

Programme for the 2020 Submission of Applications for FIAP Distinctions

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This document is for people who reside in the PAGB geographical area, are members of a PAGB club and wish to apply for a FIAP Distinction. It sets out the timetable, for the 2020 batch of applications, and how to obtain an “Applications Package”, which contains necessary guidelines for submitting your application. Apart from MFIAP (see para 4) the process and timetable is basically the same for all distinctions. NB:- *It does not apply to members of Scottish PF or Welsh PF clubs or those who reside in their geographical areas. They have their own FIAP Liaison Officers, to whom applications should be made.*
- 1.2 Information on preparing your records, the relevant criteria, and FIAP’s Sanctions Policy is available on the FIAP pages of the PAGB web site at:- <http://www.thepagb.org.uk/fiap/fiap-distinctions/>
- 1.3 Can I please ask that, **without exception**, everybody conforms to the time table and conditions below?

2. FIAP PERSONAL PROFILES and FIAP LIFE CARDS

- 2.1 The records of all exhibitors who wish to apply for FIAP Distinctions are being computerised. This will involve many of you in visiting the “myfiap” Platform and creating your own personal profile, if you have not already done so. Once done you will be supplied with an “FP Number” - take note of it.
- 2.2 Additionally if you do not possess a FIAP Life Card you will need to apply for one at the same time. There is a charge of €50, plus postage and PayPal charges (*through which, without exception payment has to be made*) for the FIAP Life Card itself. Your Card will have another number of it - take note of that also.
- 2.3 There are different requirements for applicants at varying stages of your FIAP Distinctions journey. Full details of exactly which procedure is required of you in particular and how to go about it are set out on the PAGB web site at:- <http://www.thepagb.org.uk/fiap/fiap-photographers-card/>
Please ensure that you do comply with the requirements set out there because I will not be able to Register you for this year’s batch of applications unless you have done so (see para 3.1 d) below).

3. AFIAP / EFIAP / EFIAP Levels – Time Table

- 3.1 Prospective applicants, who have achieved the criteria (** see note below), should contact me to register by EMAIL, at davecoates@btinternet.com, at any time from:-

Thursday 14th November 2019

until

Friday 31st January 2020

PLEASE DO NOT seek to register unless you have achieved the criteria and that the relevant salon Files have been submitted to FIAP (see note below).** The process is not designed to deal with speculative requests in the hope or expectation of reaching targets before the deadline date.

**** Note** :- *Achieving the criteria means that, not only have you achieved the required results, BUT ALSO that FIAP have received the relevant “Salon Report Files” from the salons. This can be checked on the “myfiap” Platform:- <https://www.myfiap.net/patronages> or alternatively via the FIAP Patronage website:- <http://patronages.fiap.net/salons.html>*

To register, please email me with your details, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU HAVE APPLIED BEFORE, and include,

- a) your full name & address including post code, and telephone number(s),
 - b) the application you intend applying for
 - c) confirmation that you have achieved the criteria as described above.
 - d) details of the number of your FIAP Life card AND of your “FP Number” (*ie TWO separate numbers*)
- Once this is received and subject to the next para, I will forward you an “Applications Package”.

No registrations will be accepted after **31st January 2020**, regardless of any delay in notification of results, so please do not ask. No acceptances from salons with a 2020 FIAP Salon Number will be accepted, regardless of when those results are received. If you have not achieved your target by the above date, you must wait until the 2021 submission to apply.

- 3.2 Once you have received the “Applications Package”, complete the **whole (ie all 3 sheets)** of the FIAP Dossier file as early as practicable and submit a copy of it to me by email for checking, but not until:-

Monday 25th November 2020

Once your Dossier file has been approved and sent back to you, you can complete your application fully. However, to enable my family to enjoy Christmas without piles of applications around the house, please do not forward completed applications until on or after:-

Monday 5th January 2020

- 3.3 The closing date for fully completed applications to reach me is:-

Tuesday 31st March 2020

NB:- This timetable ensures that, for anyone who is looking to follow on from an award gained in 2019, there will be the necessary 12 months gap between applications to apply for the next award in this submission.

4. AFIAP / EFIAP / EFIAP Levels - Applications Packages

- 4.1 To assist you, I have prepared “Applications Packages”, for the various awards. They contain all the information for completion of an application, including the FIAP Life Card where necessary.

- 4.2 The “Applications Package” contains a 4 page Excel FIAP Dossier File. You should use this document to prepare your submission. The guidance in the package covers all the problems that I can envisage.

- 4.3 If you still have queries, please contact me by email (*but not before 25/11/2019*) and I will try to resolve them. Please note that if the answer is already in the package or any of available downloads on the PAGB web site, any reply may simply refer you to those documents.

5. MFIAP Applications

- 5.1 Because the criteria, the method of assessment and the timetable for this award are totally different from all the other awards, the instructions differ from those for the other awards.

- 5.2 Applicants must have held EFIAP for at least 3 years from the date on their EFIAP Certificate. Additionally, if you have previously applied unsuccessfully for MFIAP then you must allow a further 3 years to elapse before you can re-apply. You will be required to produce a Portfolio of 20 prints that is essentially a project in itself. The requirements are somewhat arcane and the “Applications Package” for MFIAP is designed to assist you with the process.

- 5.3 If you feel that you might be interested in preparing work for an MFIAP Distinction contact me at the earliest stage, before starting on your entry. Contact me by email, with your full details as per the list in Para 3.1 above, and I will forward you an “Applications Package”.

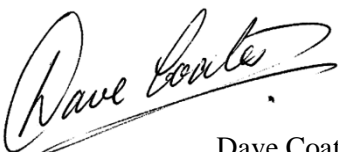
- 5.4 PLEASE NOTE:- Due to the nature of an MFIAP application I cannot advise you on the content or quality of the photographic part of your application. That is entirely down to you.

- 5.5 I would appreciate confirmation of whether you are going ahead with an application well in advance of its submission and I will try to assist wherever possible with preparation of the administrative side of your application. Simply contact me by email with any queries during the process.

- 5.6 You should aim to have your application completed and with me no later than:-

Saturday 14th December 2019

Any later then, because of the work load with other applications and the festive season, I cannot promise to get it to FIAP in time.



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