

To the people responsible for refereeing and/or futsal competitions at the member associations

By email

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## **Futsal Laws of the Game: extension of temporary amendment to Law 3 – The Players**

Dear Sir or Madam,

As outlined in the document dated 16 June 2020, the main reason for the introduction of the temporary amendment to Law 3 – The Players was the impact of COVID-19 on futsal, where the action of handing the bib to the player being replaced or the third referee could be a risk in the current circumstances. FIFA's ongoing review, which has included stakeholder feedback and an analysis of the impact of the global pandemic on competition calendars, has shown that the reasons for the temporary amendment remain valid and, as a result, FIFA has extended this temporary amendment to domestic and international club competitions as well as national-team competitions scheduled to be completed by 31 December 2021.

The current amended text in the Futsal Laws of the Game 2020/21 states:

*"The substitution is completed when a substitute fully enters the pitch via his/her own team's substitution zone."*

We kindly ask that this information be shared with the futsal competition organisers operating within your member association. We remain at your disposal should you have any questions on this matter.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours faithfully,

FIFA



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Chairman of the FIFA Referees Committee