

**CHANGES TO ECF REGULATION NO. 3 – THE ARBITERS AND COACHES
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.

The Arbiters and Coaches Regulations were amended, in respect of the section dealing with Arbiters, by the Board on 19 January 2014. The changes are reflected in the text published on the ECF website at:

<http://www.englishchess.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2010/01/Regulation-No.-3-The-Arbiters-and-Coaches-Regulations1.pdf>

and the broader implications are addressed at:

<http://www.englishchess.org.uk/arbiters/ecf-arbiters/>

The most significant changes that should be noted by Council are as follows.

- (1) There is no longer a requirement for Enhanced CRB/DBS clearance.
- (2) The definition of four distinct levels of arbiter: level 0 (FIDE licensed arbiters who are not already at a higher level), level 1 (Trainee Arbiter), level 2 (Arbiter) and level 3 (Senior Arbiter)
- (3) With effect from 1 September 2014, tournaments yet to be registered without a level 1 Arbiter or above will not be registered with FIDE.