

REGULATIONS ON THE ARBITERS COMMISSION

1. General Provisions

1.1. The Arbiters Commission of the International Backgammon Federation (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") is a permanent collegial body of the International Backgammon Federation (hereinafter referred to as "IBF").

1.2. The Commission is not a governing body of the IBF and in its activities reports to the IBF Presidium.

1.3. The Commission carries out its activities on the basis of the IBF Charter, these Regulations, and other internal documents of the IBF.

2. Aims and Objectives

2.1. The aims of the Commission are to:

- promote the international development of backgammon;
- develop and unify the qualification system for athletes and sports officials;
- promote fair sports competition and the principles of fair play;
- combat the undeserved awarding of sports titles and categories.

2.2. To achieve these aims, the Commission addresses the following tasks:

2.2.1. Developing, updating, and standardizing the rules of backgammon.

2.2.2. Awarding, renewing, and revoking international arbiter categories.

2.2.3. Establishing and coordinating the work of the IBF Commission's Lecturers Group.

2.2.4. Organizing and conducting seminars and examinations for international arbiter candidates.

2.2.5. Monitoring the quality of officiating at tournaments under the auspices of the IBF.

2.2.6. Developing, approving, and updating the criteria for player rating titles.

2.2.7. Awarding, renewing, and revoking player rating titles.

2.2.8. Analyzing and improving the player rating system.

2.2.9. Cooperating with national federations on matters of officiating, player ratings, and application of the rules.

3. Composition and Formation Procedure

3.1. Leadership of the Commission:

- The Chairman of the Commission is appointed by the President of the IBF.
- Three members of the Commission are approved by the IBF Presidium upon the nomination of the Chairman of the Commission.

3.2. Requirements for Commission Members:

- Experience in officiating at least one national championship.
- Absence of disciplinary sanctions.

3.3. Term of Office: 4 years, with the possibility of extension.

3.4. Decision-Making Procedure:

- Decisions of the Commission are made by open vote, with a simple majority of votes from the total number of members present.
- In case of a tie, the vote of the Chairman of the Commission shall be decisive.

4. Powers and Functions

4.1. In the Area of Player Qualification:

- awarding of the following qualification titles to players: "International Grandmaster"; "International Master"; "Women's International Grandmaster"; "Women's International Master".
- hearing appeals regarding the awarding of qualification titles.

4.2. In the Area of Oversight:

- analysis of reporting documentation for tournaments held under the auspices of the IBF.
- consideration of inquiries and complaints from players, arbiters, and national federations.

5. Work Organization

5.1. Conduct of Meetings:

- In-person regular meetings are held at least twice a year.
- Extraordinary meetings (including online) are convened at the initiative of the Commission Chairman.
- The quorum for decision-making is two-thirds (2/3) of the Commission's full membership.

5.2. Documentation:

- All decisions are recorded in minutes.
- The minutes are subject to publication on the official IBF website.
- Decisions of the Commission come into force after their approval by the IBF Presidium.

6. Cooperation with National Federations

6.1. The Commission has the right to:

- Request necessary reporting and qualification documentation from national federations.
- Conduct verification of submitted materials for compliance with established requirements.

6.2. National federations are obliged to:

- Provide the Commission with requested documents and information within established deadlines.
- Submit petitions, proposals, and inquiries on matters within the Commission's competence to the Commission.

7. Final Provisions

7.1. Amendments to these Regulations shall be made by decision of the IBF Presidium upon the proposal of the Commission.

7.2. These Regulations enter into force on the date of their approval by the IBF Presidium.