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AGENDA

128th Annual General Meeting

of
The International Football Association Board

at the Home of FIFA, Zurich
on Saturday, 1 March 2014, 09.30

I. WELCOME

II. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

III. ROLL CALL

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

VI. INFORMATION ON THE IFAB REFORM PROCESS

- Advisory Board compositions
- Budget and membership fees
- Confirmation of auditors
- IFAB website and corporate identity
- IFAB Organisation Regulations
- Strategy

VII. AGENDA CONTAINING THE ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AND ENCLOSURES

1. Modifications *(submitted by The FA)*

- a. "Rolling subs" – report on pilot project by The FA
- b. Amendment to the Laws of the Game



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Modifications, p.3

(alterations highlighted in red)

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In addition to the above modifications, subject to the agreement of the member association concerned and provided the principles of these Laws are maintained, the laws regarding substitutions may be modified in their application for matches for amateur players in any age group provided that:

- such matches are solely for amateurs
- such matches are not part of the most senior domestic competition of a member association

Further modifications are only allowed with the consent of the International Football Association Board.

Reason

Permitting modifications to the Laws regarding substitutions in amateur/"recreational" football will help with the growth and retention of players within amateur/"recreational" football. The change will give associations more flexibility to encourage people to take up the sport or to continue their participation in "recreational" football without affecting the professional game in any way. It is also suggested that such a modification would not be permitted for a member association's most senior domestic competition (where such a competition is solely amateur).

2. Law 4 – The Players' Equipment *(submitted by FIFA)*

- a. Use of head covers by male players
- b. Amendment to the Laws of the Game

Other equipment (Interpretations), p. 69

(alterations highlighted in red)

Modern protective equipment (...) permitted.

Where head covers are worn, they must

- be of the same main colour as the jersey
- be in keeping with the professional appearance of the player's equipment
- not be attached to the jersey
- not pose any danger to the player wearing it or any other player (e.g. opening/closing mechanism around neck)
- not have any part(s) extending out from the surface (protruding elements)

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Reason

After a two-year pilot, there is no indication as to why the wearing of head covers should be prohibited, as long as their design restrictions are respected as defined in the pilot. Furthermore, the male football community has also raised the need for male players to be permitted to wear head covers, as it is considered discriminative.

3. Law 4 – The Players' Equipment *(submitted by The FA)*

Slogans or advertising on undergarments (Decision 1), p. 23 *(alterations highlighted in red)*

Basic compulsory equipment

~~Players must not reveal undergarments showing slogans or advertising.~~ The basic compulsory equipment must not have any political, religious or personal **slogans**, statements **or images**.

~~A player removing his jersey or shirt to reveal slogans or advertising will be sanctioned by the competition organiser.~~ The team of a player whose basic compulsory equipment has political, religious or personal **slogans or, statements or images** will be sanctioned by the competition organiser or by FIFA.

Undergarments

~~Players must not reveal undergarments that show political, religious, personal slogans, statements or images, or advertising other than the manufacturer logo.~~

~~A player/team of a player that reveals an undergarment that shows political, religious, personal slogans, statements or images, or advertising other than the manufacturers' logo will be sanctioned by the competition organiser or by FIFA.~~

Reason

Currently what a player can reveal on any item of basic compulsory equipment is different to what he can on an undergarment i.e. he can't reveal a personal statement or image on his outer jersey but he can on his undershirt. This amendment seeks to outline a consistent approach to both the outer jersey and all types of undergarment. There is also an opportunity to introduce an improved structure to this section i.e. the first two bullet points refer to the outer shirt (basic compulsory equipment) and bullet points 3 & 4 refer to undergarments.

4. Law 8 – The Start and Restart of Play: dropped ball *(submitted by FIFA)*

5. Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct: handling the ball *(submitted by FAW)*



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6. Electronic performance and tracking systems (EPTS) *(submitted by FIFA)*

7. Structure and formatting of the Laws of the Game *(submitted by the Technical Sub-Committee)*

VIII. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8. Modifications

“Sin bins” in recreational football

9. Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

Sending-off offences: “triple punishment” – proposal by UEFA

10. Video replay for match officials

IX. NEXT MEETINGS

Secretary of The IFAB
Zurich, 31 January 2014