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F13 Commentary Feed

Feed Information

This feed produces an automated set of commentary messages to update the reader on the key match events. It consists of a breakdown of the key events with an automated line of text per following event:

Goals - scorers, range, play situation, body type and assists.
Attempts on goal
Cards
Substitutions
Fouls
Offsides
Corners & free kicks
Delays in play
Start/end of half

Languages

This automated text commentary is currently available in the following languages:

English
French
Italian
German
Spanish
Portuguese
Dutch
Norwegian
Swedish
Danish
Catalan
Latin American Spanish
Brazilian Portuguese
Indonesian

Delivery Timings

Once a production environment is established between Opta and the subscriber, Opta will deliver a Text Commentary feed upon the following events:

Line-up announced; start/end half; goal; shot at goal; card shown; foul; offside; corner won; delays in play; match postponed/abandoned.

File naming convention

The file naming convention used for this feed is the following:

`commentary-{competition_id}-{season_id}-{game_id}-{lang_id}.xml`

Feed sample

Please click below for feed samples:

[English](#)[French](#)[German](#)[Italian](#)[Portuguese](#)

[Portuguese \(Brazil\)](#)

[Spanish](#)

[Spanish \(Latin America\)](#)

[Dutch](#)

[Indonesian](#)

Elements/attribute/value descriptions ([expand all](#))

Tables detailing all elements, attributes and values:

Element	<Commentary>
Nesting	Commentary
Description	Root element of commentary field
Attribute	sport_id
Description	Opta's sport ID for football
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Football
Attribute	sport_name
Description	The sport relating to the commentary
Data type	String
Values	Football
Attribute	season_id
Description	Opta's season ID
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	season
Description	Opta's season name
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	competition_id
Description	Unique competition ID
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	competition
Description	Opta's competition name
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	game_id
Description	Opta's ID for the match
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	game_date
Description	Match date and kick off time yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss

Element	<Commentary>
Data type	yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	matchday
Description	Official match day number
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	lang_id
Description	Opta's language abbreviation that realtes to the language of the commenatry
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	home_score
Description	The current number of goals scored by the home team
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	home_team_id
Description	Opta's ID for the home team
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	home_team_name
Description	Name of the home team
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	away_score
Description	The current number of goals scored by the away team
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	away_team_id
Description	Opta's ID for the away team
Data type	Positive Integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	away_team_name
Description	Name of the away team
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	var_check
Description	Identifies a goal that has been reviewed by VAR
Data type	String
Values	yes
Element	<Message>

Element	<Message>
Nesting	Commentary/Message
Description	Elements which contain the individual snippets of commenatry and their surrounding metadata
Attribute	id
Description	Opta's ID for the match event
Data type	Positive Integer (From early 2019 this will change to Positive BIGINT)
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	type
Description	Descriptive tag to help describe the comment
Data type	String
Values	"attempt blocked" - shot blocked "Attempt saved" - shot on target "corner" - corner conceded "contentious referee decisions" - Video Assistant Referee is advising on an event "end{period_id}" - End of the period. Period ID's can be found in the period attribute "free kick lost" - Foul "free kick won" - Foul against "goal" - goal scored "Line-up" - Team's list of players has been announced "miss" - shot off target "offside" - Player caught offside "own goal" - own goal scored "penalty lost" - penalty conceded "penalty miss" - miss from a penalty "penalty saved" - Penalty saved by the goalkeeper "penalty won" - penalty won by the team "player retired" - Player coming off injured without a replacement "post" - shot hits the goal's woodwork "postponed" - match postponed "red card" - red card shown "second yellow card" - second yellow card shown "start" - start of period "substitution" - players being substituted "VAR cancelled goal" - goal cancelled by VAR "yellow card" - yellow card shown
Attribute	comment
Description	The text of the actual piece of commentary
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	last_modified
Description	The GMT time/date when this event was last modified by Opta analysts
Data type	yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	last_modified_utc
Description	The UTC time/date when this event was last modified by Opta analysts
Data type	yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	minute
Description	Game-time minutes of the match event
Data type	Positive Integer

Element	<Message>
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	second
Description	Game-time seconds of the match event
Data type	Positive integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	time
Description	The game time assigned to the event - this shows the event as a whole minute for the specific half only - please be advised to use 'minute' and 'second' attribute for more accurate interpretation of the match time.
Data type	String
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	period
Description	The match period for the match event – see appendix 1 for possible values
Data type	Positive integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	timestamp
Description	ISO timestamp indicating the actual time of the event. Will indicate GMT time and if BST has been added.
Data type	String
Values	yyyymmddThhmmss+hhhh (GMT)
Attribute	player_ref1
Description	The Opta player ID for the first player in the message string who relates to the event
Data type	Positive integer
Values	Dynamic
Attribute	player_ref2
Description	The Opta player ID for the second player in the message string who relates to the event
Data type	Positive integer
Values	Dynamic