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AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS

In the architecture of the ECF rules, "Regulations" (unlike "Bye Laws" which it is the prerogative of Council to amend) can be made and amended by the Board, with amendments being reported to Council. It is, of course, open to Council as the governing body of the Federation to require Regulations to be amended in a particular way.

Regulation No. 2

The Directors and Officers Responsibilities Regulations have been amended with some regularity, and remain under review. The most recent version of the text, which was published with the election notice can be accessed at:

http://www.englishchess.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/Directors-Responsibilities-from-14-Oct-2016.pdf

This version reflected, inter alia, a number of additional positions (Non-Executive Chairman of the Board, Chairman of Council and Director of Women's Chess) and recommendations of the Independent Governance Review.

Regulation No. 3

Regulation No.3 deals with both Arbiters and Coaches.

Following a period of public consultation, the Board Meeting held on 30th August approved new Arbiter regulations, which came into force on 1st September. The text is provided as part of the AGM paperwork.

A summary of the major differences from the previous version:

- The ECF Arbiter and FIDE Arbiter system are aligned as part of one pathway, rather than having two disparate systems
- An objective assessment form has been created and provided
- The Assessor role has been created to improve uniformity of assessments
- Seminars will be organised centrally by the ECF, rather than the "ad hoc" basis on which they are currently organised