Annex 4 The referee

The annexes written in English are juridical superior to other translations.
Each federation should make a copy available to its members, either systematically or on demand, in its own language and up dated.

1. The referee

1.1 The referee may operate alone, or with assistants. In the latter case, the referee is called the Main Referee and his assistants are called Assistant Referees.
1.2 The function of the referee (either alone or as main referee) is to run the competition.
1.3 The function of assistant referees is to assist the Main Referee. They are responsible to him.
1.4 The duty of the referee is to ensure that everyone conforms to the rules and regulations. This includes spectators as well as players.
1.5 The role of the referee is not limited to the competition itself, but also before and after the competition, and not only during the games, but also before and after the games.
1.6 The referee has the right to intervene in any dispute, even in the absence of voiced complaints. However, this right to intervene does not imply the authority to decide on the two cases implied in article 5.4 of Annex I and in article 6.8 of Annex III.

2. The role of the referee

The role of the referee is implementation of the rules and regulations as laid down in the annexes of the FMJD. The list below is for purposes of precise implementation.

The referee must:
2.1 Be in possession, through the organizer, of the Specific Regulations for the competition in good time before the opening of the competition.
2.2 Delete any part of these Specific Regulations that changes or contradicts the general FMJD rules and regulations.
2.3 Have the official list of players, title holders and reserves, signed by the organizer, at the latest half an hour before the opening exercises of the tournament or the drawing of lots.
2.4 Have at his disposal a board for posting his official communications.
2.5 Ensure that the Specific Regulations are permanently on display.
2.6 Ensure that the final list of prizes is displayed at the latest on the day when the last round of the first half of the competition is played.
2.7 Make sure that this list is clear and correct.
2.8 Wear a visible sign of his function. (e.g. a badge.)
2.9 Always have an assistant at hand who is authorized to take decisions.
2.10 Direct the placing of the players in the next round.
2.11 Start the clocks, or give the order to do so.
2.12 Be the only one who may stop a clock or may give the order to do so. Exception in case of an irregular move, Annex 3, article 2.5a
2.12a Decide what to do when a player calls for his assistance in case of an irregular move.
2.13 Periodically supervise the correct functioning of the clocks during the games.
2.14 Check that players are recording the games.
2.15 Take it upon himself to record the moves played, when players are in time shortage and may have ceased recording.

2.16 Exert himself to settle any conflict between players.
2.17a Indicate the loss of a game for any player who fails the make the necessary number of moves in the allotted time.
2.17b decide on the draw result of a game when he concludes that the game is drawn according to the regulations of the game, Annex 1, articles 6.1 to 6.4. This may be after a claim of a player or at the initiative of the referee**.** When the referee remarks that there is a regulatory draw situation it is his duty to end the game.
2.18 Decide on the loss of the game for any player who arrives at his board more than one hour late.
2.19 Interpret any sentence in the regulations the interpretation of which is contested.
2.20 Decide on any issue not covered by the regulations.
2.21 Collect the top copies of the recording forms.
2.22 Ensure that the table of results is kept up to date.
2.23 Assume responsibility for the pairings, either by computer or by hand.
2.24 Supervise the announcement of the pairings.
2.25 Direct the adjournment procedures.
2.26 Be the one who presents the final results of the competition in the final ceremony, after consultation with the organizer.
2.27 Draw up a report on the organization and results of the competition, using the procedures and forms in annex IX as models.
2.28 Describe, if needed on a separate piece of paper, the anomalies, incidents, claims for extra penalties, and draw up proposals to improve the situation in the future.
2.29 Keep himself informed on the follow-up of these claims and proposals.

3. **Appointment of the referee**

For all official FMJD competitions and record attempts:
3.1 The Main Referee is appointed by the FMJD Executive Board, in consultation if possible with the organizing federation. If proposed by the latter he must hold the title of International Referee.
3.2 The FMJD Executive Board can delegate this right to the Tournament Director.
3.3 Each Assistant Referee is appointed by the organizing federation unless the FMJD decides otherwise.
3.4 The FMJD considers it advisable that referees operate out of their own country and encourages national federations to establish contacts with other federations for this purpose.

4. **Promotion of referees**

4.1 Referee titles
There are three kinds of referees recognized by the FMJD.
4.1.1 **Technical FMJD-referee**
A referee who may act as assistant in a FMJD-tournament without the right to take decisions.
4.1.2 **FMJD referee**
A referee who may be main referee at an international tournament or assistant referee at an official FMJD tournament.
4.1.3 **International referee**
A referee who should be able to lead an official FMJD tournament.

4.2 For promotion to the rank of International Referee the following conditions have to be met

by the candidate:
4.2.1*Technical FMJD referee* - a thorough knowledge of the FMJD regulations.
4.2.2 *FMJD referee*
4.2.2.1 A thorough knowledge of the FMJD regulations.
4.2.2.2 Fluency in at least one official FMJD language.
4.2.2.3 Proved active as national referee and as assistant or main referee in an international tournament.

4.2.3 *International referee*
4.2.3.1 A thorough knowledge of the FMJD regulations.
4.2.3.2 Being able to speak at least two official FMJD languages.
4.2.3.3 Proved active minimum 3 times as an FMJD referee in international tournaments with positive reports of the main referee with the International Referee title.

4.3 *The promotion procedure is as follows:*
4.3.1 A proposal for promotion is addressed to the Technical Committee of the FMJD, or to the Executive Board of the FMJD.
The proposal can be done by:
4.3.1.1 the national federation of the candidate,
4.3.1.2 A confederations
4.3.1.3 The Technical Committee of the FMJD
Remark: When a confederation or the Technical Committee propose a new nomination, then the opinion of the national federation should also be asked.
4.3.2 Scrutiny of the proposal by the technical commission of the FMJD.
4.3.3 Report of that committee to the Executive Board of the FMJD.
4.3.4 Decision by the Executive Board.
4.3.5 Ratification by the General Assembly of the FMJD.
4.3.6 Presentation of a diploma to the candidate.
4.3.7 The 'International referee' will receive a referee badge from the FMJD.

Each International referee must be provided with an up to date copy of the Bye Laws of the FMJD with annexes by his national federation, and if necessary translated by the latter. The international referees are ranked according to seniority, experience, performance etc.

5. **Independence of the referee**

5.1 The referee must be completely impartial at all times.
The functions of organizer and referee are complementary.
5.2 The main referee should consult with the organizing committee if he has to object any measure that goes against the general regulations. He must not be a formal member of that committee.
5.3 The authority of the referee is guaranteed by the FMJD, who will penalize any attitude that may diminish the authority of the referee.
5.4 The referee must command respect, if necessary by applying penalties as laid down in the rules.
5.5 The costs of the referee must be paid. He should be paid according to the terms laid down by the FMJD. (The availability and use of information technology by the referee has to be implemented under conditions to be discussed between him and the organizer).