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NOTE ON FORMATION OF THE BODIES AS PER THE AIFF CONSTITUTION, 2025

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<https://www.the-aiff.com/media/uploads/2025/12/AIFF-Constitution.pdf>

A. AIFF NATIONAL REFEREES' ASSOCIATION (NRA)

The NRA is an independent body represented by football Referees. However, it is not a separate legal entity and therefore has no authority to act on behalf of AIFF or to represent it towards any third parties. The NRA has no authority to legally bind or commit AIFF in any way. (*Sch IV, Article 1.3*)

I. Eligibility (*Sch IV, Article 2.1*)

Referees must be minimum **18 years** of age and should be a registered Referee recognised by the AIFF/FIFA.

II. Composition

i. Office Bearers- (*Sch IV, Article 2.2*)

- (a) Chairperson;
- (b) Treasurer;
- (c) Secretary

ii. To be eligible to be an office-bearer at the NRA, a candidate must: (*Sch IV, Article 2.3*)

- (a) Be at least 18 years of age at the time of election;
- (b) Be a citizen of India;
- (c) Be at least registered to Level-5 qualification (FIFA/AIFF);
- (d) Never have been sanctioned for a breach (except for minor breaches and / or breaches not related to sports administration or a breach occurring with no fault or with a very light negligence) of the AIFF Constitution and its bye-laws, rules and Regulations.

iii. A minimum of 1 (one) office bearer in the NRA Board shall be a **woman**. (*Sch IV, Article 2.4*)



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- iv. The **elections for the office bearers** of the NRA board shall be conducted by the **AIFF Election Committee**. (*Sch IV, Article 2.5*)

III. Term

- i. The length of the term of office bearers of the NRA board is 4 (four) years and a person shall not be eligible to hold office for more than 2 (two) terms. (*Sch IV, Article 3*)

IV. Election Procedure for Referee Representative (*Sch IV, Article 7*)

- i. The NRA is responsible for electing 2 (two) Referees (as defined in the AIFF Constitution) 1 male and 1 female, who shall be voting members of the General Body of AIFF.
- ii. The elected referees must be holding at least over Level-5 recognition as a referee from AIFF.
- iii. A public notice shall be issued at least 30 (thirty) days prior to the AIFF General Body meeting where elections are to be conducted, calling for nominations from 'Referee Representative' so that elections for the posts of Referees at the AIFF General Body can be conducted.

V. Relevant Forms

- i. FORM 1: APPLICATION FOR THE REFEREE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NRA
(Pg 139 of the AIFF Constitution)
- ii. FORM 2: NOMINATION FORM BY THE REFEREE TO BE AN OFFICE BEARER IN THE NRA
(Pg 140-141 of the AIFF Constitution)
- iii. FORM 3: NOMINATION BY THE REFEREE TO BE ELECTED AS A REFEREE REPRESENTATIVE
(Pg 142-143 of the AIFF Constitution)

All the forms have been attached below for your reference.

Relevant Definition-

1.47 "Referee" shall mean a person who has the full authority to enforce the Laws of the Game in connection with any Football match he or she has been appointed to officiate in.

Note: All applicants are required to submit the duly completed forms, in the prescribed formats mentioned above, to the National Referee Association at nra@the-aiff.com. The completed forms must be submitted no later than 11th January 2026.

FORM 1: APPLICATION FOR THE REFEREE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NRA

I, Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, s/o, m/o, d/o
_____ being the R/o
_____ want to be a member of the National Referees' Association.

I affirm that:

1. I am a citizen of _____;
2. I have completed the age of ____years;
3. I have paid the requisite membership fee for the National Referees' Association, which is Rs. _____;
4. I am a Level ____Referee recognised by AIFF/AFC/FIFA;
5. I have annexed my Government Identification bearing identification number _____;
6. I have annexed the details of my refereeing qualifications (attach details);
7. I have annexed my statement on reasons to be a member of the National Referees Association;
8. My contact number is _____ and email id is _____;
9. I have gone through the eligibility criteria for the NRA and that I satisfy each condition;
10. I have never been sanctioned for a breach of the AIFF Constitution and its bye-laws, rules and Regulations; and
11. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for the membership of the National Referees' Association.

Date:

Place:

Signature of Candidate

FORM 2: NOMINATION FORM BY THE REFEREE TO BE AN OFFICE BEARER IN THE
NRA

PART - I

*Recent stamp size (2cm
X 2.5cm) photograph in
white/off white
background with full
face view.*

I Nominate Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, _____ s/o,
m/o _____ being _____ the
R/o _____ for the Post of
_____ in the Board of the National Referees' Association.

My name is _____ and is entered at Sl. No. _____ in the Referees'
Register.

	Name and Address of Proposer/Seconder	S. No. in Electoral College List of proposer/seconder	Signature of Proposer/ Seconder
Proposer			
Seconder			

PART - II

I, the candidate mentioned in Part I of this Form, assent to this nomination and hereby declare that:

1. I am a citizen of India;
2. I am less than 70 (seventy) years of age on the date of submitting this application and I have completed the age of ____years;
3. My name and my father's/mother's/husband's name have been correctly spelt out above in_____ (name of the language);
4. I have never been convicted by a court of law;
5. I do not have charges framed against me by any court of law in India (if applicable, provide details);
6. I have a Level 5 or higher qualification as a Referee issued by AIFF/AFC/FIFA;
7. I have never been sanctioned for a breach of the AIFF Constitution and its bye-laws, rules and Regulations; and
8. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for being chosen as _____in the Board of National Referees Association.

Date:

Place:

Signature of Candidate

FORM 3: NOMINATION BY THE REFEREE TO BE ELECTED AS AN REFEREE

REPRESENTATIVE

PART - I

*Recent stamp size (2cm
X 2.5cm) photograph in
white/off white
background with full
face view.*

I Nominate Mr./Ms. _____ f/o, s/o, m/o _____
being the R/o _____
for the seat of a Referee representative in the General Body of the All India Football Federation.

My name is _____ and it is entered at Sl. No. _____ in the Players'
roll/register.

Date:

Place:

Signature

PART - II

I, the candidate mentioned in Part I of this Form assent to my candidature for the election of Referees' representative and hereby declare that:

1. I am a citizen of India;
2. I am less than 70 (seventy) years of age on the date of submitting this application and I have completed the age of ____ years;

3. My name and my father's/mother's/husband's name have been correctly spelt out above in _____(name of language);
4. I am a registered Referee recognised by AIFF/AFC/FIFA;
5. I hold a recognition as over Level – 5 as a referee from the AIFF (attach sheet to specify);
6. I have never been convicted by a court of law;
7. I do not have charges framed against me by any court of law in India (if applicable, provide details);
and
8. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I am qualified and not also disqualified for being chosen as a Referee representative and represent NRA in the All India Football Federation.

Date:

Place:

Signature of the Candidate