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1. The FIFA World Cup™ is a FIFA event embodied in the FIFA Statutes.
2. It is played as a preliminary competition and a final competition.
3. On 6 July 2000 the FIFA Executive Committee designated the German Football Association (DFB) as the Organising Association of the final competition for the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.
4. The DFB has set up a Local Organising Committee (LOC) in the form of an internal division to organise the final competition in accordance with the List of Requirements (LoR) and the Organising Association Agreement (OAA) between FIFA and the Organising Association.
5. The DFB and its LOC are collectively referred to as the Organising Association. The Organising Association is subject to the supervision and control of FIFA, which has the last word on all matters relevant to the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.
6. Working relations between the Organising Association and FIFA are regulated in a special contract, the OAA, its annexes, the LoR, FIFA guidelines and circulars as well as all applicable FIFA regulations.
7. Any rights associated with the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ that are not granted by these regulations and/or specific agreements to a participating association in the preliminary or final competition or to a confederation belong to FIFA.
8. The FIFA Statutes in force and all FIFA regulations in force shall apply. Any reference in these regulations to the FIFA Statutes refers to the Statutes valid at the time of application and to all relevant FIFA regulations.
9. The regulations for the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ (the Regulations) regulate the rights, duties and responsibilities of all associations taking part in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ and of the Organising Association by forming an integral part of the OAA. The Regulations and all guidelines and circulars issued by FIFA are binding on all parties participating and involved in the preparation, organisation and hosting of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.
1. The FIFA World Cup™ takes place every four years. The associations affiliated to FIFA are invited to participate with their representative team.

2. A representative from FIFA will present the winner of the competition with the FIFA World Cup Trophy, which remains the property of FIFA but may be kept by the winner until the draw for the final competition of the next FIFA World Cup™. The winner will be awarded a replica of the FIFA World Cup Trophy as its permanent possession.

3. The winner is responsible for the loss of or damage to the FIFA World Cup Trophy and shall return it in perfect condition. FIFA is responsible for engraving the FIFA World Cup Trophy and will issue guidelines for its use.

4. If, for any reason, the competition should cease to be held, the FIFA World Cup Trophy shall be returned to the FIFA general secretariat immediately upon demand.

5. The associations that take part in the final competition will each be awarded a souvenir plaque.

6. The associations ranked first, second, third and fourth in the final competition will each receive a diploma.

7. 45 (forty-five) medals will be presented to each of the three top teams in the final competition, i.e. gold medals to the winner, silver medals to the team ranked second and bronze medals to the team ranked third. No further medals will be awarded.

8. The team ranked fourth will receive an award.

9. The referees, assistant referees, fourth and fifth officials at the play-off for third place and final match will each receive an award.
II. ORGANISATION OF FIFA

Article 2

1. In accordance with FIFA's Statutes:

a) the Executive Committee is FIFA's executive body;
b) the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ is responsible for the organisation of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ in accordance with all FIFA regulations;
c) the FIFA general secretariat is, in conjunction with the Organising Association, responsible for the operational organisation of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ in accordance with the guidelines of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™;
d) the Disciplinary Committee and the Appeal Committee have the responsibilities set forth in the FIFA Disciplinary Code, which apply accordingly;
e) the FIFA Sports Medical Committee has the responsibilities set forth in its list of duties.

2. In accordance with the OAA entered into by FIFA and the Organising Association, the Organising Association shall undertake to comply with these Regulations, the LoR, all applicable FIFA regulations, guidelines and circulars as well as the applicable national and supra-national laws.
III. ENTRIES FOR THE COMPETITION

Article 3

1. As a rule, every association affiliated to FIFA may participate in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.

2. The associations shall complete and send the official entry form to the FIFA general secretariat by the deadline stipulated in Art. 4 (Preliminary competition) and Art. 5 (Final competition). Only the entry forms sent to the FIFA general secretariat by the deadline set will be valid and taken into consideration. Entries sent by telefax or e-mail shall be confirmed on the official entry form.

3. On entering the competition, the participating associations, its players and officials shall automatically undertake:
   a) to observe the regulations, decisions, guidelines and circulars issued by FIFA as well as the applicable national and supra-national laws;
   b) to accept that all the administrative, disciplinary and refereeing matters connected with the preliminary and final competitions will be settled by FIFA in compliance with these Regulations or the decisions of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™;
   c) to accept all the arrangements made by the Organising Association for the final competition in agreement with FIFA;
   d) to observe the principles of fair play;
   e) to accept the use and/or sub-licence by FIFA of any of the records, names and images of the association (including its marks) and its players and officials, including any still and moving representation thereof, which may appear or be generated in connection with the participation of the association and its players and officials in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ (including both the preliminary and final competitions). The participating associations shall secure written acceptance for the use and/or sub-licence by FIFA of these records, names and images from its players and officials prior to the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.

FIFA’s right to use and/or sub-license such records, names and images of the association (including its marks) and its players and officials is exclusive in respect of, or in connection with, the filming, recording, broadcasting and any other form of transmission of the records, names, images and association marks (including, but not limited to television, film images for broadcast or other transmission) in connection with the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.
FIFA's right to use and/or sub-license such records, names and images of the association (including its marks) and its players and officials, including any still and moving representation thereof that may appear or be generated in connection with the participation of the association and its players and officials in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ (including both the preliminary and final competitions) is, other than as outlined above, non-exclusive and limited to activities, which

i) are associated with the participation of the association, players and officials in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™;
ii) do not directly promote, or directly cause the promotion of, any direct association between any association, its players or officials and any third party other than FIFA.

Such rights may be used and/or sub-licensed by FIFA in perpetuity in any medium known or hereinafter devised for any purpose, whether commercial or non-commercial.

All revenues generated by FIFA from the specific exploitation of the right to use and/or sub-license images of the association’s players, including any still and moving representation thereof, other than exploitation in connection with filming, recording, broadcasting and any other form of transmission, will be used by FIFA for its humanitarian charitable activities and/or charitable football development activities (such as youth development programmes). The participating associations, players and officials remain free to exploit their own proprietary rights (including intellectual property rights), which are unconnected with the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.

f) to comply with and implement the Ticketing Terms and Conditions and the Ticketing Policy as set forth by FIFA and the Organising Association.
III. ENTRIES FOR THE COMPETITION

Article 4  Preliminary competition

1. Subject to any other decision by the FIFA Executive Committee, the deadline for entries is 31 July 2003. Only entries reaching the FIFA general secretariat by that date will be taken into consideration.

2. Entries shall be accompanied by a fee of CHF 3,000 payable to the FIFA account with UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, 8021 Zurich, Switzerland, SWIFT address: UBSW CH ZH 80A, CHF Account No. 325.519.30U, USD Account No. 325.519.61Y.

Article 5  Final competition

Associations qualified to take part in the final competition shall confirm their participation by sending the official entry form, duly completed, to the FIFA general secretariat by 23 November 2005.
IV. ORGANISATION OF THE COMPETITION

Article 6

1. The competition consists of two parts:
   a) the preliminary competition;
   b) the final competition.

2. The Organising Association’s representative team automatically qualifies for the final competition.

Article 7 Preliminary competition

1. The FIFA Executive Committee decided to allocate the following number of slots to the confederations for the 2006 FIFA World Cup™:
   - Europe (UEFA): 14 (including host Germany)
   - Asia (AFC): 4.5
   - South America (CONMEBOL): 4.5
   - Oceania (OFC): 0.5
   - Africa (CAF): 5.0
   - North, Central America, Caribbean (CONCACAF): 3.5

2. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ forms groups and/or sub-groups for the preliminary competition by seeding and drawing lots whilst taking sports, geographic and economic factors into consideration, as far as possible. The preliminary draw will take place in Frankfurt am Main (Germany) on 5 December 2003.

3. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ decides on the playing system, the group formation and the duration of the preliminary competition. Such decisions are final. In the case of any withdrawals, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ may change the groups in accordance with the provisions of par. 2 above.

4. The preliminary competition is scheduled to begin on 28 February 2004 and last until 6 November 2005. Any play-offs shall have been played by 20 November 2005.

5. The matches in the preliminary competition shall be played in accordance with one of the following three systems:
a) in groups composed of several teams on a home-and-away basis, with three points for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a defeat (league system);
b) one home and one away match per team (knock-out system);
c) by way of exception and only with the permission of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, in the form of a tournament in one of the participating countries or on neutral territory.

6. When matches are played in accordance with system (a) or (b), home matches may not be played in another country without the express permission of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.

7. In the league system, the ranking in each group is determined as follows:
   a) greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;
      If two or more teams are equal on the basis of the above criterion, their ranking shall be determined as follows:
   b) greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;
   c) goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;
   d) greatest number of goals scored in the group matches between the teams concerned;
   e) goal difference in all group matches;
   f) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches;
   g) a play-off on neutral ground.

8. With the approval of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, the play-off may be played in one of the countries concerned. If, after 90 minutes, this match ends in a draw, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2 and 3).

9. In the knock-out system, both teams shall play one home and one away match each, the sequence of which will be determined by lots drawn by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™. The team having scored most goals over the two games will qualify for the next round. If both teams score the same number of goals over the two matches, the goals scored away will be counted as double. If the same number of goals is scored away or both matches end without any goals being scored, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played after the second match. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2 and 3).
10. The dates of the matches in the preliminary competition shall be fixed by the associations concerned in compliance with the International Match Calendar and subject to the approval of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™. The FIFA general secretariat shall be informed accordingly by 1 February 2004 at the latest. If the associations cannot agree on the dates of the matches in the preliminary competition, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will make the final decisions. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ shall ensure that matches in the same group are played simultaneously when the situation demands this for sporting reasons.

11. The venues of the matches (if not already decided under par. 10) in the preliminary competition shall be fixed by the host association concerned. Their opponents and the FIFA general secretariat shall be notified by the host association at least 2 (two) months before the match in question is due to be played. If the associations cannot agree on the venues for the matches in the preliminary competition, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will make the final decisions.

12. The host association shall inform its opponents and the FIFA general secretariat of the kick-off times at least 30 (thirty) days before the match in question is due to be played.

13. The associations shall arrange for their representative teams to arrive at the venue no later than the evening before the date the match is due to be played.

14. If the host association considers the pitch unfit for play, the FIFA general secretariat shall be informed immediately, as well as the visiting association and the match officials before their departure. If the host association fails to do this, it will be obliged to cover all of the expenses incurred for travel, board and lodging of the parties involved.

15. If there is any doubt regarding the condition of the pitch once the visiting association has already left to play the match, the referee shall decide whether the pitch is playable or not. If the referee declares the pitch unplayable, the procedure to be followed is described in par. 16 below.

16. If a match is interrupted before the completion of normal playing time or extra time because of extreme weather or for reasons outside the control of the host association, a replay lasting 90 minutes shall be arranged for the following day, thus avoiding considerable extra
expense for the visiting association. If it is still impossible to play the match the next day for the same reasons, the match may be postponed by another day, provided both associations agree. If the match can still not be played on the third day, the expenses thus incurred by the visiting association shall be split between the two associations.

17. The matches may be played in daylight or under floodlight. Matches played at night may be played only at venues where the floodlighting installations meet the minimum lighting requirements laid down by FIFA in the relevant regulations and/or guidelines. The guidelines state that, in the case of matches played at night, the whole pitch shall be evenly lit to at least 1200 lux. An emergency power generator shall also be available which, in the event of a power failure, guarantees at least two-thirds of the aforementioned intensity of light for the whole pitch. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ is entitled to grant exceptions, which are final.

18. Financial arrangements for costs incurred by the visiting association such as travel, board and lodging as the result of playing a match shall be mutually agreed upon among the associations concerned (cf. Art. 42). Any disputes arising therefrom may be submitted to the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ for a final decision to be taken.

19. All matches of the preliminary competition shall be identified, promoted and advertised as qualifying matches for the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ in accordance with the guidelines to be established by FIFA.
Article 8 Final competition

1. The final competition is scheduled to be staged from 9 June to 9 July 2006.

2. The Organising Association’s team qualifies automatically for the final competition.

3. The FIFA Executive Committee fixed the number of teams taking part in the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ at 32, namely the Organising Association’s representative team and the 31 other teams that qualify from the preliminary competition.

4. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ forms groups for the final competition by seeding and drawing lots whilst taking sports, geographic and economic factors into consideration, as far as possible. The final draw is due to take place in Leipzig (Germany) on 9 December 2005.

5. The decisions of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ on the group formation and the duration of the final competition are final. In the case of any withdrawals, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ may change the groups in accordance with the provisions of par. 4.

6. Each team taking part in the final competition shall arrive in the team hotel reserved for it in the host country at least 5 (five) days before its first match. Only official team hotels shall be used for accommodation. FIFA will provide details about accommodation policies and in particular the use of venue-specific team hotels in a circular letter.
IV. ORGANISATION OF THE COMPETITION

Article 9  **Venues, dates and kick-off times for the matches in the final competition**

1. The venues, stadiums, dates and kick-off times for the matches as well as the official training sites shall be submitted by the Organising Association to the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ for prior approval.

2. The matches may be played in daylight or under floodlight. Matches played at night may be played only at venues where the floodlighting installations ensure that the whole pitch is evenly lit to at least 1500 lux. An emergency power generator shall also be available which, in the event of a power failure, guarantees at least two-thirds of the aforementioned intensity of light for the whole pitch.

3. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ fixes the dates and venues of the matches in the final competition, allowing each team a rest period of at least 48 hours between each match.

4. Depending on the weather, the teams will be entitled to one 60-minute training session (net pitch time) in the stadium where they are due to play on the day before their match. Training times will be communicated by FIFA. If the pitch is not in good condition, FIFA may direct the teams only to inspect the pitch wearing training shoes.

5. The teams will be entitled to warm up on the pitch before the match, weather permitting.

6. The stadiums and the official venue-specific and team base camp training sites shall be available and free of any and all commercial activities and identifications, e.g. boards and other signage other than those of FIFA’s Commercial Affiliates, at least 10 (ten) days prior to the first match played in a stadium or training session held in the respective official training sites. These stadiums and official training sites shall not be used for any other matches or events as from 10 (ten) days prior to and throughout the final competition without the express permission of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.
7. Official training sites in good condition and situated near the teams’ headquarters in each venue shall be made available to every team at least 5 (five) full days prior to each team’s first match in the final competition.

8. As from 5 (five) days prior to their first match and up to their elimination, the teams participating in the final competition shall use only those training sites which have been officially designated for training by FIFA. If a team’s preparation site is used as an official training site, par. 6 will apply.
Article 10 Preliminary competition

1. Associations that have entered a team shall play all of their preliminary competition matches.

2. Associations that withdraw after having entered a team will forfeit the entry fee (cf. Art. 4, par. 2).

3. Associations that withdraw between the preliminary draw and the start of the preliminary competition are liable to a fine of CHF 20,000 in addition to forfeiting the entry fee.

4. Associations that withdraw after the start of the preliminary competition are liable to a fine of CHF 40,000 in addition to forfeiting the entry fee.

5. An association that withdraws prior to, or is excluded from playing in the preliminary competition may be replaced by another association. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ shall make the relevant decision.

6. If a team does not report for a match – except in cases of force majeure recognised by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ – or if it refuses to continue to play or leaves the stadium before the end of a match, the team will be considered as having lost. The match and three points will be awarded to its opponents with a score of 3-0 or more if, in the case of an abandoned match, the winning team has already reached a higher score at the time the guilty team leaves the field.

7. The guilty team will, as a general rule, be excluded from further participation in the competition so that none of its matches will be deemed valid, unless the incidents mentioned in par. 6 occurred in its last match. In addition, the guilty association shall pay compensation for any damages or losses suffered by the other association(s) and by FIFA. Furthermore, the guilty association will be disqualified from taking part in the next FIFA World Cup™ and will forfeit any claim to financial remuneration from FIFA. Further measures may be taken by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.

8. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will take whatever action is deemed necessary in cases of force majeure (cf. Art. 49).
**Article 11 Final competition**

1. Associations that qualify for the final competition shall play all of their matches in the final competition until they are eliminated.

2. If a team refuses to play in the final competition, it will be disqualified, unless Art. 49 of these Regulations is applicable.

3. If an association that has qualified for the final competition withdraws between the final draw and the start of the final competition, it will be fined between at least CHF 250,000 and a maximum of CHF 500,000.

4. If an association withdraws during the final competition, it will be fined between at least CHF 500,000 and a maximum of CHF 1,000,000. The association will be held responsible for any damages or losses arising from its withdrawal.

5. An association that withdraws prior to, or is excluded from playing in the final competition may be replaced by another association. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will pass the relevant decision.

6. Depending on circumstances and the decision of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, any association that withdraws may be ordered to reimburse FIFA and the Organising Association for any expenses the latter have already incurred as a result of their involvement in the final competition, and also pay compensation for any damages or losses suffered.

7. If the circumstances of withdrawal are sufficiently serious, the Disciplinary Committee may also take whatever additional action is appropriate under the terms of the Disciplinary Code, including the right to suspend the association concerned from subsequent FIFA World Cup™ competitions, or from any other FIFA competition.

8. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will determine the damages and/or losses suffered upon receipt and review of a substantiated and documented request from the party or parties that claim to have suffered the damages or losses.
9. If, through the fault of any association, a match cannot take place or be played in its entirety, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will declare the match to be forfeited (awarding victory and the resultant three points to the opposing team as well as the score of 3-0, or more, if the opposing team has already achieved a higher score) and may decide to eliminate the guilty team from the competition.

10. No appeals may be lodged against these decisions. Furthermore, the guilty association will forfeit any claim to financial remuneration from FIFA.

11. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will take whatever action is deemed necessary in the case of force majeure (cf. Art. 17.6, Art. 17.7 and Art. 49).
1. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, appointed by the FIFA Executive Committee, is responsible for the organisation of the competition in accordance with the FIFA Statutes.

2. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ may, if deemed necessary, appoint a bureau and/or one or more sub-committee(s) to deal with urgent matters. Any decision taken by a bureau or the sub-committee(s) comes into effect immediately but is subject to confirmation by the plenary committee at its next meeting.

3. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ draws up the regulations for the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™. These Regulations are subject to approval by the FIFA Executive Committee.

4. The general responsibilities of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ include, amongst other matters:
   a) imposing fines specifically provided for under Art. 10 and 11 of these Regulations;
   b) judging protests and taking appropriate steps to verify their admissibility (cf. Art. 14);
   c) replacing associations that have withdrawn (cf. Art. 10 and 11);
   d) appointing match commissioners, security officers and any other FIFA officials;
   e) deciding which laboratories will carry out the doping test analyses (cf. Art. 26);
   f) dealing with breaches of the Doping Control regulations (cf. Art. 26);
   g) determining and, if appropriate, settling cases of force majeure;
   h) dealing with any other aspect of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ that is not the responsibility of another body under the terms of these Regulations or the FIFA Statutes.
5. The specific responsibilities of the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ include, amongst other matters:

**Preliminary competition**
- a) supervising general preparations, deciding on the match system and the draw;
- b) forming groups and/or sub-groups;
- c) fixing the venues and dates of matches whenever associations fail to agree;
- d) deciding at which matches doping tests will be conducted (cf. Art. 26).

**Final competition**
- a) supervising general preparations, deciding on the match system and the group draw;
- b) forming groups and/or sub-groups;
- c) fixing the venues and dates and choosing stadiums and training grounds in conformity with the LoR and the OAA after consulting the Organising Association;
- d) determining the match schedule and kick-off times;
- e) judging infringements under the terms and conditions of Art. 24;
- f) choosing the official football and the stipulated technical material.

6. The decisions taken by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ are final and binding.
Disciplinary measures and appeals are dealt with in compliance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code (FDC) in force and the relevant FIFA circular(s).
1. Subject to the following provisions, protests are objections of any kind to occurrences that have a direct effect on matches organised in the preliminary and final competitions of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ (state and markings of the pitch, accessory match equipment, eligibility of players, stadium installations, footballs etc.).

2. Unless otherwise stipulated in this article, protests shall first be submitted in writing to the FIFA match commissioner or the FIFA general coordinator within two hours of the match and followed up immediately with a full written report, including a copy of the original protest, to be sent in writing to the FIFA general secretariat or, during the final competition, to the FIFA headquarters in the host country within 24 hours of the end of the match. In the preliminary competition, the plaintiff association shall confirm the protest by registered letter, to be sent to the FIFA general secretariat no later than 2 (two) days after the match in question.

3. Protests against any incidents that occur during the course of a match shall be made to the referee by the team captain immediately after the disputed incident and before play has been resumed. The protests shall be confirmed in writing to the FIFA match commissioner or general coordinator by the head of the team delegation no later than two hours after the match.

4. No protests may be made against the referee’s decisions regarding facts connected with play, such decisions being final.

5. If an unfounded or irresponsible protest is lodged, the Disciplinary Committee may impose a fine.

6. Once the final match of the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ has ended, any protests described in this article will be disregarded.

7. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will pass decisions on any protests lodged (cf. Art.12).
IX. ARBITRATION

Article 15

1. Pursuant to the FIFA Statutes, associations are forbidden from taking disputes to a civil court but may only submit them to the appropriate body at FIFA in accordance with the applicable procedure.

2. Furthermore, any disputes involving FIFA, the Organising Association, associations, confederations, leagues, clubs, players, officials and licensed agents in connection with the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ shall be promptly settled by negotiation.

3. If no solution can be reached, or a formal appeal is envisaged, the issue shall be exclusively resolved under the auspices of the arbitration tribunal set forth in the FIFA Statutes, namely the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne. The CAS Code of Sports-related Arbitration will apply.

4. Disputes between FIFA and the Organising Association shall be settled as set forth in the OAA.
X. MATCHES PLAYED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE GAME

Article 16

1. All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game laid down by the International Football Association Board and published by FIFA.

2. Panels or electronic display boards, numbered on both sides for clarity, shall be used to indicate:
   a) the substitution of players;
   b) the number of minutes to be allowed for lost time in accordance with Art. 17, par. 5.

3. In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the Laws of the Game, the English version is authoritative.
XI. DURATION OF MATCHES, EXTRA TIME, DETERMINING THE WINNER BY PENALTY KICKS

Article 17

1. Each match shall last 90 minutes, comprising two periods of 45 minutes, with an interval of 15 minutes in between.

2. If, in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations, extra time is to be played as the result of a draw at the end of normal playing time, it shall always consist of two periods of 15 minutes each, with an interval of five minutes at the end of normal playing time, but not between the two periods of extra time.

3. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner, in accordance with the procedure described in the Laws of the Game.

4. Clocks in the stadium showing the length of time played may run during the match, provided that they are stopped at the end of normal playing time in each half, i.e. after 45 and 90 minutes respectively. This stipulation shall also apply if extra time is played (i.e. after 15 minutes of each half).

5. At the end of the two periods of normal playing time (45 and 90 minutes), the referee shall indicate to the fourth official, either orally or by gesturing with his hands, the number of minutes that he has decided to allow for time lost. This also applies to the two periods of 15 minutes of extra time. Each allowance for time lost shall be shown on the panels or electronic display boards of the fourth official.

6. If, through force majeure, a match is abandoned and therefore cannot be played in its entirety, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ shall decide whether the match result at the time of abandonment is valid or whether a replay shall be organised, taking sporting and organisational considerations into account.

7. If, through force majeure, a match is cancelled before the start of the match, the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ shall decide whether the match can be rescheduled, taking sporting and organisational considerations into account, or whether any other action and decision is needed to continue with the competition. Any disciplinary sanctions resulting from the cancelled match shall remain in force.

8. No appeals may be lodged against decisions stated in Art. 17 par. 6 and 7.
XII. STADIUMS, FIELDS OF PLAY, FOOTBALLS

Article 18

1. Each association organising matches in the preliminary competition shall ensure that the stadiums and facilities in which the matches take place fulfil the requirements described in the FIFA Technical Recommendations and Requirements for the Construction or Modernisation of Football Stadia and comply with the safety and security standards and other FIFA guidelines and instructions for international matches. The fields of play, accessory equipment and facilities shall be in optimum condition and comply with the Laws of the Game.

2. Periodic safety checks for the benefit of spectators, players and officials shall be carried out on the stadiums selected for matches in the preliminary competition by the authorities responsible and recorded every 2 (two) years on an official safety certificate. The associations shall provide FIFA with a copy of the relevant safety certificate at least 2 (two) months before each match in the preliminary competition.

3. As a general rule, the preliminary and final competition matches may only be played in all-seater stadiums. If only stadiums with both seating and standing areas are available, the standing space shall remain vacant.

4. Matches may be played on natural or artificial surfaces. Where artificial surfaces are used, the surface must meet the requirements of the FIFA Quality Concept for Artificial Turf or the International Artificial Turf Standard, unless special dispensation is given by FIFA.

5. The Organising Association shall, in conjunction with the relevant government authority, guarantee that the stadiums and facilities chosen for the final competition fulfil FIFA requirements and comply with the standards of safety required for international matches. They are subject to approval by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™. The fields of play, accessory equipment and facilities shall be in optimum condition and comply with the Laws of the Game. The fields of play shall have the following dimensions: length 105m, breadth 68m.
1. The footballs chosen for the preliminary and final competitions shall conform with the Laws of the Game and bear one of the following three quality standard designations licensed by FIFA: “FIFA APPROVED”, “FIFA INSPECTED” or “INTERNATIONAL MATCHBALL STANDARD”.

2. Pursuant to the Laws of the Game, the manufacturer’s authorised trademark (as a graphic logo or a name, or a graphic logo and a name combined) may only be used once provided the size of the trademark does not exceed 50 cm². The name of the football may be displayed and may not exceed 50 cm².

3. The footballs for the preliminary competition shall be supplied by the host association.

4. The footballs for the final competition shall be selected and supplied by FIFA.
XIII. ORGANISING ASSOCIATION’S RESPONSIBILITIES AND PARTICIPATING ASSOCIATIONS’ GUARANTEES

Article 20 Organising Association

1. The Organising Association’s obligations and responsibilities are stipulated in the OAA, its annexes and amendments, the FIFA LoR, these Regulations and other FIFA regulations, guidelines and circulars and any other agreements reached between FIFA and the Organising Association.

2. The Organising Association and the relevant government authorities are responsible for devising, planning and implementing adequate security and safety for the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ at every relevant location for all relevant persons at all times. A suitable security plan shall be issued in the form of a binding declaration on all parties involved.

3. The Organising Association shall conclude insurance policies in consultation with FIFA to cover all risks relating to the organisation of the competition, including but not limited to adequate stadium insurance, liability insurance, financial and consequential losses liability insurance, cancellation and spectator insurance.

4. All costs for security and insurance shall be borne by the government authorities and the Organising Association.

Article 21 Organising Association

The Organising Association shall discharge FIFA from all responsibility and relinquish any claim against FIFA and the members of its delegation for any damages resulting from any act or omission relating to the organisation and course of the competition, with the exception of damages caused by FIFA or the members of its delegation acting with intent or gross negligence.
**Article 22 Organising Association**

1. The Organising Association shall conclude the contracts required for organising matches in its own name and for its own account. The same provision shall apply to agreements concluded with government authorities.

2. The Organising Association shall exempt (indemnify and hold harmless) FIFA from all third party claims for damages relating to match organisation, regardless of whether the individual matches in question take place or not.

**Article 23 Participating associations**

1. All participating associations in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ shall conclude adequate insurance cover for all members of their delegation, regardless of their function.

2. Unless otherwise mentioned under Art. 7 and Art. 8, each association taking part in the preliminary and final competitions will be responsible, amongst other matters, for:
   a) complying with all regulations, guidelines and instructions issued by FIFA;
   b) the behaviour of the members of its delegation (officials and players), and of any person carrying out duties on behalf of the association throughout the entire competition, from their arrival in the host country until their departure;
   c) concluding compulsory health, accident and travel insurance cover for all members of its delegation;
   d) paying for incidental expenses incurred by its delegation members during the course of their stay in the host country and for any costs incurred by additional members of the delegation;
   e) paying for any costs of extending their stay, the duration of which is determined by FIFA;
   f) applying for visas in good time from the host country, if necessary;
   g) attending media conferences and other official media events organised by FIFA in accordance with the guidelines and/or instructions in circulars issued by FIFA regarding, in particular, media access to the teams.
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3. Unless otherwise mentioned under Art. 7, each association hosting a match in the preliminary competition will be responsible, among other matters, for:
   a) guaranteeing, planning and implementing, in conjunction with the relevant authorities, law and order as well as safety and security in the stadiums and other relevant locations;
   b) obtaining adequate insurance cover for all risks relating to match organisation, including but not limited to public liability insurance. FIFA shall be expressly identified as a named insured party in all such insurance policies;
   c) providing a video cassette of each home match to the match commissioner immediately after the match.

4. Each association taking part in the final competition shall ensure, as a condition of its participation in the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™, that every member of its delegation (players and officials) completes an entry form to be issued by FIFA.
Article 24

1. Each association shall take the following provisions into account when selecting its representative team:
   a) all players shall be citizens of its country and subject to its jurisdiction;
   b) all players shall be eligible for selection in accordance with the Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes.

2. Any team found guilty of fielding an ineligible player will forfeit the match. Victory and the resultant three points will be awarded to the opposing team as well as the score of 3-0, or greater, depending on the score of the match.

Article 25

Preliminary competition

1. Each association entering the preliminary competition shall send the FIFA general secretariat a provisional list of at least 50 prospective players for the preliminary competition no later than 30 (thirty) days before its first qualifying match. This list shall show each player’s last name, first name, club, date of birth and passport number as well as the coach’s last name, first name, date of birth and nationality.

2. This list is not binding. Further players may be added, showing the same information, up to 7 (seven) full days before any qualifying match.

3. 18 players may be entered on the official players’ list (11 players and 7 substitutes).

4. If a group holds all its qualifying matches in one venue (in the form of a tournament), up to 23 players may be entered on the official players’ list (11 players and 12 substitutes).
**Final competition**

1. Each association that qualifies for the final competition shall enter 23 players (three of whom shall be goalkeepers), numbered from 1 to 23. The numbers on the back of the shirts shall correspond with the numbers indicated on the official players’ list. The number 1 shall be worn by a goalkeeper.

2. The final list of 23 players (showing the full last name(s), every first name, popular name, name on the shirt, position, place and date of birth, passport number, club and country of the club) shall be submitted to the FIFA general secretariat, using the official form for this purpose, by no later than 15 May 2006. Only these 23 players (except in cases of force majeure recognised by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™) will be permitted to compete in the final competition.

3. A listed player may only be substituted in the event of serious injury up until 24 hours before the kick-off of his team’s first match, after FIFA has received a detailed medical assessment in one of the four official FIFA languages, and only after acceptance and confirmation by the FIFA Sports Medical Committee that the injury is sufficiently serious to prevent the player from taking part in the competition. The association shall then immediately nominate the substitute and inform FIFA accordingly.

4. 23 players shall be included in the starting list for the match (11 selected players and 12 substitutes). Up to a maximum of three of the substitutes may take the place of the selected players at any time during the match.

5. An official accreditation card with photograph will be issued to the players and officials of each team by the Organising Association.

6. Only those players who are in possession of such an accreditation card are entitled to play in the matches of the final competition. The accreditation card shall always be available for inspection prior to the start of the match.

7. The official lists of 23 players will be published by the FIFA general secretariat.
1. Doping is prohibited.

2. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ is responsible for deciding which laboratory among those accredited by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) will carry out the analysis of the samples.

3. The FIFA Disciplinary Code, the Doping Control Regulations for FIFA Competitions and Out of Competition, as well as all other relevant FIFA directives will apply to the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.
XVI. TEAM COLOURS AND NUMBERS ON TEAM OUTFITS, ADVERTISING ON SPORTS EQUIPMENT AND OTHER MATERIAL

Article 27

1. Each team shall wear its official colours according to the entry forms sent to the FIFA general secretariat (cf. Art. 3 par. 2 for the preliminary competition and Art. 5 for the final competition).

2. In addition to the official outfit, each team shall have a reserve outfit (reserve colours), which shall also be declared on the entry form. The colours of the reserve outfit (shirt, shorts and socks) shall be noticeably different from and contrast with the colours of the official outfit (shirt, shorts and socks). The reserve outfit (including the goalkeepers) shall also be taken to every match.

Preliminary competition

1. Each team shall wear its official colours as declared on the official entry form (cf. Art. 3, par. 2). If the two teams’ colours might cause confusion, the host team will be entitled to wear its official outfit and the visiting team will use its reserve outfit or, if necessary, a combination of the official and the reserve outfit.

2. Each player shall wear a number. The colour of the numbers must contrast clearly with the outfits (light on dark or vice versa) and be legible from a distance for spectators in the stadium and television viewers. This applies especially in the case of striped shirts. A plain coloured background (either entirely light or dark, depending on the colour of the numbers) affords better legibility. These numbers shall be between 25cm and 35cm in height in the centre of the back of the shirt, between 10cm and 15cm in height on the front of the shirt in any position at chest level, and between 10cm and 15cm in height in any position on the front of either leg of the shorts. None of the numbers may contain advertising, design features or other elements.
Final competition

1. FIFA will inform the teams of the colours that they shall wear for each match. In principle, each team shall wear its official colours as declared on the official entry form (cf. Art. 5). If the two teams’ colours and the referees’ colour might cause confusion, team A in the official match schedule will be entitled to wear its official outfit and team B will use its reserve outfit or, if necessary, both teams may have to wear a combination of the official and the reserve outfit. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will decide on the matter.

2. Throughout the final competition, each player shall wear the number allotted to him on the official players’ list (cf. Art. 25) in accordance with article 7 of the Equipment Regulations.

3. The player’s last name or popular name (or abbreviation) shall be affixed above the number on the back of the shirt and shall be clearly legible in accordance with article 8 of the Equipment Regulations.

4. At a date to be fixed by FIFA, the participating associations shall send FIFA a sample of the official and reserve outfits (shirt, shorts, socks, goalkeeper’s kit etc.) for approval as well as the goalkeeper’s gloves and cap intended for use during the final competition.

5. The FIFA Equipment Regulations governing the sports equipment and the colours to be used by players, goalkeepers and team officials at the final competition apply to any article worn or equipment used by a participating association.
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Article 28

1. With the exception of the manufacturer’s trademark, no kind of identification of sponsors or any other third party, or slogans of a political, commercial, religious or racist nature, or any other slogans, are permitted on any garments or equipment of players and goalkeepers (shirts, vests, shorts, thermal shorts, socks, gloves, caps, underwear etc.) in the entire pitch area.

2. Furthermore, no recognition of the above-mentioned nature is allowed to be visible, in any manner, on the body of players, goalkeepers, other team officials or elsewhere. If an association and/or its players fail to comply with the above obligations, they will be liable to sanctions by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.

3. The manufacturer’s authorised trademark may be used only in accordance with articles 17 and 20 of the Equipment Regulations.

4. The official designation and/or the logo of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ will be supplied by FIFA and shall be affixed to the equipment in accordance with FIFA’s instructions and the applicable graphic standards.

5. For the final competition, any and all form of advertising or commercial identification on any garments or equipment other than in accordance with these Regulations (including on T-shirts, track suits, jackets, wristbands etc.) or on other material and/or accessories (kit bags, beverage containers, plastic bottles, medical bags etc.) belonging to players, goalkeepers, team officials etc. is strictly prohibited inside the stadium and during all official FIFA press conferences. Separate marketing guidelines will be issued to the participating associations.

6. All items to be used by a participating association in the entire pitch area will be subject to FIFA’s prior approval in accordance with the procedure set forth by FIFA.

7. The FIFA Equipment Regulations governing the sports equipment to be used by players, goalkeepers and team officials at the final competition will apply to anything worn or any equipment used by a participating association.
Article 29

1. A referee, two assistant referees, a fourth official (referee) and a fifth official (assistant referee) will be appointed for each match of the final competitions. The fifth official will be seated in the vicinity of the fourth official.

2. The referees, assistant referees, fourth and fifth officials chosen for the matches of the final competitions shall come from an association whose team is not included in the same group as the matches in question. They shall be selected from the FIFA international list in force.

3. The referees, assistant referees, fourth and fifth officials officiating at the matches will be appointed by the FIFA Referees Committee.

4. The decisions of the FIFA Referees Committee are final and not subject to appeal.

5. If the referee is prevented from carrying out his duties before or during a match as a result of injury, indisposition etc., he shall be replaced by the fourth official.

6. If one of the assistants referees is prevented from carrying out his duties before or during a match as a result of injury, indisposition etc., he shall be replaced by the fifth official.

7. After each match, the referee shall fill in an official FIFA report form. In the final competition, he shall hand over this report to the match commissioner or the FIFA general coordinator at the venue immediately after the match.

8. On the report form, the referee shall note all occurrences before, during and after the match in as much detail as possible, such as:
   a) misconduct of players, leading to caution or expulsion;
   b) unsporting behaviour of officials, supporters and any person acting on behalf of an association at a match;
   c) any other incidents.
XVIII. TECHNICAL RULES FOR THE FINAL COMPETITION

Article 30

The final competition will be played in two rounds.

Article 31  First round (groups)

1. The 32 teams taking part in the final competition will be divided into eight groups of four teams each.

2. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will divide the teams into groups by seeding and drawing lots in public, whilst taking sports, geographic and economic factors into consideration, as far as possible.

3. The teams in the eight groups will be designated as follows:

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4. The system of play will be the league system, each team playing one match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw and none for a defeat.

5. The ranking of each team in each group will be determined as follows:
   a) greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;
   b) goal difference in all group matches;
   c) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.
   If two or more teams are equal on the basis of the above three criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:
d) greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;
e) goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;
f) greater number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned;
g) drawing of lots by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.

6. The two teams coming first and second in each group qualify for the second round.

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**Article 32 First round (schedule)**

1. The matches in the first round will be played in accordance with the following schedule drawn up by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.

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2. The last two matches in each group will be scheduled to take place at the same time on the same day.
Article 33 Second round

The round of sixteen, quarter-finals, semi-finals, play-off for third place and final will all be played in accordance with the knock-out system.

Article 34 Second round (Round of sixteen)

1. The teams that qualify from the first round will play the round of sixteen in the following way:
   - Winner A v. Runner-up B = 1
   - Winner B v. Runner-up A = 2
   - Winner C v. Runner-up D = 3
   - Winner D v. Runner-up C = 4
   - Winner E v. Runner-up F = 5
   - Winner F v. Runner-up E = 6
   - Winner G v. Runner-up H = 7
   - Winner H v. Runner-up G = 8

2. If, after 90 minutes, a match ends in a draw, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2, and 3 of these Regulations).

3. The winners of the eight matches in the round of sixteen qualify for the quarter-finals.

Article 35 Second round (Quarter-finals)

1. The eight teams that qualify from the round of sixteen will contest the quarter-finals as follows:
   - Winner 1 v. Winner 3 = A
   - Winner 2 v. Winner 4 = B
   - Winner 5 v. Winner 7 = C
   - Winner 6 v. Winner 8 = D
2. If, after 90 minutes, a match ends in a draw, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2 and 3 of these Regulations).

3. The winners of the four matches in the quarter-finals qualify for the semi-finals.

**Article 36 Second round (Semi-finals)**

1. The winners of the quarter-finals will play the semi-finals in the following way:
   - Winner A v. Winner C
   - Winner B v. Winner D

2. If, after 90 minutes, a match ends in a draw, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2 and 3 of these Regulations).

**Article 37 Second round (Final, play-off for third place)**

1. The winners of the semi-finals qualify for the final. The losers of the semi-finals will contest the play-off for third place.

2. If, after 90 minutes, the final and/or the play-off for third place ends in a draw, extra time of twice 15 minutes will be played. If the score is level after extra time, penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winner (cf. Art. 17, par. 2 and 3 of these Regulations).
Article 38

1. FIFA owns all of the rights relating to the FIFA marks and the marks of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™, including the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ mark, all translations thereof, the official emblem, the official mascot(s), the official posters and the official music, on a universal basis. Only these marks may be used in connection with the preliminary and final competitions of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ in accordance with FIFA’s Conditions Governing the Use of Marks by Participating Associations in the 2006 FIFA World Cup™.

2. Furthermore, FIFA will take all legal and any other steps it deems appropriate to prevent and prohibit unauthorised companies, including the associations’ commercial affiliates, from commercially identifying with, or otherwise exploiting, the FIFA World Cup™ or the 2006 FIFA World Cup™. Associations shall assist FIFA in resolving any intellectual property infringements or ambush activities involving the associations’ commercial affiliates, and associations are expressly prohibited from identifying their commercial affiliates in connection with the official emblem or name of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ in any media (including official match publications, promotional materials and tickets) in such a way as may give rise to an association between the associations’ commercial affiliates and the 2006 FIFA World Cup™. The associations shall further inform their commercial affiliates in writing of the associations’ obligations in this respect and shall, in particular, notify their commercial affiliates that they may not conduct any promotional activities that involve the use of the official emblem, the official mascot(s) or any marks that are confusingly similar to FIFA’s marks relating to the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™. In particular, with regard to the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™, associations may not (i) sell, offer to sell, or authorise any third party to sell any tickets over the internet, or (ii) use or authorise any entity (including associations’ commercial affiliates) to use any tickets for advertising, sales promotions or any other commercial purposes (including premiums, give-aways or prizes in a competition, contest or sweepstake). If an association fails to comply with the above obligations, it will be liable to sanctions imposed by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.
Article 39 Preliminary competition

1. For preliminary competition matches, the host associations are entitled to exploit the marketing and media rights relating to such matches. Revenue from the utilisation of these rights form part of the gross receipts (cf. Art. 42, par. 1 of these Regulations).

2. All associations participating in the preliminary competition shall take all legal and other measures FIFA deems appropriate to ensure and protect the ownership of the media and marketing rights as well as the rights themselves.

3. FIFA has the promotional rights in connection with the matches of the preliminary round as described hereinafter for the purpose of the promotion of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™. The host associations are obliged to implement FIFA’s rights unless FIFA decides to withdraw respective activities from a preliminary round match.

4. The host associations (in accordance with par. 1 above) shall provide FIFA, upon request and free of charge, with fifteen minutes of action footage per match (including a respective royalty-free licence). FIFA may use this footage free of charge to promote its fair play campaign and worldwide football. FIFA is furthermore entitled to use the footage and any other match information on its own internet websites and for its own electronic data carriers or any such carriers produced on FIFA’s behalf and for its own multimedia databases. All such materials shall be provided to FIFA upon request and free of charge.

5. At each preliminary competition match, if the host association elects to provide a pitch-side advertising board identifying the qualifying match in question, such a pitch-side advertising board shall (i) be provided at the host association’s charge, (ii) be in full unobstructed view of the television cameras, (iii) be placed immediately opposite the centre circle, (iv) be the central board in the board configuration plan, and (v) measure no less than 650cm x 90cm. Furthermore, the pitch-side advertising board shall appropriately identify the relevant preliminary competition match in a manner determined by FIFA, or for displaying other non-commercial messages as FIFA may, at its sole discretion, select. FIFA shall provide all associated artwork free of charge.
6. If requested by FIFA, FIFA has the exclusive right to brand the assistant referees’ time/substitution panels and the participating team benches for the promotion of the URL of the official website of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ (FIFAworldcup.com). FIFA shall provide any material or artwork free of charge.

7. If requested by FIFA, the host association shall place a minimum of 2 cam carpets (to be provided by FIFA free of charge) bearing the URL of the official website of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ (FIFAworldcup.com) between the corner flags and each goal in a position to be determined by FIFA.

8. At each preliminary competition match and associated event (including any official ceremonies), the host association shall have the right and obligation to use the official emblem and the official designation of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™, and ensure that, by the use of those marks, the fact that the match is a qualifying match for the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ is appropriately identified in official match publications, promotional materials (including websites) and on tickets in a manner determined by FIFA. All use must be strictly in accordance with these Regulations and the applicable guidelines issued by FIFA to each participating association, and each association shall ensure that it does not infringe the terms of use set out in these Regulations. In the event that the emblem and/or designation and/or any other marketing or promotional rights granted to the association under these Regulations are not activated in accordance with FIFA's guidelines and/or these Regulations, FIFA may, at its sole discretion, withdraw the association’s entitlement to exercise any such rights.

9. The host association shall further have the right and obligation contractually to require any broadcaster(s) wishing to broadcast any preliminary competition match to use the correct match identifier as notified by FIFA to the host association, and to include in any broadcast the television graphics containing the official emblem, official designation, official mascot(s) and/or any other relevant mark provided to the host association by FIFA in accordance with the guidelines issued by FIFA to each participating association.

10. Each participating association shall, for each preliminary competition match in which it participates, make space on the sleeves of the players’ outfits available (or such other part of the players’ outfits as FIFA may determine) to affix the relevant match identifier in a form, manner and position to be determined by FIFA.
Article 40 Final competition

1. FIFA owns and has the sole right, to the exclusion of the Organising Association, participating associations and any third party, to exploit all of the marketing rights (as defined below) relating to the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ at its sole discretion and on a universal basis. The Organising Association and all participating associations shall take all legal and other measures FIFA deems appropriate to prevent and prohibit unauthorised use of the marketing rights by any parties, to ensure that all marketing rights are owned solely and without restrictions by FIFA and that FIFA can exploit the marketing rights without any restrictions whatsoever.

2. Marketing rights mean all rights of exploitation (in whatever form) of all types of advertising, including electronic and virtual promotion, marketing, merchandising (including but not limited to publications, musical compositions, coins, stamps, DVDs, videos, commercial hospitality, apparel and electronic games of any nature), licensing, franchising, sponsorship, hospitality, publications, and any other rights and/or associated commercial opportunities relating to or in connection with the 2006 FIFA World Cup™, including advertising, franchising, displaying, sampling and selling rights of any nature at the event stadiums and other official sites. The marketing rights also include the exclusive right to use and sub-license the use of the marks.

3. FIFA will exploit all of the marketing rights relating to the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ exclusively.

4. A participating association and its players have no marketing rights of any nature in connection with the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™.

5. Any commercial activity of a participating association, or of players and officials associated with or related to the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™ requires FIFA's prior written aproval.

6. A participating association may establish its own Team Media Centre (TMC) before and during the final competition if it wishes to do so. All costs involved in the installation and management of TMCS are entirely at the participating association’s own expense. FIFA will issue further instructions regarding contents and other aspects in due course.
Article 41  Final competition

1. FIFA owns and has the sole right, to the exclusion of the Organising Association, associations and any third party, to exploit all of the media rights (as defined below) relating to the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™ at its sole discretion and on a universal basis. The Organising Association and all participating associations shall take all legal and other measures FIFA deems appropriate to prevent and prohibit unauthorised use of the media rights by other parties, to ensure that all media rights are owned solely and without restrictions by FIFA and that FIFA can exploit all media rights without any restrictions whatsoever.

2. Media rights mean the right to broadcast, transmit, display, film and/or photograph the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™, including all recordings thereof (or any part thereof) in any form and in all media now known or hereafter devised, including but not limited to television, radio, internet and any other mobile or fixed-line broadcasts.
All revenue from the exploitation of the commercial rights for the preliminary competition matches belongs to the host association and, with the income from ticket sales, forms the gross receipts.

The following expenditure shall be deducted from the gross receipts:

a) a levy of 2% (minimum CHF 1,000) in favour of FIFA and the levy due to the confederation in accordance with the confederation’s statutes and regulations after deduction of the taxes mentioned under 2(b). The levies due to FIFA and the confederations shall be paid within 60 (sixty) days of the match at the official rate of exchange on the day the payment is due;

b) state, provincial and municipal taxes as well as the hire of the ground, not exceeding 30% (cf. Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes).

The participating associations shall settle the other costs among themselves. If no agreement is reached, the following provisions will apply:

a) the visiting association shall pay for its delegation’s own travel costs to the venue and/or the nearest airport;

b) the host association shall pay for expenses incurred during the stay (board and lodging in a first-class hotel, domestic transport) for a maximum of 25 persons for a duration depending on flight connections;

c) the host association shall pay for board and lodging in a first-class hotel and domestic transport in the host country for referees, assistant referees, fourth officials, the match commissioner, the referee assessor and any other FIFA officials (i.e. security officer, media officer etc.), if officially appointed by FIFA.

If the financial outcome of a match in the preliminary competition is insufficient to cover the expenses mentioned under par. 2 above, the host association shall bear the deficit.

FIFA will pay for the following:

a) international travel costs (by air: domestic and continental in economy class, intercontinental in business class; rail/sleeper in first class) and the daily allowances, as fixed by FIFA, for referees, assistant referees and fourth officials;
b) international travel costs (by air: domestic and continental in economy class, intercontinental in business class; rail/sleeper in first class) and the daily allowances, as fixed by FIFA, for the match commissioner, the referee assessor and any other FIFA officials (i.e. security officer, media officer etc.), if officially appointed by FIFA.

6. The host association shall set aside an appropriate number – to be fixed by mutual agreement – of complimentary and purchasable tickets for the visiting association.

7. The host association shall, upon request and free of charge, provide FIFA with 10 (ten) VIP box tickets and up to 40 (forty) category 1 tickets for each match.

**Article 43 Final competition**

1. The associations participating in the final competition will be responsible for and bear the costs of the following:
   a) adequate insurance cover for the whole delegation (players and officials);
   b) board and lodging during the final competition.

2. The Organising Association will bear the costs as stipulated in the FIFA LoR and the OAA.

3. FIFA will bear the costs of the following:
   a) a contribution towards the preparation costs incurred by the participating associations in accordance with a set tariff to be fixed in due course;
   b) business class air travel costs for 45 people from each participating association between a city to be designated by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ and the international airport nearest to the participating associations’ headquarters in Germany. For each delegation’s international air travel to the 2006 FIFA World Cup™, FIFA may request the participating associations to use either (i) the airline notified to the participating association as being FIFA’s designated air carrier for the purposes of par. 3(b), or (ii) an appropriate network alliance partner of such designated air carrier (if the designated air carrier does not service the international airports of any participating association). If, contrary to any such request by FIFA, any association elects not to use FIFA’s designated air carrier
or an appropriate network alliance partner of such designated air carrier, or if any association elects to charter a private aircraft for the air travel of its delegation, FIFA’s obligation under par. 3(b) will be limited to the amount FIFA would have incurred had the association used FIFA’s designated air carrier for its delegation’s air travel;

c) a contribution towards the costs of board and lodging for 45 people from each participating association in accordance with a set tariff to be fixed in due course, starting 5 (five) nights prior to each team’s first match and ending 2 (two) nights after its last match. The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will determine these rates based on the Finance Committee’s proposal;

d) the costs incurred by referees, assistant referees, fourth and fifth officials, referee assessors and match commissioners;

e) doping control expenses;

f) the costs of insurance taken out by FIFA to cover its own risks.

4. The remaining risks – especially those of the Organising Association – shall be covered by supplementary insurance contracts, the premiums of which shall be charged to the Organising Association. To avoid duplication or insufficient insurance cover, these contracts and the extent of insurance cover shall be agreed upon by both FIFA and the Organising Association. FIFA will set the deadlines for presentation and ratification of the above-mentioned contracts in due course.

5. Any expenses and costs incurred by a participating association other than those mentioned in these Regulations shall be borne by the participating association (cf. Art. 23).

6. The financial terms and conditions for participating associations will be regulated in a special annexe in due course.

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**Article 44 Ticketing**

1. The entire ticketing system is FIFA’s responsibility and will be drawn up in conjunction with the Organising Association.

2. FIFA and the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will issue special ticketing regulations for all ticketing matters, which will apply to all ticket holders, including but not limited to the associations.
1. In the final competition, the following special awards will be presented:
   
a) Fair Play Trophy
   A Fair Play contest will be held during the competition, for which FIFA will draw up special regulations. The FIFA Fair Play Trophy, a fair play medal for each player and official, a diploma and a voucher for USD 50,000 worth of football equipment (to be used for youth development) will go to the team finishing first in the Fair Play contest. These prizes will be presented after the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™.

b) Golden Shoe
   The Golden Shoe will be awarded to the player scoring the highest number of goals at the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™. If two or more players score the same number of goals, the number of assists (as determined by members of the FIFA Technical Study Group) will be decisive. Each goal is worth three points and each assist one point. There will be a Silver Shoe for the second best goalscorer and a Bronze Shoe for the third best.

c) Golden Ball
   The Golden Ball will be awarded to the best player on the basis of a vote taken among the media accredited for the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™. There will also be a Silver Ball and a Bronze Ball for the players placed second and third respectively.

d) Best Young Player
   Only players born on or after 1 January 1985 are eligible. A shortlist of the top three players as selected by the fans on FIFAworldcup.com is submitted. Once the shortlist of up to six players has been drawn up (three by the fans and up to three by the members of the FIFA Technical Study Group, the performances of these players are re-evaluated and a final winner is chosen by the FIFA Technical Study Group.

e) Best Goalkeeper
   A trophy will be awarded to the best goalkeeper in the tournament, as selected by the FIFA Technical Study Group.

f) Most Entertaining Team
   The Most Entertaining Team will be chosen by a public poll on FIFAworldcup.com
2. FIFA will issue separate regulations for these awards.

3. There will be no official awards other than those listed above, unless otherwise decided by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™.

Article 46

**Preliminary competition**

1. During the preliminary competition, at least the FIFA flag, the FIFA Fair Play flag, the confederation’s flag and the national flags of both participating associations shall be flown at every match inside the stadium. The official FIFA anthem may be provided by FIFA to the host association and, if so, shall be played when the teams enter the field. The national anthems of the two participating associations shall be played after the teams have lined up.

2. At least 5 (five) representatives from the visiting association shall be seated in the VIP box.

**Final competition**

1. During the final competition, the FIFA flag, the European confederation flag, the flags of the host country and both participating associations, the FIFA Fair Play flag and the flag of the United Nations, and any other flag at FIFA’s discretion, shall be flown at every match inside the stadium. The official FIFA anthem shall be played when the teams enter the field. The national anthems of the two participating associations shall be played after the teams have lined up.

2. Half of the seats in the VIP box in each stadium shall be reserved for FIFA.

3. FIFA will issue protocol guidelines for the final competition of the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™.
Association taking part in the 2006 FIFA World Cup Germany™, as well as their players and officials, shall undertake to comply fully with all FIFA regulations and decisions taken by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, the Referees Committee, the Disciplinary Committee and the Appeal Committee.

Any disputes arising from the application of these Regulations shall be settled by the jurisdiction of FIFA and, if subsequently necessary and if FIFA’s decision is not final, by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland.

The Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™ will, in conjunction with the Organising Association, issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances that might arise in the country hosting the 2006 FIFA World Cup™. These instructions shall form an integral part of these Regulations.
Article 48

The copyright of the fixture lists drawn up in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations is the property of FIFA.
XXIV. MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Article 49

Matters not provided for in these Regulations and cases of force majeure shall be decided by the Organising Committee for the FIFA World Cup™, whose decisions are final.

Article 50

In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the English, French, Spanish or German texts of these Regulations, the English text is authoritative.
Article 51

These Regulations were ratified by the FIFA Executive Committee in December 2005 and came into force immediately.

Zurich, December 2005

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