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GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1: OLYMPIC FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS PARIS 2024

- 1.1 The Olympic Football Tournaments Paris 2024 (hereinafter the "Tournaments") are FIFA events embodied in the FIFA Statutes.
- 1.2 The Olympic Football Tournaments take place every four years as part of the Olympic Games. The associations affiliated to FIFA are invited to participate with their men's U-23 and women's A representative teams (hereinafter the "men's representative teams" and "women's representative teams" respectively).
- 1.3 The Tournaments consist of a preliminary and a final competition. The regulations for the preliminary competition were approved by the FIFA Council on 16 December 2022.
- 1.4 The Games of the XXXIII Olympiad Paris 2024 (26 July 11 August 2024) shall feature a men's and a women's football tournament, which are scheduled to be played between 24 July and 10 August 2024.
- 1.5 Any rights associated with the Tournaments that are not granted by these Regulations and/or further regulations, guidelines and decisions as set forth in these Regulations and/or specific agreements to a Participating Member Association in the final competition, or to a confederation, belong to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and/or FIFA.
- 1.6 The FIFA Statutes and all FIFA regulations in force shall apply. Any reference in these Regulations to the FIFA Statutes and regulations refers to the FIFA Statutes and regulations in force at the time of application.
- Other rules and/or decisions that are binding on FIFA (e.g. due to FIFA being a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Code, the Olympic Charter including the principle of anti-discrimination) may apply to the subject matter of these Regulations. Any such rules and/or decisions implemented by FIFA shall take precedence over these Regulations in the event of any conflict and with which each Participating Member Association must comply.
- 1.8 Terms used in these Regulations referring to natural persons are applicable to both genders. Any term in the singular applies to the plural and vice versa.



ARTICLE 2: PRELIMINARY COMPETITION

- 2.1 The organisation of the preliminary competition in the applicable form is assigned to the confederations in accordance with the FIFA Statutes in their applicable form. The confederations are required to draw up regulations for the preliminary competition and to submit them to FIFA for approval at least three months before the start of the preliminary competition.
- 2.2 On entering the preliminary competition, all associations automatically undertake to:
 - (a) accept that all administrative, disciplinary and refereeing matters related to the preliminary competition shall be dealt with by the respective confederation in compliance with the regulations submitted, and FIFA will only intervene if a confederation requests FIFA's assistance or in any cases specifically provided for in the FIFA Disciplinary Code; and
 - (b) observe the principles of fair play.
- 2.3 In the event that any of the preliminary competitions are not held or completed in a manner that determines the relevant number of winning member association(s) (due to cancellation, postponement, abandonment or otherwise), then the applicable confederation shall propose to FIFA, for FIFA prior written approval, a member association(s) based within the territorial region of the confederation as its participating member association(s). The confederation shall base its proposal strictly on the sporting merits of the member association(s) and shall provide a written report to FIFA explaining the reasons for proposing the member association(s) when seeking FIFA's approval. In the event that FIFA does not approve the confederation's proposed member association(s), the confederation shall propose an alternative member association(s) for FIFA's approval.

ARTICLE 3: ORGANISING COMMITTEE FOR FIFA COMPETITIONS

- 3.1 The Organising Committee for FIFA Competitions (hereinafter the "FIFA Organising Committee"), appointed by the FIFA Council, is responsible for organising the Tournaments in accordance with the FIFA Statutes and the FIFA Governance Regulations.
- 3.2 The FIFA Organising Committee may, if necessary, appoint a bureau and/or a sub-committee to deal with emergencies.

- 3.3 The FIFA Organising Committee shall deal with any aspect of the Olympic Games that is not the responsibility of any other body under the terms of these Regulations or the FIFA Statutes, or the FIFA Governance Regulations.
- 3.4 The decisions taken by the FIFA Organising Committee and/or its bureau or sub-committee are final and binding and not subject to appeal.

ARTICLE 4: PARIS 2024

The responsibilities of the Paris Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games (hereinafter "Paris 2024") during the final competitions shall be agreed and confirmed according to FIFA's requirements and the Paris 2024 Sport Delivery Plan.

ARTICLE 5: ELICIBILITY OF ASSOCIATIONS

- 5.1 The associations affiliated to FIFA may participate in the final competition provided there is a National Olympic Committee (NOC) in their respective country, which is already recognised or about to be recognised by the IOC.
- One men's representative team and one women's representative team from the host association will automatically qualify for the Tournaments' final competitions, subject to confirmation from the respective NOC.
- 5.3 Entry to the Tournaments is free of charge.

ARTICLE 6: PARTICIPATING MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS – RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1 The member associations that qualify for the Tournaments (the "Participating Member Associations") agree, in collaboration with the respective NOC, to comply with and ensure that every player, coach, manager, official, media officer, representative, guest and any other person carrying out duties throughout the final competition, and for the entire stay in the host countries, on behalf of a Participating Member Association (hereinafter "Delegation Member") complies with these Regulations, the Laws of the Game, the FIFA Statutes and FIFA's other regulations, in particular the FIFA Disciplinary Code, the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations, the FIFA Code of Ethics and the FIFA Equipment Regulations, as well as with any other FIFA circular letters, regulations, guidelines, directives and/or decisions.



In addition, the players and team officials shall:

- (a) respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and the authority of the match officials;
- (b) behave accordingly; and
- (c) refrain from doping as defined by the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations.
- 6.2 On entering the final competition, the Participating Member Associations automatically undertake to:
 - (a) observe and comply with these Regulations and ensure that each of their Delegation Members also observes and complies with these Regulations and the principles of fair play;
 - (b) observe and comply with the FIFA Statutes, as well as with any other FIFA regulations, directives, circular letters, guidelines and decisions as well as all applicable laws relating to the final competition;
 - observe and comply with all instructions and decisions taken by the bodies and officials of FIFA under the terms of these Regulations;
 - (d) participate with the best possible team in all matches of the final competition in which their team is scheduled to take part;
 - (e) accept all of the arrangements relating to the final competition made by FIFA;
 - (f) accept the use by FIFA and/or the issue of a sub-licence by FIFA to third parties, as well as the recording and broadcast of the images, names and records of all Delegation Members that may appear in connection with the final competition; and
 - (g) ensure the provision of adequate insurance to cover their Delegation Members and any other persons carrying out duties on their behalf against all risks, including but not limited to injury, accident, disease and travel arrangements in consideration of the relevant FIFA rules or regulations.
- 6.3 In addition, each Participating Member Association shall be responsible for:
 - (a) the conduct of its Delegation Members;
 - (b) paying for incidental costs and expenses incurred by its Delegation Members and any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf during the course of their stay in the host country;

- (c) paying for any costs of extending the stay, before or after the final competition, of any Delegation Member or any other persons carrying out duties on its behalf:
- (d) applying for visas and submitting required documents in good time in accordance with the respective procedure; and
- (e) attending all media conferences and other media activities organised by the IOC and Paris 2024.
- All Participating Member Associations shall confirm their participation in the final competition by submitting the entry form and any other required documentation as communicated by FIFA via the corresponding circular(s), duly signed by the deadline(s) set by FIFA. If a Participating Member Association fails to adhere to the time limits and/or fails to meet the formal requirements for submitting the necessary documents, the FIFA Organising Committee shall pass a decision.
- All Participating Member Associations shall indemnify, defend and hold FIFA, Paris 2024, and all of their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents, and all other auxiliary persons free and harmless against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, fines and expenses (including reasonable legal expenses) of whatsoever kind or nature resulting from, arising out of, or attributable to, any non-compliance with these Regulations by the Participating Member Associations, their team delegation members, their affiliates and any third parties contracted to the Participating Member Associations

ARTICLE 7: WITHDRAWAL, UNPLAYED MATCHES, ABANDONED MATCHES AND REPLACEMENT

- 7.1 All Participating Member Associations undertake to play all of their matches until eliminated or the last match in the Olympic final competition.
- Any Participating Member Association that withdraws from the final competition no later than 30 days before the start of the final competition shall be fined at least CHF 15,000 by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee. Any Participating Member Association that withdraws from the final competition within 30 days of the start of the final competition or during the final competition shall be fined at least CHF 20,000 by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee. Participating Member Associations that withdraw from the final competition at any time may be required to reimburse any tournament-related contribution payments that they received from FIFA.



- 7.3 Depending on the circumstances of the withdrawal, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee may impose additional disciplinary measures, including the expulsion of the Participating Member Association concerned, from subsequent FIFA competitions. The FIFA Organising Committee may decide to replace the withdrawn Participating Member Association in question with another member association.
- 7.4 Any match which is not played or which is abandoned except in cases of force majeure recognised by FIFA may lead to the imposition of disciplinary matters against the relevant Participating Member Association by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
- 7.5 Any Participating Member Association that withdraws or whose behaviour is liable for a match not being played or being abandoned may be ordered by FIFA to reimburse FIFA, Paris 2024, or any other Participating Member Association for any expenses incurred as a result of its behaviour. In such cases, the association concerned may also be ordered by FIFA to pay compensation for any damages incurred by FIFA, Paris 2024, or any other Participating Member Association. The association in question will also forfeit any claim to financial remuneration from FIFA.
- 7.6 If a Participating Member Association withdraws or a match cannot be played or is abandoned as a result of force majeure, FIFA shall decide on the matter at its sole discretion and take whatever action is deemed necessary.
- 7.7 Further to the above provision, in the case of a match being abandoned as a result of force majeure after it has already commenced, the following principles shall apply:
 - (a) The match shall recommence at the minute at which play was interrupted rather than being replayed in full, and with the same scoreline. The match shall recommence where play was stopped when the match was interrupted (e.g. with a free kick, throw-in, goal kick, corner kick, kick from the penalty mark, etc.). If the match was abandoned while the ball was still in play, it shall restart with a dropped ball from the position of the ball when play was stopped.
 - (b) The match shall recommence with the same players on the pitch and substitutes available as when the match was abandoned.

- (c) No additional substitutes may be added to the list of players on the start list.
- (d) The teams can make only the number of substitutions to which they were still entitled when the match was abandoned.
- (e) Players sent off during the abandoned match cannot be replaced.
- (f) Any disciplinary measures imposed before the match was abandoned will be dealt with in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
- (g) The kick-off time, date, location and any other matter shall be decided by FIFA.





DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

ARTICLE 8: DISCIPLINARY MATTERS

- 8.1 Disciplinary infringements are dealt with in compliance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code in force as well as with all relevant circulars and directives, with which the Participating Member Associations and Delegation Members undertake to comply.
- 8.2 FIFA may introduce new disciplinary rules and measures sanctions for the duration of the final competition. Such rules shall be communicated to the Participating Member Associations one month before the first match of the final competition at the latest.
- 8.3 All Delegation Members shall comply with the Laws of the Game and the FIFA Statutes, the IOC Charter and all applicable FIFA regulations (including these Regulations), in particular the FIFA Disciplinary Code, the FIFA Stadium Safety and Security Regulations, the FIFA Anti-Doping Regulations, the FIFA Code of Ethics, the Media Guidelines, and the FIFA Equipment Regulations as well as all circulars, guidelines, directives and decisions of FIFA bodies, unless these Regulations stipulate otherwise.
- 8.4 Any violations of these Regulations or any other FIFA regulations, circulars, guidelines, directives and/or decisions that do not come under the jurisdiction of another FIFA body shall be dealt with by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.

ARTICLE 9: DISPUTES

- 9.1 All disputes in connection with the final competition shall be promptly settled by negotiation (with the exception of those falling under art. 8 above).
- 9.2 In compliance with the FIFA Statutes, Participating Member Associations and their Delegation Members may not take disputes to an ordinary court of law but to the exclusive jurisdiction of FIFA.
- 9.3 The Participating Member Associations and Delegation Members acknowledge and accept that, once all internal channels have been exhausted at FIFA, their sole recourse shall be to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, unless excluded or if the decision is declared final, binding and not subject to appeal. Any such arbitration proceedings shall be governed by the CAS Code of Sports-related Arbitration.





ARTICLE 10: PROTESTS

- 10.1 For the purpose of these Regulations, protests are objections of any kind relating to events or matters that have a direct effect on matches, including but not limited to the state of and markings on the pitch, accessory match equipment, eligibility of players, stadium installations and footballs.
- Unless otherwise stipulated in this article, protests shall be submitted in writing to the FIFA Match Director within two hours of the match in question, as well as via the FIFA Legal Portal at legalportal.fifa.com (cf. art. 18 par. 1 of the FIFA Disciplinary Code) within 24 hours of the end of the match, otherwise they shall be disregarded.
- 10.3 Protests regarding the eligibility of players nominated for matches shall be submitted via the FIFA Legal Portal at legalportal.fifa.com (cf. art. 18 par. 1 of the FIFA Disciplinary Code) no later than five days before the first match of the Tournaments. Such protests shall be dealt with by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.
- Protests regarding the state of the pitch, its surroundings, markings or accessory items (e.g. goals, flag posts or footballs) shall be made in writing to the referee before the start of the match by the head of delegation of the team lodging the protest. If the pitch's playing surface becomes unplayable during a match, the captain of the protesting team shall immediately lodge a protest with the referee in the presence of the captain of the opposing team. The protests shall be confirmed in writing to the FIFA Match Director by the head of the team delegation no later than two hours after the match.
- Protests against any incidents that occur during the course of a match shall be made to the referee by the team captain immediately after the disputed incident and before play has resumed, in the presence of the captain of the opposing team. The protest shall be confirmed in writing to the FIFA Match Director by the head of the team delegation no later than two hours after the match.
- No protests may be made about the referee's decisions regarding facts connected with play. Such decisions are final and not subject to appeal, unless otherwise stipulated in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
- 10.7 If an unfounded or irresponsible protest is lodged, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee may impose disciplinary measures against the Participating Member Association concerned.

- 10.8 If any of the formal conditions of a protest as set out in these Regulations (and in the FIFA Disciplinary Code, where applicable) are not met, such protest shall be disregarded by the competent body. Once the final matches of the Tournaments have ended, any protests described in this article shall be disregarded. Notwithstanding the above, the FIFA Disciplinary Committee remains competent to prosecute any disciplinary infringement *ex officio*, as established in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
- 10.9 FIFA shall pass decisions on any protests lodged, subject to the exceptions stipulated in these Regulations, the FIFA Statutes or any other FIFA regulations.

ARTICLE 11: YELLOW AND RED CARDS

- 11.1 The referee has the authority to take disciplinary action from entering the field of play for the pre-match inspection until leaving the field of play after the match ends (including kicks from the penalty mark). If, before entering the field of play at the start of the match, a player or team official commits a sending-off offence, the referee has the authority to prevent the player or team official from taking part in the match (see Law 12.3 of the Laws of the Game); the referee will report any other misconduct.
- Single yellow cards and pending suspensions as a consequence of cautions in different matches in the preliminary competition are not carried over to the final competition. Pending match suspensions imposed as a result of a direct or indirect red card in matches in the preliminary competition are carried over to the final competition.
- $\underline{11.3}$ Single yellow cards in the final competition will be cancelled after the quarter-finals.
- 11.4 If players or team officials receive two cautions during two different matches, they will automatically be suspended from their team's subsequent match.
- 11.5 If players or team officials are sent off as a result of a direct or indirect red card, they will automatically be suspended from their team's subsequent match. In addition, further sanctions may be imposed in the case of a direct red card.
- Any match suspension resulting from a player or official being sent off (as a result of a direct or indirect red card) that cannot be served during the final competition (due to the team's elimination or last match in the competition) will be carried over in accordance with the relevant provisions of the FIFA Disciplinary Code.





COMPETITION FORMAT

ARTICLE 12: NUMBER OF TEAMS AND TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

12.1 The FIFA Council fixed the number of teams taking part in the final competition as follows:

Men's Tournament		Women's Tournament	
(16 teams):		(12 teams):	
AFC	3.5	AFC	2
CAF	3.5	CAF	2
Concacaf	2	Concacaf	2
CONMEBOL	2	CONMEBOL	2
OFC	1	OFC	1
UEFA	3	UEFA	2
Host (France)	1	Host (France)	1

- 12.2 The entry of the 16 men's and 12 women's representative teams that qualify for the final competitions shall be communicated to Paris 2024 in writing by their respective NOCs. The decisions of the FIFA Organising Committee on the group formation and the duration of the final competition are final. In the event of any withdrawals, the FIFA Organising Committee may change the groups.
- 12.3 In addition, associations entitled to take part in the final competitions shall confirm their participation to FIFA by completing the official entry form online and sending a signed copy to FIFA by the deadline set by FIFA.
- 12.4 Further to completing FIFA's official entry form, each NOC shall be required to complete Paris 2024's final Sport Entry Forms and Eligibility Conditions forms to officially register the athletes for the Olympic Games Paris 2024.

ARTICLE 13: COMPETITION FORMAT

- 13.1 The final competitions of both the Men's and Women's Tournaments will be played in a group stage, followed by quarter-finals, semi-finals, bronze medal and gold medal matches in accordance with a schedule drawn up by FIFA and Paris 2024.
- 13.2 In the group stage, the last matches in each group shall be played simultaneously.



- 13.3 In the knockout stages, if a match is level at the end of normal playing time, extra time shall be played. Extra time shall consist of two periods of 15 minutes, with an interval of five minutes at the end of normal playing time, but not between the two periods of extra time. The players shall remain on the pitch during both of these intervals.
- 13.4 If the score is still level at the end of extra time, kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken to determine the winners, in accordance with the procedure described in the Laws of the Game.

ARTICLE 14: GROUP AND KNOCKOUT STAGE OF THE MEN'S TOURNAMENT

- 14.1 The FIFA Organising Committee will divide the teams into groups by seeding and drawing lots in public at the draw, which will take place in Paris in 2024, whilst taking sporting and geographical factors into consideration as far as possible. The men's team of host country France will be seeded as team A1.
- 14.2 The teams in the four groups shall be designated as follows:

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
A1	B1	C1	D1
A2	B2	C2	D2
A3	B3	C3	D3
A4	B4	C4	D4

- The system of play shall be a league system, each team playing one match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw, and none for a defeat.
- 14.4 The two teams ranked first and second in each group qualify for the quarter-finals.
- 14.5 If two or more teams in the same group are equal on points after the completion of the group stage, the following criteria, in the order below, shall be applied to determine the ranking:

Step 1:

- (a) superior goal difference in all group matches;
- (b) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.

Step 2:

If two or more teams in the same group are equal on the basis of the above two criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:

- (c) greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;
- (d) superior goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;
- (e) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned:
- (f) highest team conduct score (players and team officials) relating to the number of yellow and red cards obtained in all group matches:

-	yellow card:	minus 1 point
-	indirect red card (as a result of two yellow cards):	minus 3 points
-	direct red card:	minus 4 points
-	yellow card and direct red card:	minus 5 points

Only one of the above deductions shall be applied to a player or a team official in a single match. The team with the highest number of points shall be ranked highest.

(g) drawing of lots by FIFA.

With respect to the second step, all affected teams will be ranked by applying the criteria (c) to (g) in order. If one team qualifies for a higher or lower ranking pursuant to one criterion, but it is not possible to rank all teams on the basis of the same criterion, the remaining two or three teams will be ranked pursuant to the next criterion, and so on. In any case, the second step of the ranking does not restart for the two or three teams remaining after application of a criterion.

14.6 The eight teams that advance from the group stage shall contest the quarter-finals as follows:

= Winner 1	Runner-up B	V.	Winner A
= Winner 2	Runner-up A	V.	Winner B
= Winner 3	Runner-up D	V.	Winner C
= Winner 4	Runner-up C	V.	Winner D





- 14.7 The matches shall be played in accordance with the knockout system (cf. art. 13 par. 4).
- 14.8 The winners of the quarter-finals shall contest the semi-finals as follows:

Semi-final 1: Winner 1 v. Winner 3
Semi-final 2: Winner 2 v. Winner 4

- 14.9 The matches shall be played in accordance with the knockout system (cf. art. 13 par. 4).
- 14.10 The winners of the semi-finals qualify for the gold medal match.

Winner semi-final 1 v. Winner semi-final 2

14.11 The runners-up of the semi-finals contest the bronze medal match.

Runner-up semi-final 1 v. Runner-up semi-final 2

- 14.12 If the bronze medal match is not played directly preceding the gold medal match and is a draw after 90 minutes, extra time shall be played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner. However, if the bronze medal match is played directly preceding the gold medal match and is a draw after 90 minutes, no extra time shall be played and the winner shall be determined immediately by kicks from the penalty mark.
- 14.13 If the gold medal match is a draw after 90 minutes, extra time shall be played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner.

ARTICLE 15: GROUP AND KNOCKOUT STAGE OF THE WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

15.1 The FIFA Organising Committee will divide the teams into groups by seeding and drawing lots in public at the draw, whilst taking sporting and geographical factors into consideration as far as possible. The women's national team of host country France will be seeded as team A1.

15.2 The teams in the three groups shall be designated as follows:

Group A	Group B	Group C
A1	B1	C1
A2	B2	C2
A3	B3	C3
A4	B4	C4

- The system of play shall be a league system, each team playing one match against each of the other teams in the same group, with three points for a win, one point for a draw, and none for a defeat.
- 15.4 The two teams ranked first and second in each group and the two best teams among those coming third qualify for the quarter-finals.
- 15.5 The ranking of the teams in each group shall be determined as follows:

If two or more teams in the same group are equal on points after the completion of the group stage, the following criteria, in the order below, shall be applied to determine the ranking:

Step 1:

- (a) superior goal difference in all group matches;
- (b) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.

Step 2:

If two or more teams in the same group are equal on the basis of the above two criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:

- greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned;
- superior goal difference resulting from the group matches between the teams concerned;
- e) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches between the teams concerned:



(f) highest team conduct score (players and team officials) relating to the number of yellow and red cards obtained in all group matches:

- yellow card: minus 1 point

- indirect red card (as a result of two yellow cards): **minus 3 points**

- direct red card: minus 4 points

- yellow card and direct red card: minus 5 points

Only one of the above deductions shall be applied to a player or a team official in a single match. The team with the highest number of points shall be ranked highest.

(g) drawing of lots by FIFA.

With respect to the second step, all affected teams will be ranked by applying the criteria (c) to (g) in order. If one team qualifies for a higher or lower ranking pursuant to one criterion, but it is not possible to rank all teams on the basis of the same criterion, the remaining two or three teams will be ranked pursuant to the next criterion, and so on. In any case, the second step of the ranking does not restart for the two or three teams remaining after application of a criterion.

- 15.6 The two best teams among those coming third shall be determined as follows:
 - (a) greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;
 - (b) goal difference resulting from all group matches;
 - (c) greatest number of goals scored in all group matches;
 - (d) highest team conduct score relating to the number of yellow and red cards obtained in all group matches and calculated as per step 2 (f) above;
 - (e) drawing of lots by FIFA.
- 15.7 The eight teams that advance from the group stage shall contest the quarter-finals as follows:

 Winner A
 v.
 3rd B or C
 = Winner 1

 Winner B
 v.
 Runner-up C
 = Winner 2

 Winner C
 v.
 3rd A or B
 = Winner 3

 Runner-up A
 v.
 Runner-up B
 = Winner 4

The matches shall be played in accordance with the knockout system (cf. art. 13 par. 4).

15.8 The four teams that advance from the quarter-finals shall contest the semi-finals as follows:

Semi-final 1: Winner 1 v. Winner 3
Semi-final 2: Winner 2 v. Winner 4

The matches shall be played in accordance with the knockout system (cf. art. 13 par. 4).

15.9 The winners of the semi-finals qualify for the gold medal match.

Winner semi-final 1 v. Winner semi-final 2

15.10 The runners-up of the semi-finals contest the bronze medal match.

Runner-up semi-final 1 v. Runner-up semi-final 2

- 15.11 If the bronze medal match is not played directly preceding the gold medal match and is a draw after 90 minutes, extra time shall be played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner. However, if the bronze medal match is played directly preceding the gold medal match and is a draw after 90 minutes, no extra time shall be played and the winner shall be determined immediately by kicks from the penalty mark.
- 15.12 If the gold medal match is a draw after 90 minutes, extra time shall be played (two periods of 15 minutes each) and followed, if necessary, by kicks from the penalty mark to determine the winner.





COMPETITION PREPARATION

ARTICLE 16: DRAW AND TEAM WORKSHOP

- 16.1 The draw for the final competition, together with the Team Workshop shall, in principle, take place approximately three months prior to the start of the final competition. In addition, FIFA may organise a Team Workshop as a separate event prior to commencement of the final competition. Detailed information concerning the draw and Team Workshop shall be communicated by circular letter.
- 16.2 FIFA shall form groups for the final competition by seeding and drawing lots in public whilst taking sporting and geographical factors into consideration, as far as possible.
- 16.3 The decisions of FIFA on the group formation and the duration of the final competition are final. In the event of any withdrawals, FIFA may change the groups in accordance with article 16 paragraph 2.
- The draw will be organised by Paris 2024 and FIFA and will (subject to timing 16.4 and/or other considerations) be combined with a Team Workshop, team venue inspection visits and other related activities. The location of the draw will be determined by FIFA and Paris 2024.
- 16.5 FIFA will cover the costs of economy class flights from the capital city of the respective Participating Member Association to the city where the draw is taking place for the head coach and administrator of each team. In addition, FIFA will cover the costs of accommodation in the host country for the head coach and administrator for a maximum of three nights. Paris 2024 will organise and cover the costs of any domestic transport (air, rail or road), including from the airport to the draw city and from the draw city to the city where the team will play its first group matches so that the team can conduct a team venue visit in the said city. Any other costs shall be borne by the Participating Member Association concerned.
- 16.6 Should Paris 2024 and FIFA decide to host the draw independently of the Team Workshop, all costs related to the Participating Member Association's attendance at the draw event shall be borne by the Participating Member Association concerned.





ARTICLE 17: UENUES AND KICK-OFF TIMES

- The venues, dates and kick-off times of the matches shall be determined by FIFA.
- 17.2 The dates and venues of the matches shall be set, allowing each team a minimum rest period of 48 hours between matches. In principle, the last matchday matches of the group stage of the same group shall kick off simultaneously, unless there is a case of force majeure.
- 17.3 FIFA shall confirm the match schedule, including kick-off times, for all matches after the draw

ARTICLE 18: FRIENDLY MATCHES

FIFA may provide information on friendly matches by means of a circular letter.

ARTICLE 19: TEAM ARRIVALS

- 19.1 Each team participating in the final competition shall arrive at the venue of its first group match at least four days before the team's first match.
- 19.2 Only official team accommodation in France designated as such by FIFA shall be used for the teams' accommodation from four days before the team's first match and up to one day after its elimination or last match in the competition.

STADIUMS AND TRAINING SITES

ARTICLE 20: STADIUM INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Paris 2024 shall ensure that the stadiums and facilities in which the matches take place fulfil the requirements set out in the Football Stadiums: Technical Recommendations and Requirements and comply with the safety and security standards and other FIFA regulations. The fields of play, accessory equipment and all facilities for each match of the final competition shall be in optimum condition and comply with the Laws of the Game and all other relevant regulations.
- 20.2 Matches shall be played on natural grass or, provided special dispensation is granted by FIFA, on artificial surfaces. For natural-grass pitches, FIFA's guidelines, instructions and requirements shall be followed. Where artificial surfaces are used, the surface must meet the requirements of the FIFA Quality Programme for Football Turf or the International Artificial Turf Standard. In principle, the training sites shall have the same type of turf as the stadium in the Host City.
- 20.3 Unless otherwise approved by FIFA, the pitch shall have the following dimensions: length 105m, width 68m.
- 20.4 The pitch watering schedule and the height of the grass will be communicated by the FIFA Match Director at the Match Coordination Meeting. The FIFA Match Director, in consultation with the local pitch expert, shall define the grass height and watering schedule.
- 20.5 The field of play, accessory equipment and all facilities for each match shall be in optimum condition and comply with the Laws of the Game and all other relevant regulations. All goals shall be equipped with white goal posts and white goal nets with dark support posts and padding. Each stadium shall have spare goals, nets and corner flags located in close proximity to the field of play for contingency purposes.
- 20.6 The FIFA Event Policy on Tobacco shall be complied with at the Tournament stadiums. If smoking areas are allowed by local legislation, FIFA reserves the right to determine if they shall be established.

ARTICLE 21: STADIUM ROOF

- 21.1 If a stadium has a retractable roof, the FIFA Match Director shall decide before the match whether the roof shall be open or closed during the match. This decision must be announced by the FIFA Match Director at the Match Coordination Meeting.
- 21.2 If the match starts with the roof open and there is a serious deterioration in the weather conditions impacting the match, the referee, in consultation with the FIFA Match Director, has the authority to order it be closed during the match. In such an event, the roof is to remain closed until the end of the match. The roof may only be opened or closed if there is no one on the pitch.

ARTICLE 22: STADIUM CLOCKS AND CIANT SCREEN

- 22.1 Clocks in the stadium showing the length of time played may run during the match, provided that they are stopped at the end of normal playing time in each half, i.e. after 45 and 90 minutes respectively. This stipulation shall also apply if extra time is played (i.e. after 15 minutes of each half).
- 22.2 Panels or electronic display boards, numbered on both sides for clarity, shall be used by the fourth official to indicate the substitution of players and the number of minutes to be allowed for time lost.
- 22.3 FIFA shall determine the conditions governing all scoreboard and giant screen transmissions.

ARTICLE 23: FLOODLIGHTS

All matches may be played under floodlights. The floodlight installations shall ensure that the whole pitch is evenly lit according to FIFA specifications. An emergency independent power system shall also be available in each stadium which, in the event of a power failure, guarantees the FIFA-specified intensity of light for the whole pitch and ensures emergency lighting in the whole stadium.





ARTICLE 24: SAFETY AND SECURITY

Paris 2024 shall ensure that the stadiums and facilities in which the matches take place comply with the FIFA Stadium Safety and Security Regulations and other FIFA guidelines and instructions for international matches in force. The stadiums selected for use during the Tournaments shall be subject to approval by FIFA. Paris 2024 is responsible for safety and order in and around the stadiums before, during and after matches.

As a general rule, matches shall only be played in all-seater stadiums.

ARTICLE 25: TRAINING SITES

- 25.1 Paris 2024 shall provide training sites for the teams. In principle, Paris 2024 shall provide four training sites per Host City, unless otherwise agreed with FIFA, which shall be approved by FIFA.
- 25.2 Unless otherwise approved by FIFA, all training site pitches shall measure 105m x 68m.
- 25.3 The training sites shall be situated within a reasonable distance by road from the team hotel or the Olympic Village, ideally within 30 minutes by bus.
- 25.4 The training sites shall be made available for the exclusive use of the teams at least five days before the first match at each venue until one day after the respective venue has hosted its last match in the Tournaments.
- 25.5 In principle, the teams shall use the training sites on a rotation basis in order to ensure that each team has the same conditions. Full details about the allocation of training sites shall be communicated at the Team Workshop.
- 25.6 In principle, and in order to ensure that the field of play is of the highest quality, such official training sites shall have the same surface as the match pitches, in optimal condition, freshly mowed and fully marked in accordance with the Laws of the Game
- 25.7 Paris 2024 shall provide support personnel and suitable training site equipment at all official training sites, including but not limited to cones and movable goals. Each training site shall be equipped with at least one dressing room with lockers, showers and toilets.

- 25.8 As from five days prior to the opening match of the final competition and up to their elimination, the Participating Member Associations shall use only the training sites that have been officially designated for training by FIFA.
- 25.9 Training sites shall be tobacco-free and free of vapours from e-cigarettes in accordance with the FIFA Event Policy on Tobacco. Paris 2024 and FIFA reserve the right to determine whether outdoor designated smoking areas shall be established for each training site.





PLAYERS' AND OFFICIALS' LISTS

ARTICLE 26: ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- 26.1 Due to the specific nature of the Tournaments, the NOCs are formally responsible for registering all of their participating athletes and officials with Paris 2024. Since FIFA is responsible for ensuring the proper operational management of the Tournaments, a parallel registration process is conducted directly between FIFA and the Participating Member Associations. The process is described below, and further information shall be provided in a FIFA circular letter.
- 26.2 All deadlines provided by Paris 2024 and the IOC for registering athletes and officials shall be respected accordingly.

Each association taking part in the final competition shall ensure the following when selecting its representative team(s):

- All players shall hold the nationality of their country or territory as represented by the Participating Member Association and be subject to its jurisdiction.
- All players shall be eligible for selection in accordance with the FIFA Statutes, the Regulations Governing the Application of the FIFA Statutes and other relevant FIFA rules and regulations.
- 26.3 The Participating Member Associations are responsible for fielding only eligible players. Failure to do so will lead to the consequences stipulated in the FIFA Disciplinary Code.
- 26.4 Protests regarding the eligibility of players shall be decided by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code (cf. art. 18 par. 1).
- 26.5 All players participating in the final competition of the Men's Tournament shall be born on or after 1 January 2001. However, a maximum of three male players who do not meet this age limit may also be included in the official list of players for the final competition.
- 26.6 There are no age restrictions for the players participating in the Women's Tournament.





ARTICLE 27: PROVISIONAL/RELEASE LISTS

- 27.1 Each Participating Member Association that qualifies for the final competition(s) shall provide FIFA with a list of a minimum of 35 players, four of whom shall be goalkeepers, (hereinafter the "Provisional/Release List") whom it has called up in accordance with the relevant provisions of Annexe 1 to the FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players, and up to 12 officials. The Provisional/Release List shall be submitted accompanied by a copy of the passport of each player appearing on the list to FIFA by the deadline stipulated in the relevant circular letter.
- All players on the FIFA Provisional/Release List of players must also appear on the NOC "long list" submitted to Paris 2024.
- 27.3 The Provisional/Release List shall contain information such as the player's full last name(s), all first names, popular name, name on the shirt, place and date of birth, passport number and expiry date, name and country of the club, height, weight, number of caps attained and number of international goals scored, and it shall be sent to FIFA. Further details of the Provisional/Release List, and the deadline by which the list shall be submitted to FIFA, will be stipulated in the relevant circular letter.
- 27.4 The Provisional/Release Lists will not be published by FIFA.

ARTICLE 28: FINAL LIST

- 28.1 Each Participating Member Association that qualifies for the final competition(s) shall submit online a final list of 18 players per team (a minimum of two of whom shall be goalkeepers) and up to seven officials (per team in the Men's and Women's Tournaments), which shall be sent to Paris 2024 and to FIFA, according to the deadline stipulated in the relevant circular. A signed copy of this list must be sent to FIFA by the same deadline.
- 28.2 The players on the final list must be chosen from the players on the Provisional/Release List. Only the numbers 1 to 18 may be allocated to the players, with number 1 being reserved exclusively for one of the goalkeepers.
- 28.3 The official lists of 18 players and four alternate players shall be published by FIFA and the IOC.

ARTICLE 29: ALTERNATE PLAYERS

In addition to the 18 players officially enrolled for the final competitions, each Participating Member Association is allowed, if deemed necessary, to select a maximum of four alternate players per team (one of whom should be a goalkeeper), who shall appear in the Provisional/Release List of players, but shall not be officially enrolled for the final competition and therefore shall not be allowed to play. The following applies to these four alternate players.

- They are not among the 18 players officially enrolled in their team's list of players and officials. They are not allowed to compete in the final competition unless the provisions of paragraph 1 (c) below apply.
- The purpose of selecting alternate players is, in principle, to have them available should one or more of the officially enrolled players sustain an injury or in the case of force majeure once the final competitions have started.
- Any request to change the status of an alternate player in order to enrol (C) them in the official list of 18 players shall be made following approval and confirmation from the relevant FIFA committees and by following the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy. Once the replacement request has been approved by all parties, the relevant form shall be submitted in writing to the Paris 2024 accreditation centre(s) by the Chef de Mission of the respective NOC or other official NOC representative authorised to do so by the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy.
- The alternate players shall be numbered 19 to 22, with the number 22 (d) being reserved for the alternate goalkeeper.
- All costs incurred by any alternate player (airfares, board, lodging, etc.) shall be borne by either the relevant Participating Member Association or the respective NOC.





ARTICLE 30: REPLACEMENT OF INJURED PLAYERS AFTER SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL LIST AND DURING THE TOURNAMENTS

- 30.1 Players may only be replaced according to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy for reasons of injury, illness or force majeure. If a player who features on the final list of 18 players or four alternate players sustains a serious injury or is so ill that they can no longer be expected to play, that player may be replaced provided that:
 - the FIFA Tournament Medical Lead has verified the injury or illness on the basis of a medical report submitted by the team doctor responsible (in one of the official FIFA languages) via a secure link;
 - (b) the player's incapacity has been confirmed by FIFA; and
 - (c) the relevant form has been properly submitted to Paris 2024 by the Chef de Mission of the respective NOC (or other official NOC representative authorised to do so according to the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy).
- Full details will be provided by means of circular letter with regard to deadlines for submitting requests to replace injured players. If the request is submitted after the set deadline until up to 24 hours before the team's first match, the proposed replacement player must have appeared on the Provisional/Release List submitted to FIFA and must also have appeared on the "long list" submitted to Paris 2024 by the respective NOC. During this period, any approved replacement player will take over the shirt number of the injured/ill player they are replacing.
- <u>30.3</u> Players may be replaced at any time during the final competitions after the deadline of 24 hours before the team's first match, for reasons of injury, illness or force majeure. During this period, the proposed replacement player must be one of the officially accredited alternate players. Alternate players who replace injured/ill players during this period will retain their alternate player shirt number (19-22) instead of taking over the shirt number of the injured/ill player they are replacing.
- 30.4 If an alternate player formally replaces a player on the final list through the IOC Late Athlete Replacement Policy, the empty alternate player slot may not be filled by another player from the Provisional/Release List.
- 30.5 Under no circumstances may the list of 18 players (including the alternate players) in the men's competition include more than the maximum number of three over-age players.

30.6 All formal player replacement procedures must be completed no later than three hours before kick-off in order for a player to be eligible to play in that match. Should an alternate player replace a player and appear on the start list, said alternate player will also obtain a medal should their team finish first, second or third in the Tournaments, in addition to the replaced player.

ARTICLE 31: RELEASE OF PLAYERS

To ensure the timely release of players for the final competition of the Women's Tournament, FIFA will set aside dates as follows:

- the final matchday at club level for the 22 players nominated on the final lists for the final competition of the Women's Tournament will be 14 July 2024; and
- the mandatory release date for the players on the final list is 15 July 2024.

Any special exemptions may only be granted by the FIFA Council.

ARTICLE 32: ACCREDITATION

- 32.1 Paris 2024 shall issue each player and official with an official accreditation bearing a photograph.
- 32.2 Only players in possession of valid accreditation may play in the final competitions. The accreditation shall always be available for inspection by FIFA officials (e.g. referees, match directors, etc.).
- 32.3 Each Participating Member Association may receive 25 accreditations per team (18 for the listed players and up to seven for officials). An association may request up to a maximum of four extra accreditations for its alternate players. The recipients of the additional accreditations shall appear on the official list of players and officials but shall not be officially enrolled for the final competitions (unless their status has been changed in accordance with art. 30 par. 1 (c) and they are thus officially enrolled in the official list of 18 players) and their access to zones and Olympic venues shall be limited.
- Each Participating Member Association shall have its officials accredited by their 32.4 respective NOC with an indication of the name and function of each person, as per the information contained in the official lists of players and officials. Their respective NOC decides on the number of accreditations for the officials.





KIT AND TEAM EQUIPMENT

ARTICLE 33: FIFA EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS AND RULE 50 AND BYE-LAW TO RULE 50 OF THE OLYMPIC CHARTER

- 33.1 During the final competitions, unlike other FIFA competitions, the Olympic Charter shall form the basis for the acceptance of the equipment of the Participating Member Associations. The latter will be representing their respective NOCs during the Paris 2024 Olympic Games and shall therefore comply fully with IOC guidelines.
- 33.2 Rule 50 and the Bye-law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter (cf. Appendix A) describe the specifications of manufacturer identification allowed on the players' kit and on other clothing worn by substitutes and officials in the stadium and training areas. These rules shall take precedence over the FIFA Equipment Regulations in force in terms of advertising on sports equipment and manufacturers' identification for the duration of the final competitions.
- 33.3 In order to ensure compliance with Rule 50 and the Bye-law to Rule 50 of the Olympic Charter as well as the IOC Guidelines Regarding Authorised Identifications - Games of the XXXIII Olympiad Paris 2024, the crest/logo of the Participating Member Associations may not be displayed on any equipment brought to the Tournaments.

ARTICLE 34: KIT AND COLOURS APPROVAL

34.1 The display of political, religious or personal messages or slogans of any nature in any language or form by players and officials on their playing or team kits, equipment (including kit bags, beverage containers, medical bags, etc.) or body is prohibited. The similar display of commercial messages and slogans of any nature in any language or form by players and officials is not allowed for the duration of their time at any official activity organised by FIFA (including official matches and training sessions, as well as during official press conferences and mixed-zone activities). Any violations shall be dealt with by the FIFA Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the FIFA Disciplinary Code.





- Each team shall inform FIFA of two different and contrasting colours (one predominantly dark and one predominantly light) for each of its first-choice and alternative team kit items (shirt, shorts and socks). In addition, each team shall select three contrasting colours for the goalkeepers. These three goalkeeper kits must be different and contrasting from each other as well as from the first-choice and alternative team kits. This information shall be submitted online via the team colour form by the stipulated deadline. Only these colours, once reviewed and approved by FIFA as stated in article 35 paragraph 3 below, may be worn during matches.
- The Participating Member Associations shall send to FIFA for approval a sample of all items of the full first-choice and alternative team kits (shirt, shorts, socks, all three goalkeeper's kits, gloves, caps, wristbands and headbands, etc.) intended for use during the final competition. In addition, all equipment (kits, gloves, bags, medical equipment, etc.) that could be on display within the stadium, the training grounds and the hotels or during transfers to, from or within France must be approved by FIFA. FIFA shall issue a written team kit report approving or rejecting the kit items. Should any article of the team kit or any part thereof not be in accordance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations, the Participating Member Association will be obliged to change it accordingly and resubmit the corrected items within 30 days of the first written decision. These decisions are not subject to appeal.
- All equipment (kits, gloves, bags, medical equipment, etc.) that could be on display in the stadiums, the training sites, the hotels or during transfers to, from or within the host country must be rechecked and approved by FIFA during the Team Arrival Meeting for the final competition.
- 34.5 From the moment that their teams first arrive in the host country where they will play their first match, and at the latest four days before the opening match, until the end of the final competition, Participating Member Associations may not display (including on any clothing) any third-party commercial identification or branding in any final competition stadiums or training sites, or in connection with any official media activities, other than:
 - (a) on kit used at unofficial training sessions;
 - in the indoor press conference facility at their official training site (or other press conference location approved by FIFA), but only when used for unofficial events/activities; or
 - (c) manufacturer's identifications on kit, in accordance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations and Rule 50 as stated in article 33 above.

ARTICLE 35: NUMBERS AND NAMES

- 35.1 Only the numbers 1 to 18 may be allocated to the players, with number 1 being reserved exclusively for one of the goalkeepers. These numbers must be displayed at chest height on the front of the shirts and on the shorts, and the players' names shall be added to the numbers on the back according to the FIFA Equipment Regulations. The numbers shall correspond to the numbers indicated on the final list.
- 35.2 The player's shirt name or popular name shall be affixed above the number on the back of the shirt and shall be clearly legible in accordance with the FIFA Equipment Regulations. The name on the shirt must bear a strong resemblance to the player's popular name as indicated on FIFA's official list of players and in any other official FIFA documentation. In case of doubt, FIFA shall have the final decision regarding the name that appears on the shirt.
- 35.3 Each team shall supply a set of goalkeeper shirts without names or numbers for the final competition. These shirts will only be used in those special circumstances in which an outfield player must take the position of goalkeeper during a match. This extra set of goalkeeper shirts must be provided in the same three colours as the regular goalkeeper shirts.

ARTICLE 36: MATCH COLOURS DESIGNATION

- 36.1 Approximately two months before the start of the final competition, FIFA will inform the teams of the colours that they shall wear for each match of the group stage. As far as possible, each team shall wear its first-choice colours as declared on the team colour form. If the two teams' colours and the match officials' colour might cause confusion, the following principles shall be applied by FIFA to allocate the match colours:
 - Order of priority from 1 to 5: (a)
 - (1) Team A playing kit
 - (2) Team B playing kit
 - (3) Team A goalkeeper kit
 - (4) Team B goalkeeper kit
 - (5) Match officials (referees) kit





- (b) If the above order of priority does not produce a clear colour contrast of the kits, FIFA shall determine an acceptable colour contrast.
- (c) If necessary, one or both teams may have to wear a combination of their first-choice and alternative player or goalkeeper kits.

FIFA will endeavour to ensure that each team wears its first-choice team kit at least once during the group stage.

In principle, FIFA shall also consider the option of dark-kit and light-kit colour-contrast assignments in the interests of accommodating individuals with a colour vision deficiency whenever reasonably practicable.

- 36.2 FIFA shall confirm the playing colours to the Participating Member Associations before the start of each match. The colours shall be reviewed during the Match Coordination Meeting by the referee assessor and the FIFA Match Director. The colours assignment decided by FIFA is final.
- 36.3 The first-choice and alternative team playing kits and all goalkeeper kits (including the goalkeeper shirts without names and numbers) shall be taken to every match.

ARTICLE 37: OTHER EQUIPMENT

- 37.1 FIFA will provide each participating team with a set of special equipment upon arrival in the host country where it will play its first match (e.g. drinks bottles, drinks coolers, medical bags, captain's armbands, etc.). This equipment shall be used at the stadium and official training sessions, to the exclusion of any other similar items
- 37.2 The footballs used in the final competition shall be selected by FIFA and supplied by Paris 2024. The footballs chosen for the Tournaments shall conform with the provisions of the Laws of the Game and the FIFA Equipment Regulations. They shall bear one of the following three designations: the official "FIFA Quality PRO" logo, the official "FIFA Quality" logo or the "IMS INTERNATIONAL MATCH STANDARD" reference. Each team will receive training balls from FIFA prior to the final competition after the conclusion of the preliminary competition and all teams have successfully submitted the required team entry details. Training balls will also be provided to the participating teams upon arrival in the host country where they will play their first match. Only these balls provided by FIFA may be used for training and warm-up sessions at the official stadiums and training sites.

- 37.3 Only warm-up bibs provided by Paris 2024 may be used during official training sessions and for the warm-up of substitute players during the match.
- 37.4 Participating teams are allowed to use their own wearable tracking system, as long as the system has been tested and certified according to the Laws of the Game, registered with FIFA by the Participating Member Association for use in the final competition and otherwise complies with the FIFA Equipment Regulations and any other applicable FIFA regulations.
- 37.5 In the case of contradictions between the IOC and FIFA regulations in connection with the equipment for the final competitions, the IOC regulations shall prevail.





MATCH ORGANISATION

ARTICLE 38: START LISTS

- 38.1 The electronic start list system will be available and accessible eight hours prior to the kick-off of the respective match, with all 18 players' full names and shirt numbers together with the full names of the team officials eligible to be seated on the bench. Changes can be made at the team's discretion up to 90 minutes before kick-off. The traditional paper start list will also be available prior to each match.
- 38.2 All 18 players shall be named on the start list for each match (11 selected players and seven substitutes). None of the four alternate players, unless their status has been changed in accordance with article 30 paragraph 1, and they are thus officially enrolled in the official list of 18 players, may be included in the start list for a match or be seated on the substitutes' bench during a match.
- 38.3 Each team is responsible for arriving at the stadium at the latest 90 minutes before the kick-off of the respective match and for providing the completed start list to the FIFA Match Director upon arrival.
- 38.4 Each team is responsible for ensuring that the start list is completed properly and submitted on time, and that only the selected players start the match. In the case of any discrepancies, the matter will be submitted to the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.
- 38.5 If any of the 11 players submitted on the start list are not able to begin the match due to injury or illness, they may be replaced by any of the eligible substitutes as long as the FIFA Match Director is officially informed prior to kick-off. Within 24 hours, the team concerned must also provide FIFA with a medical report issued by the team doctor responsible (in one of the official FIFA languages).
- 38.6 Further to the above, any injured or ill player who is removed from the start list will no longer be eligible to take part in the match, and thus cannot be selected as a substitute player at any time during the game. Such a change to the start list will not reduce the number of official substitutions that may be made by a team during the match. One additional substitute may be used when a match goes into extra time (whether or not the team has already used the full number of permitted substitutes).





- Although no longer eligible to play as a substitute, the injured or ill player who was removed from the start list may be seated on the team bench.
- Only the players who were identified on the official start list submitted to the FIFA Match Director or were confirmed as a warm-up injury/illness replacement player, may start the match. In the case of any discrepancies of players on the pitch at the beginning of a match, the matter will be submitted to the FIFA Disciplinary Committee.

ARTICLE 39: TECHNICAL AND WARM-UP AREAS

- 39.1 The technical area is the area which the coach, other team officials and substitutes are allowed to occupy during the match. It includes the dugout (if applicable), the team bench and a marked zone adjacent to the pitch.
- 39.2 No more than 14 people (seven substitute players and seven team officials one of these officials shall be the team doctor) shall be allowed to sit on the team bench. A suspended player or official will not be allowed to sit on the team bench or be allowed in the technical area.
- 39.3 Additional technical overflow seats in the stand shall be allocated for accredited officials providing technical support to the team during the match (kit manager, assistant physiotherapist, etc.). Staff occupying such seats shall have access to the dressing rooms, with a valid supplementary accreditation device.
- 39.4 During the match, substitutes are allowed to leave the technical area to warm up. At the Match Coordination Meeting, the FIFA Match Director shall determine exactly where they may warm up.
- A maximum of five players per team shall warm up at the same time behind the advertising boards to the rear of the goal (with a maximum of one official). If there is not sufficient space behind the goals, both teams shall warm up in the designated area behind the first assistant referee or next to their own bench. In this case, five players and one official per team may warm up at the same time. Warm-up shall be without any balls.
- 39.6 Smoking, vaping and the use of any tobacco-related product are only allowed in the designated areas (if made available) and are not allowed in the technical area, in the vicinity of the field of play or within the competition areas, such as the dressing rooms.

- 39.7 Small, hand-held electronic equipment (e.g. microphones, headphones, earpieces, mobile phones/smartphones, smartwatches, tablets, laptops, etc.) are permitted in the technical area only if used for coaching/tactics or player welfare in accordance with the Laws of the Game
- 39.8 Additional special equipment items (e.g. antennae) for the use of wearable technology at final-competition matches may only be positioned in a dedicated area of a final competition stadium defined by FIFA, but not in the technical area of such stadium.

ARTICLE 40: MATCH PROTOCOL

- 40.1 During the final competitions, the following procedures shall be carried out in order to ensure that the relevant protocol is respected:
 - the national anthems of the two teams shall be played after the line-up; (a)
 - in addition to the Olympic flag and any other flag(s) required according (b) to Olympic protocol, the FIFA flag and the flags of the two teams shall be flown in each stadium during matches; and
 - Olympic protocol (cf. Appendix A) shall apply to the final competitions in (C) any matters other than those mentioned in this article.
- 40.2 The countdown to kick-off provided to both teams at the Match Coordination Meeting in advance of the match shall be strictly complied with by both teams.
- 40.3 The FIFA flag and the flags of the host countries and both competing Participating Member Associations may be flown in the stadium at every match, unless FIFA states otherwise.
- 40.4 Unless FIFA states otherwise, the national anthems of the two teams will be played before each match. The Participating Member Associations shall confirm their national anthem to FIFA (maximum duration of 90 seconds) by the date stipulated in the relevant circular letter.
- 40.5 The display of political, religious or personal messages or slogans of any nature in any language or form by players and officials is prohibited. The similar display of commercial messages and slogans of any nature in any language or form by players and officials is not allowed for the duration of their time at any official activity organised by FIFA (including official matches and training sessions, as well as during official press conferences and mixed-zone activities).





ARTICLE 41: OFFICIAL TRAINING, STADIUM FAMILIARISATION UISITS AND PRE-MATCH WARM-UP

- 41.1 In order to preserve the quality of the pitch for the matches, no official training sessions will be allowed on the stadium pitches before any match. In principle, all Participating Member Associations' official training sessions will be conducted at the training sites assigned by FIFA and Paris 2024.
- 41.2 Teams that are due to play a match in a stadium in which they have not previously played will be entitled to a familiarisation visit in that stadium on the day before the match. The players and officials will be permitted to walk around the field of play (to inspect the pitch only, and wearing training shoes) and stadium to familiarise themselves with the set-up.
- 41.3 Official training session and stadium familiarisation times will be communicated by FIFA.
- The teams will be entitled to warm up on the pitch before each match, weather and pitch conditions permitting. In principle, such warm-up will be 30 minutes long and will take place from 50 minutes prior to kick-off until 20 minutes prior to kick-off. If the pitch is not in good condition or if warm-up sessions would negatively affect the state of the pitch for the match, or if the pitch is to be used for ceremonies relating to the final competition, FIFA may shorten or cancel the warm-up session timings and/or specify restricted areas of use.



REFEREEING

ARTICLE 42: LAWS OF THE CAME

- 42.1 All matches shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game in force at the time of the competition and as laid down by The International Football Association Board (The IFAB). In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the translations of the Laws of the Game, the English version shall be authoritative.
- 42.2 Each match shall last 90 minutes, comprising two periods of 45 minutes, with a half-time interval of 15 minutes.
- 42.3 One additional substitute may be used at the final competition when a match goes into extra time (regardless of whether or not the team has already used the full number of permitted substitutes before extra time).
- 42.4 Players are entitled to an interval at half-time, not exceeding 15 minutes; a short drinks break (which should not exceed one minute) is permitted at the interval of half-time in extra time.
- 42.5 Extreme weather conditions may warrant cooling breaks to be implemented during a match in accordance with the protocols established by FIFA Medical. Such breaks will be considered on a match-by-match basis. Responsibility for implementing and controlling cooling breaks resides with the referee.
- 42.6 Goal-line technology may be used for the purpose of verifying whether a goal has been scored to support the referee's decision. The participating teams shall consent, without reservation, to the use of goal-line technology in the final competition, and unconditionally and irrevocably waive any and all rights and interests they may have in connection with or as a result of the use of goal-line technology in matches of the final competition.
- 42.7 Video assistant refereeing (VAR) systems and other forms of technology for reviewing match changing incidents (e.g. semi-automated offside technology) may be used for reviewing match-changing decisions/incidents, as per the protocol established by The IFAB.

ARTICLE 43: REFEREEING

- 43.1 The referees, assistant referees, fourth officials and video match officials (VMOs) (if appointed) (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Match Officials") for the final competitions shall be appointed for each match by the FIFA Referees Committee. They shall be selected from the FIFA International Refereeing List in force and come from a member association whose team is not playing in the group or match in question. A reserve assistant referee may also be appointed for matches of the final competition. The decisions of the FIFA Referees Committee are final and binding and not subject to appeal.
- The Match Officials shall be provided with training facilities by Paris 2024. These training facilities must be in good condition and approved by FIFA and shall not be used for any other matches or events from at least ten days prior to the start of the final competition until the final competition is completed.
- 43.3 If the referee is prevented from carrying out their duties, they shall be replaced by the fourth official. The same applies for either of the assistant referees if a reserve assistant referee is not appointed.
- Where the VAR system is used, if the fourth official is not certified to referee with VAR, the referee shall be replaced by a VMO.
- 43.5 In case of exceptional circumstances, FIFA may decide either to proceed with a fourth official from the host association or to play the match without a fourth official.
- 43.6 After each match, the referee shall complete the official FIFA report online form while still at the stadium. The referee shall note all occurrences of significance, such as misconduct of players leading to caution or expulsion, unsporting behaviour by supporters and/or by officials or any other person acting on behalf of an association at the match and any other incident happening before, during and after the match in as much detail as possible.







FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 44: FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

Each association participating in the final competitions shall be responsible for the costs of concluding compulsory health, accident and travel insurance cover for all players, officials and other Delegation Members.

FIFA shall be responsible for the costs of insurance taken out to cover its own risks as follows:

- (a) legal liability insurance;
- (b) financial and consequential losses liability insurance;
- (c) accident insurance for members of the official FIFA delegation (including Match Officials);
- (d) legal protection insurance; and
- (e) luggage insurance for members of the FIFA committees and Match Officials.

The following financial terms and conditions are regulated jointly by the Olympic Charter, the Host City Contract, and Paris 2024, and are borne jointly by the IOC, Paris 2024 and the respective NOCs:

- (a) board and lodging of the participating teams and Match Officials;
- (b) international air travel expenses for the participating teams and Match Officials;
- (c) domestic travel expenses (by air, rail or road) during the Tournaments for the participating teams and Match Officials;
- (d) laundry service for the match and training kits of the participating teams and Match Officials.

ARTICLE 45: SEATING ARRANGEMENTS, TICKETS

- 45.1 During football matches, the members of the FIFA delegation (including Match Officials) shall be seated in the Federation Stand.
- 45.2 Members of the FIFA delegation shall only gain access to the Federation Stand with a valid accreditation.
- 45.3 Teams shall be accommodated in reserved areas in the Athletes' Stand.
- 45.4 In the event of double-headers, a specific area shall be reserved in the Athletes' Stand for the teams playing in the matches.



- 45.5 Players and officials from the Participating Member Associations shall only gain access to the Athletes' Stand with a valid accreditation.
- 45.6 As with all other events in the Olympic Games, football falls under the auspices of the IOC. The customary FIFA policy of allocating complimentary tickets to the teams for their matches in the group or knockout stages does not apply. Should an association wish to purchase additional tickets for its own or other matches, requests should be addressed to its NOC, the latter being solely responsible for coordinating any additional ticket requests for all sports disciplines.

MEDICAL

ARTICLE 46: TEAM DOCTOR

Each Participating Member Association shall include at least one medical doctor (two are recommended) in its delegation. It is a mandatory requirement that the medical doctor or any other medical staff member of each Participating Member Association completes and successfully passes the "Concussion" and "Sudden Cardiac Arrest" modules of the FIFA Diploma in Football Medicine (www.fifamedicalnetwork.com).

ARTICLE 47: SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST

- 47.1 Each Participating Member Association shall ensure and confirm to FIFA that its players have undergone a pre-competition medical assessment (PCMA) in the 12 months prior to the start of the final competition. FIFA recommends that participating teams use the form developed by FIFA Medical Network experts for their PCMAs.
- 47.2 A non-contact collapse of a player should be treated as a sudden cardiac arrest until proven otherwise. The medical team are allowed to enter the pitch immediately to commence resuscitation, without having to wait for a signal from the referee. One member of the field-of-play medical team notifies the fourth official of the collapse and need for cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

ARTICLE 48: CONCUSSION

A player who experiences a suspected concussion during a match must undergo an examination by the team doctor in accordance with the FIFA Medical Concussion Protocol. The referee may temporarily suspend play whenever an incident of suspected concussion occurs for a maximum of three minutes. The referee may only allow the player to continue playing with the authorisation of the team doctor, who shall have evaluated the player and excluded any suspicion of a concussive injury. The team doctor will have the final decision based on a clinical examination. Under no circumstances should a player with a suspected concussion return to play.

FIFA recommends that medical teams follow a graduated return-to-play protocol as set forth in the FIFA Medical Concussion Protocol for any player who has suffered concussion. The Protocol recognises that the time frame for return to play may vary, dependent on factors such as the player's age, gender, their symptoms and medical history, and that doctors must use their clinical judgement in making decisions with respect to return to play. The player's welfare must be their sole concern. FIFA requires that before any player who suffered a concussive episode can return to play in the final competition, the team doctor must certify that (a) such player has passed each of the steps set out in the FIFA Medical Concussion Protocol, (b) such player is fit for competition and (c) the team doctor has discussed the management of the case with the FIFA Match Doctor where indicated (subject to consent from the player).



DOPING CONTROL

ARTICLE 49: DOPING CONTROL

Doping tests shall be carried out in accordance with the instructions issued by FIFA and the IOC. Analyses shall be carried out in laboratories made available by the IOC and accredited by WADA.

Reference is made to the IOC provisions regarding doping control that shall apply for the duration of the final competitions.





MEDIA MATTERS

ARTICLE 50: MEDIA MATTERS

50.1 Media matters and obligations for the Tournaments will be outlined in the relevant official documents (circular letters, team handbook, media guidelines, etc.) relating to TV and media activities. Participating Member Associations and their Delegation Members shall comply with the stipulations contained within these documents with respect to media matters.

The following obligations apply to Participating Member Associations:

- Each Participating Member Association shall assist, and ensure that each Delegation Member assists, to the best possible extent, any official FIFA media activity during the final competition period, in accordance with the following terms and conditions.
- (b) Each Participating Member Association is required to include a team media officer in its delegation to act as a link between the team, Paris 2024, the FIFA media officers and the accredited media.
- Participating Member Associations shall make their training sessions open (C) to the media as indicated in the above-mentioned official documents.
- (d) Coaches and/or other team representatives are obliged to attend official media activities organised by Paris 2024 as outlined in the above-mentioned official documents, including but not limited to:
 - compulsory media activities upon arrival in France prior to the team's first match of the final competition;
 - compulsory media activities during preparations on site;
 - compulsory media activities around training sessions on matchday-1;
 - compulsory media activities on matchdays; and
 - compulsory media activities on non-matchdays.

The above obligations are not exhaustive.

Media representatives are forbidden from entering the team and referee dressing rooms before, during and after the match. However, one of the host broadcaster's cameras may enter the dressing rooms before the match at a time agreed in advance with the associations in order to film the players' shirts and equipment. This filming shall be completed well before the arrival of the players.





- Journalists, photographers, television and radio commentators, and accredited film and television crews are not permitted to enter the pitch at any time before, during or after the match unless authorised by FIFA. Only a limited number of photographers, camera operators and production staff of the broadcasters, all of whom shall have been issued with dedicated accreditation, may be admitted to the area between the boundaries of the field of play and the spectators.
- In the interests of equality, especially gender equality, FIFA appeals to the media to report on fans both in and outside the stadium in a respectful and balanced way. This includes not commenting or focusing on content relating to their physical appearance, which sexualises and objectifies them. Moreover, in the interests of promoting children's rights and best interests at the Tournaments, FIFA appeals to the media to use images of children (i.e. all boys and girls under the age of 18) safely and to seek informed consent, where feasible. The safe use of images of children includes, but is not limited to, not providing any information that could facilitate easily locating a child, not portraying children in an unethical, demeaning, tasteless or provocative manner, ensuring that they are properly dressed in a minimum of shirt and shorts, and not allowing any photography or filming of children in bathrooms, toilets or sleeping areas.

FINAL COMPETITION

ARTICLE 51: OLYMPIC MEDALS, MEDALLISTS' PINS AND DIPLOMAS

51.1 Each of the players of the three top-ranked teams who feature on the official lists of players (start list) shall receive:

Olympic champion: an Olympic gold medal, a medallist's pin and a diploma **Runner-up:** an Olympic silver medal, a medallist's pin and a diploma

Third place: an Olympic bronze medal, a medallist's pin and a diploma

These medals, medallists' pins and diplomas shall be provided by Paris 2024 for distribution by the IOC.

51.2 Each player of the teams ranked fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth shall receive a diploma. These diplomas shall be provided by Paris 2024 for distribution by the IOC.

ARTICLE 52: RIGHTS OF THE PARTICIPATING MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

In the absence of any written agreement with FIFA to the contrary, or as set out in these Regulations, no Participating Member Association shall have any promotional, advertising, marketing, broadcasting or other commercial exploitation rights in relation to:

- (a) the final competitions of the Tournaments;
- (b) any event held under the auspices of FIFA; or
- (c) FIFA or the IOC.

ARTICLE 53: FIFA MARKS

- 53.1 FIFA owns and controls all intellectual property rights relating to its name, marks, logos, emblems, designs, copyright and other rights relating to the Tournaments on a worldwide basis, including but not limited to:
 - (a) the wordmark FIFA; and
 - (b) the device mark FIFA (logo).

These are hereinafter referred to as "FIFA's Marks".

- Any use of FIFA's Marks is subject to FIFA's prior written approval and 53.2 further regulations and guidelines issued by FIFA. The Participating Member Associations shall not use FIFA's Marks without obtaining such written approval.
- 53.3 The Participating Member Associations shall refrain from the development, use or registration of any name, logo, trade mark, indicia, brand name, symbol, service mark or other mark (whether registered or unregistered) or designation which may be inferred by the public as identifying with FIFA or the Tournaments, including the word "FIFA" (or any other term used in any language to identify the Tournaments), or the development, use or registration of any dates in connection with the name of the host country, venues or Host Cities of the final competitions of the Tournaments, or any similar indicia or derivation of such terms or dates in any language. The Participating Member Associations shall further ensure that their commercial affiliates comply with the provisions of this section, and that such commercial affiliates do not engage in any activity which might give rise to the impression that such commercial affiliates are officially associated with the Tournaments.
- 53.4 The Participating Member Associations shall not oppose any of the trademark or copyright applications filed by FIFA or its affiliates, nominees or licensees in respect of FIFA's Marks. The Participating Member Associations shall not in any way challenge, or apply for any copyright, trademark, or patent protection, or domain name registration (whether in respect of, or in relation to FIFA's Marks or any other FIFA's intellectual property rights) which would adversely affect the relevant owner's proprietary interests in FIFA intellectual property rights, or assist any other person to do so.

ARTICLE 54: RIGHTS OF THE IOC

All commercial rights in relation to the final competitions (marketing and TV rights) are regulated by the IOC.





CLOSING PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 55: SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

FIFA shall, in conjunction with the IOC and Paris 2024, issue any instructions necessitated by special circumstances that may arise in the host country. These instructions shall form an integral part of these Regulations.

ARTICLE 56: MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

Any matters not provided for in these Regulations and any cases of force majeure shall be decided by FIFA in cooperation with the IOC and Paris 2024. All decisions shall be final and binding and not subject to appeal.

ARTICLE 57: LANGUAGES

In the case of any discrepancy in the interpretation of the English, French or Spanish texts of these Regulations or any other language versions thereof, the English text shall be authoritative.

ARTICLE 58: COPYRIGHT

The copyright for these Regulations and for the match schedules drawn up in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations are the property of FIFA.

ARTICLE 59: NO WAIVER

Any waiver by FIFA of any breach of these Regulations (including of any document referred to in these Regulations) will not operate as, or be construed to be, a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision or a waiver of any right arising out of these Regulations or any other document. Any such waiver shall only be valid if given in writing. Failure by FIFA to insist upon strict adherence to any provision of these Regulations, or any document referred to in these Regulations, on one or more occasions will not be considered to be a waiver or deprive FIFA of the right to subsequently insist upon strict adherence to that provision or any other provision of these Regulations, or any document referred to in these Regulations.





ARTICLE 60: ENFORCEMENT

These Regulations were approved by the FIFA Council on 17 December 2023 and came into force immediately.

Zurich, December 2023

For FIFA

President Gianni Infantino Secretary General ad interim Mattias Grafström

APPENDIX

RULE 50, BYE-LAW TO RULE 50 AND RULE 51 OF THE OLYMPIC CHARTER



RULE 50: ADVERTISING, DEMONSTRATIONS, PROPAGANDA

- Except as may be authorised by the IOC Executive Board on an exceptional basis, no form of advertising or other publicity shall be allowed in and above the stadia, venues and other competition areas which are considered as part of the Olympic sites. Commercial installations and advertising signs shall not be allowed in the stadia, venues or other sports grounds.
- 2. No kind of demonstration or political, religious or racial propaganda is permitted in any Olympic sites, venues or other areas.

BYE-LAW TO RULE 50

1. No form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, may appear on persons, on sportswear, accessories or, more generally, on any article of clothing or equipment whatsoever worn or used by all competitors, team officials, other team personnel and all other participants in the Olympic Games, except for the identification – as defined in paragraph 8 below – of the manufacturer of the article or equipment concerned, provided that such identification shall not be marked conspicuously for advertising purposes.

The IOC Executive Board shall adopt guidelines that provide further details on the implementation of this principle.

Any violation of this Bye-law 1 and the guidelines adopted hereunder may result in disqualification of the person or delegation concerned, or withdrawal of the accreditation of the person or delegation concerned, without prejudice to further measures and sanctions which may be pronounced by the IOC Executive Board or Session.



The numbers worn by competitors may not display publicity of any kind and must bear the Olympic emblem of the OCOG.

- Any mascot created for the Olympic Games shall be considered to be an Olympic emblem, the design of which must be submitted by the OCOG to the IOC Executive Board for its approval. Such mascot may not be used for commercial purposes in the country of an NOC without the latter's prior written approval.
- 3. To be valid, all contracts of the OCOG providing for any element of advertising, including the right or license to use the emblem or the mascot of the Olympic Games, must be in conformity with the Olympic Charter and must comply with the instructions given by the IOC Executive Board. The same shall apply to contracts relating to the timing equipment, the scoreboards, and to the injection of any identification signal in television programmes. Breaches of these regulations come under the authority of the Executive Board.
- 4. The OCOG shall ensure the protection of the property of the emblem and the mascot of the Olympic Games for the benefit of the IOC, both nationally and internationally. However, the OCOG alone and, after the OCOG has been wound up, the NOC of the country of the host, may exploit such emblem and mascot, as well as other marks, designs, badges, posters, objects and documents connected with the Olympic Games during their preparation and celebration and terminating not later than the end of the calendar year during which such Olympic Games are held. Upon the expiry of this period, all rights in or relating to such emblem, mascot and other marks, designs, badges, posters, objects and documents shall thereafter belong entirely to the IOC. The OCOG and/or the NOC, as the case may be and to the extent necessary, shall act as trustees (in a fiduciary capacity) for the sole benefit of the IOC in this respect.
- 5. The provisions of this Bye-law also apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to all contracts signed by the organising committee of a Session or an Olympic Congress.
- 6. The uniforms of the competitors, team officials, and other team personnel may include the flag or Olympic emblem of their NOC and, with the consent of the OCOG, the OCOG Olympic emblem. The IF officials may wear the uniform and the emblem of their IF.
- 7. The identification on all technical gear, installations and other apparatus, which are neither worn nor used by competitors, team officials, other team personnel or any other participants in the Olympic Games, including timing equipment and scoreboards, may on no account be larger than $1/10^{TH}$ of the height of the equipment, installation or apparatus in question, and shall not be greater than 10cm high.

- 8. The word "identification" means the normal display of the name, designation, trademark, logo or any other distinctive sign of the manufacturer of the item, appearing not more than once per item.
- 9. The OCOG, all competitors, team officials, other team personnel and all other participants in the Olympic Games shall comply with the relevant manuals, guides, regulations or guidelines, and all other instructions of the IOC Executive Board, in respect of all matters subject to Rule 50 and this Bye-law.

RULE 51: PROTOCOL

- 1. Throughout the period of the Olympic Games, the IOC Executive Board alone has the authority to determine the protocol applicable at all sites and venues placed under the responsibility of the OCOG.
- At all Olympic functions and events during the Olympic Games, the members, Honorary President, honorary members and honour members of the IOC in their order of seniority, the President, Honorary President and Vice-Presidents leading, take precedence followed by the members of the OCOG, the Presidents of the IFs and the Presidents of the NOCs.
- 3. The OCOG, the IFs, the NOCs and all other persons accredited at the Olympic Games, in any capacity whatsoever, shall comply with the IOC Protocol Guide and other protocol-related requirements set forth in the Olympic Host Contract, and all other instructions of the IOC Executive Board, in respect of all matters subject to this Rule.

In the event of any divergence in the wording of the different language versions, the French text of Rule 50 and its Bye law as well as Rule 51 of the Olympic Charter in force as of 15 September 2017 shall be authoritative.

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