



# The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

## Programme for the 2025 Submission of Applications for FIAP Distinctions

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### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 This document is for people who reside in the PAGB's geographical area, are members of a PAGB affiliated club and wish to apply for a FIAP Distinction. It sets out the timetable for the 2025 batch of applications and how to obtain an "Applications Package", which contains all the necessary forms and guidelines for submitting your application. Apart from MFIAP, the process and timetable is basically the same for all distinctions.

NB:- It does not apply to members of the Scottish Photographic Federation or the Welsh Photographic Federation affiliated 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://thepagb.org.uk/fiap/fiap-distinctions/>
- 1.3 Due to the amount of work involved in checking and submitting the applications to FIAP it is essential that, without exception, everybody conforms to the timetable 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 now computerised and so you will be required to visit the "myfiap" platform and create your own personal profile, if you have not already done so. Once you have done this you will be supplied with an "FP Number" - take note of it as it will be important during the distinctions application process.
- 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 for the card plus postage and PayPal charges (through which, without exception, payment has to be made). Your Card will have another number on it - take note of that also. It could possibly take some time for the card to arrive but upon application and payment you will be informed of the Life Card number.
- 2.3 There are different requirements for applicants at varying stages of your FIAP Distinctions journey. Full details of exactly which procedure is required from you and how to go about it are set out on the PAGB web site at:

<http://thepagb.org.uk/fiap/fiap-card/>

Please ensure that you strictly 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.

### 3 Timetable

- 3.1 Applicants for AFIAP, EFIAP and EFIAP Levels who have achieved the criteria (\*\*see note below) should, by email, contact Howard Tate to register, at [fiap@thepagb.org.uk](mailto:fiap@thepagb.org.uk), at any time from:-

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2024 until Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

- 3.2 All Applicants:-  
PLEASE DO NOT seek to register unless you have achieved the criteria and the relevant salon Files have been submitted to FIAP (\*\*see note below). The process is not designed to deal with speculative requests made 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 at:-

<https://www.myfiap.net/patronages>

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 distinction 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 paragraph, you will be forwarded an "Applications Package".

No registrations will be accepted after **3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025**, so please do not ask. No acceptances from salons with a 2025 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 2026 submission to apply.

- 3.3 Once you have received the "Applications Package", fully complete the whole (ie: all 3 required 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:-

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

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

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025

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

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

NB:- This timetable ensures that, for anyone who is following on from an award gained in 2024, there will be the necessary 12 months gap between the previous distinction award level and application for the next award level.

## 4 AFIAP, EFIAP and EFIAP Levels - Applications Packages

- 4.1 To assist you, “Applications Packages” have been prepared for the various award levels. They contain all the information for completion of an application, including the FIAP Life Card application, 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 we can envisage.
- 4.3 If you still have queries, please contact me by email, but not before **1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**, and I will try to resolve them. Please note that if the answer is already in the package or any of the available downloads on the PAGB web site, any reply may simply refer you to those documents.

## 5 MFIAP Applications

- 5.1 The method of assessment and the timetable is different from all the other awards.
- 5.2 Applicants will be required to produce a Portfolio of 20 PDI's that is essentially a project in itself and the “Applications Package” for MFIAP is designed to assist you with the administrative process.
- 5.3 If you wish to apply for MFIAP contact me by email (at an early stage before starting on your entry) giving me your full details as per Para 3.2 above and I will send 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.
- 5.5 Please then confirm well in advance of its submission as to whether you are going ahead and I will try to assist wherever possible. Simply contact me by email with any queries you have during the process.
- 5.6 You should aim to have your application completed and with me no later than:-  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024**  
Because of the FIAP Distinctions workload, any submissions after this date cannot be guaranteed to reach FIAP in time for the 2025 batch of submissions to be processed.



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