

# REGULATIONS

## IFA FISTBALL WORLD TOUR FINALS

Valid as for 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2025

### 1. Organizer

The event is organized by the International Fistball Association (IFA) in two competitions (Men's and Women's).

Potential hosts could be a:

- national IFA member association or
- club or
- City in co-operation with a club.

The decision about the host is made by the IFA Board of Directors.

### 2. Basics / General Information

This competition shall next to the IFA Statutes and codes especially be governed by the at the time of the competition current:

- Fistball - Rules of the Game
- IFA Competitions Rules (IFCR)
- the official bulletins of the competition.

The general terms player, coach, head of delegation, referee, linesman etc. refer to both male and female persons.

The event is called "IFA year Fistball World Tour Final". The trophy to be awarded is called the "IFA year Fistball Men's/Women's World Cup".

Women's and Men's IFA Fistball World Tour Finals should be carried out at the same time/venue on the basis of the same conditions.

### 3. Organization

The IFA Board of Directors is responsible for the overall organization of the competition. It nominates a Competition Manager (CM).

The host is responsible and cost bearer of the preparation, organisation and running of the event according to this regulations.

The host will be supported in the preparation and running of the event by the IFA Competition Manager.

The IFA Sports Commission is responsible for the overall technical organization of the World Tour Final in accordance with these regulations. The Sports Commission shall decide on the interpretation of these regulations as well as alterations and necessary amendments which cannot await a regular decision by the IFA Committee.

The tournament is managed by the IFA Technical Delegate.



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#### **4. Eligibility**

The IFA Fistball World Tour Finals are carried out in each competition with 8 or 10 teams. To be eligible, each of the teams has to participate in the IFA Fistball World Tour of the year before.

**4.1** Starting with 2020 the winner IFA Fistball World Tour Final is directly qualified for the consecutive event.

**4.2** Starting with 2020 the host of the IFA Fistball World Tour Final is directly qualified.

**4.3** Continents with continental club competitions (with a minimum of three clubs represented or being part of the qualification system for that event) send the last year's winner of the highest competition carried out. Continental qualifier tournaments are carried out in the following regions:

Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe, North America, South America.

In case these qualifiers are carried out the winners qualify for next year's IFA Fistball World Tour Final (= up to 6 teams that are directly qualified).

The regional associations must submit the names of the winning teams and their binding registration by 30 November at the latest.

**4.4** The number of (continental) qualifier tournaments determines the number of additional teams that qualify via the new IFA Fistball World Tour (minimum 2 additional teams).

The total number of teams in each completion (men's and women's) is 8 or 10, but never 9.

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The teams ranked 1 to 8 in the IFA Fistball World Tour Ranking must register bindingly for their participation latest until 30 November to the IFA office (including names and contact of representatives of club teams). The registration has to be done by online form.

A team consists of 10 players.

Just players who can show an eligibility for the team and that can prove that their eligibility was also valid latest at 1 April 2025 may take part in the competition. Lists to prove this (by national federation) must be handed in at the competition management office.

#### **5. Date / Schedule**

The date and host of the event is approved by the IFA Board of Directors.

The schedule is made by IFA Sports Commission.

#### **6. Definitions**

##### **a. Delegation**

A delegation consists of 12 members: 10 players, 2 coaches.

Up to 4 additional officials can be added at their own expenses. They are given the same conditions for accreditation as the team members.

##### **b. IFA Representatives**

IFA Competition Manager, IFA Technical Delegate, IFA Media Manager, IFA President and Members of the IFA Board of Directors.

c. Duration of stay

Delegations, IFA Representatives and Referees – 24 hours prior to event (opening ceremony) until 24 hours after event (reception or last match)

Exception: IFA representatives who are part of the organisation of the event (e.g. Competition Manager, Technical Delegate) might make use of additional days of stay.

d. Accommodation

Hotel Category – minimum 3 stars, Single rooms

In case there is another private person accompanying one of them the extra charge for a double room will be paid to the organizers.

e. VIP – Accreditation

Reserved seater in best category

Access to VIP area including catering

Parking/shuttle from hotel

## 7. Referees / Assistants

International referees will supervise the matches. They are appointed by IFA.

Licensed national referees will be used as assistants. They are also appointed by IFA after nomination by national federation.

## 8. Awards / Award ceremony / Protocol Guidelines

The winners of the Men´s and Women´s competition are awarded the IFA World Cup. They have to return them before the next event.

The team can keep the trophy after winning it 3 times in a row or 5 times in total.

The teams ranked 1-3 will be awarded 12 medals in gold, silver and bronze.

The award ceremony will be held by the highest IFA representative.

Protocol guidelines will be given by IFA-CM.

## 9. Arbitration proceedings

Appeal against the announcement must be made according the IFA Juridical Regulations.

Appeals against schedule and referees' nomination are not possible.

## 10. Insurance

Participants are responsible for their health and accidents insurance.

There is no such liability for IFA, member federation or host.

## 11. Economic conditions

The **host** meets in general the following costs:

- **Costs for preparing, organizing and hosting the event (e.g. infrastructure incl. meeting rooms and working space e.g. of the IFA Technical Delegate, adequate and effective marketing and PR-activities, advertising, material, security, support of delegations and media representatives, volunteers, insurances, VIP area, press center, TV production and/or live streaming, media analyses with a professional agency)**
- **Costs for travel for:**
  - pre-event visits of the designated IFA Competition Manager and/or the IFA Technical Delegate and/or IFA Head of Media of the event (max. 5 visits)
  - referees (up to 6)
  - Lines men (also possible to have lines men from host club)
  - IFA Competition Manager (1)
  - IFA Technical Delegate (1)
  - IFA Referee Director (1)
  - IFA Technical Staff (3)
  - IFA Head of Media (1)
  - IFA Video Manager (1)
  - IFA Media Staff (2)
- **Costs for lodging for**
  - Referees (up to 6)
  - Lines men (min. 6)
  - IFA Competition Manager (1)
  - IFA Technical Delegate (1)
  - IFA Referee Director (1)
  - IFA Technical Staff (3)
  - IFA Head of Media (1)
  - IFA Video Manager (1)
  - IFA media staff (2)
  - Commentary (2)
  - FICS (2)
  - IFA President/Member of Board (1)
- **Costs for boarding for (on a VIP basis):**
  - Referees (up to 6)
  - Lines men (min. 6)
  - IFA Competition Manager (1)
  - IFA Technical Delegate (1)
  - IFA Referee Director (1)
  - IFA Technical Staff (3)
  - IFA Head of Media (1)
  - IFA Video Manager (1)
  - IFA media staff (2)
  - Commentary (2)

- FICS (2)
- IFA President/Member of Board (1)
- Volunteers (not on a VIP basis)

Costs for lodging and boarding have to be covered for a period of twenty-four hours prior to the beginning of the competition until twenty-four hours after the end of the competition (for members originating from another continent, this time frame shall be extended to forty-eight hours prior to the beginning of the competition). Accommodation in a single room. An accompanying person has to pay the difference to the price of a double room.

- **Costs for transfer:**

- Transfer of delegations from/to nearest airport
- Transportation of the delegations from all official accommodations to the stadiums selected for training and matches.
- Transfer of IFA Board of Directors and IFA team

- **Costs for Protocol:**

- Costs for Welcome Dinner for all delegations at the beginning of the event (around 250-300 participants)
- Costs for mementos for all members of the delegations, referees, guests of honour (max. 300 people)

- **Ticketing**

- Accreditations (incl. seating on VIP-Tribune) for all members of the IFA Board of Directors and IFA staff.
- Additional 15 free tickets –
  - 5 VIP-tickets,
  - 10 tickets for reserved seatfor whole duration of tournament.

- **IFA Fee of**

- 3.500,00 € for the IFA Fistball Men´s and Women´s World Tour Final

in two rates: first half of the amount 6 months prior to the event and second half 3 month after the event.

- **Additional requirements:**

- The host has to provide a tent for the FICS post at the event compound (close to the warm-up courts)  
The FICS post can NOT overtake the event First-Aid post!  
It is recommended to use the first-aid post (medical examination room) for players and referees in emergencies also for wounded spectators. It shall be situated in the direct proximity to the dressing rooms and the field of play and easily accessible from the stadium exit. The doors and corridors to this room must have a width allowing access with stretchers and wheelchairs too.
- It's mandatory to provide necessary equipment (e.g. T-Shirts, Shorts, rain jacket etc.) for all volunteers. The host has to buy equipment from the official IFA teamwear partner (2025: Erima). IFA provides special prices for the host.
- Costs for the Anti-Doping testing (Out of-Competition-Testing and In-Competition-Testing)

**IFA meet in general the following cost:**

- Costs for the event related preparing the event of the designated IFA Competition Manager and/or the IFA Technical Delegate of the event (Exception: costs of the pre-event visits)
- Costs for the event related work of the IFA Communication Commission
- Costs for the event related work of the IFA Marketing Department
- Costs for winner trophy "World Cup"
- Costs of all official event medals (gold – silver – bronze)
- Costs for preparing and sending out of all official documents for delegations, referees and IFA officials.
- Costs for IFA Event boxes
- National flags (1,5 x 1m)
- National anthems
- OTT video platform fistball.tv

**The participating teams have to meet the following costs:**

- Costs for travel to the nearest airport
- Costs for lodging for all delegation members
- Costs for boarding (exception: Welcome Dinner) for all delegation members

**Summary:**

ITEM	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	COST HOST	COST IFA	COST TEAMS
Participating teams	16	Traveling Expenses			X
		Accommodation & Full Board			X
		Transfer to/from airport	X		
		Transfer to/from venue	X		
IFA Referee(s)	Up to 6	Traveling Expenses	X		
		Accommodation & Full Board	X		
		Transfer to/from airport	X		
		Transfer to/from venue	X		
IFA fee	3.500,- €	Details to be discussed between host and IFA	X		
IFA Competition Manager	1	Travelling Expenses	X		
		Accommodation & Full Board	X		
		Working		X	
IFA Technical Delegate	1	Travelling Expenses	X		
		Accommodation & Full Board	X		
		Working		X	
IFA Referee Director	1	Travelling Expenses	X		
		Accommodation & Full Board	X		

		Working	X
IFA Technical Staff	3	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
IFA Head of Media	1	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
IFA Video Manager	1	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
IFA Media Team	2	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
Commentary	2	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
FICS	2	Travelling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
		Working	X
IFA President or Member of IFA Board of Directors	1	Traveling Expenses	X
		Accommodation & Full Board	X
Livestream	All days	Minimum 2 cameras (details see stadium regulations)	X
Marketing		Programme brochure	X
Insurance			X
Medical service at venue			X
WiFi at venue		For Media	X
Reception		delegations and all IFA representatives	X
Website/Facebook			X
Medals	72	12 for each teams ranked 1 - 3	X
Balls	6		X

## 12. Ratification

The regulations came into effect on 1 January 2025.