

To the members  
of FIFA

Circular no. 1291

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### **FIFA Players' Agents Regulations – Examination Dates in March 2012**

Dear Madam or Sir,

As you will already be aware, in March 2012, the associations will be invited to hold the next session of written examinations in accordance with the current FIFA Players' Agents Regulations (edition 2008, hereinafter: *the Regulations*).

In this respect, art. 8 par. 1 of the Regulations states that the examinations shall be held on identical dates determined by FIFA. In addition, and in order to avoid potential irregularities, the examination will be scheduled for one day only.

We are therefore pleased to inform you that we have chosen the following date for the next session of examinations:

- **Thursday, 29 March 2012, at 10:00 a.m., local time**

Therefore, every association will have to organise the next session of examinations on the aforementioned date and time.

FIFA will send the 15 questions that relate to the international regulations (cf. art. 8 par. 6 and 7 of the Regulations) to each of the associations in one of the four official FIFA languages – English, French, Spanish or German. Due to the fact that some associations will need to have the questions translated into their own national language, we will therefore send the questionnaire on **Thursday, 22 March 2012**. Additionally, please be informed that each of the associations will be provided with the answers to the respective examination on **Friday, 30 March 2012**.

In view of the above, and in order to help us avoid unnecessary administrative work, please provide us via fax or post, by **Thursday, 15 March 2012**, with the following information (petitions by e-mail cannot be accepted):

1. whether your association intends to conduct this examination;

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2. indication in which of the four official languages you wish to receive the questionnaire;
3. a secure fax number to which you wish the questionnaire to be sent.

The examination material will consist of the following documents:

- FIFA Statutes, as adopted at the Congress in Zurich on 1 June 2011;
- Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes, as adopted at the Congress in Zurich on 1 June 2011;
- FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players, edition 2010, including the Annexes (1 to 5);
- Rules for the Status and Transfer of Futsal Players, Annex 6 of the FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players;
- FIFA Players' Agents Regulations, edition 2008, including the Annexes 1, 2 and 3;
- Rules Governing the Procedures of the Players' Status Committee and the Dispute Resolution Chamber, edition 2008;
- FIFA Disciplinary Code, edition 2011, First Title: Chapter I, Section 1 to 6 and Chapter II, Section 8;
- Circulars and any annexes as follows:
  - No. 792: Coordinated International Match Calendar;
  - No. 1125: Revised FIFA Players' Agents Regulations;
  - No. 1147: Eligibility to play for representative teams  
Articles 15 – 18 of the Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes;
  - No. 1148: Revised Rules Governing the Procedures of the Players' Status Committee and the Dispute Resolution Chamber;
  - No. 1160: Revised FIFA Players' Agents Regulations;
  - No. 1190: Revised Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players - Protection of minors;
  - No. 1200: Amendments to the FIFA Statutes and to the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes;
  - No. 1206: Revised Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players - Protection of minors;
  - No. 1209: Protection of minors;
  - No. 1228: International match calendar - amended dates;
  - No. 1233: Amended Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players and reviewed Rules Governing the Procedures of the Players' Status Committee and the Dispute Resolution Chamber;
  - No. 1249: Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players – training compensation and the categorisation of clubs;
  - No. 1264: FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players - Categorisation of clubs and registration periods.

The above circulars as well as the other examination materials can be accessed and downloaded from FIFA's official website, [www.FIFA.com](http://www.FIFA.com).

Evidently, the above list only refers to the subject matter for questions regarding international regulations. Candidates must also study the relevant national regulations, as indicated by the association concerned.

Please also be reminded that each association is required to set five questions of its own on national subjects and that such questions shall be set as a multiple choice test (cf. art. 8 par. 4, par. 6 and par. 7 of the Regulations). FIFA has the sole authority to set questions relating to international subjects. All associations are therefore strictly forbidden from setting their own questions relating to international subjects. In the event of any violation in this regard, FIFA will not recognise the examination results from the association(s) concerned, therefore rendering invalid all players' agents licences that are awarded as a result of the respective examinations.

Moreover, we would like to remind you that according to art. 8 par. 9 of the Regulations, each correct answer (to national and international questions) shall be awarded **one point only**.

As a consequence, the total number of points for correctly answering all the questions of the examination will be of 20 points, i.e. a maximum of 5 points for the national questions and a maximum of 15 points for the international questions set by FIFA may be awarded.

In addition to the above, we would like to point out that candidates for a players' agent licence are not allowed any help in their written examinations. In other words, candidates may not take copies of regulations or any other documents into the examination room.

To conclude, we would like to remind you that the associations are at liberty to decide on the time limit they wish to grant to the candidates for answering the twenty questions. However, a minimum of 60 minutes should be granted, but the candidates should not have more than 90 minutes at their disposal (cf. art. 8 par. 6 of the Regulations).

We would like to thank you once again for your attention to the above and for your cooperation.

Yours faithfully,

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DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



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