

MFIAP Distinction - 2025 Guidelines

General

Valid FIP members and valid member of FIP corporate clubs can apply for the MFIAP Distinction.

All MFIAP applications files must go through FIP.

Soft-copies of the application must reach the FIP within **15th December 2024 ONLY** through email: fiap.fipdistinctions@gmail.com (Sharing through We-Transfer or Google Drive Link is preferred).

Hard-copies of the Page A and B (duly signed on page B) must reach Hony. Secretary General, FIP within **25th December 2024**. The application will fall in to the 2025 MFIAP Submission.

1. Basic Requirements

1.1. FIAP Photographer number (FP) and Photographer card (Life Card)

All FIAP Distinction applicants are required to have a myfiap login prior to applying for Distinctions. When setting up this login you will be allocated a FP number, which is your “FIAP Photographer” number. Your FP number is your user name for future login purposes. FIAP Distinctions applicants are also required to hold a FIAP Photographers Card prior to applying for Distinctions. This ID styled card identifies the photographer and includes a photo of them. Once a FP number and FIAP Photographers card are obtained, they are valid for life. Both the FP number and the FIAP card number are cited on application.

Procedure

- Photographers may access the profile creation page here: <https://www.myfiap.net/user/register/fp>
- The creation of the profile is straightforward, and a tutorial video provided on top of the profile creation page (<https://youtu.be/imghsDi8UjQ>)
- The provided information will remain confidential and limited to FIAP use only, amongst others for the card generation and shipping
- Along with personal information, photographers also need to upload a recent high-resolution portrait picture of themselves, to be used for FIAP life cards.

IMPORTANT:

When creating their profile, photographers must indicate their current distinction(s):

- If they photographers and/or don't have a distinction yet, they leave this part blank.

- If they already have distinctions, they enter them in their profile. Note that if they are in the process of applying for a new distinction, they must still enter their actual distinction(s) in their profile, before the upgrade.

After submitting their profile on myfiap.net:

- Photographers will be notified by email (check spam filter) that their account is pending approval. After validation by the FIAP distinction service, they will be notified that the account is active, obtain their user name and set their password. They may then login at any time with the provided user name (FP-XXXXXXX) and personal password on the myfiap.net login page (www.myfiap.net) and order a FIAP life card with their actual distinction online. Online payment, card production and shipping will be processed via the myfiap.net platform.

1.2. How to order a FIAP Photographers Card. (In case of loss of previous card)

- To order a FIAP Photographers Card, you must first register/set up a myfiap login as per point 1.1. Having set up your login you can either proceed to order a FIAP Card straight away via the applicable menu tab or you can login in at any time via: <https://www.myfiap.net/>
- When applicants order a FIAP Photographer Card the myfiap system will provide the FIAP Card Number immediately. Record this number carefully. The FIAP Card number, must be placed on your Distinctions application form. As you are given this number immediately, you can place it on your Distinctions application immediately. You do not need to wait for the card itself to arrive in the post. Follow link for Video tutorial - <https://youtu.be/imghsDi8UiQ>

2. THE MFIAP DISTINCTION

The distinction “Master Photographer of FIAP” (MFIAP) is awarded to a photographic artist in recognition of his/her entire achievements in the field of artistic photography. MFIAP is the third step, after AFIAP and EFIAP, in the FIAP distinctions awarded for personal successes in photography.

The candidate must have been the holder of the EFIAP distinction for at least 3 years, based on the date of the diploma.

2.1. The candidate for this distinction must submit:

- a) A completed application using the most recent forms prescribed by FIAP (which can be downloaded from FIP website).
- b) A digital portfolio of 20 images. Each image must have the following properties: format JPEG, compression 10, and at least 3600 pixels on the longest dimension.

- c) A complete curriculum vitae using forms prescribed by FIAP. The text should be written in one of the official FIAP languages. (Preferably English for Indian applicants).
- d) An introductory text that describes the subject and the creative concept of the photographic artist.
- e) This collection must be coherent from its conception to its realization and presentation

Note: A list of acceptances and prizes obtained in international salons under FIAP Patronage is not necessary and these will not be taken into consideration when examining the application. Do not include them.

3. File-name of Images & Excel Dossier

- a) Images File naming: UN Code of the Federation + underscore + First name + underscore + Name + underscore + Title of the work Example: 356_Barun_Sinha_Sunrise
- b) Excel Dossier File naming: Distinction sought + underscore + UN Code of the Federation + underscore + Given name + underscore + surname. Example: MFIAP_356_Barun_Sinha

Note: Serial No (two digit- for example 01, 02...) Followed by underscore can be added at the start of title of work

3.1. List of files to be sent to FIP

- a) Soft copy Duly Filled FIAP Dossier (Excel file).
- b) 20 Digital Images (Minimum of 3600px Longest Size, 300DPI).
- c) Soft copy of duly filled FIP Form E (Available at FIP Website).
- d) Photo copy of EFIAP distinction certificate. File Size – 1024px longest size, (Below 1 MB)
- e) Self Portrait photo 1080px on height. (Below 1 MB)
- f) Photo copy of FIP Membership card. (Below 1MB)
- g) Distinction Fee payment details (Screen shot of transaction or Transaction ID and date of payment).
- h) Hard copy of the FIAP Dossier Page A & B, with signature on page B must send to FIP (See the note below)

Note: We will provide the PDF format of the Page A & B of the dossier by examining the application. Applicants are requested to print the same & send to FIP Patna office after Signing on Page B.

Postal address for sending hard-copies.

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Federation of Indian Photography will forward the application (both soft and hard copies) to FIAP in due course. The portfolios will be examined first by a panel of advisers FIAP. The final decision is by the FIAP Board of Directors. The MFIAP distinction is awarded by simple majority of the members of the FIAP Board of Directors. If the MFIAP distinction is not awarded, the candidate will receive a written explanation for the rejection. If the portfolio of the author is accepted, it becomes the property of FIAP. The collection of works of holders of the MFIAP distinction can be used by FIAP for exhibitions or other events for the benefit of FIAP. The digital images of the accepted MFIAP candidate will be published on the FIAP Web Site. It must be possible to open this file with Adobe Photoshop software. When the MFIAP distinction is awarded, the candidate will receive a diploma and a badge with yellow enamel.

4. Application Fee: ₹ 15,000/-

Payment should be made through Online transfer to the following account:

Beneficiary Name: **Federation of Indian Photography**

Account No: **50381789520**

IFS Code: **IDIB000S549**

Bank: **Indian Bank, Salt Lake G D Market Branch, Kolkata**

Note: We do not accept Cheques.

5. Important Information

- Unsuccessful applicants are required to wait at least three years before submitting a new application.
- FP number and FIAP Photographer card number is mandatory on the Page A of the excel Dossier
- Given name and Surname in the dossier Page A and file name of the pictures and excel file should be the same and separated by underscore.
- UN code of India is 356, Please mention the same.
- A complete curriculum vitae and Introductory text must be written in the FIAP dossier C only, any other supportive documents like MS Word file, Scanned copies of write-up, Hard-copies of written statement will not be considered.
- Do not modify format of the excel dossier.
- Do not send what is not asked for.

For more information:

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