

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 26 February 2021, last year, FIFA extended the temporary amendment to Law 3 – The Players until 31 December 2021. The main reason for the introduction of this temporary amendment was the impact of COVID-19 on futsal, whereby the action of handing the bib to the player being replaced or the third referee could be a risk in the circumstances. FIFA's ongoing review, which has included stakeholder feedback, has shown that the rationale behind the temporary amendment remains valid and, as a result, FIFA has now further extended this temporary amendment for domestic and international club competitions, as well as national-team competitions, scheduled to be completed by 31 December 2022.

The temporarily amended text reads as follows:

"The substitution is completed when a substitute fully enters the pitch via their 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



Pierluigi Collina
Chairman of the FIFA Referees Committee