



FISTF Handbook

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A. Statutes and general rules

1. Statutes

Rules of Construction

For the purpose of interpretation of the Statutes and regulations of FISTF, and unless contextually suggested otherwise, the words:

1. *“Federation” or “FISTF” shall mean “Federation of International Sports Table Football”.*
2. *“National Association” or “Association” shall mean any legal person that present itself as managing the activities of the sport table football within the boundaries of a State, whether or not it is a Member of FISTF.*
3. *“British Associations” shall mean the four National Associations established in the United Kingdom: England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.*
4. *“Member” shall mean any National Association member of FISTF as described in Articles 1 and 3 et seq.*
5. *“Confederation” shall mean the Members located on the same continent or similar geographical concept, which have chosen to associate themselves as described in Article 6.*
6. *“Congress” shall mean the supreme legislative body of FISTF as described in Article 8 et seq.*
7. *“Board of Directors” or “Board” shall mean the executive committee of FISTF as described in Articles 12 et seq.*
8. *“Delegate” shall mean any natural person duly authorized by a Member to represent it at the Congress.*
9. *“Statutes” shall mean the present statutes of the Federation of International Sports Table Football.*
10. *“State” shall mean one of the political entities recognized by the United Nations Organization and International Olympic Committee as one of their members.*
11. *“Club” shall mean any legal person existing under its own name, made-up of Players, and member of a National Association.*
12. *“Player” shall mean any natural person member of a National Association.*

Also:

13. *When the words defined in §§ 1 to 12 above are written with a capital letter, they shall refer solely to the definition listed in such §§ 1 to 12, except when rules of grammar would suggest otherwise.*
14. *In case of any conflict between these Statutes and any regulation, either issued by FISTF or by one of its Members, the provisions of these Statutes shall prevail.*
15. *If any provision of these Statutes or its applicability to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of these Statutes which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of these Statutes shall be severable.*
16. *As used in the Statutes and in any other FISTF regulation, words in the masculine gender shall mean and include corresponding neuter words or words in the feminine gender and vice-versa, words in the singular shall mean and include the plural and vice-versa, except when specifically provided otherwise.*
17. *The present Statutes have been drafted in French and English, which are the two official languages of FISTF. Both these two versions have an equal legal value. The text of one version shall be used for the construction of the other version.*



I — Name, Membership and Headquarters

Article 1

- 1-1 The Federation of International Sports Table Football (FISTF) is an association founded for an unlimited duration on the basis of the French Law of July 1, 1901 concerning the association contract, and its enforcement decrees. Any controversy, dispute or claim relating to FISTF, and the interpretation, breach, or enforcement of these Statutes shall be adjudicated in accordance with the laws and regulations of the French Republic. FISTF follows the ethical rules of sport defined by the International Olympic Committee.
- 1-2 The Members of FISTF shall be the National Associations licensed by FISTF to manage the sport table football in their State.
- 1-3 Only one National Association per State shall be licensed by FISTF.
- 1-4 However, FISTF may, in exceptional circumstances, grant membership to other entities. FISTF shall keep a list of the cases that may lead to the approval of a request for membership.
- 1-5 Each of the four British Associations may be licensed as individual Member of FISTF.
- 1-6 Providing it receives the assent of the National Association of the State from which it is a part, an association managing the sport table football in a region that has not achieved independence may also be licensed as a Member of FISTF.
- 1-7 No discrimination shall be tolerated against any National Association or individual on the grounds of citizenship, race, religion, or sexual or political orientation.
- 1-8 The present Statutes, as well as the regulations and rules of the game enacted by FISTF shall be directly applicable and have vertical and horizontal direct effect on Members, as well as on Players and Clubs affiliated with Members, and on their relationships between each other.
- 1-9 The headquarters of FISTF are located in France at 9ter rue Pierre Sépard - F-94370 Sucy en Brie.

II — Aims

Art. 2

The aims of FISTF are:

- 2-1 To promote the sport table football in all possible ways.
- 2-2 To develop friendly relationships between officials and players of National Associations by promoting the organization of matches of the sport table football in every area.
- 2-3 To manage the sport table football by taking all necessary statutory and regulatory measures and decisions for the sports, administrative and financial management of the sport table football at the world level.
- 2-4 To take all necessary measures to prevent breach of the Statutes and regulations of FISTF.
- 2-5 To settle and adjudicate any controversy, dispute or claim arising between National Associations by enacting statutory, regulatory or other appropriate measures.



III — Members

Art. 3

- 3-1 A National Association is admitted as Member of FISTF by the Congress after a probation period as Provisional Member. The Board of Directors is competent to grant provisional membership.
- 3-2 This probation period is necessary to ensure that the National Association complies with all the requirements for membership as listed in the relevant regulations. This period can be of variable duration.
- 3-3 Provisional Members shall not vote at the Congress, nor shall its individual members be eligible.
- 3-4 Members and Provisional Members may participate in official competitions.
- 3-5 The members of National Associations shall be Players and/or Clubs, and their conditions of membership shall be defined by each national Association in accordance with the Statutes and regulations of FISTF as a condition precedent for them to become Members.
- 3-6 Players and Clubs affiliated with Members may participate in official competitions, subject to the rules of such competition.

Art. 4

- 4-1 A National Association wishing to become a Member shall offer its request to the FISTF Board of Directors. This request shall include its statutes and regulations. These will be scrutinized by the Board of Directors for conformity with the principles of FISTF.
- 4-2 The request for membership shall include (but not be limited to) the solemn promise to:
- a) Abide by the Statutes, regulations and decisions of FISTF; and
 - b) Apply the rules of the game in force within FISTF.
- 4-3 The acceptance by FISTF of the request for membership shall render such promise legally binding on the new Member. This provision shall apply equally to Provisional Members.
- 4-4 A Member may at any time withdraw from FISTF by informing in writing the Board of Directors.
- 4-5 Even after it has withdrawn or has been excluded from FISTF, a National Association, its successors and assignees, shall remain liable for any obligation, monetary or otherwise, incurred when it was a Member.

Art. 5

The Congress may grant the title of honorary president or honorary member to persons who have provided exceptional support to FISTF.

Their nomination is proposed by the Board of Directors.

An honorary president or honorary member may attend the Congress in an advisory role, but shall not be allowed to vote.

Art. 6

Members which State is located on the same continent may associate themselves in Confederations that will be recognized by FISTF. The following shall be considered as continents by FISTF:

- a) Africa; b) America; c) Asia; d) Europe; e) Pacific.



IV — Legislative, Executive and Administrative Bodies

Art. 7

- 7-1 The Congress shall be the legislative body of FISTF;
- 7-2 The Board of Directors shall be the executive body of FISTF;
- 7-3 The General Secretariat shall be the administrative body of FISTF;
- 7-4 The Board of Directors may create Committees to support it in its tasks.

The Congress

Art. 8

- 8-1 The Congress is the general assembly of FISTF and takes place every four years.
- 8-2 The Board of Directors may at any time call for an Extraordinary Congress.
- 8-3 On the written request of one third or more of the Members, The Board of Directors shall call for an Extraordinary Congress within three months following the request.

Art. 9

- 9-1 Membership of the Congress shall consist of one Delegate per Member and of the members of the Board of Directors.
- 9-2 The Congress is chaired by the FISTF President.
- 9-3 Each Member shall have one vote at the Congress. The members of the Board of Directors shall not have a vote.
- 9-4 No Delegate shall represent more than one Member.
- 9-5 During the term of their mandate, the members of the Board of Directors shall not be appointed as Delegate by their National Association.
- 9-6 It shall be possible for Members to use postal vote.

Art. 10

- 10-1 The Congress shall be solely responsible for the approval of the Statutes of FISTF.
- 10-2 The Congress shall elect the members of the Board of Director in accordance with the present Statutes.
- 10-3 The Congress shall vote on the approval of the statement of account of FISTF submitted by the Board of Directors.
- 10-4 The Congress shall vote on the approval of the discharge of the Board of Directors, based on its activity report.

Art. 11

- 11-1 The Congress votes for elections shall be by secret ballot. In any other case, the vote shall be by show of hand.
- 11-2 For the election of the FISTF President, if one of the candidates receives a two-third majority of the cast votes at the first round, he shall be deemed elected. Otherwise, further rounds of votes shall be organized between the two candidates who gathered the highest number of votes at the first round. For these further rounds, the candidate who receives an absolute majority of the cast votes shall be deemed elected.
- 11-3 All other decisions of the Congress shall be taken by simple majority of the cast votes.
- 11-4 A white vote shall not be considered as a cast vote.



The Board of Directors

Art. 12

12-1 The FISTF Board of Directors shall include the following members:

- One President; and
- One General Secretary; and
- One Vice-President in charge of promotion and marketing; and
- One Vice-President in charge of sports matters; and
- One Vice-President in charge of communication; and
- One Vice-President in charge of financial matters.

12-2 The President shall be elected by the Congress following the procedure in Article 11-2.

12-3 The Vice-Presidents and the General Secretary shall be elected by the Congress following the procedure in Article 11-3.

12-4 The President, the Vice-Presidents and the General Secretary shall all be members of different National Associations, and all of them shall have different citizenships.

12-5 However, the Board of Director may, in exceptional circumstances, authorize a maximum of two of its members to depart from the rule of Article 12-4.

12-6 The President, the Vice-Presidents and the General Secretary shall be elected for a period of four years. They may be re-elected.

12-7 Should the President resign or be impeached from exercising his duties, the Vice-President who has been a member of the Board of Directors for the longest period shall take over his duties up to the next Congress. The next Congress shall elect a new President.

12-8 Should one of the Vice-Presidents or the General Secretary resign or be impeached from exercising his duties, the President shall appoint his successor. The latter shall be appointed up to the end term of the resigning or impeached Vice-President.

Art. 13

13-1 The Board of Director shall be responsible for the management of FISTF.

13-2 The Board of Directors shall draft and implement the necessary regulations for the sports, administrative and financial management of FISTF.

13-3 The Board of Directors shall make all necessary decisions for the management of FISTF, and shall pronounce the sanctions foreseen in the Statutes and in the regulations.

13-4 Regulations, decisions and sanctions from the Board of Director are binding on the Members, as well as on their Players and Clubs.

13-5 The Board of Directors shall present an activity report and a statement of accounts of FISTF for the approval of the Congress.

13-6 The Board of Directors shall be organized in Departments and in a General Secretariat in accordance with the present Statutes.

13-7 The members of the Board of Directors shall have the right to be members of the Committees.

Art. 14

14-1 The President shall be the legal agent of FISTF, with full authority to bind the Federation.

14-2 The President shall chair each session of the Congress, of the Board of Directors, and of any Committee of which he has been appointed as chairperson.

14-3 In case a vote is required, the President shall have the casting vote. This provision shall not apply to the votes of the Congress.

14-4 Should the President not be able to attend, or be impeached from exercising his duties, the Vice-President who has been a member of the Board of Directors for the longest period shall automatically take over his duties.



The Departments

Art. 15

15-1 The Departments depending from the Board of Directors are:

- a) The Promotion and Marketing Department; and
- b) The Sports Department; and
- c) The Communication Department; and
- d) The Finance Department.

15-2 Each Department is headed by one of the Vice-Presidents of the Board of Directors.

15-3 The Vice-President in charge of each Department shall create Committees to assist him and nominate the members of such Committee.

Art. 16

The Promotion and Marketing Department

Its responsibilities are:

- a) The management of all internal and external promotional activities, and the marketing of FISTF; and
- b) To find sponsors, to manage international sponsoring, and to support the Members in their national sponsoring activities.

Art. 17

The Sports Department

Its responsibilities are:

- a) The management of all sports activities; and
- b) The management and administration of the sports regulations.

Art. 18

The Communications Department

Its responsibilities are:

- a) The management of all internal and external publications; and
- b) The management of all communications with the international media, and the support of the Members in their relations with national media; and
- c) The management and update of the FISTF website.

Art. 19

The Finance Department

Its responsibilities are:

- a) Keeping the accounts of FISTF; and
- b) Concluding partnership contracts; and
- c) The management of procurement; and
- d) The production of financial reports and of the yearly statement of accounts; and
- e) The follow-up of the payments from the Members and others.



The General Secretariat

Art. 20

The General Secretary is the head of the secretariat of FISTF.

His responsibilities are:

- a) The production of the Board of Directors meeting minutes; and
- b) The management of the mailing of FISTF; and
- c) The management of relations between FISTF and National Associations, Confederations, Departments, and Commissions; and
- d) The management of the General Secretariat.

V — Sanctions

Art. 21

21-1 The following sanctions may be imposed on National Associations, as well as on individuals and clubs members of such National Association, by the Congress or the Board of Directors:

- a) The admonition; or
- b) The official warning; or
- c) The fine; or
- d) The suspension; or
- e) The exclusion.

21-2 Only the Congress, on a proposal from the Board of Directors, is allowed to pronounce the exclusion of a Member.

21-3 A suspended Member, as well as the Players and Clubs affiliated with it, shall lose all benefits of membership for the duration of the suspension, while still retaining all the obligations of a Member.

VI — Finances

Art. 22

22-1 Each Member shall pay a yearly fee, of which the amount, payment plan and conditions of payability shall be defined by the Congress and included in the FISTF regulations.

22-2 Should a Member fail to pay the yearly fee within a reasonable time after it has been formally reminded by the Board of Directors of its duty to pay, the Board of Directors shall penalize it by a suspension until this situation is remedied.

22-3 In case of late payment of the yearly fee by a Member, that Member shall be liable to FISTF for the payment of any damages incurred by FISTF because of the delay in payment, plus interests on the amount of the yearly fee and of the damages from the time the amount was due.

VII — International Competitions

Art. 23

The FISTF may organize World Cups in cooperation with national organization committees.

Art. 24

24-1 The organization of international competitions between teams or individuals representing National Associations shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

24-2 The organization of such competition may be delegated by FISTF to its Members, and shall be the subject of specific regulations.



VIII — Player's Categories

Art. 25

Players shall be distributed between various age and gender categories as defined in the relevant regulations.

IX — Rules of the Game

Art. 26

26-1 Each Member shall apply to the sport table football the rules of the game promulgated by the Board of Directors.

26-2 Each Member shall be responsible to ensure that the players and clubs who are its members apply such rules of the game.

26-3 The Board of Directors shall be solely responsible for the publication and modification of the rules of the game.

X — Final Provisions

Art. 27

Any case non provided for in these Statutes and any case of *vis major* shall be subject to a decision of the Board of Director without leave of appeal.

Art. 28

All the activities of the Departments and Committees shall be performed strictly in accordance with the Statutes and regulations of FISTF.

Art. 29

29-1 Should FISTF be dissolved, its patrimony and capital shall in no case be distributed among the Members. It will be held in trust by de French Supreme Court that will manage it as fiduciary trustee until the Federation is reestablished.

29-2 All Members shall be jointly and severally liable for any and all obligations of FISTF.

Art. 30

The present Statutes have been approved by the Congress of Bologna, September 17, 2004.



2. General rules of construction

The provisions of this handbook apply to FISTF, member national associations, registered players, registered clubs and competition organizers in the conduct of any activity related to table football.

In case of any conflict between the FISTF Statutes and any other section of this handbook, the provisions of the FISTF Statutes shall prevail.

If any provision of this handbook or its applicability to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this handbook which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this handbook shall be severable.

In the event of any controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this handbook, or to the interpretation, breach, or enforcement thereof, the parties shall in good faith use best efforts to settle such controversy, dispute or claim by negotiation. If such negotiation should fail, such controversy, dispute or claim shall be submitted to the FISTF Board of Directors, which shall issue a final, binding and conclusive ruling on all interested parties.

The rights and obligations herein contained shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, FISTF, member national associations, registered players and registered clubs and their respective executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Any forbearance of FISTF, member national associations, registered players or registered clubs to exercise any right or remedy to which he is entitled to under this handbook shall not be construed as a waiver of, or preclude the exercise of, any right or remedy.

As used in this handbook, words in the masculine gender shall mean and include corresponding neuter words or words in the feminine gender and vice-versa, words in the singular shall mean and include the plural and vice-versa, and the word "may" gives sole discretion without any obligation to take any action.

Any case not provided for in this handbook shall be referred to the FISTF Board of Directors, which shall issue a final, binding and conclusive ruling on the case.



B. Internal Regulations

1. Organisation

a) Definition

As a FISTF representative, the Board of Directors has the authority and the responsibility for the following matters:

- Organization and administration of the FISTF members (national associations) and registered players, referees, clubs and supporters;
- Organization and administration of international table football competitions. FISTF will support competitors taking part in competitions by offering distinguished organizations and high quality table football;
- Implementing rules of the game and rules of competitions;
- Production and distribution of international official and promotional table football newsletters;
- Promotion and development of table football so that the number of members and registered players, referees, clubs and supporters can increase and to develop recognition of table football as a sport by the public;
- Development and support of players' abilities through meetings and specialist high level training camps for players and referees;
- Ensure that sports material is available and distributed and to promote a positive image of table football.

b) Current Board

The FISTF Board of Directors currently has **seven** members. Their functions are shared as follows:

- President: Vincent Coppenolle (Belgium)
- Vice-Presidents: Thorsten Büsing (Germany) and Alan Collins (England)
- Sports Director: Heinz Eder (Austria)
- General Secretary: **Zach Walker (United States)**
- Communications Director: Kostas Triantafillou (Greece)
- Finance Director: Fred Vulpes (Germany)

c) Financial plan - Income

To balance the FISTF budget, we need to restrict expenditure and increase income. Our finance director will shortly establish the FISTF turnover for 2008.

Income is expected to come from the following sources:

1. Licences

- **Players**
All registered players could be obliged to pay an annual fee the first time that they play in a tournament during a season. At the moment, players do not pay an annual, individual licence fee but they finance the FISTF by paying taxes at tournaments.
- **Clubs**
All clubs could be obliged to pay an annual fee the first time that they play in a tournament during a season. At the moment clubs do not pay an annual, individual licence fee yet but several options are being studied.
- **Transfer fees**
At the moment players do not have to pay a transfer fee. However, this may change in the future. Several options are currently being studied.
- **National associations**
It has been decided that the national associations are now divided in two categories according to their importance. These two categories are called « Member Nations » and « Partner Nations ». Every country will have rights and duties according to its statute. As a reminder, here is a brief table of rights and duties for the countries.



Rights and duties	Member nation	Partner nation
Yearly fee	100 Euros	free
Organisation of a Grand Prix (from 2008-09)	yes	no Grand Prix
Organisation of an Open (from 2008-09)	yes	1 Open + 15 Euros (tax)
Organisation of a "Satellite"	free	10 Euros (tax)
Organisation of a "Challenger"	free	10 Euros (tax)
Organisation of a "Future"	free	10 Euros (tax)
Participation to the world cup	authorised	authorised
Participation to the Europa Cup	authorised	authorised
Right to vote (Congress)	Yes	No
FISTF send the news	Yes	Yes
Statutes of the association to be sent	Yes	No
Participation to surveys	Yes	Yes
Qualification via world rankings	Yes (*)	Yes (*)

* : His national association must confirm a player qualified via the world rankings if he is a member of a « member nation ». If he is a member of a "partner nation", his national association must not confirm him.

In order to motivate national associations to become "Member nations", FISTF has decided to give more advantages to "Member nations" starting September 1, 2007.

To help the development of the game outside of Europe, the FISTF Board has decided that there will be no tournament tax at all for Satellites, Challengers and Futures held outside Europe.

The following countries are regarded as « Member Nations » : Austria, Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar (to be confirmed at the next Congress), Greece, Italy, Malta, Monaco (to be confirmed at the next Congress), the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Scotland, Spain, Wales.

The following countries are regarded as « Partner Nations » : Argentina, Canada, Colombia, Cyprus (candidate), Czech Republic, India, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Northern Ireland, Romania, Russia, Switzerland, USA.

Please note that every national association that disagrees about its category can apply to the FISTF Board to change it. The Board will discuss every case on merits.

2. Levying a tournament tax

- Individual competitions
For each player participating in a FISTF tournament (only Majors, Grand Prix, International Opens, Satellites, Challengers, Futures) a tax of 0.50 Euro is levied on the fee charged to each player by the organiser.
- Club team competitions
For each club participating in a FISTF tournament (only Majors, Grand Prix, International Opens, Satellites) a tax of 2 Euros is levied on the fee charged to each team by the organiser.
- National team tournaments
No tax is currently levied when national teams participate in FISTF competitions.



3. Sale of publications, sports equipment and accessories

Publications

FISTF is currently studying a proposal to publish an official magazine.

- Sports equipment

At the moment FISTF does not have any commercial agreement with the distributors and manufacturers of sports equipment, but it is investigating several options.

- Accessories

At the moment the FISTF marketing office is looking for partners.

The FISTF shop is online at <http://shop.fistf.com> and on the FISTF corner at www.astrobase.it

- Other

4. Sponsorship

Various sources

5. Public grants

Various sources

d) Financial plan - expenditure

Several issues are anticipated with regard to expenditure:

- FISTF organisation and administration

The members of the Board of Directors and any committees may claim repayment of their reasonable expenses from the Finance Director who will settle these with the President's approval.

When a member of the Board of Director or of a committee files a claim for the reimbursement of travel and subsistence costs incurred for the benefit of FISTF, reimbursement shall be limited to travel costs and costs of lodging. No other subsistence costs (meals, drinks, etc.) shall be reimbursed.

- For air travel, only economy class or cheaper ticket shall be reimbursed. The applicant shall make all reasonable efforts to book the cheapest flight available, including but not limited to charter flights and low cost airlines.
- For train travel, only second-class ticket shall be reimbursed, possibly including additional sleeping banks costs if necessary. The applicant shall ensure that the shortest way is followed.
- For travel by personal vehicle, the reimbursement shall be limited to 0,15 € per kilometre. The distance shall be calculated as the shortest distance between the applicant's residence and the meeting place.
- Lodging costs shall be limited to an amount of 20 € per day. The applicant shall make all reasonable efforts to secure the cheapest lodging available while still in keeping with reasonable standard of health, safety and comfort.

Reimbursement of phone, fax, photocopies and mail shall be limited to 200 € per year. The applicant shall make all reasonable efforts to use electronic mail as a primary means of communication. Costs of subscription to an electronic mail provider shall not be reimbursed. Costs of office furniture or office material, including but not limited to computer equipment, shall not be reimbursed.

Representation costs and expenses related to clothing and sports material shall not be reimbursed.

- Production of the official FISTF publication

The publication of a magazine will involve certain expenditure. However, the most economical option will be sought.

- Development assistance

FISTF will devote part of its budget to the development of table football. This assistance will be in practice:

1. Reductions in the fees paid by international associations;
2. The purchase and provision of equipment for the smaller associations.



- Allowances
 1. Miscellaneous awards
FISTF may intervene annually to award national associations whose clubs and players have contributed towards the development of table football.
 2. Major tournaments
FISTF may provide financial assistance to the organisers of major, annual tournaments if they are having difficulty meeting their budget.
 3. World Masters
FISTF will financially support the award of prize money for the 'World Masters'. However, the subsidy will not be greater than 1500 €.

2. Organisation of the FISTF

a) Objectives

To achieve its objectives listed in the statutes FISTF will implement a series of projects to improve:

- Communication between countries;
- Its relationship with the media;
- The expansion in the number of members, clubs and players.

b) Communication action points

There are various issues to develop:

- Membership administration:
 - It is the general secretary's responsibility to maintain a list of registered players and clubs of FISTF in conjunction with the national associations and tournament organisers.
- Rules of the game:
 - The rules of the game are available in French and English, the two official languages used by FISTF. The national associations must arrange translations of the rules into their own national languages. The FISTF shall monitor this effort.
- International Flick:
 - An editor is appointed by FISTF to publish the 'Flick' as regularly as possible.
 - Promotion, public relations and sponsorship:
 - The Director of Communications will be responsible for these issues.
 - FISTF web site:
 - The Director of Communications will be responsible for this. The website's URL is www.fistf.com

c) Publications

1. International Flick

The 'International Flick' is the official publication of FISTF. It must publish the following information:

- Tournament calendar;
- Tournament results;
- World ranking table of individual players, national teams and referees;
- Official decisions and announcements.

It should also include:

- A report of each tournament;
- Miscellaneous information and historical background;
- Advertising.

The 'International Flick' will be distributed to all registered players and members of FISTF. Membership fees will include subscription. Non-members may be requested to pay a subscription fee.



2. Table football literature

Various publicity leaflets about table football will be produced for the attention of the media, the public (for distribution at events) and partners.

3. Archives of the game

Several files have been and will be produced with compiled results and statistics since FISTF was created.

All winners recap'

History of the World Championships

History of the European Cup for clubs

History of the World Masters

History of the Major tournaments

History of the Satellite tournaments

History of the Challenger tournaments

History of International friendly games

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1993-94

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1993-94

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1994-95

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1995-96

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1996-97

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1997-98

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1998-99

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 1999-2000

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2000-01

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2001-02

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2002-03

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2003-04

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2004-05

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2005-06

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2006-07

History of FISTF tournaments - Season 2007-08

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C. Administrative regulation

1. Registration of player

a) Rights of Players

All players who are licensed to play table football by a National Association member of FISTF may take part in all tournaments listed in the FISTF calendar and be included in the world ranking table.

b) Obligations of Players

When taking part in a FISTF tournament, a player must complete a registration form that is submitted to the organiser. If the player has already completed a registration form during an earlier tournament he should check on the list of registered players provided by the tournament organiser that his details are correct.

A player is also required at every tournament to sign an enrolment form that is sent to the organiser by FISTF.

2. Registration of clubs

a) Rights of Clubs

All clubs that are members of a National Association member of FISTF may take part in all tournaments listed in the FISTF calendar and are included in the world-ranking table.

b) Obligations of Clubs

When taking part in a FISTF tournament, a club must complete a registration form that is submitted to the organiser. If the club has already completed a registration form during an earlier tournament it should check on the list of registered clubs provided by the tournament organiser that its details are correct.

A club is also required at every tournament to sign an enrolment form that is sent to the organiser by FISTF.

3. Registration of national association membership

a) Member national association rights

All national associations that are members of FISTF may organise their own FISTF tournaments and take part in tournaments listed in the FISTF calendar.

b) Member national association obligations

At the start of the season each national association wishing to become or remain a member of FISTF must send an information sheet and a list of its licensed players and clubs to the FISTF general secretary. This registration form must be submitted by 31 August.

If a country has not submitted its tournaments by 15 May, it may add tournaments during the course of the season. However, there must be a minimum period of **four months** between membership and the date of the tournament if this tournament is a Grand Prix, **three months** for International Open, **two months** for a Satellite, **six weeks** for a Challenger or a Future. Majors will always be announced in the beginning of the season.

4. Registration of referees

a) Rights of Referees

(Chapter under construction)

b) Obligations of Referees

(Chapter under construction)



5. Transfer of players between two clubs

Players may transfer between two clubs subject to the following conditions:

- a) All transfer requests shall be made using form F06. When completed the form shall be sent to the FISTF Sports Director for registration.
- b) There is no restriction on the number of players that can be transferred within the same national association.
- c) *A club may enrol as many foreign players as they want, even though only two foreign players can play at the same time in a club team. Foreign players are players who, as the time of filing the transfer request, have a different nationality to that of the club to which they request to be transferred (see further Sections 6 and 7).*
- d) The playing season begins on 1st September and ends on 31st August. If a player wants to become a free agent (player in individual ranking, but not registered for any club) he must submit this to the FISTF before September 1st. A free agent cannot join any club during the whole season.
- e) The only exception to d) above is where a club enrolls a new player during the season and this player has not previously been registered with another club.
- f) Even if a club ceases its activities during the playing season, the players enrolled with that club will still be subject to the transfer requirements set out above. The FISTF Board of Director reserves the right to take another decision on a case-by-case basis, following a petition of the relevant players. These players can keep on playing all individual competitions.
- g) A player may only play for one club in individual or team competitions during a season.
- h) Players shall be enrolled anew each season. Clubs shall submit a complete list of their players to the FISTF Sports Director by 31st August at the latest, at the same time as the list of transfers is submitted.
- i) The penalty for partially or completely disregarding this rule is automatic disqualification from the event and forfeits the world ranking points from the event in question. FISTF reserves the right to apply a different decision if necessary.
- j) Between 1st of September and 31st of December players who didn't play in any FISTF competition (Individual and Team) for the club they are registered for in this period can be transferred with sending the transfer form to the FISTF Sports-Department (sports@fistf.com). Players who are not in any Individual ranking and who didn't play for a club can change the club during the whole season.
- k) At the end of a season (N), a player can change his status as "unattached". It means that he/she is not member of any team and therefore can not play anymore in any team competition. He/She (the player) also can not join any club all over the next season (N+1). The following season (N+2), he/she can join any club all over the season independently of the fact he/she is in the ranking or not or if he/she played any individual tournament. The new club of an "unattached" player has to be announced to FISTF Sports Department by sending a transfer form at least seven (7) calendar days before he/she wants to play the first team tournament for his new team.



6. Licensing and Nationality of players

- a) Players shall be individually responsible to apply for the license to play table football. If the player chooses to become a member of a club operating in the country where the player has his domicile, such obligation may be delegated to the direction of such club. The player shall be issued a license card the form of which is left to each national association to decide. This license is valid only for one sports season, as defined by FISTF.
- b) The national association of the country where a player has his domicile, providing this national association is a member of FISTF, shall solely grant the license and the player shall be deemed a member of this national association after the granting of the license. The player shall remain a member of this national association until the end of the sports season, even if he moves his domicile to another country during the sports season. A national association shall not unreasonably deny a license to a player having his domicile within the country it is representing.
Example: Player A has his domicile in France. Only the Fédération Française de Football de Table (FFFT) is authorized to grant him a license.
- c) A player having its domicile in a country where no table football national association exists, or where the national association is not a member of FISTF, shall be granted a license directly by FISTF.
Example: Player B has his domicile in Outer Mongolia, where no national association exists. FISTF will grant him a license on request.
- d) The national association granting a player a license to play table football, or the FISTF when it plays such role, shall be further referred to as “the Licensor”.
- e) The national association of the country from which the player is a legal citizen shall be informed by the Licensor within 30 days of the grant of the license that a license has been issued if:
 - The player has another legal citizenship than that of the country where he has his domicile; or
 - The player has the same legal citizenship as that of the country where he has his domicile, but also has another legal citizenship; or
 - The player is licensed by FISTF, and a national association not member of FISTF in the country where he has his domicile is known to FISTF.
- f) Any dispute or appeal related to the licensing of players or to the unreasonable denial of license to players shall be referred in writing within thirty (30) days to the FISTF General Secretary.
- g) Notwithstanding the identity of the Licensor, the player shall have the right to be a member of any club of his choice, whether or not that club is operating within the country where the player has his domicile, subject to the rules and regulations established by FISTF for membership and transfers to and from clubs.
Example: Player C has her domicile in Belgium and is licensed by the Belgian national association (FBFTS). Player C may also be a member of the Washington, D.C., Table Football Club.
- h) Notwithstanding the club of which the player is a member, the player shall have all the rights and obligations of the other players being granted a license by the same Licensor.
Example: Player C has her domicile in Belgium, is licensed by the Belgian national association (FBFTS), but is a member of the Washington D.C. Table Football Club. Player C must be authorized by FBFTS to play the Belgian national individual championship.
- i) By being granted a license by a national association, the player becomes eligible to represent this national association in individual and team international competitions, including but not limited to the World Cup, subject to the agreement of the direction of such national association and to the rules of the competition.
Example: Player C has her domicile in Belgium, is licensed by the Belgian national association (FBFTS), but is a member of the Washington D.C. Table Football Club. Player C may be selected by FBFTS to represent Belgium in the World Cup (both for the individual and team competition), even if she is of a citizenship other than Belgian.
- j) A registered player is also eligible to represent the national association of the state of which he or she has the legal citizenship in individual and team international competitions, including but not limited to the World Cup, subject to the agreement of the direction of such national association and to the rules of the competition.



Example: Player C has her domicile in Belgium, is licensed by the Belgian national association (FBFTS), is a member of the Washington D.C. Table Football Club, and has the Dutch citizenship. Player C may be selected by the Dutch Table Football Association to represent The Netherlands in the World Cup (both for the individual and team competition).

- k) Notwithstanding the provisions of j) and k), a player who has been selected to represent a national association in an international competition may not be selected to represent another national association in an international competition for a period of five years following his last selection to represent the first national association, unless the first national association has discontinued its membership of FISTF.
- l) Monaco: players representing Monaco are not assimilated to foreign players if they play club team matches for a French club team.
- m) For the purpose of club team competitions, a player will be considered a 'foreign player' if:
 - He is licensed to play table football by another national association different than the one that licensed his club (in effect, if he does not have his domicile in the country where his club is headquartered); and
 - He or she has a legal citizenship different from that of the country in which his club is headquartered and has been selected in the last five years to represent the national association of the state of which he or she has the legal citizenship in line with j).

7. Licensing and Nationality of Clubs

- a) Regardless of its legal form, a club shall be deemed to have, for the purpose of table football, the nationality of the national association that licenses it to play table football.
- b) Clubs shall be individually responsible to apply for the license to play table football. The club shall be issued a license card the form of which is left to each national association to decide. This license is valid only for one sports season, as defined by FISTF.
- c) The national association of the country where a club is headquartered, providing this national association is a member of FISTF, shall solely grant the license and the club shall be deemed a member of this national association after the granting of the license. The club shall remain a member of this national association until the end of the sports season, even if it moves its headquarters to another country during the sports season.
- d) A national association shall not unreasonably deny a license to a club headquartered within the country it is representing.
- e) A club headquartered in a country where no table football national association exists, or where the national association is not a member of FISTF, shall be granted a license directly by FISTF.
- f) The national association may only license a club whose name refers to a specific place where this place is located.

Example: the Italian Table Football Association licenses The Milan Table Football Club. For tax reasons, the club decides to move its headquarters to Geneva. For the next season, the Milan Table Football Club may only be licensed by the Swiss Table Football Association if it changes its name, and may not anymore be licensed by the Italian Table Football Association, as its headquarters are not located in Italy.

8. Sanctions

- a) A player that takes part in a FISTF tournament without completing the registration form will be fined 1 Euro. If the offence re-occurs, the fine will be increased to 3 Euros.
- b) A club that takes part in a FISTF tournament without completing the registration form will be fined 3 Euros. If the offence re-occurs the fine will be increased to 5 Euros.
- c) Failure of a player to strictly comply with the transfer regulations shall lead to automatic disqualification from the event and forfeit the world ranking points from the event in question. FISTF reserves the right to apply a different decision if strict application of the rule would lead to unfairness.



- d) If a national association has not submitted its registration form by 30 September of the new season, its clubs and individual players will be prohibited from taking part in FISTF tournaments until this is in order.



D. Competition rules

1. Individual competition

a) General competition structure

There is a format for each tournament that is part of the FISTF calendar that provides the best organisation for matches. This is normally the same format, although the World Cup and the Masters are organised differently.

The results of group matches are awarded as follows:

Win	= 3 points
Draw	= 1 point
Defeat	= 0 points

Final group positions are determined as follows:

1. Number of points won.
2. Most individual wins.
3. Goal difference.
4. Most goals scored. **(TO BE DISCUSSED FOR NEXTS SEASON)**

b) Age categories

Tournaments are divided into different age categories. Players may normally play in only one category at each tournament, apart from the U12 (see below). Only if the organizer allows it, players can compete in two categories.

For the season 2008-2009 the categories are as follows:

- Open
- Veteran: players born in or before September 1st, 1969;
- U19: players born in 1990, 91, 92, 93;
- U15: players born in 1994, 95, 96;
- U12: players born in or after 1997;
- Women: any age.

NB: the U12 category is not an official category but it is strongly recommended that a U12 tournament is organised at Grand Prix and Opens, even if there is only a small number of U12 players present. If this is the case player in the U12 category may also play in the U15.

c) World Cup

There are a set number of players in each category as follows:

- 48 Open and Veteran players
- 32 U15 and U19 players
- 24 Women players



1. Selection of players

- The FISTF World Ranking at the end of April will be used to select players as follows:
 - 16 Open category players (maximum 3 players per country);
 - 16 Veteran category players (maximum 3 players per country);
 - 8 U19 category players (maximum 2 players per country);
 - 8 U15 category players (maximum 2 players per country);
 - 8 Women players (maximum 2 players per country).In addition to the selection above, each country may nominate 2 players in each category.

- Each National Association may also register one or two reserve players in each category. If the required number of players is not reached in a particular category the first reserve will be selected by priority according to the following criteria:
 - a. Players from a country that has no players selected at a)
 - b. Players from a country that has one player selected at a)
 - c. Players from a country that has two players selected at a)
 - d. Players from a country that has three players selected at a)
 - e. The World Ranking **at the end of April** will be used to determine the priorities at a., b., c. and d. if necessary.

2. Specific competition rule

(Chapter under construction)

3. Tournament system

Open & veteran categories: 16 groups of 3 players = 1/16th final (last 32).

U15 & U19 categories: 8 groups of 4 players = 1/8th final (last 16).

Women: 8 groups of 3 players = 1/8th final (last 16).

4. Match timetable

09.30	1 st stage - 1 st round of matches
10.25	1 st stage - 2 nd round of matches
11.20	1 st stage - 3 rd round of matches
12.15	1 st stage - 4 th round of matches
13.10	1 st stage - 5 th round of matches
14.05	1 st stage - 6 th round of matches
15.00	Open and U19 1/16 th + 4 x Women 1/8 th
16.00	Open, U19, U15 & Veteran 1/8 th + 4 x Women 1/8 th
17.00	Quarter finals
18.00	Semi finals
19.00	Finals

36 tables are needed to run the tournament in this way.

In certain circumstances the Sports Director reserves the right to change the number of players in a particular category according to selections a) and b).



e) Continental Cup

1. Particular competition rules

(Chapter under construction)

2. Tournament system

(Chapter under construction)

f) FISTF Masters

The FISTF Masters is an invitation only tournament. This tournament will take place in June every two years (even years). Prize money will be offered. No world ranking points will be awarded.

1. Specific competition rules

The FISTF World Ranking (at the end of April) will be used to select eleven players. In addition the host nation will be given a *wild card* for the twelfth player. If one of the eleven selected players is from the host nation the 12 best players from the World Ranking will be selected.

2. Tournament system

The tournament is played over the course of one day. There will be two groups of six players with players seeded, followed by quarter finals, semi-finals and a final.

g) FISTF Major

There are 4 FISTF Majors per season. There will be a maximum of 1 FISTF Major per Member Association per season. Majors are set two years in advance. The host club will be consulted before the decision is taken. A host club is entitled to refuse to organise a major.

A National Association is entitled to prevent an appointed club from organising a Major. This National Association must provide grounds for its position. There is no guarantee that a different club within this National Association will be appointed as a replacement.

1. Specific competition rules

Open winner	240 Euros
Open finalist	120 Euros
Open semi-finalist	70 Euros

A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.

2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

h) International Grand Prix

Each Member Association of FISTF is entitled to organise one Grand Prix per season. Each Federation must submit its preferred date to the FISTF Sports Director. **From the season 2008-2009, Partner Nations will not have the right to host a Grand Prix.**

A Member Nations of FISTF will only have the right to host a Grand Prix providing they have organized a national championship in the former season and results have been submitted to FISTF.

1. Specific competition rules

A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.



2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

i) International Open

Each Member Association of FISTF is entitled to organise two International Opens per season. Each Federation must submit its preferred date(s) to the FISTF Sports Director. **From the season 2008-2009, Partner Nations will have the right to host only one (1) International Open.**

1. Specific competition rules

A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.

2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

j) Satellite tournament

Each Member Association of FISTF is entitled to organise three (3) Satellite Tournaments per season. Partner Nations have the right to host only two (2) Satellite tournaments.

Each Federation must submit its preferred date(s) to the FISTF Sports Director.

At least 6 players must take part to award world ranking points.

1. Specific competition rules

Only players below 100th place in the World Ranking may take part in this competition.

In a Satellite Tournament, all players should compete in the Open category, although restricted categories are allowed.

Categories may be organised for players ranked below 20th place in the World Ranking.

Satellites for teams can also be organized. Only clubs which are not in the Top 20 of the team ranking can take part. Minimums of 4 teams have to take part that points for the World ranking are given.

A club from the Top 20 can register its B-team providing:

- The B-team is not in the world's Top 20, and;

- The players taking part are not in the Top 100 in the Open world ranking.

A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.

2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

k) Challenger tournament

Each Member Association of FISTF is entitled to organise three (3) Challenger Tournaments per season. Each Federation must submit its preferred date(s) to the FISTF Sports Director. Partner Nations have the right to host only two (2) Challenger tournaments.

At least 6 players must take part to award world ranking points.

1. Specific competition rules

Only players below 200th place in the World Ranking may take part in this competition.

In a Challenger Tournament, all players should compete in the Open category, although restricted categories are allowed.

Categories may be organised for players ranked below 25th place in the World Ranking.

Challengers for teams can also be organized. Only clubs that are not in the Top 25 of the team ranking can take part. Minimums of 4 teams have to take part that points for the World ranking are given.

A club from the Top 25 can register its B-team providing:

- The B-team is not in the world's Top 25, and;

- The players taking part are not in the Top 200 in the Open world ranking.



A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.

2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

1) Future tournament

Each Member Association of FISTF is entitled to organise three (3) Future Tournaments per season. Each Federation must submit its preferred date(s) to the FISTF Sports Director. Partner Nations have the right to host only two (2) Future tournaments.

At least 6 players must take part to award world ranking points.

1. Specific competition rules

Only players below 300th place in the World Ranking may take part in this competition.

In a Future Tournament, all players should compete in the Open category, although restricted categories are allowed.

Categories may be organised for players ranked below 30th place in the World Ranking.

Futures for teams can also be organized. Only clubs that are not in the Top 30 of the team ranking can take part. Minimums of 4 teams have to take part that points for the World ranking are given.

A club from the Top 30 can register its B-team providing:

- The B-team is not in the world's Top 30, and;

- The players taking part are not in the Top 300 in the Open world ranking.

A levy of 0.5 Euros per player and 2 Euros per team is payable to FISTF (by the tournament organiser) for all participants.

2. Tournament system

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 players.

2. Club team competition

a) General principles

- a. A team comprises 4 players and 1 reserve for each match. A club may enter as many teams as it wishes in a tournament. A club may not transfer any players between its teams during the same tournament. A club may play a maximum of two foreign. Foreign players are those from a National Association that is different to that to which the Club belongs (see transfer rules). A player may only be a member of one team at any one time.
- b. The coach of each team is responsible for all aspects of his team. The coach may follow the progress of the match from the playing area but may not disturb a player or the referee. During the game the coach may give verbal instructions to his team in a reasonable manner. A coach may be asked to leave the playing area for inappropriate behaviour by any of the four referees.
- c. Each of the four players shall play a player from the opposing team. Each team will gain one point for a victory in each individual match. No points are awarded for a draw or a defeat. If a player is disqualified he will lose the match by a minimum of 3-0, unless the score in the match was higher than this when he was disqualified. A team that has had a player disqualified cannot win a match on goal difference! If a team is disqualified it loses that match 0-4 with a goal difference of 0-12. If a team or one of its players is not ready at kick off time the referee shall decide whether to disqualify the player/team or to accept a late kick off.



b) General competition structure

The results of group matches are awarded as follows:

Win	= 3 points
Draw	= 1 point
Defeat	= 0 points

Final group positions are determined as follows: **(TO BE DISCUSSED)**

1. Number of points won.
2. The difference between the number of individual matches won and lost.
3. Most individual wins.
4. Goal difference.
5. Most goals scored.

c) Match Procedure

For each match, the team's coach shall present a maximum of five players in the playing area for the seeding procedure.

1. Referee tosses a coin to determine which coach will start the seeding procedure - coach A / coach B.
2. The losing coach (coach A) starts the procedure by selecting one of his players to play in match 1.
3. Coach B selects one of his players to play in match 1
4. Coach B selects one of his players to play in match 2
5. Coach A selects one of his players to play in match 2
6. Coach A selects one of his players to play in match 3
7. Coach B selects one of his players to play in match 3
8. Coach B selects one of his players to play in match 4
9. Coach A selects one of his players to play in match 4

A team must consist of a minimum of three players. The coach of a team with only three players must start the seeding procedure, and must forfeit the fourth match. A team consisting of three players cannot win a match on goal difference.

At half time, both coaches have the opportunity to substitute one of the four players that has played the first half of the match. The referee shall be notified of any changes made. The reserve player takes over any sanction cards of the substituted player from the first half of the match.

If both teams want to change a player at half time and there is controversy about it, the captain of the team that won the toss should announce its substitution first to the referee.

d) In case of a draw

In team competition, in case of a draw, there will be a sudden death of 10 minutes and, if needed, shots. For the shots, each team has to decide which player will play.

e) Disciplinary rules

(Chapter under construction)

f) Continental championships

The number of teams has to be decided by the Sports Director of FISTF, after the deadline of registrations is over.



1. Selection of Teams

- a) FISTF World Ranking (at the end of August) will be used to select 8 teams (maximum 2 teams per nation).
- b) In addition to a) each national federation may also nominate 2 teams.
- c) Each National Federation may also register one or two substitute teams. If the required number of teams is not achieved, the first substitutes would have selection priority according to:
 - 1. Team from a nation which have no teams selected in a)
 - 2. Team from a nation which have one team selected in a)
 - 3. Team from a nation which have two teams selected in a)
- d) **The World Ranking at the end of august is used** to determine priority in i, ii & iii if required.
- e) Notes
 - If the holders are not qualified according to a), they would be added.
 - If the host nation have no qualifiers according to a), they could nominate three teams according to b).

2. Competition Format

1st Round: 8 groups of 4 teams, numbered 1-8.

- 1. FISTF World Rankings are used to find the seeded teams, No1 seed in group 1, No2 seed in group 2, etc.
- 2. The draw is made with the first team drawn being placed in group 1, second team out in group 2, etc.
- 3. When making the draw, it must be taken into consideration that it is not allowed to have two teams from the same nation in the same group, in which case the team will be placed in the next group down.

2nd Round: All teams will play for a final ranking place. In order to achieve this (after the first round group matches) the teams are ranked thus:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7	Group 8
1A	2A	3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A
1B	B2	C2	4B	5B	6B	7B	8B
1C	B3	C3	4C	5C	6C	7C	8C
1D	B4	C4	4D	5D	6D	7D	8D

Ranking 1-16

(S)	1A - 7B						
(T)	2B - 8A	(1) winner S - winner T		(5) winner 1 - winner 2			
(U)	5A - 3B	(2) winner U - winner V				<u>Final</u>	
(V)	6B - 4A					winner 5	
						v	
(W)	3A - 5B					winner 6	
(X)	4B - 6A	(3) winner W - winner X		(6) winner 3 - winner 4			
(Y)	7A - 1B	(4) winner Y - winner Z					
(Z)	8B - 2A						



Ranking 17-32

(S)	1C - 7D				
(T)	2D - 8C	(1) winner S - winner T		(5) winner 1 - winner 2	
(U)	5C - 3D	(2) winner U - winner V			<u>Final</u>
(V)	6D - 4C				winner 5
					v
(W)	3C - 5D				winner 6
(X)	4D - 6C	(3) winner W - winner X		(6) winner 3 - winner 4	
(Y)	7C - 1D	(4) winner Y - winner Z			
(Z)	8D - 2C				

3. Match schedule

Saturday

10.00	1 st Phase - Groups 1-2-3-4
11.00	1 st Phase - Groups 5-6-7-8
12.00	1 st Phase - Groups 1-2-3-4
13.00	1 st Phase - Groups 5-6-7-8
14.00	1 st Phase - Groups 1-2-3-4
15.00	1 st Phase - Groups 5-6-7-8
16.00	1/8 th finals 17-32
17.00	1/8 th finals 1-16

Sunday

10.00	Quarter-finals 17-32
11.00	Quarter-finals 1-16
12.00	Semi-finals 17-32
13.00	Semi-finals 1-16
14.00	Play-offs 17-32
15.00	Play-offs 3-16
16.00	Final

4. World Ranking Points Structure

Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points	Place	Points
1.	500	9.	85	17.	45	25.	33
2.	350	10.	80	18.	42	26.	32
3.	225	11.	75	19.	41	27.	31
4.	200	12.	70	20.	40	28.	30
5.	150	13.	65	21.	38	29.	28
6.	130	14.	60	22.	37	30.	27
7.	115	15.	55	23.	36	31.	26
8.	100	16.	50	24.	35	32.	25



5. Notes

32 tables are needed to play this format.

Only 'A' teams are eligible to play.

In certain circumstances, the Sports Director reserves the right to change the number of teams after a) & b) selections.

g) FISTF Major - International Grand Prix - International Open

1. Specific rules of the competition

(Chapter under construction)

2. Competition format

The first round of the tournament has to be a group stage with a minimum of 3 teams.



3. Competitions for national teams

a) Specific rules of the competition

(Chapter under construction)

b) Disciplinary rules

(Chapter under construction)

c) World Championships

1. Specific rules of the competition

(Chapter under construction)

2 Competition format

(Chapter under construction)

d) Inter-nations competitions

1. Specific rules of the competition

(Chapter under construction)

e) Friendly international matches

From the season 2006-2007, it is possible to play international friendly matches and get points in the nations ranking.

1. Specific rules of the competition

There are 2 official matches between 2 nations possible per season. Both national associations have to send the confirmation of an official game to the FISTF Sport-Department **at least one week** before the game takes part. If the game takes place at an international tournament, the organizer of this tournament has to be informed too.

If both national associations confirm the official game and one nation won't be present the game will be a 4x0 ff. Official friendly national games have to be played with referees. After the game a sheet with the results and the referees have to be sent to the FISTF Sports-Department to overtake it into the nations ranking of FISTF.

Points:

Victory: 20 points

Draw: 8 points

Loss: 0 points

Bonus points:

10 points for beating the World's number 1 team

6 points for beating the World's number 2 team

3 points for beating the World's number 3 team



4. Regulations for competitors in individual categories

a) World rankings

1. For every FISTF tournament, world rankings points are awarded. Hereunder, the table of the points awarded.

	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Runner Up</i>	<i>Semi Finalist</i>	<i>Quarter Finalist</i>	<i>Last 16</i>	<i>Last 32</i>	<i>Formal Rounds</i>
WORLD CUP	600	400	240	120	60	30	15
CONTINENTAL CUP	500	350	200	100	50	25	13
MAJOR	400	270	160	80	40	20	10-5-3
GRAND PRIX	300	200	120	60	30	15	8-4-2
INTERNATIONAL OPEN	150	105	60	30	15	8	5-3-1
SATELLITE	50	35	20	10	5	3	2-1
CHALLENGER	40	28	16	8	4	2	1
FUTURE	30	21	12	6	3	2	1

2. Points adjustments according to number of participants

These are only valid for Majors, Grand Prix, International Opens, Satellites, Challengers and Futures.

OPEN CATEGORY	U19 –VETERAN	TEAMS	LADIES - U15
Over 64 = 120%	Over 32 = 120%	Over 16 = 120%	Over 32 = 120%
48 - 64 = 100%	24 - 32 = 100%	12 - 16 = 100%	12 - 32 = 100%
32 - 47 = 90%	16 - 23 = 90%	8 - 11 = 90%	8 - 11 = 75%
16 - 31 = 75%	8 - 15 = 75%	4 - 7 = 75%	4 - 7 = 60%
8 - 15 = 60%	4 - 7 = 60%	Under 4 = 0	3 = 40%
6-7 = 40% (Satellite, Challenger, Future)	Under 4 = 0		Under 3 = 0
Under 6 = 0			

3. The World Ranking points are halved after one year. A player or team who has not played a FISTF event in two years will be removed from the World Rankings

If a tournament is played over 2 days of different months (e.g. : September 30 & October 1), the tournament will count for the first month possible (e.g. : September)

b) Individual rankings

Individual rankings are updated according to the criteria mentioned above. In September, some players are removed from the U19 and U15 categories if they are too old.

The world rankings allow some players to be selected for the World Cup and the World Masters.

c) Clubs rankings

d) Rankings for the national teams



E. Appendix to the competition rules

1. Competitions systems

a) Draw procedure

The number 1 seed must always play in group 1, number 2 seed in group 2, etc.

Example of draw procedure: - 11 players - Group 1 has 3 players, groups 2 and 3 have 4 players

After the seeds have been placed in the groups, the first player to be drawn at random goes into group 1, the next into group 2, and so on until all groups of 3 have been completed. Then, the lowest group number to have 4 players gets the next player drawn, and so on until the last group number has 4 players.

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
1. Seed 1	1. Seed 2	1. Seed 3
2. 1st player drawn	2. 2nd player drawn	2. 3rd player drawn
3. 4th player drawn	3. 5th player drawn	3. 6th player drawn
	4. 7th player drawn	4. 8th player drawn

b) Group Rules and Order of Play

Group Order

Group of 3:	1v3	2v3	1v2
Group of 4:	1v4, 2v3	1v3, 2v4	1v2, 3v4
Group of 5:	1v5, 2v3	2v4, 3v5	1v4, 2v5, 1v3, 4v5, 1v2, 3v4

In a group, if there are 2 players from the same club or (as in the case of a World Cup), the same country, then the first match of the group must be between these two players.

Group of 3:

If players are 1 and 2 then group order is 1v2, 2v3, 1v3

If players are 2 and 3 then group order is 2v3, 1v3, 1v2

Group of 4:

If players are 1 and 2, or 3 and 4 then group order is 1v2, 3v4 : 1v4, 2v3 : 1v3, 2v4

If players are 1 and 3, or 2 and 4 then group order is 1v3, 2v4 : 1v4, 2v3 : 1v2, 3v4

Group of 5:

Tournament organiser can allocate his/her own numbers and play as above to make sure that no two club members play each other last, unless of course there are 4 or 5 players from the same club in the group.

In individual competitions if some players have the same numbers of points in their group, the number of victories, the goal-average and finally the number of goals scored will decide who is ranked first. In case of perfect equality, a row shots will decide of the winner.



c) Every possibility from 3 to 128 players

In the knockout rounds, 1A refers to the winner of group 1, 1B refers to the runner up of group 1, 2A refers to the winner of group 2, etc. M1, M2, etc. refer to the winners of the previous barrage rounds.

The draw is listed out downwards. The winner of the first match always plays the winner of the match directly below, and so on...

¼ finals	Semi-finals	Final
1A - 3B	\ Winner of 1A - 3B v Winner of 2B - 4A	\
2B - 4A	/	Winners of the semi-finals
3A - 1B	\ Winner of 3A - 1B v Winner of 4B - 2A	/
4B - 2A	/	

Under no circumstances should any other competition formats be used. Breach of this regulation could lead to sanctions being imposed by FISTF, loss of World Ranking points and loss of tournament entitlement/eligibility.

If there are 96 players or less in a category, no player should qualify directly to the barrage or KO round without playing group matches.

If there are 97 players or more in a category, a seeded player may qualify directly for the 1/32 finals (refer to tables).

2. Structure of the FISTF calendar

Considering the high number of tournaments played ever year, some rules have been established.

General rule

The third week-end every month (with the exception of July and August) has to be free of Major, Grand Prix and International Open. All national associations which don't send their requests before May 15th will have to announce their:

- Grand Prix 4 months;
- International Opens 2 months;
- Satellite, Future, Challenger 1 month;

To the FISTF Sports Director before the tournament takes place.

3rd weekend of the month: 3rd full week-end (15-16 of the month till 21-22 of the month)

a) Major tournaments

Generally the Major tournaments should be the only tournament on the weekend on the continent. Around the country where the Major will take place the FISTF sports department will confirm no other tournaments. Outside this area Futures and Challengers can be organized.

The Head Referee has to be appointed by the Sports Director of FISTF at least one week before the tournament.

b) Grand Prix

Grand Prix have to be requested by the national associations before May 15th. Only 1 Grand Prix per country and continent is allowed per weekend. If several national associations request the same weekend the FISTF sports director will give the priority to the national association that already had the same weekend the season(s) before. Grand Prix is confirmed when the tournament is confirmed by the FISTF-Sports Director, the tournament appears in the official FISTF calendar which is published in the FISTF-forum on www.fistf.com and in the weekly newsletter of FISTF.

Satellites, Futures and Challengers can be organized on the same weekend.



If a national association doesn't request its GP before May 15th, the national association loses the priority of the date the Grand Prix had the last season.

Grand Prix of a national association will not be divided in two separate events anymore (individual Grand Prix and Open for teams and later a Grand Prix for teams and an individual Open)

The Head Referee of a Grand Prix has to be appointed by the Sports Directors of FISTF at least 3 days before the tournament.

c) International Open, Satellite, Future, Challenger

Those tournaments can be requested by the national association beginning with May 20th. It is possible to organize more than 1 International Open, Satellite, Challenger or Future on the same week-end as long as they are not in neighbouring countries.

In that case the national association which had the same date the season(s) before will have the priority. Satellites, Challengers and Futures also can be organized on the 3rd week-end of the month.

The tournament organizer is the Head Referee of the tournament.

3. The procedure of elimination

During the tournaments, when group matches have been played, there will only be knock-out games. In case of a draw, there will be sudden death of 10 minutes and, if needed, shots.



F. Regulations for the organisation of competitions

1. General rules

The most important points for the organisation of a tournament must be the **quality of the equipment** and the **hall**. The goal of every tournament must be to become a **Major** (which is decided by the FISTF Sports Director). Quality equipment and the fact that the organizers keep the same hall and the same date every year can help candidates to become a Major. Having the same date every year can be important. For instance, Sucy en Brie (Elbeuf since 2002) in France and Mons in Belgium use the same date for many years.

Many other factors can influence to have a good tournament. The fact to be able to attract many foreign players from many different countries or to be friendly with the players (for instance to give them some tips about hotels, transports and restaurants). Having other things to do or places to see close to the tournament's location or having a good refreshment bar can be advantages.

2. Candidature

National associations must send the dates for their FISTF tournaments for the following season to the FISTF Sports Director before May 15th. All national associations who sent their dates till May 15 have the chance to choose the week-end they requested for their Grand Prix first, after that the International Open of each national association will be matched with all Grand Prix dates for the continent, if there is a conflict the organizer of the International Open has to choose another date.

The tournaments are only official confirmed, if they are confirmed by the FISTF Sports Director, mentioned in the official FISTF calendar that is published in the FISTF newsletter or on the FISTF forum. The first version of the calendar has to be published latest on May 20th.

After May 15th, the candidatures will not be accepted if they don't respect a delay (of four months for a Grand Prix, two months for an Open, one month for a Satellite, a Challenger or a Future) for the tournaments they request. The FISTF Sports Director may move late applications according to the available dates.

3. Duties of the organizers

a) Sending results

The full results must be sent to the FISTF Sports Director within 3 days after the tournament. Sending full results includes that:

- All individual results of the individual tournament must be mentioned
- All individual results of the teams tournament must be mentioned
- All absent players must be reported (which means the results must not only be 0-3)
- If possible the tournament results will be sent in FISTF standard format

b) Sending the tournament report

The tournament report (see "FISTF file for organizer") will be sent to the FISTF Sports Director within 3 days after the tournament.

c) Sending the players' birthdates

The players who are taking part to FISTF events must provide their nationality, club and birth date to FISTF. When a player hasn't provided his birth date, he will not appear in the world rankings. It's the organizer's responsibility to make sure all players have provided the requested data.



4. Management of the competition

a) Organisational regulations

1. Official invitation

An official invitation must be available at least two months before the tournament. Even if an invitation is not sent to every national association or every club, the information must be available from the FISTF Webmaster.

2. Deadline for registrations

Set a deadline to receive the registrations (for instance 2 or 3 days before the tournament). For larger tournaments (over 100 players), it may be necessary to have a longer deadline (one week).

3. Official confirmation

In some cases, the organizer can ask the representatives of the various clubs to confirm the participation of their players the day before the tournament.

4. Promotion, public relations, sponsorship

For any FISTF event, it is important to invite the national and regional medias. This can provide a lot of positive feedback for your club. A member of the organisational team must be available to meet the reporters.

5. Meeting the spectators

For each tournament, it is important to attract spectators. This is the best way to attract new players. Posters can be a good tool for attracting people but it is also very important to explain to them what is going on. From this point of view, it is very important to prepare a programme with the names of the competitors, the schedule of the tournament, the sponsors, ...

6. The draw

The draw for the individual and team events can be made up to two days before the tournament in order to allow some last minute changes. For large tournaments, it can be useful to do the draw even earlier.

The World Rankings must be used to make the draw and to select the seeded players.

A player is allowed to play in his main category and one category of his choice. If the organizer doesn't allow playing 2 categories it is up to the player which category he/she would like to take part.

The tournament organizer has to make the draw the way that if it is possible (means that less teams/players from the same country than number of groups are taking part) teams/players from the same country won't be drawn to the same group.

The tournament organizer has to take care (as much as possible) about the fact that the referee of a game is not from the same country as one of the players.

The draw and the list of matches must be affixed to the wall. Each round of matches must be announced in the hall by microphone.



7. Management of the referees

The choice of referees is very important. The Tournament Manager with the help of the head referee can do this.

In Majors, Grand Prix and Opens, as there is one chance in three that there will be no group of four players, the organizer should be careful about the referees. If there is only one group of four players, the organizer must find three additional referees if he wants the first round to be completed after three series of matches. Usually, all players must play twice and referee once during the first round. However, groups of four can be played over four series of matches with the groups of three having a rest series.

From the knockout stages, the players who have been eliminated from the tournament in the previous round should be asked to referee in the following round, but avoiding having them referee the player that has just eliminated them.

In principle, it is the responsibility of the organizing club to provide missing referees.

8. Information meeting about the official competitions

9. Registration of players

10. Trophies

11. Remuneration of the referees

12. Video report

13. Review of the papers

To attract sponsors for future editions, you have to keep copies of all press articles about previous tournaments. This will provide an informative file that can be used as a presentation.

14. Competition reports

The full list of players and teams registered and/or absent without reason should be sent to the FISTF Sports Director at the latest within three days of the tournament. (See also point 20)

15. Sending of results

The full results (**individual & all individual team results**) of the tournament should also be sent to the FISTF Sports Director at the latest within three days of the tournament. (See also point 20)

16. List of players

The list of players (**including the full name, the address, the date of birth, the nationality and the club**) should be sent to the FISTF General Secretary at the latest within three days of the tournament. Only the FISTF registration form is valid. (See also point 20)

17. Head Referee

For every FISTF event, there must be a Head Referee to supervise all aspects of refereeing. His job is to:

- Take decisions in the event of problem of rule;
- Take a decision in the event of problems regarding the behaviour of players or teams.

18. Insurance

The competition organizer shall be solely responsible for the carriage of insurance suitable to the competition organized, and to the infrastructure in which it is played.



19. Standard format to send to results

FISTF has a standard format for tournament results that should be sent by the organizers. It means a lot of work for the FISTF BoD to rewrite results to the FISTF standard format. Therefore the following system will be rule with beginning of the season 2006-2007.

20. Fines

Tournament forms:

- 10 EUR fine if player's data (birthdates and/or names) are missing or not complete (Only 5 EUR fine if first names or something else is missing)
- 5 EUR fine if the tournament sheets are sent later than 5 days after the tournament (but less than 15 days)
- 15 EUR fine if the sheets are sent later than 15 days after the tournament
- From the 3rd week, there will be an additional fine of 5 EUR per week.

PS: the maximum fine for the point "Tournament forms" will never exceed 75 EUR.

Results of the tournament:

- 5 EUR fine if the results are not sent 3 days after the tournament
- 10 EUR fine if the results are not sent 14 days after the tournament
- There will be an additional fine of 5 EUR per week for late delivery of the tournament results
- **Additional to the fines above 10 EUR fine if the results are not sent in FISTF standard format**

PS: the maximum fine for the point "Tournament results" will never exceed 100 EUR.

b) Financial regulations

1. Participation to the FISTF competitions

2. Entry fees to competitions

Please insist on the fact that entry fees must be paid at the deadline of the registrations. If players come from abroad, some flexibility is possible.

Organizers have to publish at least 2 months before the tournament their entry fees, if they want to make them higher in any category, in that case there won't be a limit. No information from the organizer means that the organizer will have to respect the limits of FISTF BoD.

FISTF BoD will inform about higher starting fees in the FISTF newsletter and on the forum at www.fistf.com

The limits are:

For a Major:	Team:	23 EUR -> 23 £
	Open/Veteran:	10 EUR -> 10 £
	Category:	7 EUR -> 7 £
For a Grand Prix/International Open:	Team:	18 EUR -> 18 £
	Open/Veteran:	8 EUR -> 8 £
	Category:	6 EUR -> 6 £
For a Satellite:	Team:	12 EUR -> 12 £
	Open/Veteran:	5 EUR -> 5 £
	Category:	3 EUR -> 3 £
For a Challenger/Future:	Open/Veteran:	5 EUR -> 5 £
	Category:	3 EUR -> 3 £

Prices in £ count only for England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland and Northern Ireland.



3. FISTF taxes

The full results must be sent to the FISTF Sports Director in the three days following the tournament.

All tournament organizers will have time to pay their tournament taxes till October 31st of the following season. At the beginning of the new season (September 1st) the FISTF financial director will send reminders to the national associations about the unpaid tournament taxes. If taxes aren't paid before October 31st, the FISTF BoD will cancel international tournaments for the national associations. FISTF BoD will also sanction this rule strictly. So all tournaments of the season 2005/2006 (and former) will have the chance to pay till October 2006. All tournaments that are not paid will be cancelled for the season 2007/2008.

Example: GP 2005/2006 is not paid till October 2006 -> no GP for this association in the season 2007/2008.

4. Disqualification or cancelling of a registration to a competition

c) Regulations about the technical infrastructure

1. Schedule of the competition

The Board recommends that organizers pass a schedule of their tournaments to the players at the start of the weekend or in the invitation. For every round of matches you should provide a reasonable period. For instance:

- a. 50 minutes for a team group match;
- b. 60 minutes for a team knock-out match;
- c. 45 minutes for an individual group match;
- d. 60 minutes for an individual knockout match.

2. The hall

Make sure the hall is suitable for the kind of tournaments that you are organizing. The hall must not only be large enough for tables but also have an area reserved for officials, a rest area, and walkways for spectators, ...

3. Area of play

The playing area should be large enough to provide at least 2 meters between tables. All tables must be of the same type. The ground must be level and firm.

4. Area for the spectators

Ideally, the spectators must be able to walk freely around the hall so that they can watch games without disturbing the players. It is important to make paths with partitions (as in table tennis) or chains where the spectators could walk.

5. Rest area

It is important to provide areas where the players can sit and rest around the tables.

6. Climatic conditions

The temperature in the hall must be between 18 and 25 degrees Celsius with sufficient ventilation.

7. Luminosity

Every playing area must be sufficiently lit. The correct level of lighting is between 80 and 10 lux.

8. Chronometer

Ideally, the organizer should have a timer showing the time and announcing the end of the game with a bell.



9. Bar

During competitions, the organizers are invited to provide drinks and food to players and spectators. The bar can be a good source of income for the organisational team. However, the price of drinks and food must remain reasonable. It is also important to place the bar in a good position so that it does not disturb players.

10. Infrastructure for the playing areas

To organize a tournament under good conditions, make sure that there is easy access to the hall for players and spectators. Signs to indicate the direction of the hall are a must.

11. Transports

If some players come by train or by plane, please indicate how to go to the hall. Ideally, shuttles should be organized to bring the players to the hall.

12. Accommodation

Some players sometimes come for a few days and they need a hotel for one or more nights. Organizers should always try to provide details of suitable hotels and B&Bs that are close to the hall.

13. Health and safety

The competition organizer is solely responsible to comply with any and all health and safety law and regulations applicable to the kind of competition he or she organizes, and to the infrastructure in which it is played.

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G. Rules of the game

The rules of the game are available in a separate file. This file consists of three parts:

- Rules of the game;
- Regulations about the equipment
- Referee's guide



H. Discipline

1. Sanctions in case of incidents

a) Rules of Construction

- The provisions of these regulations apply to FISTF, Member National Associations, Players, Clubs and competition organizers in the conduct of any activity related to table football.
- In case of any conflict between the FISTF Statutes and any other section of these regulations, the provisions of the FISTF Statutes shall prevail. The definitions used in the FISTF Statutes shall be used in the interpretation of these regulations.
- If any provision of these regulations or its applicability to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this handbook which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of these regulations shall be severable.
- In the event of any controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to these regulations, or to the interpretation, breach, or enforcement thereof, the parties shall in good faith use best efforts to settle such controversy, dispute or claim by negotiation. If such negotiation should fail, such controversy, dispute or claim shall be submitted to the FISTF Disciplinary Council (hereinafter 'Council'), which shall issue a final, binding and conclusive ruling on all interested parties.
- The rights and obligations herein contained shall inure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, FISTF, Member National Associations, Players and Clubs and their respective executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- Any forbearance of FISTF, Member National Associations, Players or Clubs to exercise any right or remedy to which he is entitled to under these regulations shall not be construed as a waiver of, or preclude the exercise of, any right or remedy.
- As used in this handbook, words in the masculine gender shall mean and include corresponding neuter words or words in the feminine gender and vice-versa, words in the singular shall mean and include the plural and vice-versa, and the word 'may' gives sole discretion without any obligation to take any action.
- Any case not provided for in, but related to, these regulations shall be referred to the Council, which shall issue a final, binding and conclusive ruling on the case.

b) Organisation and Responsibilities

1. The FISTF Disciplinary Council

1-1. The management of disciplinary matters within FISTF is entrusted to the Council, as defined in the FISTF Statutes, Articles 20 and 21, with the sole exception of the authority to pronounce the exclusion of a Member National Association, which is reserved by the FISTF Congress in accordance with Article 23-3 of the FISTF Statutes.

1-2. The Council is composed of three disciplinary judges appointed and revoked in accordance with Article 20 of the FISTF Statutes (hereinafter 'Judges'), who will be agents of FISTF when exercising their official duties. Once appointed, these Judges will appoint a Council Chairman among themselves (hereinafter 'Chairman'). Should the Judges fail to appoint a Chairman within three months of full manning of the Council, the matter shall be referred to the FISTF Board of Directors (hereinafter 'Board'), who may take any measure it deems appropriate, including but not limited to the revocation of the mandate of one or more Judges and the appointment of a Chairman.

1-3. The Chairman is responsible for the coordination of the activities of the Council and for the handling of all claims and correspondence addressed to the Council. He may delegate this latter responsibility to another member of the Council.



1-4. The Council is responsible for the drafting and promulgation of the FISTF disciplinary regulations in accordance with Article 21 of the FISTF Statutes. For that purpose, it will consult within FISTF on the efficiency of the rules and produce changes as it deems necessary.

1-5. The Council is responsible for the enforcement of the FISTF disciplinary regulation and to impose disciplinary sanctions in accordance with Articles 21 and 23 of the FISTF Statutes. For that purpose, the Council will render disciplinary judgements (hereinafter 'Judgement').

1-6. When the Council has to make a decision related to §§ 4 or 5 above, it will first of all attempt to reach a consensus of all its members. Should the Chairman consider, after a reasonable period of discussions, that a consensus cannot be achieved, he will call for a vote of the Judges, and the decision will be taken by a simple majority of the votes cast. In case of equality of the votes cast, the Chairman will have the casting vote. The deliberations and votes of the Council will be secret.

1-7. During the discussions leading to a decision related to §§ 4 or 5 above, the Council may conduct hearings of the parties and witnesses, and consult with competition organisers, National Association and Club representatives, independent experts and Board members.

1-8. Decisions of the Council do not have to be made within the frame of formal meetings, and may be achieved through any reasonable method, including but not limited to informal meetings and e-mail or telephone exchanges. The Chairman will use his best endeavours to involve equally all Council members in the discussions leading to such decisions.

2. Specific Obligations of Council Members

2-1. The members of the Council, as well as the members of the Board, who are sanctioned for disciplinary reasons according to these Disciplinary Regulations, will be punished exemplarily with the greatest sanction that applies to the specific infraction.

2-2. Members of the Council may not accept from any person instructions, orders, gifts or bribes of any kind that could be related to the exercise of their official duties as Judges. If a member of the Council becomes aware that another Council member has accepted such instructions, orders, gifts or bribes, he will inform the Chairman and/or the FISTF President as soon as possible.

2-3. Members of the Council have to inform the other Council members if they are themselves parties in a proceeding before the Council (either plaintiff or defendant), are related in the first degree (husband, wife, recognised partner, father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister) to a party in such a proceeding, or are affiliated in another way with a party in such a proceeding (such as holding a management function in a Club that is a party to such a proceeding).

2-4. Members of the Council have to perform their official duties as Judges with utmost impartiality, fairness, and without any discrimination on the grounds of citizenship, gender, age, marital status, employment, education, race, religion, or sexual or political orientation.

3. Competition Organisers and/or Head Referees

3-1. The Council may delegate to the organisers of FISTF competitions and/or the head referee to such competition the power to decide if an action by a Member National Association, Player or Club is a breach of these disciplinary regulations, and sentence him to a disciplinary sanction.

3-2. This will be limited to cases where the Council cannot be called on to render a judgement and sentence.



c) Disciplinary Sanctions

4. Disciplinary Sanctions against Players and Clubs

4-1. In accordance with Article 23 of the FISTF Statutes, FISTF Clubs and Players who are judged by the Council to have breached the present disciplinary regulations, will be sentenced by the Council or its delegate, according to the extent of their actions, to one or more of the sanctions below (sanctions may be combined or added one to another as decided by the Council):

- Official warning;
- Fine;
- Deduction of a number of world ranking points;
- Deduction of part or all of the world ranking points gained in a specific tournament;
- Disqualification from a specific match;
- Disqualification from a specific competition;
- Disqualification from a specific competition for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Suspension from participation in defined FISTF competitions (e.g. in a specified country or countries) for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Suspension from participation in all FISTF competitions for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Exclusion from FISTF.

4-2. Players suspended by the Council may, during their suspension period, play only an administrative role for their Clubs, unless of this right has also been removed by the Council (in extremely rare occasions).

5. Disciplinary Sanctions against Member National Associations

5-1. In accordance with Article 23 of the FISTF Statutes, FISTF Member National Associations who are judged by the Council to have breached the present disciplinary regulations, will be sentenced by the Council or its delegate, according to the extent of their actions, with one or more of the sanctions below (sanctions may be combined or added one to another as decided by the Council):

- Official warning;
- Fine;
- Disqualification from a specific match;
- Disqualification from a specific competition;
- Disqualification from a specific competition for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Suspension from participation in defined FISTF competitions (e.g. in a specified country or countries) for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Suspension from participation in all FISTF competitions for a specified period up to one (1) calendar year;
- Exclusion from FISTF.

6. The Official Warning

6-1. An official warning is a letter written by the Chairman to a defendant who has been Judged by the Council guilty of a breach of these disciplinary regulations. The Council may decide that this letter will also be sent to other parties such as the defendant's Club or National Association, or the Board.

6-2. The Council will keep a register of all official warnings.

7. The Fine

7-1. A disciplinary fine is a pecuniary obligation of a defendant who has been Judged by the Council guilty of a breach of these disciplinary regulations and sentenced to pay a fixed amount of money. Fines will be defined by the Council in multiples of 10€.

7-2. A Member National Association, Player or Club sentenced to a fine will be automatically suspended from participating in any FISTF competition until this fine is fully paid, unless the Council decides otherwise.



8. The Disqualification

8-1. The disqualification of a defendant who has been Judged guilty of a breach of these disciplinary regulations results in the defendant automatically losing the match and/or competition(s) from which he is disqualified.

8-2. If the disqualification is for one match, the defendant will lose the match with a minimum of 0-3 for an individual match, and of 0-4 for a team match. If the match was ongoing at the time of disqualification and had a more detrimental result against the defendant, such higher score will be kept.

8-3. If the disqualification is for one or more competitions, the defendant will lose all matches of that competition with a minimum of 0-3 for an individual match, and of 0-4 for a team match. If a match of the defendant was ongoing at the time of disqualification and had a more detrimental result against the defendant, such higher score will be kept.

8-4. The disqualification of a defendant may be decided by the Council or, by delegation, by a competition organiser and/or head referee. The disqualification is the only disciplinary sanction that the Council may allow a delegate to decide on. In that case, the delegate may only sentence the defendant to a disqualification for the match(es) and/or competition for which he is organiser and/or head referee.

8-5. When a defendant is sentenced to disqualification by a delegate of the Council, that delegate or a third party may in addition file a claim to the Council for the same facts. Should this be the case, the Council may decide to sentence the defendant to an additional sentence.

8-6. The decision of a delegate of the Council to disqualify a defendant for a match and/or a competition is final, and may not be appealed or modified. The Council or FISTF will not hold any liability, monetary or otherwise, towards the defendant for that disqualification.

9. The Suspension

9-1. A suspension is an interdiction of a defendant who has been Judged by the Council guilty of a breach of these disciplinary regulations to play some or all future FISTF competitions for a defined period of time of up to one (1) year.

9-2. A suspended defendant will lose all the benefits of FISTF affiliation for the duration of the suspension as defined in the sanction, while still retaining all his FISTF obligations.

9-3. The suspension of a Member National Association will automatically imply the suspension of all Clubs and Players affiliated with that National Association.

9-4. The suspension of a Club will automatically imply the suspension of all Players affiliated with that Club.

10. The Exclusion

10-1. The exclusion of a defendant who has been Judged by the Council guilty of a breach of these disciplinary regulations is a revocation of the membership and/or affiliation with FISTF for that defendant. The exclusion implies the indefinite suspension from all FISTF competition.

10-2. When the Council decides to exclude a Player or Club from FISTF, this exclusion will only become effective when ratified by the Board.

10-3. When the Council decides to propose the exclusion of a Member National Associations from FISTF, this exclusion may only be pronounced by a decision of the Congress.

10-4. Even after it has been excluded from FISTF, a National Association, Club, Player, its successors and assignees, shall remain liable for any obligation, monetary or otherwise, incurred when it was an FISTF Member or associated with FISTF.



10-5. FISTF will have no liability whatsoever, monetary or otherwise, towards an excluded defendant, unless these liabilities were incurred prior to the exclusion.

11. Sentencing Guidelines

11-1. The Council will publish sentencing guidelines, where it will present, for a number of types of breach of these disciplinary regulations, the associated sentences. These sentencing guidelines will be used by the Council and its delegates in further sentencing, without the Council being thereby bound to these guidelines.

11-2. The Council will update these sentencing guidelines on a regular basis.

11-3. The sentencing guidelines are additional to, and do not replace, the provisions of these regulations.

d) Substantive Disciplinary Regulations

12. General Duties and Obligations

12-1. Obligation of ethical behaviour: The National Associations, Players and Clubs to which the present regulations apply have to maintain a behaviour consistent with the athletic standards of fairness and morals, in all their actions, during the sport, as well as during their financial or social actions having to do with FISTF.

12-2. Obligation to produce documents: All FISTF Member National Associations, Players and Clubs are obliged to provide the Council with any information in their possession that the Council requests them to provide during the course of disciplinary proceedings. In case of failure to comply, the Council may decide that he will be punished with a fine. .

12-3. Obligation to testify: If a FISTF Member National Association, Player of Club is called as a witness in disciplinary proceedings by the Council and denies to testify, the Council may decide that he will be punished with a fine.

12-4. Obligation to maintain the secrecy of proceedings: The FISTF Member National Associations, Players and Clubs who are taking part in disciplinary proceedings are forbidden to make any public declarations related to these proceedings or to make public comments related to other parties to, or persons involved in, such proceedings. They are also forbidden to supply to anyone information regarding disciplinary proceedings that are not yet finalized. In case of failure to comply, the Council may decide that the transgressor will be punished with a fine.

12-5. Obligation to refrain from inciting violence: FISTF Member National Associations, Players and Clubs may not publicly make declarations, indirectly or directly, which could, in the opinion of the Council, incite others to use any type of violence. In case of failure to comply, the Council may decide that the transgressor will be punished with a suspension from participating in any FISTF Tournament. The Council may also decide to propose to the Board (for Players or Clubs) and/or the Congress (for a Member National Association) the exclusion from FISTF.

12-6. Obligation of truthful and complete answers: FISTF Member National Associations, Players and Clubs are obliged to send to the Council, full, correct and honest answers to every question addressed to them. In case of failure to comply, the Council may decide that the transgressor will be punished with a fine. In addition, the Council may decide that the transgressor will be punished with a suspension from defined FISTF events.



13. General Obligations of Players and Clubs

13-1. Obligation to refrain from unduly influencing a match result: The Club, team or Player whose actions lead to the abnormal conduction of a match will be sanctioned by the competition head referee or, in his absence, by the competition organiser with immediate disqualification of the specific match. The sanction of immediate disqualification can be given to both Players of a match when they both have the same responsibility for the above.

13-2. When there are facts that cannot be technically proved during a match, the Council may examine and judge if the result or the conduction of a match in general was normal. In that case, the Council may disqualify one or both the opponents, or order repeat of the match or the conduction of it (if it was not conducted).

13-3. Liability of Club representatives: The Players who are appointed to legally represent their Club are presumed to be equally liable, until the opposite is proved, for any breach of disciplinary regulations of their Club.

13-4. Liability of team captains: The Player who is the Captain of a Team in a specific game is liable according to the present handbook for any breach of disciplinary regulation by his team. This responsibility for the specific delinquency can be reduced if another specific member of his team is held liable.

14. Special Obligations of Clubs

14-1. Clubs may reply directly to FISTF or the Council through their official representative, according to the FISTF rules.

14-2. Vicarious liability of Clubs: Clubs may be held vicariously liable for the acts of their representatives, and may face equally any consequence in the case of one of their representatives is found in breach of these disciplinary regulations.

14-3. Liability for negligent oversight: The Council may decide of its own initiative to enter Judgement and sanction on Clubs that negligently fail to make sure that their Players do not breach these disciplinary regulations.

14-4. Obligation of internal control: A breach of a disciplinary regulation by a Player member of a Club will not automatically lead to the liability of his Club. However, if a Player is sentenced by the Council, his club has the obligation to sanction him internally.

14-5. Obligation not to employ suspended or disqualified Players: The sanction of disqualification will be given to a Club by the competition head referee or, in his absence, by the competition organiser which uses suspended or disqualified Players during a competition, or Players who in general have no right to play.

15. Special Obligations of Players

15-1. Obligation of restraint: Players will show restraint during competitions, whether or not they are presently engaged in a match. In particular, the following will be considered as breached of these disciplinary regulations:

1. Negative criticism or harmful comments about another Player, Club, a referee, the head referee, a third party, the competition organiser or a Member National Association. Behaviour or declarations which are capable of leading to acts of violence.
2. Deliberate breach of the present regulations or of the FISTF rules of the game, with the intent to change the normal course of a match.
3. Exaggerated celebration of a win or a goal, that could be considered as an insult of the opponent.
4. Swearing during the match against anyone.
5. Insults against another Player, Club, a referee, the head referee, a third party, the competition organiser or a Member National Association.
6. Denial of a request to referee or absence during a mandatory refereeing.



7. Threat or attempt to use force against another Player, a referee, the head referee, a third party, or the competition organiser.
8. Unlawful use of force against another Player, the referee, the head referee, a third party, or the competition organiser.
9. Damage of the opponents' or a third party's equipment.
10. Damage of the equipment used for the competition.

15-2. Players breaching the above obligation will be punished according to the extent of their actions, with one or more of the following sanctions (sanctions can be combined or added one to another):

- For the cases 1 to 6: The delegate of the Council may sentence the offender to Disqualification from a match or to Disqualification from the competition. In addition, the Council may give the defendant an Official Warning and/or a fine.
- For the cases 7 to 10: The delegate of the Council may sentence the offender to Disqualification from a match or to Disqualification from the competition. In addition, the Council may sentence the defendant to any disciplinary sanction.

15-3. For the sentencing of all breaches of the obligation of restraint, provocation or breach of these disciplinary regulations by the victim may be considered as extenuating circumstances.

16. Red Cards Records System

16-1. The Council will hold a record of the Red Cards that have been inflicted to the Players in accordance with the FISTF rules of the game.

16-2. Additionally to the sanctions referred to Article 15, the following sanctions will be given by the Council:

- Player who has been inflicted two (2) Red Cards during the same sports season (September to August): Loss of 200 World ranking Points and any fine;
- Player who has been inflicted three or four (3 or 4) Red Cards during the same sports season: Loss of 200 World Ranking points, any fine, and a 3 months disqualification from any FISTF competition;
- Player who has been inflicted five (5) Red Cards or more during the same sports season: Loss of a minimum of 300 World Ranking points, any fine, and disqualification from any FISTF competition for a minimum of one (1) year. .

17. Orange Cards Records System

17-1. The Council will hold a record of the Orange Cards that have been inflicted to the Players in accordance with the FISTF rules of the game.

17-2. Additionally to the sanctions referred to Article 15, the following sanctions will be given by the Council:

- Player who has been inflicted three or four (3 or 4) Orange Cards during the same sports season: Loss of 50 World Ranking points, and a 40 Euro fine;
- Player who has been inflicted five or six (5 or 6) Orange Cards during the same sports season: Loss of 150 World Ranking points, any fine, and a 2 months disqualification from any FISTF competition;
- Player who has been inflicted seven (7) Orange Cards or more during the same sports season: Loss of 200 World Ranking points, any fine, and a 3 months disqualification from any FISTF competition. The Council may decide, depending on the number of cards and/or the specific cases, if the player should get any additional sanction.

18. Yellow Cards Records System

18-1. The Council will hold a record of the Yellow Cards that have been inflicted to the Players in accordance with the FISTF rules of the game.



18-2. Additionally to the sanctions referred to Article 15, the following sanctions will be given by the Council:

- Player who has been inflicted four (4) Yellow Cards during the same sports season: Loss of 50 World Ranking points, and a 20 Euro fine;
- Player who has been inflicted five to seven (5 to 7) Yellow Cards during the same sports season: Loss of 100 World Ranking points, any fine, and a 1 month disqualification from any FISTF competition;
- Player who has been inflicted eight (8) Yellow Cards or more during the same sports season: Loss of 150 World Ranking points, any fine, and a 3 months disqualification from any FISTF competition. The Council may decide, depending on the number of cards and/or the specific cases, if the player should get any additional sanction.

19. Cards Records System - Combinations

19-1. Additionally to the sanctions referred to Articles 16 to 18, the Council may give a sanction to a player who has a combination of Red/Orange/Yellow cards. Any player having two (2) or more cards in each category (e.g. 2 Orange & 2 Yellow) and even if according to Articles 16 to 18 he would get no sanction, may be sentenced by the Council according to its judgment.

20. Recurring Breaches of Disciplinary Regulations

20-1. The Club or Player, who, after the Council according to the present disciplinary regulations has sentenced him, fails to comply with the sentence and/or breaks the same or any other rule repeatedly, will receive a harder sanction.

20-2. To be considered as recurring breaches, the breaches must have occurred during the last two (2) sports seasons.

e) Rules of Procedures of the FISTF Disciplinary Council

21. Filing of Claims

21-1. When the FISTF, a National Association, Player or Club becomes aware of a possible breach of these disciplinary regulations, he may file a claim reporting such breach to the Council within thirty (30) calendar days of the presumed breach. Such claim will be addressed to the Chairman or the person to whom he has given the authority to process claims.

21-2. Claims have to be filed in writing by one named plaintiff against one or more named defendants. The FISTF, Member National Associations, Clubs and Players may be plaintiffs or defendants. Such claims will set out in sufficient details the charges against the defendant, and will list as a minimum:

- The names and contact details of the plaintiff;
- The name of the defendants in sufficient details to allow the Council to identify them;
- A description of the facts presumed to be a breach of these disciplinary regulations, including but not limited to time and place information;
- If possible, the mention of the part of the disciplinary regulations that the plaintiff considers have been breached;
- A description of the prejudice caused to the plaintiff by the presumed breach, if any.

Should the initial claim, in the opinion of the Council, not contain sufficient information, the Chairman will contact the plaintiff in order to collect that information. The plaintiff will be responsible to provide the missing information to the Council.

21-3. Should the Council decide that the plaintiff has not provided sufficient information to allow the Council to render a Judgement, the claim will be dismissed as non admissible. The Chairman will inform in writing the plaintiff as soon as possible of such decision.

21-4. Should the Council decide that the claim is admissible, the Chairman will inform in writing as soon as possible the defendant of the details of the claim and charges against him, and that the defendant may file a



written explanatory memorandum in his defence to the Council within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the Chairman's message.

22. Proceedings before the Council

22-1. For the investigation of the claim, the Council may request the production of other supporting documentation, such as Match Report, Referee's Reports, Head Referee's Report, Report of the Competition Manager and the defendant's apology letter. Upon receipt of the Council request for the production of such supporting documentation, the document holder has the obligation to provide a copy of the requested document to the Council.

22-2. Proceedings before the Council will be accusatory. Both plaintiff and defendant will be invited to present their case before the Council. This presentation does not have to be made within the frame of formal hearings, and may be achieved through any reasonable method as determined by the Council, including but not limited to informal meetings and e-mail or telephone exchanges.

22-3. Should the Council decide that a preponderance of the available evidence suggests that a breach of the disciplinary regulations did take place, the Chairman will request the defendant to submit an apology letter to the plaintiff and/or any part that has suffered damages from the breach, with a copy to the Chairman. The defendant will have to submit such apology letter in writing within ten (10) days of the Council decision.

23. Judgement

23-1. On the basis of the available evidence and on the apology letter of the plaintiff, if any, the Council will render a Judgement, where it will decide that a preponderance of the available evidence suggests that the defendant is:

- Guilty of one or more breaches of the disciplinary regulations, and will then sentence the defendant to one or more disciplinary sanctions; or
- Not guilty of a breach of the disciplinary regulations.

Such Judgement will be supported by a reasoned opinion approved by the Council that sets-out the reasons for the Judgement and sentence.

23-2. A defendant may be found guilty of breaches of the disciplinary regulations that were not listed among the charges in the original claim.

23-3. In rendering Judgement, the Council will use as guidelines previous Judgements of the Council and the applicable sentencing guidelines, but will not be bound by such Judgements or guidelines.

23-4. In sentencing the defendant to a disciplinary sanction, the apology letter of the defendant, if any, will be considered as a mitigating circumstance.

23-5. When more than one claim are filed against the same defendant for the same facts, only one Judgement may be rendered against the defendant (no double jeopardy). However:

- When additional claims are filed after Judgement has been rendered, that add new facts that the Council decides to be relevant to the original charges, the Council may decide to reopen the disciplinary proceeding;
- A claim that has been dismissed as non admissible will not preclude the filing of another claim against the same defendant for the same facts.

23-6. The Chairman will inform in writing as soon as possible the plaintiff and the defendant of the Judgement rendered by the Council and of the related sentence. In addition, the Judgement and sentence will be published as soon as possible on the FISTF official website www.fistf.com.



24. Execution of Disciplinary Sanctions

24-1. Any disciplinary sanction will become effective and its execution will start on the day following the publication of the sentence on the FISTF official website, unless the Council decides otherwise in the Judgement.

24-2. The execution of a sentence will be suspended during the duration of the proceedings that follow the admission by the Council of an appeal from the related Judgement. The period between the start of the execution of the sentence and the suspension of the disciplinary sanction will be deducted from the duration of any new disciplinary sanction imposed by the Judgement in appeal.

24-3. If a sentence cannot be fully executed during a sports season, it will continue during the next sports season(s).

24-4. If a Player is transferred to another Club and/or National Association, he will normally continue his sentence, even if for example a whole team to which he is not member anymore had been sanctioned.

25. Appeal

25-1. The plaintiff, the defendant or both may, within thirty (30) calendar days of the publication of the Judgement on the FISTF official website, appeal from a Judgement and/or sentence by writing to the Chairman.

25-2. Should the Council decide that the plaintiff, the defendant or both have not provided any additional evidence that could lead the Council to review its Judgement and/or sentence, the relevant appeal will be dismissed as non admissible.

25-3. Should the Council decide that an appeal, either by the plaintiff, the defendant or both, is admissible, the Council will suspend the Judgement and the execution of the sentence. The Chairman will inform as soon as possible the plaintiff and the defendant.

25-4. Following the suspension of the initial Judgement, the Council will re-start the proceedings and render a new Judgement as described in Articles 2 and 3.

26. Miscellaneous Provisions

26-1. When a member of the Council is himself a party in a proceeding before the Council (either plaintiff or defendant), is related in the first degree (husband, wife, recognised partner, father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister) to a party in such a proceeding, or is affiliated in another way with a party in such a proceeding (such as holding a management function in a Club that is a party to such a proceeding), he will not take part in the decisions of the Council related to that proceeding.

26-2. For the purpose of these rules of procedure, written documents will include, but not be limited to manuscripts, typed letters, faxes, e-mails (and their attachments) and cell phone text messages. In case of doubt, the Council will decide if a specific communication is a written document.

2. Dress code

All individual players shall wear sports clothing such as their club or football shirt, tracksuit, etc. Teams players wear their Club colours. Sports shoes players also are worn. The image of the sport to the media and public is vital and adhering to these guidelines will help portray the desired effect and give the sport the respect that it deserves.

Infringement:

The organizer must report this to the FISTF Sports Director. The player will be fined a token amount of 1 Euro or 3 Euros in case of a repeat offence.



3. Presentation of equipment

Some players currently use teams in which some figures and bases are different from the rest of the team. This is not acceptable. It does not look professional. Understandably, there will be breakages in a set of figures, but players must do whatever is necessary to ensure that all their figures and bases are the same design and colour. A player has the right to ask their opponent to change teams if this regulation is breached. There is no penalty for abuse of this rule but the referee must enforce it.

Infringement:

The referee must ask the offending player to change his team.

4. Specific rules for the Europa Cup for Clubs

Club teams leaving the competition before the actual end of the competition shall receive no world ranking points, unless they present a reasonable justification to the competition organizer.

5. Refusal to referee

A player leaving the tournament without refereeing in the round following his elimination will be penalized as follows: **20 Euros**

For a team, the sanction shall be a fine of **50 Euros**.

6. Late withdrawal and absences

Players who are not present at the scheduled beginning of any competitions that they have committed themselves to attend and who fail to present a reasonable justification to the organizer of the competition within a reasonable time shall be penalized as follows:

First time:	15 Euros and withdrawal of 50 world rankings;
Second time (same season):	30 Euros and withdrawal of 100 world rankings;
Third time:	50 Euros , withdrawal of 200-world rankings and 6 months suspension for any FISTF event.

Club teams who are not present at the scheduled beginning of any competitions that they have committed themselves to attend and who fail to present a reasonable justification to the organizer of that competition within a reasonable time shall be penalized as follows:

First time:	50 Euros and withdrawal of 50 world rankings;
Second time (same season):	100 Euros and withdrawal of 100 world rankings;
Third time:	150 Euros , withdrawal of 200-world rankings and 6 months suspension for any FISTF event.

Those tournament organizers who send us a report with players who didn't show up without a valid justification get paid the starting fees for the player from FISTF.



7. For the Europa Cup for clubs

Club teams who withdraw from the Europa Cup for clubs after already having registered will be penalized. If they do not attend and fail to present a reasonable justification to the organizer of that competition within a reasonable time they shall be penalized as follows:

- Withdrawal after the registration deadline: **50 Euros**
- Withdrawal in the last 7 days before the competition: **75 Euros**
- Withdrawal in the last 48 hours before the competition: **150 Euros** and suspension for the next Europa Cup.

8. For the World Cup

National associations who withdraw from the World Cup after already having registered will be penalized. If they do not attend and fail to present a reasonable justification to the organizer of that competition within a reasonable time they shall be penalized as follows:

- Withdrawal after the registration deadline: **30 Euros**
- Withdrawal in the last 7 days before the competition: **50 Euros**
- Withdrawal in the last 48 hours before the competition: **100 Euros** and suspension for the next World Cup.

National associations who withdraw or substitute one or more of their players from their World Cup team after having already having registered will be penalized. If they do not attend and fail to present a reasonable justification to the organizer of that competition within a reasonable time they shall be penalized as follows:

After the deadline, but before the scheduled start of the competition: **10 Euro**

After the scheduled start of the competition: **50 Euros**, withdrawal of 100 world rankings and suspension for the next World Cup.

9. Decisions by the FISTF Board

The Board must be able to discuss and, if necessary, amend sanctions on an individual case basis.



I. Forms

National Federations must fill out the following forms where applicable:

Form F01: To be completed by the president of the National Federation at the start of the season to confirm joining FISTF and also to confirm payment of fees.

Form F02: the “FISTF file for organizer” replaces this form, as the full results must be sent (see point F. 3 Duties of the organizers).

Form F03: the “FISTF file for organizer” replaces this form (see point F. 3. Duties of the organizers).

Form F04: Event request form. This must be sent to the FISTF Sports Director before May 15, 2009 otherwise you may lose the right to host FISTF competitions.

Form F05: Expenses claim form - a FISTF Official can claim costs incurred while carrying out FISTF tasks. This should be sent to the FISTF Finance Director.

Form F06: Transfer form. When a player wants to transfer clubs for the next season this form must be completed and sent to the Sports Director by August 31, 2007. Transfers can only take place during this month and will not become active until September 1, 2007.

Should your National Federation run out of any one particular form please do not hesitate to ask FISTF, who will send your association some new forms. Forms will also be available on the FISTF website, in MS Word 97 format, ready to be printed.

Form F07 : the “FISTF file for organizer” replaces this form (see point F. 3. Duties of the organizers).

Form F08: the “FISTF file for organizer” replaces this form (see point F. 3. Duties of the organizers). Note that this form is split into F08/C for clubs and F08/P for players.

Form F09: New table football equipment homologation form.

Lexicon:

Board: usual name for the FISTF Board of Directors.



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K. Abbreviations

1. Countries

If a player from any other country wants to affiliate to the FISTF, the FISTF Board will give the abbreviation of his country.

Albania	ALB	Israel	ISR
Argentina	ARG	Italy	ITA
Australia	AUS	Jamaica	JAM
Austria	AUT	Japan	JPN
Belgium	BEL	Mexico	MEX
Bosnia	BOS	Malta	MLT
Brazil	BRA	Malaysia	MAS
Canada	CAN	Monaco	MON
Chile	CHL	Netherlands	NED
China	CHN	Nigeria	NGA
Colombia	COL	Northern Ireland	NIR
Croatia	CRO	Norway	NOR
Cyprus	CYP	Peru	PER
Czech Republic	CZE	Poland	POL
Denmark	DEN	Portugal	POR
Ecuador	ECU	Romania	ROM
England	ENG	Russia	RUS
Spain	ESP	South Africa	SAF
Finland	FIN	Scotland	SCO
France	FRA	Singapore	SIN
Germany	GER	Slovakia	SVK
Gibraltar	GIB	Switzerland	SUI
Greece	GRE	Tunisia	TUN
Hong Kong	HKG	Turkey	TUR
Hungary	HUN	USA	USA
India	IND	Vietnam	VIE
Ireland	IRL	Wales	WAL



2. Clubs

If a player from another club takes part in a FISTF tournament, the FISTF BoD will give the abbreviation. **Only the active clubs are reported here.**

<i>Club</i>	<i>Abbr.</i>	<i>Nation</i>
Asociación Marplatense de Futbol de Mesa	mad	ARG
Asociación Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ros	ARG
D.E.V.I.L.S. Austria	dev	AUT
TFC Mattersburg	mat	AUT
TVB Mödling	mod	AUT
Red Star Vienna	red	AUT
TSC Royal 78	roy	AUT
TFC Traiskirchen	tra	AUT
TSC Wiener Neustadt	wie	AUT
Union Eendracht Aalst	aal	BEL
Brussels SC	bru	BEL
Brussels United	bxl	BEL
SC Charleroi	cha	BEL
SC Châtelet	chl	BEL
SC Flanders	fla	BEL
AS Hennuyer	hen	BEL
SC Jambes	jam	BEL
JSC Rochefort	roc	BEL
SC Stembert	ste	BEL
SC Saint-Maur	stm	BEL
SC Temploux	tem	BEL
SC Ternois-Sambreville	ter	BEL
Magic Team Tournai	tou	BEL
Templeuve United	tpv	BEL
SC Verviers	ver	BEL
Central Nova TFA	cnt	CAN
Colebrook SL	csl	CAN
Greater Toronto Area SL	tor	CAN
Westcoast TSC	wct	CAN
Ghengis Khan Subbuteo Club	ghe	CHN
Bogota TFC	bog	COL
Famagusta TFC	fam	CYP
Nicosia TFC	nic	CYP
SCT Uherske Hradiste	hra	CZE
Hillerød Subbuteo Klub	hil	DEN
Lega Liga Odense	ode	DEN
Cheshire Corinthians	che	ENG
East Midlands Alliance	ema	ENG
English Premier League	epl	ENG
Greenwood Dale Lions	gre	ENG
Spartak Kendal	ken	ENG
London TFC	lon	ENG
Luton TSC	lut	ENG
Merseyside	mey	ENG
NETFA	net	ENG
Putney SC (London)	put	ENG
South Devon Gamers	sod	ENG
TSPA White Star	tsp	ENG
Wiltshire TFC	wil	ENG
Worcester River Plate 7	woc	ENG
San Siro Worthing Five Star	wor	ENG



Yorkshire Phoenix	yor	ENG
Barcelona FT	bac	ESP
Catalunya FT	cat	ESP
El Prat de Llobregat	llo	ESP
Madrid Ontario	mao	ESP
Subbuteo Club Madrid Total Soccer	mas	ESP
Real Murcia	mur	ESP
Asociacion Turia FM	tur	ESP
Hesu PJK	hes	FIN
Kurvin Subu	kus	FIN
TFC Lynx	lyn	FIN
Porvoon Subbuteo Kerho	psk	FIN
SISU TFC	sis	FIN
Beausoleil SC	bea	FRA
Boissy Saint-Léger	boi	FRA
Brignoles	bri	FRA
Entente Football de Table Côte d'Azur	can	FRA
Chamaret	chm	FRA
Champs ESC	chp	FRA
Elbeuf SC	elb	FRA
FTC Les Herbiers	her	FRA
FTC Issy-les-Moulineaux	iss	FRA
Le Raincy	ler	FRA
Louvroil	lou	FRA
Montivilliers CFT	mon	FRA
Pau	pau	FRA
FTC Sucy en Brie	suc	FRA
Sparta Spreeathen 74/82	ber	GER
Borussia Bergkamen	bvb	GER
TSL Dortmund 61	dor	GER
SF SW gemaba Hitdorf	hit	GER
Yellowstone Oberaden	obe	GER
TSG Rain 1970	rai	GER
TFC Rhein-Hessen	rhe	GER
BSC Schwalbach	sch	GER
USC Wuppertal	wup	GER
Gibraltar SC	gib	GIB
AEK Athens TSC	aek	GRE
Athina SC	ath	GRE
Atlas Glyfada FTC	atl	GRE
Faliro Kickers SC	fai	GRE
TSC Falcons Athens	fal	GRE
Highlanders Haidari	hai	GRE
Athens Kickers SC	kic	GRE
Myrmidones SC	myr	GRE
Olympia CS	ocs	GRE
Patra TFC	paa	GRE
Pireas Lions	pil	GRE
Pireas SC	pir	GRE
Pumas TSC	pum	GRE
Rafina	raf	GRE
Roligans Ilioupolis TSC	rol	GRE
Subbuteo Club Dragons Hong Kong	hon	HKG
Irish Premier League	ipl	IRL
Kildare Lilywhites	kil	IRL
ACT Anacapri	ana	ITA
SC Ascoli	asc	ITA
SC Bagheria	bag	ITA
ASCT Bari	bar	ITA



ACS Bergamo	beg	ITA
SC Biella '91	bie	ITA
TSC Black Rose 98 Roma	bla	ITA
Bologna Tigers	bol	ITA
SC Leonessa Brescia	bre	ITA
ASD SC Catania	caa	ITA
Cagliari CaT Club	cag	ITA
Cesena Calcio Tavolo	ces	ITA
Chieti	chi	ITA
Club Italia	clu	ITA
Calcio Tavolo Cosenza	cos	ITA
Faenza	fae	ITA
SC Subbito Gol Ferrara	fer	ITA
Fiamme Azzurre Roma	fia	ITA
CS Firenze	fir	ITA
DLF Falconara	flc	ITA
Flickers Milano	fmi	ITA
Freekickers T.S.F. Roma	fre	ITA
DLF Gorizia	gor	ITA
CT Imperia	imp	ITA
SS Lazio TFC Roma	laz	ITA
CS Luigi Riva	lri	ITA
SCRT Maddalonese	maa	ITA
Club Treeme Modena	mdn	ITA
Messina	mei	ITA
SC Meridies Catania	mer	ITA
Stella Artois Milano	mil	ITA
NCS Modena	moa	ITA
ASD Subbuteisti Modena 1982	moe	ITA
CCT Monsummano Terme	mos	ITA
Napoli Fighters	naf	ITA
AMCT Napoli 2000	nao	ITA
Eagles Napoli	nap	ITA
SPES Solarium Napoli	nas	ITA
Oristano United Calcio Cricket Rugby Tavolo	ori	ITA
Subbuteo Club Palermo	pam	ITA
AS San Francesco Paola	pao	ITA
ACS Perugia	per	ITA
Pierce 14 Altavilla	pie	ITA
Black & Blue Pisa	pis	ITA
CS Pistoia Breda	pit	ITA
Puerto Escondido Nola	pue	ITA
Real Maremma Grosseto	rea	ITA
ASD Reggio Emilia	reg	ITA
ACT Reggio 2004	reo	ITA
CCT Roma	rom	ITA
SC Saracens Sanremo	sar	ITA
ST Sassari	sas	ITA
Corner Team S. Antonino Ticino	sat	ITA
AS Serenissima Dolo	ser	ITA
ASCT Sessana 1982	ses	ITA
CCT Siracusa	sir	ITA
Spezia Not Football Club	spe	ITA
SC Vespe Stabiesi	sta	ITA
SC Starter Catania	stc	ITA
SC Ternana	ten	ITA
SC Triestina	tri	ITA
SCV Verona	ven	ITA
CT Versilia	ves	ITA



Bulldogs - Vicenza	vic	ITA
Virtus 4Strade Rieti	vir	ITA
SC Warriors 1983 Torino	war	ITA
SC Winners Aviatico	win	ITA
Hamrun TFC	ham	MLT
Pembroke SC	pem	MLT
St Martin's College TFC	smc	MLT
Valletta Subbuteo	vll	MLT
Zabbar SC	zab	MLT
SMV Delft	del	NED
Forza Fanatics Huissen	hui	NED
GSV De Hyacinth	hya	NED
MVV Rijnmond	rij	NED
RSMV Rotterdam	rot	NED
USC Utrecht	utr	NED
Bangor SC	ban	NIR
Belfast Barbarians	bel	NIR
North Down	ndo	NIR
Kragerø BFK	kra	NOR
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SL Campolide	cam	POR
GD Água Viva	gda	POR
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GD de Rio de Mouro, Rinchoa e Mercês	gdr	POR
Orfeão da Foz do Douro	orf	POR
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East Glasgow	egw	SCO
Hot Club d'Ecosse	hot	SCO
Solway Seagulls TFC	sol	SCO
Tayside Kickers 91	tay	SCO
Singapore Lions SC	sin	SIN
Subbuteo Players Aargau-Stud	aar	SUI
Ajax Basel	bas	SUI
Subbuteo-Club Wallisellen	wal	SUI
Sporting America TSC	ame	USA
Bedford Premier League	bed	USA
Metrowest Boston SC	bos	USA
Boise USL	bus	USA
SC Connecticut	con	USA
SC Houston	hou	USA
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Maple City Subbuteo Club	map	USA
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The following players are members of foreign clubs. A club team can only play a team match with two foreign players. As a reminder, for the purpose of club team competitions, a player will be considered a 'foreign player' if:

- He is licensed to play table football by another national association than the one that licensed his club (in effect, if he does not have his domicile in the country where his club is headquartered); and
- He or she has a legal citizenship different from that of the country in which his club is headquartered and has been selected in the last five years to represent the national association of the state of which he or she has the legal citizenship in line with j).

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LAZZARI	Davide	CZE	AS Serenissima 1990 Venezia	ITA
BAKER	Craig	ENG	Hot Club d'Ecosse	SCO
BUTLER	Dave	ENG	Hot Club d'Ecosse	SCO
CONSTABLE	Keith	ENG	Lone Star Subbuteo League	USA
ANASTASSIOU	Marios	GRE	TVB Mödling	AUT
GIBSON	Conor	IRL	Luton TSC	ENG
GIBSON	Sean	IRL	Luton TSC	ENG
BERTOLINI	Federico	ITA	AS Rosario 2008	ARG
COLAROSSO	Benedetto	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
DI GIANNANTONIO	Gioacchino	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
MISCIA	Claudio	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
MISCIA	Marco	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
MUCI	Cosimo	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
ROSATI	Roberto	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
SILVESTRI	Tonino	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
TUCCI	Raffaella	ITA	Asociac. Subbuteo Rosario 2008	ARG
DI PIERRO	Simone	ITA	Chicago SC	USA
ANDREONI	Andrea	ITA	Hot Club d'Ecosse	SCO
BAFFONE	Paolo	ITA	Metrowest Boston SC	USA
BONTEMPI	Emanuele	ITA	Putney SC London	ENG
FUNGARDI	Paolo	ITA	USC Utrecht	NED
MASON	Kevin	JAM	Putney SC London	ENG
CAVEN	Gary	NIR	Central Nova TFA	CAN
CUMMINGS	Trevor	NIR	Yorkshire Phoenix	ENG
MC ILROY	Stuart	NIR	Yorkshire Phoenix	ENG
DEL CASTILLO OROZCO	Andy	PER	ACS Bergamo	ITA
DEL CASTILLO OROZCO	Esteban	PER	ACS Bergamo	ITA
LATKA	Piotr	POL	USC Wuppertal	GER
VJATSCHSLAV	Vladimir	SCO	Michigan STFA	USA
VALENTINE	Kcarrie	SCO	Yorkshire Phoenix	ENG
BIKAKCI	Abdullah	TUR	SSG Borussia Bergkamen	GER
PHAN	Phong	VIE	SSG Borussia Bergkamen	GER
MURRAY	Andy	WAL	Cheshire Corinthians	ENG



2. List of players who are not a member of a national association (last update: 06/08/08)

The following players are affiliated to the FISTF but their country has no national association.

<i>Name</i>	<i>First name</i>	<i>Nation</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Licenced by...</i>
LABI	Fotis	ALB	Athens Kickers SC	Greece
IBISHI	Arif	ALB	Yellowstone Oberaden	Germany
IBISHI	Kastri	ALB	Yellowstone Oberaden	Germany
SCOTT	Kenny	AUS	Cardiff Bluebirds TFC	England
KENNEDY	Eliot	AUS	TSPA White Star	FISTF
LJUBISAVLJEVIC	Igor	BOS	TFC Traiskirchen	Austria
LJUBISAVLJEVIC	Nikola	BOS	TFC Traiskirchen	Austria
BRITO	Jefferson	BRA	Catalunya FT	Spain
REN	Meng	CHN	Ghengis Khan SC	FISTF
WANG	Lijuan	CHN	Ghengis Khan SC	FISTF
ZHENG	Hongpeng	CHN	Ghengis Khan SC	FISTF
ZHENG	Xiaohui	CHN	Ghengis Khan SC	FISTF
CARABILLO	Antonio	HKG	Subb. Club Dragons Hong Kong	FISTF
FUNARO	Davide	ISR	TSC Stella Artois Milano	FISTF
FUNARO	Emanuele	ISR	TSC Stella Artois Milano	FISTF
MASON	Kevin	JAM	Putney SC London	England
MEDINA VAZQUEZ	Manuel Román	MEX	SC Ternois-Sambreville	FISTF
DEL CASTILLO OROZCO	Andy	PER	ACS Bergamo	Italy
DEL CASTILLO OROZCO	Esteban	PER	ACS Bergamo	Italy
LATKA	Piotr	POL	USC Wuppertal	Germany
KRAVCHENKO	Vlada	RUS	Pembroke SC	Malta
BIKAKCI	Abdullah	TUR	SSG Borussia Bergkamen	Germany
PHAN	Phong	VIE	SSG Borussia Bergkamen	Germany



3. List of players who are free agents (players in individual ranking without a club) (last update: 06/08/08)

The following players are affiliated to the FISTF but they are not registered for a club in the ranking.

<i>Name</i>	<i>First name</i>	<i>Nation</i>
BELLINGERI	Flavio	ARG
CARO SOLIS	Gregorio	ARG
CUELLO	Claudia	ARG
ECHEVARRIETA	Patricio	ARG
GOLDBERG	Mariano	ARG
LOPEZ ROSSI	Fernando	ARG
LUNA	Sergio	ARG
PACELLO	Germán	ARG
RIVERO	Jose-Luis	ARG
SONEIRA	Fernando	ARG
DRESSLER	Dieter	AUT
STROMMER	Melina	AUT
WASSHUBER	Felix	AUT
WASSHUBER	Jakob	AUT
GILET	Michaël	BEL
MARTIN	Hervé	BEL
PAULIS	Alphonse	BEL
VANDEWALLE	Jordan	BEL
WILLOT	Valéry	BEL
BERACASA	Benjamin	COL
BERACASA	Santiago	COL
BOTERO	Carlos Eduardo	COL
AMES	Darren	ENG
BALE	Rebecca	ENG
BOND	Steve	ENG
BRACE	Theo	ENG
CHAPPELL	Cyril	ENG
CHAPPELL	Darren	ENG
HUSBAND	Keir	ENG
MANNING	Gavin	ENG
MAY-PARROTT	Ben	ENG
MILLER	Alex	ENG
MOORE	Toby	ENG
WANDER	Chris	ENG
CREMADES	Fernando	ESP
CREMADES	Pablo	ESP
HALMETOJA	Saku	FIN
KYYRÄ	Aapeli	FIN
PAAKKINEN	Seppo	FIN
TIKKAJA	Marko	FIN
PACHURKA	Boris	FRA
PACHURKA	Louise	FRA
SAB	Stefan	GER
ANASTASSIOU	Dimitris	GRE
ASIMOGLU	Anastasios	GRE
CHATZIPLATON	Charis	GRE
HAITAS	Haralambos	GRE
IGGLESIS	Vaggelis	GRE
KARTSAKIS	Kostas	GRE
KOKKALIS	Apostolis	GRE
KOURATZIS	Stefanos	GRE
KRATSAKIS	Kostas	GRE
KYRIAKOULAKOS	Panagiotis	GRE
NIKOIANNIDIS	Nikos	GRE
NITIS	Panagiotis	GRE
NITIS	Stelios	GRE
NITIS	Vasilis	GRE



PAPAGIANNOPOULOS	Giorgos	GRE
PETROUSIAN	Ovic	GRE
SAMBANIS	Haralambos	GRE
SAPOUNAS	Agis	GRE
TSOLIS	Efstathios	GRE
VOGIATZIS	Panos	GRE
GALASSI	Marina	ITA
ROSSI	Christopher	ITA
SCHREYER	Luca	ITA
TIROCCHI	Massimiliano	ITA
TIROCCHI	Matteo	ITA
TIROCCHI	Vincenzo	ITA
MALLIA	Marco	MLT
SNELLEMAN	Sander	NED
SAGAFOS	Knut	NOR
AFONSO	Nuno	POR
HORTA	Luis Filipe	POR
OLEASTRO	Carlos	POR
LAROCHELLE	Dewey	USA
POULOS	Greg	USA



4. List of players who changed their nationality (list to be updated)

The following players have already changed their nationality in the past.

<i>Name</i>	<i>First name</i>	<i>New Nation</i>	<i>Old Nation</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Reason</i>
CAVEN	Gary	CAN	NIR	2008	Living in Canada
BAXTER	David	CAN	SCO	2000	Moving to Canada
HUTKA	Peter	CZE	SVK	?	Living in Czech Republic
LAZZARI	Davide	CZE	ITA	2004	Double nationality
CAPPONI	Piero	ESP	ITA	2008	Living in Spain
LAMPIS	Andrea	ITA	COL	2005	Living in Italy + nationality
METTIVIERI	Antonio	ITA	BEL	?	Double nationality
ABECASSIS	Lionel	MON	FRA	2007	New association
ARRIGO	Jean-Charles	MON	FRA	2007	New association
BAMBINO	Pascal	MON	FRA	2007	New association
BOURGOGNE	Frédéric	MON	FRA	2007	New association
CAVARGINI	Yohan	MON	FRA	2007	New association
DA COSTA	Miguel	MON	FRA	2007	New association
DIAS	André	MON	FRA	2007	New association
GONCALVES	Diego	MON	FRA	2007	New association
GROLIER	Florian	MON	FRA	2007	New association
KLEIN	Hervé	MON	FRA	2007	New association
PETIT	Thierry	MON	FRA	2007	New association
POPOFF	Alexandre	MON	FRA	2007	New association
WLODARCZYK	Nicolas	MON	FRA	2007	New association
LATKA	Piotr	POL	GER	?	No association in Poland
RIVAS	Ric	SIN	USA	2006	Moving to Singapore
TAYLOR	Tom	WAL	ENG	?	Moving to Wales



M. List of homologated material

1. Goalkeepers

All types of goalkeepers as described in the rules book but also:

<u>Producer</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Type</u>
Astrobase	ITALY	Metal toccer
Astrobase	ITALY	Sport figures (plastic)
Astrobase	ITALY	Sport figures (wooden) -> NOT PRODUCED ANYMORE
Extreme Works	ITALY	Metal keeper
Francesco Ranieri	ITALY	Lapid Forex -> FORBIDDEN
Francesco Ranieri	ITALY	Lapid One
Francesco Ranieri	ITALY	Plastic toccer
Global Sports	SWITZERLAND	Toccer
Hasbro	ENGLAND/ITALY	All models
ProfiBase	ITALY	Metal toccer
Zeügo	ITALY	All models

2. Bases

<u>Producer</u>	<u>Country</u>	
Astrobase	ITALY	All models
Biemme	ITALY	All models
Extreme Works	ITALY	Best Touch
Extreme Works	ITALY	Soft Touch
Flickmaster	ARGENTINA	Crystal
Flickmaster	ARGENTINA	PitchSurfer
Flickmaster	ARGENTINA	Premier
Flickmaster	ARGENTINA	Serie A
Global Sports	SWITZERLAND	Toccer
Hasbro	ENGLAND/ITALY	All models
John Kordantonopoulos	GREECE	Speedy bases
ProfiBase	ITALY	All models
PTF	MALTA	Advantage
PTF	MALTA	Sureshot
Stefan Corda	ENGLAND	Image 2 Retro Base
Stefan Corda	ENGLAND	Raptor G2
Stefan Corda	ENGLAND	Ultima Raptor
Stefan Corda	ENGLAND	Ultima Veloche
Zeügo	ITALY	All models



N. Agenda of the national associations

Small reminder of the important dates to respect for the national associations

September 1	Start of the season The Finances Director sends the last reminder to the associations.
September 30	The registration form (Form 01) must be sent to the FISTF General Secretary. Otherwise, its clubs and individual players will be prohibited from taking part in FISTF tournaments until this is in order.
October 31	The tournament taxes of the previous season have to be paid. Otherwise, the FISTF BoD will cancel international tournaments for the national associations.
December 31	End of the extended transfer period. The transfer forms must be sent to the FISTF Sports Director.
March 31	Deadline for national associations to say if they want to change their status (member nation/partner nation) for the next season.
April 30	Deadline for national association to pay their membership fee (100 EUR) for the season 2009-2010. In case the member nation doesn't pay the membership fee, they will not be allowed to host a Grand Prix in the season 2009-2010.
May 15	Limit to send the date of the association's Grand Prix for the next season
May 20	From this date associations may send the dates of their Open, Satellite, Future, Challenger tournaments
August 31	End of the normal transfer period. The transfer forms must be sent to the FISTF Sports Director.