

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.

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 1 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 3 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 a 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 proposed any IA who has served as an Assistant in at least 3 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 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. 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 3 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.