

RELAUNCHING THE IFA WORLD TOUR (UPDATED VERSION FOR 2020&2021)

INFORMATION SHEET (INNOVATIONS FOR 2020&2021 MARKED in RED)

SUMMARY OF KEY ASPECTS REGARDING IFA FISTBALL WORLD TOUR (ALL THESE ASPECTS ARE APPLIED TO WOMEN'S AND MEN'S COMPETITIONS)

BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT

1. Everyone can host a World Tour tournament (**exception IFA Majors – these being appointed**).
2. There are **3** different categories of tournament: IFA Majors, **IFA 750**, IFA 500, IFA 250.
They are e.g. subdivided based on number of participating nations, number of teams from highest national leagues, infrastructure of tournament...

Major tournaments:

Major Tournaments cannot be applied for. They are appointed by IFA.

There is the option to apply for a wild card for hosting a Major tournament: The date for this is set by IFA and published during bidding process.

3. The teams participating in the respective tournament gather points according to their ranks:
e.g.:

	IFA MAJORS	IFA 500	IFA 250
RANK 1	1000	500	250
RANK 30	10	5	2,5

4. Tournaments will **not** be downgraded in the **current** year **but in the following year** - to the most suitable category if more than **1** of the agreed criteria from the part organisational requirements is not kept by the host.

Upgrading is not possible.

Requirements from the part “Sports Requirement” must be completely fulfilled without exception.

A jury (appointed by IFA board) will decide about the downgrading for the following year.



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5. Points for the teams are given according to the newly defined categories.
6. A list of tournaments is published **after the application period**.
7. The current ranking is published right after every official tournament.
8. The qualification period for the **2022 World Tour Finals** runs from January to November. This also includes the continental qualifiers.
9. **Only the 5 best results of every team will find their way into the World Tour Ranking.**
Of course, teams can play as many tournaments as they want.
10. **A team can only collect points at one tournament at the same time: If 2 tournaments are carried out at the same time, the higher amount of achieved points will be added to the team's account.**
11. **Highest national league – status for teams shall be defined as follows:**
 - a. **For teams from AUT/GER/SUI:**
Teams must have been members of the highest national league within the observation period of 1 July 2018 until end of application period – no matter if indoor or outdoor competition.
 - b. **for teams from other parts of the world:**
Teams taking part in the PAFA-Championships are regarded as representing the highest national league of their country. (observation period: 1 July 2018 until now)
Teams who achieved 350 points or more during the last year's World Tour ranking are also regarded as highest national league teams. (observation period: 1 July 2018 until now)
12. **In case a team wants to take part in a tournament with more than 1 teams, “team 1” is the only one that can collect points for the world tour ranking.**
13. **Players from teams that want to gather points for the World Tour ranking must not play for any other team at the same tournament. (Exception: U18 players)**
14. **A host can only apply for one tournament per season.**
15. **Hosts apply for a tournament by using the following online form:**
Hosting an IFA World Tour Tournament
16. **Club teams could register for the IFA 2020 World Tour by using the following link:**
Club team registration

Appendices:

Appendix 01: Tournament Quality Criteria 2020&2021

Appendix 02: Points for World Tour Ranking 2020&2021

TOURNAMENT QUALITY CRITERIA

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Tournament	Major	IFA 500	IFA 250
Validity**	1000	500	250
SPORTS REQUIREMENTS			
Number of different nations represented by teams	3	1	1
Number of teams from highest national leagues* (in desired category)	8	5	0
Minimum tournament categories in total	3	3	1 (if 12 teams included) or 2 (6 teams each)
Choose from:	Women A compulsory	compulsory	can also be either Women or Men A
	Men A compulsory	compulsory	
	Women/Men B		
	Youth preferred	preferred	
	Masters		
Number per category	10	8	6
Number of participating teams (over all Categories)	30	15	12
ORGANISATIONAL REQUIREMENTS			
IT requirements	Event HP, Facebook Result service updated 2 hours after tournament's end Live-Ticker Finals Cat A	Event HP, Facebook-Account Result service updated 2 hours after tournament's end -	Facebook-Account Result service updated 2 hours after tournament's end -
Music Moderation	moderation centrecourt finals	moderation centrecourt finals	-
Court requirements	centrecourt for finals	centrecourt for finals	-
Additional requirements	Result transfer to IFA within 24 hours after event Accommodation/full board for up to 2 IFA representatives for up to 4 days each Reporting on the above categories 1 week after event Proof of meeting the requirements for desired category 7 days prior to event	Result transfer to IFA within 24 hours after event Accommodation/full board for 1 IFA representative for up to 2 days Reporting on the above categories 1 week after event Proof of meeting the requirements for desired category 7 days prior to event	Result transfer to IFA within 24 hours after event Accommodation/full board for 1 IFA representative for up to 1 day Reporting on the above categories 1 week after event Proof of meeting the requirements for desired category 7 days prior to event
IFA Fee 2018 (Euro)	Deposit of 100 EURO - returned if quality criteria for tournament are met	Deposit of 100 EURO - returned if quality criteria for tournament are met	Deposit of 100 EURO - returned if quality criteria for tournament are met

Explanatory notes	
* Highest league is defined as follows:	for teams from AUT/GER/SUI: Are part of highest national league (Indoor or outdoor: Starting 1 July 2018 until now) for teams from other parts of the world where no national leagues are carried out: Teams taking part in the PAFA-Championships are regarded as representing the highest national league of their country. Teams who achieved 350 points or more during the last year's World Tour ranking are also regarded as highest national league teams.
** Quality measurement criteria	Tournaments that meet the criteria will keep their standards. Tournaments that fail in keeping the criteria will be downgraded for the next year's edition. Upgrading during the tour season is not possible. Tournaments that want to achieve "Major"-status must fulfill the Major criteria in both categories, women's and men's.

POINTS FOR WORLD TOUR RANKING

MAJOR		IFA 500		IFA 250	
RANK 1000	POINTS	RANK 500	POINTS	RANK 250	POINTS
1	1000	1	500	1	250
2	800	2	400	2	200
3	600	3	300	3	150
4	500	4	250	4	125
5	450	5	225	5	112,5
6	400	6	200	6	100
7	360	7	180	7	90
8	320	8	160	8	80
9	290	9	145	9	72,5
10	260	10	130	10	65
11	240	11	120	11	60
12	220	12	110	12	55
13	200	13	100	13	50
14	180	14	90	14	45
15	160	15	80	15	40
16	150	16	75	16	37,5
17	140	17	70	17	35
18	130	18	65	18	32,5
19	120	19	60	19	30
20	110	20	55	20	27,5
21	100	21	50	21	25
22	90	22	45	22	22,5
23	80	23	40	23	20
24	70	24	35	24	17,5
25	60	25	30	25	15
26	50	26	25	26	12,5
27	40	27	20	27	10
28	30	28	15	28	7,5
29	20	29	10	29	5
30	10	30	5	30	2,5