohamed	IA	1947	1995		B	1303
England	ENG	405256	Reuben, Stewart	IA	1939	1976		B	1301
	ENG	419460	Welch, David	IA		1977		B	1301
France	FRA	616672	Boyd, Stephen	IA	1955	1988		B	1301
France	FRA	620700	Freyd, Laurent	IA	1977	2009		B	1301
Georgia	GEO	13607715	Melikset-Begi, Evgeni	IA	1936	1979		B	1301
	GEO	13601911	Tandashvili, Margarita	IA	1958	2000		B	1301
Germany	GER	4608429	Krause, Christian	IA	1942			B	1301
	GER	4641116	Poenisch, Egmont	IA	1957	2004		B	1301
Guatemala	GUA	6702929	Hernandez, Erik	IA		2002		B	
India	IND	5044480	Bhardwaj, Vipnesh	IA	1955	2008		B	1301
	IND	25017179	Kumar, Dharmendra	IA		2004		B	1301
	IND	5014697	Singh Chauhan, Bharat	IA		1993		B	1301
Iran	IRI	12508420	Eskandari, Fereydoon	IA		2000		B	1301
	IRI	12508497	Najib, Abolghasem	IA		2000		B	1301
	IRI	12508519	Pourshahmari, Hamid Reza	IA		1999		B	1301
Israel	ISR	2810654	Dorner, Abraham	IA	1947	1998		B	1301
	ISR	2810700	Gross, Ehud	IA	1946	1979		B	
Italy	ITA	873500	Rigo Pernici, Christina	IA	1964	1998		B	1301
Libya	LBA	9201122	Ali Elhaj, Nizar	IA		2002		B	
	LBA	9200312	Elnami, Abdalla Khaled	IA	1958	1986		B	
	LBA	9201190	Gonbyge, Mohamed	IA		1990		B	
Lithuania	LTU	12806935	Sidabras, Jonas	IA		1997		B	1301
Montenegro	MNE	916765	Sakotic, Jasna	IA	1967	1998		B	1301
	MNE	16501217	Sakotic, Vladimir	IA	1964	1990		B	1301
Myanmar	MYA	13000233	Maung Maung, Lwin	IA		1997		B	1305
Netherland	NED	1010948	Zwanepol, Johan	IA	1936	1997		B	1301
Poland	POL	1101315	Brustman, Agnieszka	IA	1962	2011		B	1301
	POL	1108000	Delega, Tomasz	IA	1972	2001		B	1301
Portugal	POR	1905813	Dias, Carlos Oliveira	IA	1959	1997		B	1301

Serbia	SRB	939331	Dankovic, Bogoljub	IA	1942	2000	B	1305
	SRB	922137	Katanic-Vujic, Petar	IA	1959	2002	B	1301
	SRB	923281	Suhartovic, Branislav	IA	1952	1985	B	1301
Singapore	SIN	5800528	Mooi, Kok Onn Osric	IA	1969	1998	B	1301
South Africa	RSA	14305038	Price, Harold Edwin	IA	1939	2000	B	1301
	RSA	14301180	Van de Bergh, Guenther	IA	1970	2005	B	1301
Sri Lanka	SRI	9900144	Wijesuriya, G. Luxman	IA	1966	2010	B	1301
Turkey	TUR	6325190	Aktar, Tahsin	IA	1958	2008	B	
	TUR	6340482	Berzah, Halil Ibrahim	IA	1971	2012	B	1301
	TUR	6350925	Karabay, Fahri	IA	1963	2012	B	1301
Ukraine	UKR	14126990	Bodankin, Leonid	IA		1996	B	1301
	UKR	14128748	Tovchyga, Oleg	IA		2000	B	1301
United Arab Emirates	UAE	9304649	Khoori, Tareq M.	IA		2003	B	1301
United States	USA	2039010	Muradian, Sevan	IA	1975	2009	B	1301
Uruguay	URU	3002314	Arevalo, Horacio	IA	1951	2008	B	
	URU	3002683	Hipogrosso, Ruben	IA	1956	2011	B	1301
	URU	3001210	Silva Nazzari, Hector	IA	1938	1978	B	1301
Uzbekistan	UZB	14203251	Turdaliev, Husan	IA		2001	B	1301
Venezuela	VEN	3902340	Blanco, Uvencio	IA		1998	B	1301
Wales	WLS	1802135	Purland, Peter	IA		1991	B	1301
Zambia	ZAM	8700532	Nsakanya, Chanda	IA	1974	2010	B	1304

Regulations for Titles of Arbiters

As approved by GA 1982, amended by GA 1984 to 2013

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The following regulations can only be altered by the General Assembly following recommendation by the Arbiters' Commission.
- 1.1.1 Changes to the regulations shall only be made every four year, commencing from 2004 (unless the Commission 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 Commission.
- 1.1.6 The Arbiter Commission is appointed by the General Assembly for the same period of office as the FIDE President. The Commission shall include a Chairman, appointed by the FIDE President, a Secretary, appointed by the Chairman in consultation with the FIDE President, and not more than 11 experts, maximum one per federation, who shall have voting rights in the Commission. No federation shall have more than one representative in the Commission.
- 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 Commission chairman.
- 1.1.8 The Commission usually makes its decisions in the sessions immediately preceding the opening of the General Assembly.
- 1.1.9 In exceptional circumstances, the Commission may recommend a title by correspondence voting.

2. General Regulations

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

Format	Level of Event	Type	Certificates	Norms
All kind	World	any kind	no limit	no limit
All kind	Continental	any kind	no limit	no limit
Swiss	International	any kind	1 per 50 players	no limit
Round Robin	International	any kind	maximum 2	no limit
Swiss	National Championships	Individual/Team (adult)	1 per 50 players	maximum 2
Round Robin	National Championship	Individual/Team (adult)	maximum 2	maximum 2
Rapid Chess	World / Continental	any kind	no limit	maximum 1

- 2.1.2 An arbiter in the highest division of the National Team Championship; whereby the following requirements are met:
1. a minimum of four boards per team;
 2. a minimum of ten teams;
 3. at least 60% of the players are FIDE rated;
 4. at least five rounds.

2.1.3 Two (2) different formats of tournaments shall be included as norms for the applications for both FA and IA title (i.e. Swiss or Round Robin or Team Tournaments). Only Swiss System Tournaments may be accepted in case that at least one (1) of them is an international FIDE rated chess event with at least 100 players, at least 30% FIDE rated players, and at least 7 rounds.

2.1.4 Applicants for the title of IA/FA must be at least 21 years old.

3. Requirements for the title of FIDE Arbiter.

All of the following:

- 3.1 Thorough knowledge of the Laws of Chess, the FIDE Regulations for chess competitions and the Swiss Pairing Systems.
- 3.2 Absolute objectivity, demonstrated at all times during his activity as an arbiter.
- 3.3 Sufficient knowledge of at least one official FIDE language.
- 3.4 Skills to operate electronic clocks of different types and for different systems.
- 3.5 Experience as arbiter in at least three (3) FIDE rated events (these can be either national or international) and attendance of at least one (1) FIDE Arbiters' Seminar and successful passing (at least 80%) an examination test set up by the Arbiters Commission.
FIDE rated event valid for a norm is considered any tournament with minimum 10 players in case that it is played with Round Robin system, with minimum 6 players in case that it is played with Double Round Robin system and with minimum 20 players in case that it is played with Swiss system.
- 3.6 The title of the FIDE Arbiter for each of the IBCA, ICSC, IPCA shall each be equivalent to one FA norm.
- 3.7 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.
- 3.8 Being Chief or Deputy Arbiter in any FIDE rated Rapid or Blitz events, with minimum thirty (30) players and nine (9) rounds, shall be equivalent to one (1) FA norm. No more than one such norm from Rapid or Blitz tournaments will be considered for the title.
- 3.9 Attendance of one (1) FIDE Arbiters Seminar and successful passing (at least 80%) an examination test set by the Arbiters Commission, shall be equivalent to one (1) FA norm. Not more than one (1) such norm will be considered for the title.
- 3.10 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' Commission.

4. Requirements for the title of International Arbiter.

All of the following:

- 4.1 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.
- 4.2 Absolute objectivity, demonstrated at all times during his activity as an arbiter.
- 4.3 Obligatory knowledge of English language, minimum at conversation level; and of chess terms in other official FIDE languages.
- 4.4 Minimum skills at user level to work on a personal computer. Knowledge of pairing programs endorsed by the FIDE, Word, Excel and E-mail.
- 4.5 Skills to operate electronic clocks of different types and for different systems.

- 4.6 Experience as 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 tournaments where FIDE title norms for players are possible.
 - d) International FIDE rated chess events with at least 100 players, at least 30% FIDE rated players, and at least seven rounds (maximum one norm).
 - e) All official World and Continental Rapid and Blitz Championships for adult and juniors (maximum one (1) norm).
- 4.7 The title of the International Arbiter for each of the IBCA, ICSC, IPCA shall each be equivalent to one IA norm.
- 4.8 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.
- 4.9 The title of International Arbiter can be awarded only to applicants who have already been awarded the title of FIDE Arbiter.
- 4.10 All the norms for the IA title must be different from the norms already used for the FA title and must have been achieved after the FA title has been awarded.
- 4.11 At least two (2) of the submitted norms shall be signed by different Chief Arbiters.

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 – IT3 (one for each norm)
Arbiter Norm Report Form – IA1 or FA1 (one for each norm)
Arbiter Title Application Form – IA2 or FA2.
- 5.2 **Applications must be submitted to the FIDE Secretariat by the federation of the applicant. The national federation is responsible for the fee. All the certificates have to be signed by the Chief Arbiter and the federation responsible for the tournament. In case the applicant is the Chief Arbiter of the event, then the Organizer or the Federation Official may sign the certificate.**
- 5.3 **Applications must be submitted to the FIDE Secretariat by the federation of the applicant. The national federation is responsible for the fee. If the applicant's federation refuses to apply, the applicant can bring this case to the Arbiters' Commission, who will investigate it. If it is found that there is no sufficient reason for the refusal, the applicant can appeal to FIDE and apply (and pay) for the title himself.**
- 5.4 **There is a 60-day deadline in order for the applications to be considered properly. There is a 50% surcharge for applications to be considered in a shorter time-scale than this. Those arriving during the Presidential Board, Executive Board or General Assembly shall be charged a 100% supplement. Exception: the surcharge may be waived, if the last norm was achieved so late that the time limit could not be observed.**
- 5.5 All applications together with full details must be posted on the FIDE website for a minimum of 60 days prior to finalization. This is in order for any objections to be lodged.

6. Arbiters' Licence.

- 6.1 A titled active Arbiter (International Arbiter or FIDE Arbiter) and arbiters of national levels working in a FIDE rated tournament shall be charged with a "licence fee".

- 6.2.1 The licence will be valid for life, on the condition the arbiter remains an active arbiter, and will be in effect from the day after FIDE has received the fee.
- 6.2.2 The licence fee for arbiters of national levels is valid for life.
- 6.2.3 If an arbiters of national level is awarded the title of “FIDE Arbiter” the licence fee for this title has to be paid to FIDE.
- 6.2.4 If an arbiter upgrades his/her category only the difference between the category fee has to be paid to FIDE.
- 6.2.5 If a “FIDE Arbiter” achieves the title of “International Arbiter”, the fee for the new title has to be paid to FIDE.
- 6.3 The licence fee will be:
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| a) for A-Category Arbiters (only IAs): | 300 € |
| b) for B-Category Arbiters (only IAs): | 200 € |
| c) for C-Category Arbiters: | IAs 160 € |
| | FAs 120 € |
| d) for D-Category Arbiters: | IAs 100 € |
| | FAs 80 € |
| e) for arbiters of national levels | 20 € |
- 6.4 Failure to pay the licence fee will lead to exclusion from the FIDE Arbiters’ list.
- 6.5 The Arbiters’ licence will come into effect from 01. 01. 2013.
- 6.6 From 01. 01. 2013 all arbiters of FIDE rated tournaments shall be licensed.
- 6.7.1 An arbiter who has become inactive (see annex 2, articles 1.3 and 1.4) is considered not to be licensed any more.
- 6.7.2 In order to be active again the arbiter has to pay for a new licence, according to 6.3.
- 6.8 If the article 6.6 is not fulfilled, the tournaments shall not be rated.
- 6.9 From 01. 01. 2013 the licence fee will be charged together with the application fee for all awarded arbiter titles.

7. List of Application Forms.

1. Tournament report form IT3.
2. International Arbiter norm report form IA1.
3. Application for award of the title of International Arbiter IA2.
4. FIDE Arbiter norm report form FA1.
5. Application for award of the title of FIDE Arbiter FA2.

8. Annex 1: Regulations for the training of the chess arbiters.

Annex 1a: Regulations for the Organization of Internet Based FIDE Arbiters’ Seminars.

Annex 1b: List of Lecturers for the Arbiters Seminars.

9. Annex 2: Regulations for the classification of the arbiters.

10. Annex 3: List of Licensed Arbiters.

Annex 1:

REGULATIONS FOR THE TRAINING OF THE CHESS ARBITERS

1. General.

- 1.1 These regulations comprise all the aspects concerning the training of the Arbiters and the Seminars that are organized all over the world.
- 1.2 Seminars that are not organized according to these Regulations will not be recognized by FIDE and will not be in a position to provide norms for the Arbiters' titles.

2. Organization.

- 2.1 Seminars for the Arbiters shall be organized by a respective Chess Federation or a Chess Academy or any other chess organization which belongs to this respective National Federation, following the permission and approval by FIDE. There should be an Organizing Committee of the Seminar, consisting of 3 members as follows:
 - a) A member appointed by the FIDE Arbiters Commission.
 - b) A member appointed by the host Federation, or Academy or chess organization.
 - c) A member appointed by the host Federation's Arbiters' Commission.
- 2.2 **The lectures of a FIDE Arbiters' Seminar and the evaluation test shall be in one of the official FIDE languages. However, translation of the lectures into other languages can be approved by the Arbiters' Commission.**
- 2.3 In order to organize a Seminar, the host Federation (or Chess Academy or another chess organization belonging to this federation), shall send an application to the FIDE Arbiters Commission, at least 4 months before the proposed start of the Seminar. The application shall include:
 - a) The organizer, the dates, the venue and the schedule.
 - b) The participants (a number of the people, their federations etc).
 - c) The topics that will be discussed during the course.
 - d) The proposed members for the Seminar's Organizing Committee.
 - e) The proposed lecturer of the Seminar (who should be approved by the FIDE Arbiters Commission) and his Assistant, who shall come from the host Federation.
 - f) Other matters in respect of the Seminar, such as the language of the lectures, any fees for the participants, the accommodation conditions etc.
- 2.4 The Organizing Committee member who is proposed by the FIDE Arbiters' Commission, shall act as the Observer. The Observer shall ensure the due application of the present Regulations in the course of the Seminar. After the end of the Seminar, the Observer shall submit a full report to the FIDE Arbiters Commission within one month after the Seminar's end.

- 2.5 Within one week after the end of the Seminar, the Organizing Committee shall provide the results of the examination and submit a full report to the FIDE Arbiters Commission.
- 2.6 On receipt of this report, the FIDE Arbiters Commission shall check the report, announce the results and forward the report to FIDE for the final approval, within a period of one month.

3. Lecturers.

- 3.1 The FIDE Arbiters Commission shall issue the list of the proposed Lecturers for the Arbiters' Seminars, before the present Regulations come into force, for the approval of FIDE. This list will comprise all the International Arbiters that have served as Lecturers in at least one International Seminar for FIDE or International Arbiters, during the last three years.
- 3.2 In every seminar, the course will be given by one lecturer, who shall have the title of the IA, and one assistant, also an IA title holder. The lecturer will be proposed by the host Federation and shall be approved by the FIDE Arbiters Commission. The Assistant will be appointed by the host Federation.
- 3.3 The list of the Lecturers shall be progressive. The FIDE Arbiters Commission shall propose any IA who has served as an Assistant in at least three seminars for the Arbiters, to be added to the list, following the final approval by FIDE.
- 3.4 Lecturers who are inactive, i.e. they had not given any lecture for any FIDE Arbiters' Seminar for four (4) consecutive years, will be excluded from the list of lecturers, by decision of Arbiters' Commission.
An inactive lecturer will be again active if he will be Assistant Lecturer in two (2) FIDE Arbiters' Seminars.

4. Topics of the Seminars.

- 4.1 The following list of the topics is recommended to the courses for the Arbiters' Seminars:
 - a) Laws of Chess (including Rapid, Blitz, etc)
 - b) Tournament Rules
 - c) System of Games, tie breaks.
 - d) Swiss system and Pairing rules.
 - e) Regulations for the rating and the over-the-board titles.
 - f) Regulations for the titles of the Arbiters.
 - g) Use of the electronic clocks.
- 4.2 The proposed minimum for the duration of the Seminar is 15 hours, with each session consisting of three hours.

4.3 All the participants of the Seminar will be provided with the materials for the course, including all the topics to be discussed.

5. Evaluation test.

5.1 After the end of the each course, the participants of the Seminar can take part in the written examination.

5.2 The participants who will achieve 80% and above of the total number of points, will be considered as achieved one norm for the title of FIDE Arbiter. Only one such norm shall be used for the awarding of the title of FIDE Arbiter.

5.3 The Organizing Committee of the Seminar will prepare the examination tests, assess the written documents and send a full report to the FIDE Arbiters Commission after the end of the seminar.

5.4 After the end of the Seminar, all the participants will receive certificates of attendance provided by the Organizers.

6. Fees.

6.1 Examination fees will be 20 euro per person.

The organizing Federation shall be invoiced on the basis of the number of participants.

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Annex 1a:

Regulations for Organizing Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminars

1. General.

- 1.1 These regulations comprise all the aspects concerning the training of the Arbiters through Internet and the Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminars that are organized all over the world.
- 1.2 Seminars that are not organized according to these Regulations will not be recognized by FIDE and will not be in a position to provide norms for the Arbiters' titles.

2. Organization.

- 2.1 Internet based Seminars for the Arbiters shall be organized by a respective Chess Federation or a Chess Academy or any other chess organization which belongs to this respective National Federation, following the permission and approval by FIDE. There should be an Organizing Committee of the Seminar, consisting of 3 members as follows:
 - a) A member appointed by the FIDE Arbiters Commission.
 - b) A member appointed by the host Federation, or Academy or chess organization.
 - c) A member appointed by the host Federation's Arbiters' Commission.
- 2.2 The lectures of an Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar and the evaluation test shall be in one of the official FIDE languages.
- 2.3 In order to organize an Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar, the host Federation (or Chess Academy or another chess organization belonging to this federation), shall send an application to the FIDE Arbiters Commission, at least 3 months before the proposed start of the Seminar. The application shall include:
 - a) The organizer, the dates, the venue and the schedule.
 - b) The participants (a number of the people, their federations etc).
 - c) The topics that will be discussed during the course.
 - d) The proposed members for the Seminar's Organizing Committee.
 - e) The proposed lecturer of the Seminar (who should be approved by the FIDE Arbiters Commission) and his Assistant, who shall come from the host Federation or the chess organization.
 - f) The proposed Technical Organizer (who should be approved by the FIDE Arbiters' Commission).
 - g) Other matters in respect of the Seminar, such as the language of the lectures, any fees for the participants, any technical details (web conferencing platform) etc.

- 2.4 Within one week after the end of the Seminar, the Organizing Committee or the Lecturer of the Seminar shall provide the results of the examination and submit a full report to the FIDE Arbiters' Commission.
- 2.5 On receipt of this report, the FIDE Arbiters' Commission shall check the report, announce the results and forward within a period of one month the report to FIDE for the final approval.

3. Lecturers.

- 3.1 In every seminar, the course will be given by one lecturer, who shall have the title of the IA, and shall be included in the official list of Lecturers for Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminars, and one assistant, also an IA title holder.
The lecturer will be proposed by the host Federation and shall be approved by the FIDE Arbiters' Commission. The Assistant will be appointed by the host Federation or chess organization.

4. Topics of the Seminars.

- 4.1 The following list of the topics is recommended to the courses for the Internet based FIDE Arbiters' Seminars:
 - a) Laws of Chess (including Rapid, Blitz, etc)
 - b) Tournament Rules
 - c) System of Games, tie breaks.
 - d) Swiss system and Pairing rules.
 - e) Regulations for the rating and the over-the-board titles.
 - f) Regulations for the titles of the Arbiters.
- 4.2 The proposed minimum for the duration of the FIDE Internet based Arbiters' Seminar is 18 hours, with each session consisting of maximum 6 hours.
- 4.3 The proposed maximum for the number of participants is twenty (20).
- 4.4 All participants shall have experience as Arbiters in their home federations.
- 4.5 All Participants shall have access to broadband Internet (DSL, Cable or Satellite).
- 4.6 All participants shall be able to call into a conference call telephone number, to participate in the audio portion of the Seminar. It is recommended to utilize a low cost Voice of Internet service that allows the participant to perform a telephone call (no Skype to Skype calling, or direct computer to computer calling).
- 4.7 All the participants of the Seminar will be provided with the materials for the course (ppt or pdf files), including all the topics to be discussed.

5. Technical Organizer.

- 5.1 The Technical Organizer shall be a person with the following responsibilities:
 - (a) sending invitations from the internet conferencing system
 - (b) verifying attendance of Seminar participants
 - (c) addressing all internet conferencing system issues
 - (d) reports attendance, technical issues and non-technical issues to the Arbiters' Commission.
- 5.2 The Technical Organizer is responsible for the management and costs of an internet conferencing system (audio and screen sharing video).
- 5.3 Acceptable internet conferencing systems include: WedEx, Go To Meeting, DimDim etc.

6. Evaluation test.

- 6.1 After the end of the each course, the participants of the Seminar can take part in the written examination.
- 6.2 The examination test shall be sent by the Lecturer (or the Organizing Committee) to the participants by e-mail and shall be returned to the Lecturer (or to the Organizing Committee) by e-mail too, within a specific time period (i.e. within 3 hours). Test that will not be returned in the specific time period shall not be graded.
- 6.3 The participants who will achieve 80% and above of the total number of points, will be considered as achieved one norm for the title of FIDE Arbiter. Only one such norm shall be used for the awarding of the title of FIDE Arbiter.
- 6.4 The Lecturer, in cooperation with the Organizing Committee of the Seminar, will prepare the examination tests, assess the written documents and send a full report to the FIDE Arbiters' Commission after the end of the seminar.

7. Fees.

- 7.1 Examination fees will be 20 euro per person.
The organizing Federation shall be invoiced on the basis of the number of participants.
- 7.2 The Seminar Organizer may charge any fee to Seminar participants.

Annex 1b:

List of Lecturers for the FIDE Arbiters' Seminars

(in alphabetical order)

Approved in 2013 Tallinn FIDE Congress

1. IA Abundo, Casto	PHI
2. IA Al Radji, Nahi Mohammed	UAE
3. IA Al Taher, Sultan Ali	UAE
4. IA Alafoo, Shaker	BRN
5. IA Anatharam, Rathinam	IND
6. IA Bekker, Gary	AUS
7. IA Bento, Antonio	BRA
8. IA Bond, Hal	CAN
9. IA Boyd, Stephen	FRA
10. IA Burstein, Almog	ISR
11. IA Chuit Perez, Serafin	CUB
12. IA Dapiran, Franca	ITA
13. IA De Ridder, Dirk	BEL
14. IA Deventer, Klaus	GER
15. IA Dias, Carlos	POR
16. IA Dubov, Eduard	RUS
17. IA Elgendy, Hesham	EGY
18. IA Filipowicz, Andrzej	POL
19. IA Garcia, Santiago	MEX
20. IA Gasanov, Faik	AZE
21. IA Gibbons, Bob	NZL
22. IA Gijssen, Geurt	NED
23. IA Hermida, Marcello	ARG
24. IA Jarecki, Carol	IVB
25. IA Khaled, Hassan	EGY
26. IA Kohlstaedt, Juergen	GER
27. IA Leong, Ignatius	SIN
28. IA McFarlane, Alex	SCO
29. IA Mahdi, AbdulRahim	UAE
30. IA Mena, Jesus	ESP
31. IA Muradian, Sevan	USA
32. IA Nikolopoulos, Panagiotis	GRE
33. IA Pahlevanzadeh, Mehrad	IRI
34. IA Pingas, Blas	ARG
35. IA Prevenios, Mihail	GRE
36. IA Reuben, Stewart	ENG
37. IA Sakotic, Vladimir	MNE
38. IA Sedgwick, David	ENG

39. IA Shaab, Alexander	RUS
40. IA Shorek, Mordechay	ISR
41. IA Stoisavljevic, Sava	SRB
42. IA Stubenvoll, Werner	AUT
43. IA Tkachev, Alexander	RUS
44. IA Tovchyga, Oleg	UKR
45. IA Tsorbatzoglou, Vyron	GRE
46. IA Unal, Guran	TUR
47. IA Vardapetian, Ashot	ARM
48. IA Vega, Jorge	ESA
49. IA Vereshagin, Igor	RUS
50. IA Welch, David	ENG
51. IA Wong, Ngiam Yee	AUS

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Annex 2:

REGULATIONS FOR THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE CHESS ARBITERS

1. General

- 1.1 These regulations comprise all the aspects concerning the classification of the Chess Arbiters (IA and FA).
- 1.2 The Chess Arbiters (IA and FA) are classified into two (2) general categories: Active (a) and Inactive (i) Arbiters.
- 1.3 An International Arbiter (IA) is considered to be “Inactive” if in a period of two (2) years he has never acted as an Arbiter in any international chess event, according to the Article 4.6 of the Regulations for the Titles of the Arbiters.
- 1.4 A FIDE Arbiter (FA) is considered to be “Inactive” if in a period of two (2) years he has never acted as an Arbiter in any FIDE rated chess event, according to the Article 3.5 of the Regulations for the Titles of the Arbiters.

2. Inactive IA and FA

- 2.1 The Inactive IA and FA are listed in a separate list (List of Inactive Arbiters), which is issued every two (2) years by the Arbiters Commission (AC), in cooperation with the Federations and after the approval of the FIDE General Assembly.
- 2.2 An Inactive IA or FA can be considered as active again, only after acting as an Arbiter in at least two (2) respective chess events (international events for IA and FIDE rated events for FA) and after approval by the AC. The Federation the Arbiter belongs to, shall send an application to the AC, verifying this.

3. Active IA and FA

- 3.1 The Active IA and FA are classified to the following categories:
 - 3.1.1 A' Category
 - 3.1.2 B' Category
 - 3.1.3 C' Category
 - 3.1.4 D' Category
- 3.2 In the A' Category are classified only IA who fulfil all the following criteria:
 - 3.2.1 They have been Active International Arbiters during the last five (5) years.
 - 3.2.2 They have shown excellent knowledge of the Laws of Chess and the Tournament Regulations and no punishments have been imposed to them during their activities as Arbiters.

3.2.3 They have acted as Chief Arbiter or Deputy Chief Arbiter:

- a) in at least one (1) major World event (Olympiad, World Individual Championship tournaments and matches, for Men and Women, World Cup, World Team Championships for Men and Women, World Youth, Cadets and Junior Championships) in the period of the last five (5) years, or
- b) in at least five (5) of the events mentioned in 3.3.3. (with at least two different types of tournaments).

3.3 In the B' Category are classified only IA who fulfil all the following criteria:

3.3.1 They have been Active International Arbiters during the last five (5) years.

3.3.2 They have shown excellent knowledge of the Laws of Chess and the Tournament Regulations and no punishments have been imposed to them during their activities as Arbiters.

3.3.3 They have acted in a period of the last five (5) years as Chief Arbiter or Deputy Chief Arbiter in at least two (2) of the following:

- a. the major Continental events such as Continental Individual Championship tournaments for Men and Women, Continental Team Championships for Men and Women, Continental Youth and Junior Championships, Continental Club Cup Tournaments;
- b. all the other World events included in the FIDE Calendar;**
- c. Round Robin Tournaments with at least ten (10) participants (6 in a Double Round Robin), with an average rating above 2600 (2400 for a women only event).**

3.3.4 They have acted as Chief Arbiter or Deputy Chief Arbiter in at least five (5) of the events mentioned in 3.4.3 (with at least two different types of tournaments) in the period of the last five (5) years.

3.4 In the C' Category are classified IA and FA who fulfil all the following criteria:

3.4.1 They have been Active International or FIDE Arbiters during the last five (5) years.

3.4.2 They have shown excellent knowledge of the Laws of Chess and the Tournament Regulations and no punishments have been imposed to them during their activities as an Arbiter.

3.4.3 They have acted in the period of the last five (5) years as Chief Arbiter or Deputy Chief Arbiter in at least two (2) of the following:

- a. all the other Continental events included in the FIDE Calendar**
- b. Team Tournaments or Swiss System Tournaments with more than 150 participants.**

3.5 In the D' Category are classified all the others IA and FA.

4. Procedure for the classification of IA and FA

- 4.1 The Arbiters Commission shall have the responsibility for the classification of the Active IA and FA in the above mentioned Categories, according to the proposals of the Federations, the Tournament Reports and the Reports of the Chief Arbiters.
- 4.2 The Federations must send to the Arbiters Commission their proposals, including the lists of their Active and Inactive IA and FA, four (4) months before the announced date of the FIDE Congress.
In each Federation's list of the Active Arbiters, the IA and FA must be classified according to the mentioned Categories (A', B', C' and D'). If an Arbiter is proposed to change his previous Category, then it shall be justified in full detail, according to these regulations.
- 4.3 The AC shall issue the lists which will include the Arbiters of each Category (A', B' and C') and submit them to the FIDE General Assembly for final approval. The lists will be valid for a period of two (2) years.

5. Appointment of the IA and FA, according to their Categories

- 5.1 Only IA belonging to the A' or B' Category shall be appointed as Chief Arbiters in all major World events, as described in 3.2.3.
- 5.2 The following table indicates the appointments of the IA and FA, depending on their Categories and the event.
A', B', C', D': Categories of the IA and FA
Major WE: major World events, according to 3.2.3
Other WE: all the other World events, included in the FIDE Calendar, according to 3.3.3
Major CE: major Continental events, according to 3.3.3
Other CE: all the other Continental events, included in the FIDE Calendar, according to 3.4.3

Arbiter/Event	Major WE	other WE	Major CE	other CE
Chief Arbiter	A', B'	A', B'	A', B'	A', B', C'
Deputy Chief Arbiter	A', B'	A', B', C'	A', B', C'	A', B', C', D'
Arbiter	A', B', C'	A', B', C', D'	A', B', C', D'	A', B', C', D'
Assistant Arbiter	B', C', D'	B', C', D'	B', C', D'	B', C', D'

PROPOSALS FOR UPDATING THE LIST OF LECTURERS FOR THE FIDE ARBITERS' SEMINARS

There are applications from respective Federations, for the following IAs to be included in the list of the Lecturers for the FIDE Arbiters' Seminars:

1. IA Bond, Hal (CAN)
(Letter of recommendation from Canada Chess Federation)
2. IA Prevenios, Mihail (GRE)
(Letter of recommendation from Greek Chess Federation)
3. IA Al Radji, Mohamed (UAE)
(Letter of recommendation from UAE Chess Federation)
4. IA N.Y. Wong (AUS)
(Letter of recommendation from Australian Chess Federation)
5. IA Welch, David (ENG)
(Letter of recommendation from English Chess Federation)
6. IA Blas Pingas (ARG)
(Letter of recommendation from Argentina Chess Federation)
7. IA Kohlstaedt Juergen (GER)
8. (Letter of recommendation from German Chess Federation)

The recommendations of the Federations were accepted by the Commission.

FIDE ARBITERS' SEMINARS

FOR APPROVAL IN TALLINN 2013 FIDE CONGRESS

In the period from the end of April until end September 2013 fourteen (14) FIDE ARBITERS' SEMINARS were organized in the following places and dates, under the auspices of FIDE:

1. Dubai, UAE, 5-9 May 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
2. Thessaloniki, GREECE, 24-26 May 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
3. Osh, KYRGYZSTAN, 2-6 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
4. Kuwait City, KUWAIT, 2-6 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
5. Ureki, GEORGIA, 18-22 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
6. Tipasa, ALGERIA, 20-22 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website)
7. Arbiters' Commission, 26th INTERNET, 24-30 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
8. Commission for Women's Chess 27th INTERNET, 25-30 June 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
9. Port Elizabeth, SOUTH AFRICA, 4-7 July 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
10. Kiryat Ono, ISRAEL, 9-17 July 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
11. Reilingen, GERMANY, 11-14 July 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
12. Belokan, AZERBAIJAN, 20-23 July 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
13. HONDURAS, 28th INTERNET, 30 July – 4 August 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).
14. Saint Petersburg, RUSSIA, 5-10 August 2013 (report and results have been published on the FIDE website).

The following FIDE Arbiters' Seminars have been approved for the next period:

France, Bordeaux, 28, 29 September 2013

Montenegro, Budva, 30 September- 3 October 2013

Liechtenstein, Bendern, 30 October-3 November 2013

Ukraine, Kiev, 1-5 November 2013

Russia, Barnaul, 3-6 November 2013

India, Chennai, 10-13 November 2013

UAE, Al Ain, 21-27 December 2013

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Statistics

for the FIDE Arbiters' Seminars from September 2012 to October 2013
(from Istanbul FIDE Congress to Tallinn FIDE Congress)

No	FIDE Event	Seminar approved	Total Number of participants (in exams)	Successful participants	FA Titles approved	FA norms approved	Percentage (%)	
1.	Yerevan PB	Istanbul (TUR)	14 (7)	5	4	1	71	
		Brasilia (BRA)	15 (13)	5	-	5	39	
		Vladivostok (RUS)	9 (9)	7	-	7	82	
		Sibenik (CRO)	9 (8)	7	-	7	88	
		Buenos Aires (ARG)	9 (9)	5	-	5	56	
		WOM 18-Internet	37 (23)	7	-	7	33	
		NACA 19-Internet	22 (22)	7	-	7	33	
		New Delhi (IND)	16 (16)	16	-	16	100	
		Andorra (AND)	11 (9)	4	2	2	48	
		Novokuznetsk (RUS)	14 (7)	4	-	4	64	
		La Habana (CUB)	32 (32)	7	-	7	24	
		Maribor (SLO)	5 (5)	5	-	5	100	
		PERU 20-Internet	13 (13)	7	-	7	54	
		ARB 21-Internet	43 (35)	7	-	22	63	
		Suzdal (RUS)	10 (5)	5	-	5	100	
		Al Ain (UAE)	22 (22)	6	-	6	27	
		Astana (KAZ)	8 (7)	6	-	6	86	
		Cochabamba (BOL)	10 (6)	2	-	2	33	
		Pulawy (POL)	29 (29)	29	-	29	100	
		Sana'a (YEM)	35 (29)	16	16	-	55	
2.	Baku PB	Patra (GRE)	15 (13)	10	-	10	77	
		Moscow (RUS)	12 (12)	6	-	6	50	
		Jeddah (KSA)	11 (11)	7	7	-	64	
		HONDURAS 22-Internet	13 (13)	6	-	6	46	
		Khartoum (SUD)	21 (21)	13	13	-	62	
		ARB 23-Internet	23 (20)	9	1	8	45	
		COSTA RICA 25-Internet	8 (8)	7	-	7	88	
		BRAZIL 24-Internet	15 (15)	11	-	11	73	
		Sochi (RUS)	15 (5)	2	-	2	40	
		Patna (IND)	9 (9)	9	-	9	100	

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3.	Tallinn EB	Dubai (UAE)	24 (9)	7	-	7	78
		Thessaloniki (GRE)	7 (7)	5	-	5	71
		Osh (KGZ)	11 (11)	8	-	8	73
		Kuwait (KUW)	26 (16)	13	10	3	81
		Ureki (GEO)	15 (15)	6	-	6	40
		Tipasa (ALG)	31 (31)	21	-	21	68
		ARB 26-Internet	45 (37)	8	1	7	22
		WOM 27-Internet	19 (19)	5	-	5	26
		Port Elizabeth (RSA)	24 (24)	8	-	8	33
		Kiryat Ono (ISR)	12 (12)	6	-	6	50
		Reilingen (GER)	19 (19)	15	-	15	79
		Belokan (AZE)	27 (27)	27	-	27	100
		HONDURAS 28-Internet	15 (15)	3	-	3	20
		Saint Petersburg (RUS)	12 (12)	11	-	11	92
	TOTAL	44	802(697)	380	64	330	55
		EUROPE 17					
		AMERICAS 9					
		ASIA 8					
		AFRICA 4					
		INTERNET (11) 6					