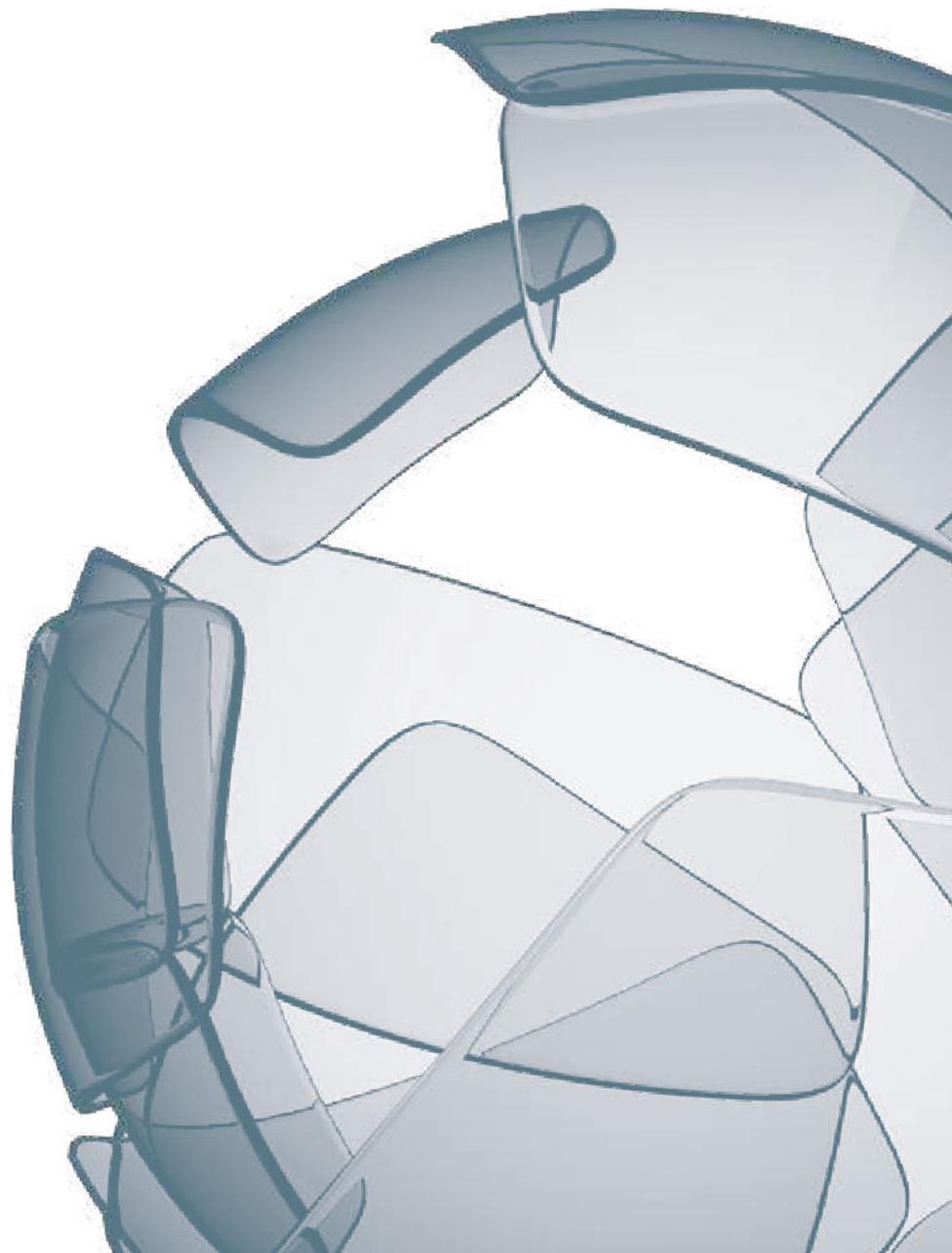


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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING





# The International Football Association Board

Minutes of Annual Meeting  
held at  
the Parkhotel Schönbrunn,  
Vienna, Austria  
on Saturday, 10th June, 1972

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OF THE INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD**

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The following constituted the Board:

**Fédération Internationale de Football Association:**

Sir Stanley Rous, C.B.E., J.P.  
Mr. K. Aston  
Mr. Koe Ewe Teik, P.J.K.  
Mr. R. Masson  
Dr. H. Käser (Secretary)  
Mr. R. Courte (Senior Assistant Secretary)  
Prof. Dr. M. Andrejevic attended as FIFA's invited guest

**The Football Association:**

Sir Andrew Stephen, M.B., C.H.B.  
Mr. L.T. Shipman, M.B.E.  
Mr. A.D. McMullen  
Mr. Denis Follows, C.B.E., B.A. (Secretary)

**The Scottish Football Association:**

Mr. H.S. Nelson, J.P.  
Mr. R.G. Grimshaw  
Mr. J.R. Aitken  
Mr. G.F. Fox  
Mr. W.P. Allan, J.P. (Secretary)

**The Football Association of Wales:**

Mr. T.E. Russell, F.C.C.S.  
Mr. G. Owens  
Mr. T.H. Squire  
Mr. T. Morris (Secretary)

**The Irish Football Association:**

Mr. H.H. Cavan  
Mr. S. Walker  
Mr. W.T. Kennedy  
Mr. W.J. Drennan, J.P. (Secretary)

Sir Stanley Rous, President of the Fédération Internationale de Football Association, presided and Dr. H. Käser acted as Secretary to the meeting.

**Apologies**

An apology for absence was received from Mr. L. Withers, Treasurer of The Football Association of Wales.

**I. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman welcomed the Members to the Board Meeting in Vienna, stating that FIFA had been quite willing to stage the meeting—although it regretted the reason. He said that everyone hoped that The Irish Football Association, struggling gallantly in their adversity, would soon have the situation in their country restored to normality.

In the course of his remarks, the Chairman made special reference to the death of Mr. Herbert Powell, former Secretary and Board Member of the Football Association of Wales, and invited the Board Members to stand and observe a minute's silence to honour his memory.

He also referred to the knighthood which had been conferred by H.M. The Queen on Dr. Andrew Stephen, and offered congratulations.

He further expressed his pleasure that Mr. Denis Follows had regained his normal good health, and finally welcomed Prof. Dr. M. Andrejevic, a former member of the FIFA Board Delegation, who was attending as an observer.

Referring to the Agenda, the Chairman stated that, because of the inclusion of reasons to the proposals and also to the amendments, the Agenda was very comprehensive. He added that there were two sorts of proposals: those concerning the Laws of the Game—the actual conduct and playing of the Game, and the others consisting of alterations to their text. The Chairman said that, in his opinion, the text of the Laws of the Game should not be changed unless their meaning was not clear in all languages. Sometimes changes were proposed to the English text which, if adopted, would not much affect the translations. Therefore the International F.A. Board, which was responsible for the Laws of the Game as published all over the world, must be aware of its responsibilities in that respect.

He concluded by saying that he would suggest that Mr. Allan should find time to re-write all the Laws of the Game in the clear style he used for periodical proposals.

He also referred to the discussions between FIFA and the four British Associations, which had followed a resolution taken by the previous FIFA Congress in Mexico and expressed the hope that the British influence in the world of football would continue.

## II. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in Swansea on 19th June, 1971, were adopted.

### Matters arising

The Chairman suggested that an Editorial Board should be formed to meet before the International Board to study those proposals and amendments which only had a bearing on the text of the Laws.

The formation of an Editorial Board was supported by all present. It was agreed that the following should constitute the Editorial Board: the Secretaries of the five bodies of which the International Board was composed, Mr. Aston, Chairman of the FIFA Referees' Committee, and Mr. McMullen of the Football Association. Sir Stanley Rous would attend if available.

## III. LAWS OF THE GAME AND DECISIONS OF THE BOARD

### Law I—Field of Play

#### (1) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

##### PRESENT DECISION No. 8

In a match played under the Rules of a Competition if the cross-bar becomes displaced or broken play shall be stopped and the match abandoned unless the cross-bar has been repaired and replaced in position or a new one provided without such being a danger to the players. A rope is not considered to be a satisfactory substitute for a cross-bar.

In a Friendly Match, by mutual consent, play may be resumed without the cross-bar provided it has been removed and no longer constitutes a danger to the players. In these circumstances, a rope may be used as a substitute for a cross-bar. If a rope is not used and the ball crosses the goal-line at a point which in the opinion of the Referee is below where the cross-bar should have been he shall award a goal. The game shall be restarted by the Referee dropping the ball at the place where it was when play was stopped.

##### PROPOSED ALTERATION

In a match under the Rules of a Competition if the cross-bar becomes displaced or broken play shall be stopped and the match abandoned unless the cross-bar has been repaired and replaced in position or a new one provided without such being a danger to the players. *The game shall be restarted by the Referee dropping the ball at the place where it was when play was stopped.* A rope is not considered to be a satisfactory substitute for a cross-bar.

In a Friendly Match, by mutual consent, play may be resumed without the cross-bar provided it has been removed and no longer constitutes a danger to the players. In these circumstances, a rope may be used as a substitute for a cross-bar. If a rope is not used and the ball crosses the goal-line at a point which in the opinion of the Referee is below where the cross-bar should have been he shall award a goal.

#### (1a) Amendment submitted by The Scottish Football Association

Delete and substitute:

“8 Play shall be stopped if a crossbar becomes displaced or broken.

In a match played under the rules of a competition, play may be resumed if the crossbar has been repaired and replaced in position, or if a new one has been provided and there is no longer any danger to the players. Otherwise it shall be abandoned. A rope may not be used as a substitute for a crossbar, in a match of this kind.

In any other match, by mutual consent, play may be resumed without the crossbar, provided it has been removed and no longer constitutes a danger to the players. By mutual consent also, in these circumstances, a rope may be used as a substitute for a crossbar, in this type of match. If play is resumed and a rope is not used and the ball crosses the goal line at a point which, in the opinion of the referee is below where the crossbar should have been, he shall award a goal.

The method of re-starting play after a match of any kind has been stopped by reason of a crossbar becoming displaced or broken, shall be by the referee dropping the ball at the place where it was when play was stopped.”

The proposal and amendment were referred to the Editorial Board.

### Law II—The Ball

#### (2) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

##### PRESENT LAW

The ball shall be spherical; the outer casing shall be of leather or other approved materials. No material shall be used in its construction which might prove dangerous to the players.

The circumference of the ball shall not be more than 28 in. and not less than 27 in. The weight of the ball at the start of the game shall not be more than 16 oz. nor less than 14 oz. The pressure shall be equal to atmospheric pressure (i.e. 15 lb. per sq.in. = 1 kg/cm<sup>2</sup> at sea level). The ball shall not be changed during the game unless authorised by the Referee.

##### PROPOSED ALTERATION

To amend the second last sentence as follows:

“... The pressure shall be equal to *one atmosphere, which equals 15 lb./sq.in. (= 1 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>) at sea level.* The ball shall...”

The proposal was adopted.

**Law III—Number of Players****(3) Proposal by The Football Association**

## PRESENT LAW—Para. 2

Substitutes, up to a maximum of two per team, are permitted in a friendly match and also, provided that the authority of the International Association(s) or National Association(s) concerned has been obtained in a match played under the rules of a competition. The Referee shall be informed of the names of substitutes (if any) before the start of the match.

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

By mutual agreement of the Clubs concerned substitutes may be permitted in a friendly match. In a match played under the rules of a Competition each team shall be permitted a maximum of two substitutes, provided that the authority of the International Association(s) or National Association(s) concerned has been obtained, and also provided that the Rules of the Competition do not prohibit their use. A Competition may require that the Referee shall be informed, before the start of a match, of the names of not more than five players from whom the substitutes (if any) must be chosen.  
International Board Decision 3—Delete.

**(3a) Amendment submitted by The Scottish Football Association**

Paragraph 2—delete and substitute—

- “2 Substitutes may be used in any match played under the rules of a competition, subject to the following conditions—
- (a) that the authority of the international association(s) or national association(s) concerned, has been obtained,
  - (b) that, subject to the restriction contained in the following paragraph (c) the rules of a competition shall state how many, if any, substitutes may be used, and
  - (c) that a team shall not be permitted to use more than two substitutes in any match.
- 3 Substitutes may be used in any other match, provided that the two teams concerned reach agreement on a maximum number, not exceeding five, which shall be common to both, and that the terms of such agreement are intimated to the referee, before the match. If the referee is not informed, or if the teams fail to reach agreement, substitutes shall not be permitted.”

Paragraph 3 of The Scottish F.A. amendments was altered to read as follows:

- “3 Substitutes may be used in any other match, provided that the two teams concerned reach agreement on a maximum number, not exceeding five, and that the terms of such agreement are intimated to the referee, before the match. If the referee is not informed, or if the teams fail to reach agreement, no more than two substitutes shall be permitted.”

The re-worded amendment was adopted and the existing International Board Decision 3 was deleted and replaced by the following text:

“A competition may require that the referee shall be informed, before the start of the match, of the names of not more than five players, from whom the substitutes (if any) must be chosen.”

**(4) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association**

## PRESENT LAW III—Para. 3

Any of the other players may change places with, and any named substitute may replace, the goalkeeper, provided that the Referee is informed of the change or of the replacement, before it is made.

*Punishment*

If, without the Referee being informed, a player changes places with, or a named substitute replaces, the goalkeeper, during the game, at the half-time interval, or at any interval in a game in which extra time is played, and subsequently handles the ball within the penalty-area, the Referee shall award a penalty-kick.

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

*Any of the other players may change places with, and any named substitute who has entered the field with the Referee's permission, may replace the goalkeeper. Such a change may only be made during a stoppage of the game.*

To delete the Punishment.

If agreed, to delete in the Question and Answer section of the Universal Guide.

Law III: Q. and A. No. 3

Law XIV: Q. and A. No. 2

**(4a) Amendment submitted by The Scottish Football Association**

Paragraph 3—delete and substitute—

- “4 Any of the other players may change places with the goalkeeper, provided that the referee is informed before the change is made, and provided also, that the change is made during a stoppage in the game.”

Add the following new paragraph—

- “5 When a goalkeeper or any other player is to be replaced by a substitute, the following conditions shall be observed:
- (a) the referee shall be informed of the proposed substitution, before it is made,
  - (b) the substitute shall await a signal from the referee before entering the field of play,
  - (c) he shall enter the field during a stoppage in the game, and at the half-way line, and
  - (d) play shall not be re-started until the player who has been replaced has left the field.”

Punishment—delete and substitute—

“Punishment—Any player who infringes this Law shall be cautioned.”

Decision No. 3—delete and substitute—

“6 A reserve is one who may be called upon to act as a substitute.

A substitute is a reserve who is used to replace a goalkeeper or any other player, and who, when he does so, himself becomes a player.”

The FIFA Proposal was withdrawn in favour of The Scottish F.A. amendment, of which the new paragraphs 4, 5 and the “punishment” section were adopted.

The amendment concerning Decision No. 3 was not adopted.

#### (5) Proposal by The Football Association of Wales

PRESENT DECISIONS Nos. 1 and 2

(1) The minimum number of players in a team is left to the discretion of National Associations.

(2) The Board is of the opinion that a match should not be considered valid if there are fewer than seven players in either of the teams.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Delete (2) and substitute:

A match which has been started shall not be abandoned in the event of either team, or both teams, being numerically reduced.

Any team leaving the field of play before the expiration of the game, without just and sufficient cause, shall be adjudged by the appropriate authority to have lost the match.

The proposal was referred to the Editorial Board.

#### (6) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

PRESENT DECISION 6

The Referee must be informed if a player is to be substituted. A substitute may only be permitted to enter the field of play during a stoppage in the game and after he has received a signal from the Referee authorising him to do so.

PROPOSED ALTERATION

The Referee must be informed if a player is to be substituted. A substitute may only be permitted to enter the field of play during a stoppage in the game and after he has received a signal from the Referee authorising him to do so. *This signal shall not be given until the player to be substituted has left the field. A substitute shall enter the field of play at the half-way line.*

The proposal was accepted in the light of the previous decision under item (4).

#### (7) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

PRESENT DECISION 7

A substitute shall be deemed to be a player and shall be subject to the authority and jurisdiction of the Referee whether called upon to play or not.

PROPOSED ALTERATION

A substitute shall be deemed to be a player and shall be subject to the authority and jurisdiction of the Referee whether called upon to play or not. *For any offence committed on the field of play a substitute shall be subject to the same punishment as any other player whether called upon or not.*

The proposal was adopted.

### Law IV—Players' Equipment

#### (8) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

PRESENT “N.B.”/DECISION 1

(N.B. The usual equipment of a player consists of a jersey or shirt, shorts, stockings and boots. A goalkeeper shall wear colours which distinguish him from the other players.)

DECISION 1

In International Matches the jerseys of the goalkeepers shall be distinct from the colours of the other players taking part in the game.

PROPOSED ALTERATION

*Delete* (N.B. The usual equipment of a player consists of a jersey or shirt, shorts, stockings and boots. A goalkeeper shall wear colours which distinguish him from the other players.)

*Add new. para. (d): A goalkeeper shall wear colours which distinguish him from the other players.*

*Delete* Decision 1. *Insert: The usual equipment of a player consists of a jersey, shirt, shorts, stockings and boots.*

#### (8a) Amendment submitted by The Scottish Football Association

Decision 1—delete and substitute—

“1 The usual equipment of a player is jersey, or shirt, shorts, stockings and boots. In a match played under the rules of a competition, player need not wear boots, but he shall wear jersey or shirt, shorts and stockings.”

Decision 2—delete the words “The Law does not insist that football boots must be worn, but”.

The proposal and amendment were referred to the Editorial Board, it being suggested that the following textual changes be examined:

To add to the proposed new para. (d), after the words “from the other players” “*and from the referee*”. It was further suggested that the word “boots” be replaced by the word “*footwear*”.

#### Law V—Referees

##### (9) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

###### PRESENT LAW

(e) Have discretionary power, from the time he enters the field of play, to caution any player guilty of misconduct or ungentlemanly behaviour and, if he persists, to suspend him from further participation in the game. In such cases the Referee shall send the name of the offender to the competent authority, within the stipulated time, and in accordance with the provisions set up by the National Association under whose jurisdiction the match was played. Reports will be deemed to be made when received in the ordinary course of post.

(h) Have discretionary power to suspend from further participation in the game, without previous caution, a player guilty of violent conduct.

###### PROPOSED ALTERATION

Delete the words “Have discretionary power . . . to” . . .

Delete and substitute:

“Send off the field of play, any player who, in his opinion, is guilty of violent conduct, serious foul play, or the use of foul and abusive language.”

The proposal was adopted.

##### (10) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

###### PRESENT DECISION 12

The referee must not allow trainers or any other persons to enter the field of play while the game is in progress unless they receive a signal from him to do so. He must also prevent coaching by trainers and club officials from the boundary lines.

###### PROPOSED ALTERATION

Delete and substitute:

“The referee shall not allow any person to enter the field until play has stopped, and only then, if he has given him a signal to do so, nor shall he allow coaching from the boundary lines.”

The proposal was adopted.

#### Law XII—Fouls and Misconduct

##### (11) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

###### PRESENT LAW

(k) he persistently infringes the Laws of the Game;

(l) he shows by word or action, dissent from any decision given by the Referee;

(m) he is guilty of ungentlemanly conduct.

For any of these last three offences, in addition to the caution, an indirect free-kick shall also be awarded to the opposing side from the place where the offence occurred.

###### PROPOSED ALTERATION

(k) he persistently infringes the Laws of the Game;

(l) he shows by word or action, dissent from any decision given by the Referee;

(m) he is guilty of ungentlemanly conduct.

For any of these last three offences, in addition to the caution, an indirect free-kick shall also be awarded to the opposing side from the place where the offence occurred, *unless a more serious infringement of the Laws of the Game was committed.*

The proposal was adopted. (Scotland voted against.)

##### (12) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

###### PRESENT LAW

A player shall be cautioned if:

(j) . . .

(k) . . .

(l) . . .

(m) . . .

For any of these three last offences, in addition to the caution, an indirect free-kick shall also be awarded to the opposing side from the place where the offence occurred.

###### PROPOSED ALTERATION

A player shall be cautioned if:

(j) . . .

(k) . . .

(l) . . .

(m) . . .

Delete and substitute:

“In addition to administering the caution, the referee shall, if he is dealing with the player under section (k) and if the offence which was the direct cause of the caution, of itself, justified the award of a direct free-kick, award such a kick. For other offences under section (k) and for offences under sections (l) and (m) the referee shall award an indirect free-kick. The free-kick, whether direct or indirect, shall be taken by a player of the opposing team, from the place where the offence occurred.”

A player shall be sent off the field of play if:

- (n) ...
- (o) ...
- (p) ...

If play be stopped by reason of a player being ordered from the field for an offence without a separate breach of the Law having been committed, the game shall be resumed by an indirect free-kick awarded to the opposing side from the place where the infringement occurred.

A player shall be sent off the field of play if:

- (n) ...
- (o) ...
- (p) ...

Delete and substitute:

“If play be stopped by reason of a player being sent off for an offence under this Law, committed within the field of play, the referee shall, if he is dealing with the player under section (n) or if he is dealing with him under section (p) and the offence which was the direct cause of the player's being ordered off, of itself, justified a direct free-kick, award such a kick. For other offences under section (p) and for offences under section (o) the referee shall award an indirect free-kick. The free-kick, whether direct or indirect, shall be taken by a player of the opposing team from the place where the offence occurred.

If play be stopped by reason of an offence committed outwith the field of play the game shall be resumed by the referee dropping the ball, in conformity with Law VIII, at the place where it was when play was stopped. The referee shall deal with the player as if the offence had been committed within the field of play.”

The proposal was not adopted (one in favour, seven against).

### (13) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

#### PRESENT DECISION 8

If a player intentionally stretches his arms to obstruct an opponent and steps from one side to the other, moving his arms up and down to delay his opponent, forcing him to change course, but does not make “bodily contact” the Referee shall caution the player for ungentlemanly conduct and award an indirect free-kick.

This applies also to players who attempt to prevent the goalkeeper from putting the ball into play in accordance with Law XII, 5 (a).

#### PROPOSED ALTERATION

If a player intentionally stretches his arms to obstruct an opponent and steps from one side to the other, moving his arms up and down to delay his opponent, forcing him to change course, but does not make “bodily contact” the Referee shall caution the player for ungentlemanly conduct and award an indirect free-kick.

*If a player attempts to prevent the opposing goalkeeper from putting the ball into play in accordance with Law XII,5 (a) the referee shall award an indirect free-kick from the place where the infringement occurred.*

The proposal was not adopted.

### Law XVII—Corner Kick

#### (14) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

Insert the following decision No. 1

“(1) It shall be considered an infringement of this Law, if, when it is kicked, the whole of the ball is not within the quarter circle.”

The proposal was not adopted, but it was agreed that the text of the punishment clause should be re-examined by the Editorial Board. The International Board further asked The Scottish F.A. to instruct their referees that the kick be retaken if the whole of the ball was not placed within the quarter circle.

### Women's Football

#### (15) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

##### PRESENT TEXT OF THE “NOTES” (UNIVERSAL GUIDE page 2)

Provided the principles of these Laws be maintained they may be modified in their application to players of school age as follows:

- (a) size of playing pitch;
- (b) size, weight and material of ball;
- (c) width between goal-posts and height of the cross-bar from the ground;
- (d) the duration of the periods of play.

##### PROPOSED ALTERATION

Provided the principles of these Laws be maintained they may be modified in their application.

1. To players of school age as follows:

- (a) size of playing pitch;
- (b) size, weight and material of ball;
- (c) width between the goal-posts and height of the cross-bar from the ground;
- (d) the duration of the periods of play.

2. For matches played by women:

- (a) size, weight and material of ball;
- (b) duration of the periods of play;
- (c) further modifications are only permissible with FIFA's consent.

**Law XII**

(i) handles the ball, i.e. carries, strikes, or propels the ball with his hand or arm. (This does not apply to the goalkeeper within his own penalty-area);

(m) he is guilty of ungentlemanly behaviour.

(i) handles the ball, i.e. carries, strikes, or propels the ball with his hand or arm. (This does not apply to the goalkeeper within his own penalty-area, nor *in the case of a woman player would it apply to a necessary protective fending-off of the ball for the purpose of avoiding hurt or injury, so long as the action was deemed both necessary and protective.*)

(m) to add the words in italics: he (*she*) is guilty of ungentlemanly (*unladylike*) behaviour.

The proposal concerning Law XII paras. (i) and (m) was withdrawn.

The proposed text of the notes was changed in para. 2 (c) as follows:

“(c) Further modifications are only permissible with the consent of the International Football Association Board.” and was then adopted.

**IV. SUGGESTIONS AND QUESTIONS  
SUBMITTED UNDER RULE 2 OF THE BOARD RULES**

**A. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

(Universal Guide for Referees)

**Law III****(16) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association**

## PRESENT QUESTION AND ANSWER

3.Q. If a captain of a team fails to notify the Referee when he has changed his goalkeeper, is it sufficient notice if the Secretary who is acting as Linesman informs him?

A. *Yes.*

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

If proposal No. 4 re Law III, para. 3 is agreed: to *delete* Q. and A. No. 3.

The proposal was referred to the Editorial Board.

**Law V****(17) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association**

## PRESENT QUESTION AND ANSWER

2.Q. A Linesman signals that the ball has passed over the touch-line, but before the Referee has given the ball out of play, a defending player inside the penalty-area strikes an attacking player. What action should the Referee take?

A. *After having taken the appropriate action in relation to the offence the Referee should re-start the game with a throw-in because the ball was out of play when the offence occurred.*

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

2.A. Delete the words “After having taken the appropriate action in relation to the offence” and substitute “After having sent off the defending player”.

The proposal was not adopted.

**Law VIII****(18) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association**

## PRESENT QUESTION AND ANSWER

3.Q. If the ball is kicked straight into the opponents' goal from the kick-off, what decision does the Referee give?

A. *No goal; a goal-kick to the opposing team.*

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

3.A. Delete the words “no goal”.

The proposal was adopted.

**Law XIV****(19) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association**

## PRESENT QUESTION AND ANSWER

2.Q. If a goalkeeper, who has changed places with one of his colleagues without notifying the Referee, handles the ball inside the penalty-area, what action should the Referee take?

## PROPOSED ALTERATION

If proposed No. 4 re Law III, para. 3 is agreed: to *delete* Q. and A. No. 2.

- A. *The Referee should award a penalty-kick (a goalkeeper who changes places with a colleague without the Referee being informed, nevertheless forfeits the privileges of goalkeeper and is no longer entitled to handle the ball).*

The proposal was referred to the Editorial Board.

#### B. EXPERIMENTAL MATCHES

##### (20) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

To examine Scotland's proposal to be granted permission to authorise the Scottish Football League to carry out an experiment in the offside law in matches of a sponsored competition to be staged at the beginning of Season 1972/73 as follows: The 18 yards line at each end would be extended across the field of play, from touch line to touch line. Offside would only apply in the area at each end of the field, between the extended line and the goal line.

To decide the action to be taken.

Permission was granted.

##### (21) Proposal by The Football Association

21.1 To examine The Football Association's proposal to be granted permission to authorise the Football League to carry out a "no-offside" experiment in the Anglo-Italian Competition which is to be played at the end of the current season. To confirm the special dispensation given as the matches in the tournament were due to be played before the meeting of the International Board.

21.2 To examine The Football Association's proposal to be granted permission to authorise the Metropolitan (London) Football League to play this League's matches for the whole or part of Season 1972/73 with the following amendment to Law XI: Delete paragraph (A) and insert "He is outside his opponents' penalty area".

21.3 The Irish Football Association's request to be granted permission to authorise the non-application of the Offside Law except in the Penalty Area in their pre-season competition lasting for ten days.

Permission was granted in all three cases.

21.4 The request of the USSFA to be granted permission to carry out experiments during the 1973 season of the North American Soccer League (professional league).

It was agreed that the USSFA be asked what kind of experiments were envisaged, and, if they referred to the Offside Law, then permission would be granted.

#### C. QUERY RE THE TAKING OF PENALTY-KICKS

##### (22) Proposal by The Scottish Football Association

###### PRESENT TEXT

Conditions under which penalty-kicks shall be taken to determine which of the two teams in a drawn match, in a knock-out competition, shall be declared the winner.

1. ...
2. Each team shall take five penalty-kicks. The kicks shall be taken alternately.
3. ...
4. ...
5. ...
6. If, after each team has taken five kicks, each has scored the same number of goals or neither has scored, the taking of penalty-kicks shall continue, in the same order, until such time as each has taken the same number of kicks and one team has scored a goal more than the other.
7. ...
8. ...
9. ...
10. ...

###### QUERY:

If, after each team has taken *three* penalty-kicks, one team has scored *three* goals, and the other, none, is it necessary to continue until each team has taken five kicks?

##### (22a) Amendment by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association

To add before 6:

*"The kicks shall not continue after one team has scored a total of goals which establishes them as winners." If...*

The amendment was adopted.

**(23) Proposal by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association**

1. ...
2. ...
3. ...
4. ...
5. ...
6. ...
7. ...
8. ...
9. ...

10. Unless stated to the contrary herein, the conditions of Law XIV will apply, in the taking of these kicks.

To add after "these kicks": "*The F.A. Board Decisions 7, 8 and 9 shall be interpreted by analogy.*"

The proposal was adopted .

**V. INTERNATIONAL F.A. BOARD MEETING 1973**

The request of the Irish Football Association to be allowed to defer their right to organise the Board Meeting until after 1973 was granted and it was decided that the 1973 International F.A. Board Meeting would be organised by The Football Association in England during the weekend of 22nd/23rd/24th June.

**VI. MISCELLANEOUS**

- (a) A query from The Football Association of Wales as to what should be done if the light failed before the end of the taking of penalty-kicks to determine which of the two teams in a drawn match, in a knock-out competition, should be declared the winner, was discussed.  
It was decided that the organising Association should make appropriate provisions in the competition rules.
- (b) A question was raised by Mr. Aston as to whether any changes had been decided which would necessitate the sending of further explanations and interpretation to the National Associations, together with the text of the changes.  
It was agreed that no explanations concerning the changes which had been made were necessary.
- (c) "Cobbler" footballs  
A report on the testing of this ball was received, and the material called "Porvair" was approved.
- (d) A report concerning the football "Liga" was received, and the "Duertlex" spray was approved.
- (e) The Swivel Football Shoe "Tufspin" was examined, and it was agreed that it conformed with the provisions of the Laws.
- (f) A shoe submitted by Adidas, showing the following particulars was examined:  
A plastic or rubber stud which, instead of being screwed into the shoe, was fitted over a spike which itself was screwed into a metal seating.  
It was agreed that the system was not acceptable, as the attachment screw was not part of the "stud".

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the meeting, after which he invited the four British Associations to discuss the problems which had arisen subsequent to the meeting with the FIFA Finance Committee in Zurich on 6th November, 1971, and the Finance and Executive Committee in Beirut on 4th resp. 5th February, 1972.

Fédération Internationale de Football Association

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD

MEETING AT VIENNA, 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 1922

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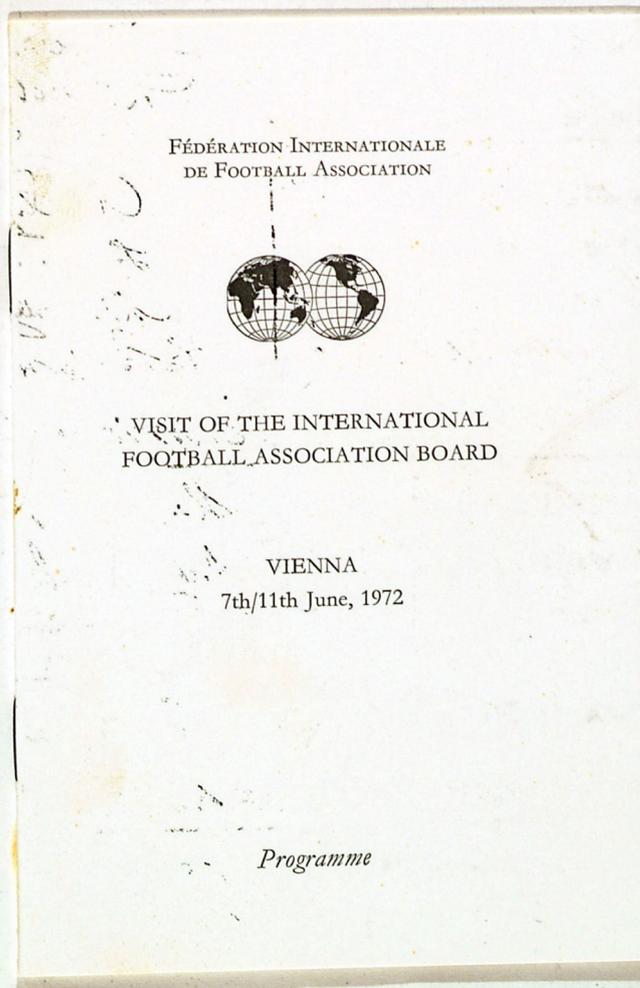
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