



## **APPENDIX IV - Infrastructure Requirements**

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## PREAMBLE

In conformity with the provisions of criterion I.01 A of the Manual, Licence applicants must demonstrate the availability of a stadium certified in accordance with the *“UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations”*, as well as fulfilling the infrastructure requirements of this appendix in order to be granted the Licence. The stadium must also be declared structurally compliant by the competent authorities for hosting games of the national championship in which the club participates.

In particular, the *“UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations”* classify stadia into four categories: UEFA category 1, 2, 3 or elite (in ascending rank order). The FIGC is responsible for evaluating and classifying the stadia; such evaluations are subject to the approval of UEFA with its decision being final and binding.

Before the start of the Sporting season, UEFA publishes its club competition regulations in which the category of stadium required for all matches in each competition is specified (E.g. First round of the UEFA Cup → category 3).

This appendix contains the minimum infrastructure requirements that must be fulfilled, in addition to the provisions of the *“UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations”*, in order for the Licence to be granted. The *“UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations”* shall always prevail in the event that the content of this appendix contradicts a provision contained in the *“UEFA Stadium Infrastructure Regulations”*. The additional requirements in italics are necessary in order for a stadium to be classified as category 3 but not essential for the granting of the Licence.



## Art. 1 Field of play - dimensions and playing surface

The field of play must be rectangular with dimensions of 105 x 68 m (measured from the outside edge of the boundary lines).

A verge with a width of 1.5 m, known as "*campo per destinazione*", must surround the field of play; it must be level with the field of play and be free from obstacles.

The minimum distance between fixed obstacles (e.g. boundary walls, railings, advertising boards etc.) and the field of play must be 2.5 m from the touchlines and 3.5 m from the goal lines.

A warm-up area for substitutes must be made available along the touchlines or behind the advertising boards behind the goal.

The field of play and the "*campo per destinazione*" must be:

- a natural playing surface or an artificial surface that has been granted the required FIFA licence;
- smooth and level;
- green;
- in good condition;
- equipped with a suitable drainage system.

## Art. 2 Goals and spare goal

The goalposts and crossbars of each goal must be made out of aluminium, steel or alloy and must be round or elliptical.

The following requirements must be satisfied:

- the distance between the posts must be 7.32 m;
- the distance from the lower edge of the crossbar to the ground must be 2.44 m;
- the goalposts and crossbars must be white;
- they must not pose any danger to players and they must be firmly fixed to the ground.

Furthermore, an identical spare goal must always be available within the stadium.



**Art. 3 Corner flagposts**

The corner flags (minimum measurement of 0.45 x 0.45 m) must be yellow.

The flagpost must not be less than 1.5 m high with a non-pointed top.

The corner flagposts must be embedded in such a way that they fall over if they are accidentally hit by one of the players.

**Art. 4 Substitutes' benches & bench for fourth official**

The benches for technical staff and substitutes must be:

- adequately covered;
- have seating room for at least 13 people;
- positioned at least five metres from the touchline;
- positioned at approximately 5 m either side of the halfway line.

The technical area, from which a coach can give instructions to players, must be defined by markings that extend 1 m either side of the benches and extends forward up to a distance of 1 m from the touchline.

The bench for the fourth official must be positioned in the vicinity of the halfway line and at least five metres from the touchline.

**Art. 5 Advertising boards**

Advertising boards must comply with the following indications:

- the location, form, material and means of installation of the advertising boards must not pose a danger to players, officials and others;
- they must have a maximum height of 1.2 m and must not obstruct the view of the field of play for spectators;
- revolving boards must only be powered by a low voltage level which respects the relative laws in force;
- the material used must not be reflective.



**Art. 6 Floodlighting**

The stadium must be equipped with a floodlighting system which produces the following values of average vertical illuminance ( $E_{v,med}$ )

$E_{v,med} \geq 1200$  lux towards fixed cameras;  
 $E_{v,med} \geq 800$  lux in all other directions.

Furthermore, the following ratios must be guaranteed for vertical illuminance uniformity:

$E_{v,min} / E_{v,max} \geq 0.4$  e  $E_{v,min} / E_{v,med} \geq 0.6$

**Art. 7 Flags**

The stadium must be equipped with a minimum of five flagpoles or other kind of supports allowing flags to be flown at the stadium.

**Art. 8 Access to the playing area**

The entrance to the playing area for both teams, referees and match officials (tunnel, underground tunnel etc.) must be separated from spectators and protected from objects thrown by virtue of systems which do not obstruct or reduce the visibility of spectators.

Where the access to the playing area has mobile protection, its opening / removal must take place within a maximum of 30 seconds.

The route from the dressing-rooms to the playing area must be made of, or covered by non-slippery floors.

Spectators and the media must have no possibility to access such route.



**Art. 9 Teams' dressing-rooms**

The dressing-rooms of the home and away teams must be of the same standard and each have the following characteristics:

- seating room for at least 25 people;
- clothes-hanging facilities and/or lockers for at least 25 people;
- non-slippery floors;
- 10 showers;
- 3 seated toilets, or 2 seated toilets + 1 urinal;
- 1 massage table;
- 1 tactical board;
- an adequate ventilation system.

**Art. 10 Referees' dressing-rooms**

The referees' dressing-room must be separate from the teams' dressing-rooms but located in their vicinity. Furthermore, it must have the following characteristics:

- seating room for at least 5 people;
- clothes-hanging facilities and/or lockers for at least 5 people;
- non-slippery floors;
- 2 showers;
- 1 wash basin;
- 1 seated toilet;
- 1 desk with 2 seats;
- 1 massage table.

When matches are officiated by female referees and/or referee assistants, an additional dressing-room with the following minimum characteristics must be available:

- 2 seats;
- clothes-hanging facilities and/or lockers for 2 people;
- non-slippery floors;
- 1 shower;
- 1 wash basin;
- 1 seated toilet.



**Art. 11 Delegate's room**

A room must be available for the UEFA delegate which is located in the vicinity of the dressing-rooms with the following equipment:

- 1 desk;
- 1 seat;
- 1 telephone;
- 1 fax.

Approved sanitary facilities composed of at least one seated toilet and one wash basin must be available in the vicinity of the delegate's room.

**Art. 12 First aid and treatment facilities for players and officials**

First aid and treatment facilities for players and officials must be located in the vicinity of the dressing-rooms. The first aid room must be easily accessible from both the playing area and from outside the stadium and it must be easy to reach for first aid vehicles. The doors and corridors which lead to it must be wide enough to allow access for stretchers and wheelchairs.

The first aid room must have the following minimum equipment:

- 1 examination table;
- 1 stretcher (in addition to the ones at pitch-side);
- 1 wash basin;
- 1 medical cabinet;
- 1 oxygen bottle with mask;
- 1 telephone (internal and external line).



### **Art. 13 Doping control station**

The doping control station must be near the dressing-rooms and inaccessible to the public and the media.

It must be at least 20 m<sup>2</sup> and comprise a waiting room, testing room and a toilet area.

The waiting room and the testing room must be adjacent and adequately separated by a permanent or temporary partition.

Furthermore, they must be equipped as follows:

A) Waiting room:

- seating for 8 people;
- clothes-hanging facilities and/or lockers;
- 1 refrigerator for drinks.

B) Testing room:

- 1 desk;
- 4 seats;
- 1 sink;
- 1 lockable cabinet.

The toilet area must be easily accessible from the testing room and be equipped with:

- 1 seated toilet;
- 1 urinal;
- 1 sink;
- 1 shower.

### **Art. 14 Parking areas for teams and officials**

The following parking areas must be made available for the teams, the referees and other officials:

- at least 2 parking spaces for the team buses;
- at least 10 car parking spaces.

Access to these parking spaces and the route to the dressing-rooms must be forbidden and not visible to the public.



**Art. 15 Stadium capacity**

The minimum capacity of the stadium must not be less than 10,000 seats which comply with the provisions of Art. 16.

Places without seats cannot be considered when calculating the capacity of the stadium and such place cannot be sold for UEFA competitions.

**Art. 16 Individual seats**

Individual seats must be:

- fixed to the ground;
- numbered;
- separated from one another;
- made of an unbreakable and non-flammable material;
- comfortable and shaped;
- have a backrest of a minimum height of 30 cm when measured from the seat.

The characteristics, dimensions and means of fixing of such seats are regulated by the unified National and European Standard (EN 9931 & EN 9939).

**Art. 17 Spectator areas**

The individual seats must be distributed among at least 4 independent sectors.

At least one of these sectors must be designated for the visiting supporters and it must have a capacity of at least 5% of the total stadium capacity as determined in accordance with Art. 15.

Sectors must be divided by virtue of insurmountable internal partitions.

The stadium must be equipped with refreshment and catering facilities in every sector of the stadium.

**Art. 18 Press box**

The press box must have a minimum capacity of 100 covered seats, 50 of which must be equipped with a power supply, phone line/internet access and a desk sufficiently big enough to accommodate a laptop computer.





**Art. 19 TV and radio commentary positions**

The stadium must have at least 5 covered TV and radio commentary positions.

Each commentary position must have at least 3 seats.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*The stadium must have 25 covered TV and radio commentary positions; each position must have at least three seats.*

**Art. 20 VIP and hospitality areas**

The sector reserved for VIPs must be situated within the grandstand and must have a minimum capacity of 400 covered seats, 200 of which must be reserved for the visiting team.

The stadium must have a single exclusive hospitality area that is easily accessible from the sector reserved for VIPs.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*The sector reserved for VIPs must have a minimum capacity of 750 covered seats, 200 of which must be reserved for the visiting team.*

*The hospitality area must be at least 400 m<sup>2</sup>.*

**Art. 21 Wheelchair-bound spectators with disabilities**

A ratio of one place for every 500 individual seats must be reserved for wheelchair-bound spectators; an equal number of seats must be provided for a helper at the side of each wheelchair position.

The places for wheelchair-bound spectators, the access routes and the emergency evacuation routes must have the characteristics established by the relative legislation in force; they must have their own dedicated entrance gate, be covered and have an unobstructed view of the field of play.

In addition, wheelchair-bound spectators must have dedicated sanitary facilities as well as easy to reach and practical refreshment and catering facilities.

**Art. 22 Public access and egress**

All entrances to the “*area di massima sicurezza*” (concourse surrounding the stadium) must be numbered and have entrance/exit channels which ensure the smooth flow of the crowd and be equipped with full height turnstiles which comply with the legislation in force.

All the entrances, exits and stairways in the spectator areas must be painted in fluorescent yellow, including the gates leading from the spectator area to the playing area and all exit doors and gates leading out of the stadium (for the exit gates which lead out of the stadium it is permitted to only paint the side which is visible to spectators in the event of an emergency evacuation in fluorescent yellow).

All the exit doors and gates leading out of the stadium, including those leading from the spectator area to the playing area, must open outwards and must remain unlocked while spectators are in the stadium. In order to prevent unauthorised entry or intrusion, such entrances must be fitted with a locking device which may be operated simply and quickly by specifically designated and trained personnel.

**Art. 23 Signposting**

Clear and comprehensive signposting must be placed outside and inside the stadium which indicates:

- the route to the different sectors;
- first-aid facilities;
- location of the police;
- sanitary facilities;
- sanitary facilities for spectators with disabilities;
- refreshment facilities;
- emergency exits.

In addition, the stadium regulations and large scale wall maps must be displayed internally and externally so that they can clearly legible by spectators.

All signposting must be in internationally understandable sign language.

**Art. 24 Emergency lighting system**

In all parts of the stadium to which the public has access (stands, stairways, exit routes etc.) a minimum horizontal illuminance of 5 lux must be guaranteed in the case of an emergency, by virtue of an emergency lighting system which is approved by the competent local authorities.



**Art. 25 Public address system**

The stadium must be equipped with a public address system for match related information (team line-ups, substitutions etc.) and for general and emergency announcements. The system should also be capable of working in the event of a failure to the main power supply.

Announcements must be clearly heard even above the noise of the crowd and as far as the perimeter of the *“area di massima sicurezza”*.

**Art. 26 Sanitary facilities for spectators**

Sanitary facilities must be made available and distributed between men and women in each sector of the stadium with a ratio of 1 seated toilet per 200 spectators and 1 urinal per 125 spectators.

**Art. 27 First aid facilities for spectators**

First aid facilities, which are adequately signposted, easy to reach and accessible, must be made available for spectators in each sector of the stadium.

Such facilities must be approved by the competent local authorities.

**Art. 28 Control room**

The stadium must have a control room which has an overall view of the inside of the stadium in order to ensure the constant control of safety conditions, and where necessary, the optimum handling of emergencies.

The control room must be big enough to accommodate the members of the *Gruppo Operativo della Sicurezza - GOS* (Safety Operation Group), as well as technicians responsible for operating the CCTV system.

**Art. 29 Closed-circuit television system**

The stadium must be equipped with a closed-circuit television system (CCTV) for spectator areas both inside and outside the stadium which has been approved by the competent local authorities.

In particular, the system must be located in the control room and have colour monitors and the in-built facility to take still pictures.



**Art. 30 Media working room**

The stadium must have a 100 m<sup>2</sup> room for journalists and photographers which is equipped with a power supply and phone line/internet access.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*The media working room for journalists and photographers must have minimum dimensions of 150 m<sup>2</sup>.*

**Art. 31 Camera positions**

The main camera platform must be situated in the grandstand in line with the halfway line and be at a height which forms an angle of approximately 15-20° from the horizontal plane to the centre spot.

**Art. 32 TV studios and mixed zone**

The stadium must be equipped with at least 2 TV studios with the following minimum characteristics: 5 m long x 5 m wide x 2.3 m high.

Furthermore, there must be a mixed zone which is protected and inaccessible to spectators.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*At least one of the TV studios must have a view of the field of play.*

**Art. 33 OB van area**

The stadium must have an OB van area with a surface dimension of at least 200 m<sup>2</sup>.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*The OB van area must have a surface area of at least 1000 m<sup>2</sup>.*



**Art. 34 Press conference room**

The press conference room must have the following characteristics:

- a minimum of 75 seats;
- 1 conference table;
- 1 camera platform;
- 1 podium;
- split box;
- sound system.

**Art. 35 VIP parking areas**

At least 100 car parking spaces must be made available for VIPs.

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*Additional category 3 requirement:*

*At least 150 car parking spaces must be made available for VIPs.*

**Art. 36 Security Maintenance Plan**

A Security Maintenance Plan must be drawn up and activated for the stadium in question and it must be drafted in accordance with the Ministerial Decree of 18/03/1996 and subsequent integrations and/or legislative amendments.

This plan must contain any restrictions imposed by the *Commissione provinciale di vigilanza sui locali di pubblico spettacolo - CPVLPS* (the competent public authority) and it must be distributed among the *Gruppo Operativo della Sicurezza - GOS* (Safety Operation Group).

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