



To: The Executive Directors  
Provincial and Territorial Associations

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Subject: **Amendments to the Laws of the Game**

At its meeting on 2 October, 2012, the International Football Association Board (IFAB) approved the amendments Law 4 -The Players' Equipment ("headscarf") and issued a directive in respect of Additional Assistant Referees (AARs). The decision of the IFAB-regarding the use of headscarves comes into effect immediately and is to be implemented by all Provincial and Territorial Associations.

AARs are not approved for use in CSA sanctioned competitions during season 2013.

**IFAB Decision:**

Law 4 - The Players' Equipment ("headscarf")

The design, colour and material to be permitted were discussed at the meeting, with the directive below to be used during the trial phase, Amendments to the Laws of the Game will be made on conclusion of the experiment in March 2014.

The headscarf must

- -be of the same colour as the jersey
- -be in keeping with the professional appearance of the player's equipment
- -not be attached to the jersey
- -not pose any danger to the player wearing it or any other player (e.g. Opening/closing mechanism around neck)
- -only be worn by female players

Two samples (producers listed below) have been presented to both FIFA and the IFAB and are considered to be in accordance with these criteria.

Capsters SV: <https://www.capsters.com/>

ResportOn: <http://resporton.com/>

Other headscarves are also permitted provided the above criteria are met.

Yours sincerely,

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