

Introduction

These Statutes provide for the organisational structure of ISF, and for the powers, rights and responsibilities of the bodies created by, or in accordance with, these Statutes.

Together with the regulations enacted under it, the Statutes reflect the principles and norms that govern scooter activities worldwide. The Constitution embodies provisions designed to enhance good governance within ISF, and to promote its transparency and accountability, so as to ensure ISF's compliance with the Olympic Charter.

I. Identity and Objectives

1. Name and headquarters

- 1) The International Scooter Federation (ISF) is an association registered in the Commercial Register of the Canton of Zurich in accordance with art. 60 ff. of the Swiss Civil Code, and subject to the laws of Switzerland.
- 2) ISF's headquarters are located in Schweizergasse 8, CH-8001 Zürich, Switzerland.

2. Mission and objectives

- 1) ISF is the international governing body for scooter sport and the global advocate for scooter riding.
- 2) The objectives of ISF are in particular:
 - a to encourage scooter riding in all its forms by supporting any project or initiative which may contribute towards its development, to preserve the unity of the world's scooter riding movement and to safeguard the material and moral interests of its members;
 - b to defend the interests of the members of the ISF by encouraging collaboration and friendship between them and all organisations involved in scooter riding;
 - c to oversee the organisation of the events carrying its name, and to ensure that they are run in a safe and environmental manner;

- d to promote responsible scooter riding sports and recreation, as well as safe scooter riding and mobility;
- e to defend, protect and represent the rights and interests of scooter riding sports in all dealings with governmental authorities as well as with public and private bodies;
- f to obtain a wide range of benefits for scooter users;
- g to promote and maintain cordial relations with scooter riders throughout the world;
- h to ensure that participants in scooter riding activities and particularly riders have the opportunity to provide direct input to the ISF on its activities.

3. Bodies and officials of the ISF

- 1) The bodies of ISF are
 - a the ISF Congress;
 - b the ISF Board of Directors (hereinafter: BD);
 - c the Judicial Bodies;
 - d standing and ad-hoc committees, which shall advise and assist the BD in fulfilling their duties.
- 2) The officials of the ISF shall comprise the members of the Board of Directors, the Secretary General, the members of the standing and ad-hoc committees, the members of the judicial bodies, the voting delegates at the Congress, the delegates at the Congress and the candidates for an executive position within the ISF.

4. Principles and Values

- 1) Discrimination of any kind against a country, private person or group of people on account of race, skin colour, ethnic, national or social origin, gender, disability, language, religion, political opinion or any other opinion, wealth, birth or any other status, sexual orientation or any other reason is strictly prohibited.
- 2) ISF remains neutral in matters of politics and religion. Exceptions may be made with regard to matters affected by ISF's statutory objectives.

5. Official language

The official language of the ISF is English.

II. Membership

6. Members

The ISF is composed of:

- a Affiliated Members
- b Associated Members

7. Affiliated Members

- 1) National associations which are representative of and exercise effective control over scooter riding activities in their own countries may be accepted as Affiliated Members of the ISF.
- 2) Every Affiliated Member of the ISF shall be the sole organisation in its own country entitled to exercise the powers of the ISF as defined in the Statutes, the Sporting Code and other regulations of the ISF.
- 3) All nations that have recognition from the United Nations (UN) and/or the International Olympic Committee (IOC) may be represented in the ISF, but each by only one Affiliated Member.

8. Admission and request for application

- 1) The Congress shall decide whether to admit, suspend or expel a (member) association solely upon the recommendation of the BD.
- 2) Any association wishing to become a member association shall apply in writing to the BD.
- 3) The applicant association's legally valid Statutes shall be enclosed with the application for membership.

- 4) The application must further be accompanied by a file containing a formal statement that the applicant association, on the condition of its admission, shall accept, apply and comply with ISF's Statutes and Regulations, and adapt its own constitution and regulations accordingly;
- 5) All applications for membership of the ISF shall first be examined by the BD which, before submitting the request to the Congress for approval, may request additional information and ask the applicant to alter its structures or regulations to bring them in line with the principles and Regulations of the ISF.
- 6) In the case of a legally well-founded objection, the BD may reject the application in case the applicant does not meet the requirements for ISF membership.
- 7) The BD shall request the Congress either to admit or not to admit an association. The association may state the reasons for its application to the Congress.
- 8) The new affiliated member shall acquire membership rights and duties as soon as it has been admitted. Its delegates are eligible to vote and be elected with immediate effect.

9. Affiliated member's rights

Affiliated members have the following rights

- a to take part in the Congress;
- b to draw up proposals for inclusion in the agenda of the Congress;
- c to nominate candidates for the ISF presidency and the BD;
- d to participate in and cast their votes at all ISF elections in accordance with the ISF regulations;
- e to take part in competitions organized by the ISF;
- f to exercise all other rights arising from these Statutes and other regulations.

10. Affiliated member's obligations

- 1) Affiliated members have the following obligations
 - a to comply with the Statutes, the Sporting Code and Regulations of the ISF, as well as with all decisions taken in accordance therewith.

Likewise, they shall have the Statutes, the Sporting Code and Regulations and decisions of the ISF complied with by all persons concerned.

- b the sporting Code and the Regulations of the ISF shall be incorporated in the corresponding regulations of the national federations.
 - c to manage their affairs independently and without undue influence from third parties;
 - d to abstain from any conduct which is, or may reasonably be seen to be, detrimental to ISF or to the interests of ISF;
 - e except in the case of prior consent of the BD, affiliated members and their respective members shall take part only in scooter activities organized by one of them or by the ISF or a continental confederation.
 - f to submit to the BD a copy of their Statutes (together with an English translation of the same if such constitution is written in a language other than English) whenever those Statutes have been amended or replaced;
 - g to take part in competitions organized by ISF;
 - h to pay their membership fee;
- 2) Failure of an affiliated member to fulfil any of its obligations pursuant to these Statutes and the Regulations of the ISF shall render said affiliated member liable to a fine of CHF 300.00 to 10,000.00 to be decided by the BD. The BD may also delegate this power.
- 3) In the event of serious or persistent breach, the affiliated member concerned may moreover be suspended or expelled.

11. Membership contribution

- 1) Each affiliated member shall pay an annual membership contribution, the amount of which shall be fixed by the Congress on a proposal of the BD.
- 2) The first contribution is due for the calendar year during which the national federation is admitted by the Congress.
- 3) The contributions shall be paid to the ISF on or before the 31st of March of the year for which it is due.

- 4) The BD shall place on the agenda of the next Congress the suspension of an affiliated member which has failed to pay its contribution.

12. Suspension

- 1) The Congress may suspend an affiliated member solely at the request of the BD. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the BD may, without a vote of the Congress, temporarily suspend with immediate effect an affiliated member that seriously violates its obligations. A suspension approved by the BD shall be in effect until the next Congress, unless the BD has revoked such suspension prior to such Congress.
- 2) A suspension of an affiliated member by the Congress requires a two-third (2/3) majority of the affiliated members present and eligible to vote. A suspension of an affiliated member by the BD shall be confirmed at the next Congress by a two-third (2/3) majority of the affiliated members present and eligible to vote. If it is not confirmed, such suspension shall be automatically lifted.
- 3) A suspended affiliated member may not exercise any of its membership rights. Other affiliated members may not entertain sporting contact with a suspended affiliated member. The BD or the Disciplinary Committee may impose further sanctions.

13. Expulsion

- 1) The Congress may expel an affiliated member only at the request of the BD if:
 - a the affiliated member ceases to assume the real character of a national scooter association in its country;
 - b the affiliated member discredits the international reputation of scooter sports;
 - c the affiliated member fails to fulfil its financial obligations towards the ISF;
 - d if the affiliated member seriously violates the Statutes, regulations or decisions of the ISF.
- 2) The decision to exclude an affiliated member requires a majority of two-third (2/3) of the affiliated members present and eligible to vote.
- 3) The Congress shall decide on the expulsion before voting on any other point on the agenda.

14. Resignation

- 1) An affiliated member may resign from ISF with effect from the end of a calendar year. Notice of resignation must reach the BD no later than six months before the end of the calendar year and be sent to the BD by registered letter.
- 2) The resignation is not valid until the affiliated member wishing to resign has fulfilled its financial obligations towards ISF and its other affiliated members.

15. Associated Members

- 1) Stakeholders from the scooter industry may be accepted as associated members of the ISF. Such associated members shall be one of the following:
 - a an organisation from the scooter industry;
 - b an international rider organisation;
 - c a scooter event promoter;
 - d a media organisation;
 - e an international non-government organisation.
- 2) The procedure for the consideration of applicants for Associated Membership as well as the terms and conditions for Associated Membership will be determined by the BD.

III. The ISF Congress

16. Powers and Duties of the Congress

- 1) The Congress is the supreme authority of the ISF.
- 2) The Congress shall have the following exclusive powers and duties:
 - a Amendments to the Constitution and dissolution of the association;
 - b Admission, expulsion and suspension of affiliated members, without prejudice to Article 12 para. 1 (provisional suspension by the BD);

- c Without prejudice to Article 26 para 2, election of the President of the ISF and of 6 other members of the BD;
 - d Dismissal of the President and of the members of the BD;
 - e Appointment of the public auditor, on a proposal from the BD and the dismissal of the public auditor;
 - f Appointment and dismissal of the members of the Ethics Committee, on a proposal from the BD.
- 3) In addition, the Congress shall decide each year on:
- a the accounts and the budget;
 - b the auditor's report

17. Convening of the Congress

- 1) A Congress may be an Ordinary or an Extraordinary Congress.
- 2) The Ordinary Congress shall be held every year. The BD shall fix the place and date. The affiliated members shall be notified in writing or email at least three months in advance of the place and date of such Ordinary Congress. The formal convocation containing the agenda shall be made in writing or by email at least one month before the date of the Congress.
- 3) The BD may convene an Extraordinary Congress at any time.
- 4) The Council shall convene an Extraordinary Congress if one-fifth (1/5) of the affiliated members make such a request in writing. The request shall specify the items for the agenda. An Extraordinary Congress shall be held within three months of receipt of the request.
- 5) The affiliated members shall be notified of the place, date and agenda at least one month before the date of an Extraordinary Congress. The agenda of an Extraordinary Congress may not be altered.

18. Agenda of the Congress

- 1) The agenda of the Congress shall be drawn up by the BD.
- 2) An affiliated member wishing to include one or more items in the agenda of the Congress, or to put a question to the BD, shall submit its draft proposals stating the

reasons on which they are based or the text of its question, in English to the registered office of the ISF at least sixty days before the date of the Congress.

- 3) With the exception of amendments to the Statutes, any question not on the agenda of the Congress can be added to be discussed and voted on by the Congress at the request of three-quarters (3/4) of affiliated members present and eligible to vote.
- 4) Except in cases where the preceding point applies, no vote shall be taken on any question which is not on the agenda.

19. Chair of the Congress

- 1) The President of the ISF shall open and chair the Congress. The President shall read the agenda and conduct the discussions and voting operations.
- 2) The President may request the assistance of the members of the BD and the Secretary General.

20. Delegates, votes and observers

- 1) Each affiliated member is represented by its delegates. Delegates must belong to the affiliated member that they represent and be appointed by the appropriate body of that affiliated member.
- 2) Votes may only be cast by a single delegate who shall be officially nominated as a voting delegate by the affiliated member it represents. The registration form for the voting delegate must be duly signed and stamped by the president and a senior official of the affiliated member concerned.
- 3) Should the registered voting delegate be prevented from attending the Congress at a late stage for reasons of force majeure or illness, the president or his deputy and a senior official of the affiliated member concerned may appoint a deputy as voting delegate by means of a new registration form duly signed and stamped to be sent in pdf format by email to the Secretary General of the ISF 48 hours at the latest before the opening of the Congress.
- 4) Voting by proxy is excluded.
- 5) The Secretary General shall be responsible for recording the minutes at the Congress.

21. Decisions and election of the Congress

- 1) Unless otherwise stipulated in these Statutes, the decisions of the Congress shall only be deemed valid if at least one-third (rounded up to the next whole number) of the affiliated members with the right to vote are present.
- 2) Unless otherwise stipulated in the Statutes, a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast is sufficient for elections, votes and other decisions to be valid. Abstention shall not be taken into account when counting the votes cast.
- 3) Decisions that require a vote shall be reached by a show of hands or by means of an electronic count. If a show of hands does not result in a clear majority in favour of a motion, the vote shall be taken by calling the roll, affiliated members being called in English alphabetical order.
- 4) Before proceeding to vote on the items of the agenda, the members of each delegation may address the Congress and speak freely on the item put to vote.
- 5) For the proper conduct of the Congress, the President may limit the speaking time of each delegate and the number of speakers to one per delegation.
- 6) Elections shall be conducted by secret ballot.
- 7) For the election of the President, a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast is necessary. However, where there is only one candidate, the Congress may decide to elect the President by acclamation. If there are more than two candidates for the election of the President, two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of the affiliated members present and eligible to vote are necessary in the first ballot. As from the second ballot, whoever obtains the lowest number of votes is eliminated until only two candidates are left.
- 8) For the election of the members of the BD and the Ethical Committee, the candidate(s) who receive(s) the most votes in respect of the free seat(s) shall be elected.

22. Adoption of and amendments to the Statutes

- 1) The Congress is responsible for adopting and amending the Statutes.
- 2) Any proposals from affiliated members for an amendment to the Statutes must be submitted in writing with a brief explanation to the BD. A proposal submitted by an affiliated member shall be valid, provided it has been supported in writing by at least two other affiliated members.

- 3) For a vote on an amendment to the Statutes to be valid, an absolute majority (more than 50%) of the affiliated members eligible to vote must be present.
- 4) A proposal to adopt or amend the Statutes shall be adopted if approved by three-quarters (3/4) of the affiliated members present and eligible to vote.

23. Minutes

- 1) Minutes shall be taken of every Congress of the ISF.
- 2) The minutes shall be drawn up during the session by the secretary general or by the person appointed by the President of the ISF for that purpose.

IV. The Board of Directors

24. Board of Directors (BD)

- 1) The ISF shall be managed by its Board of Directors under the authority of the Congress.
- 2) The BD shall be vested with the most extensive powers as regards the management of the ISF and the regulation of scooter sports and activities. It shall decide all matters not otherwise reserved to another ISF body by these Statutes.

25. Powers of the Board of Directors

- 1) Without prejudice to Article 24, the Board of Directors shall, in particular:
 - a fix the date and venue of the Congresses;
 - b convene and be responsible for organising Congresses;
 - c ensure that the decisions of the Congress are implemented and executed;
 - d declare the suspension of affiliated members, to be approved at the next Congress, in serious and urgent cases;
 - e propose the nomination of the auditor to the Congress;
 - f develop and implement the annual budget and prepares and monitors the ISF financial statements;

- g appoint and dismiss the Secretary General on a proposal from the President;
 - h adopt and amend the ISF Regulations;
 - i determine the location and dates for all ISF Competitions;
 - j subject to the approval of the Congress, adopts or amends the ISF Sporting Code;
 - k decide on contracts to be signed with third parties in accordance with the financial regulations. Such competences may be delegated to the secretary general and/or the President by means of regulations containing standards, policies and procedures regarding business- or finance-related matters of ISF;
 - l set up and appoint the members of the committees necessary to the proper functioning of the ISF;
 - m set up and appoint the members of the judicial bodies with the exception of those of the Ethics Committee, who are elected by the Congress;
 - n propose amendments to, or the replacement of these Statutes for the consideration and determination of the Congress;
 - o accept and expel associated members;
- 2) The BD shall specify the conditions of participation in scooter riding events. It may require the granting of licences according to the procedures which it shall draw up and/or the payment of contributions or fees.
- 3) Infringements to the Statutes, regulations and decisions shall be sanctioned in accordance with these Statutes and regulations and procedures laid down by BD.

The following sanctions may be applied:

- a warning;
- b reprimand;
- c fine;
- d suspension;

- e final exclusion;
- f exclusion from one or more specific competitions;
- g disqualification from a race;
- h downgrading;
- i penalties in time and/or points;
- j withdrawal of prizes.

4) The BD may also delegate its sanctioning power to other ISF bodies.

26. Composition and election

- 1) The members of the Board of Directors shall be:
 - a the President of the ISF
 - b six elected Directors, one of whom shall be appointed as Deputy President by the President at the President's sole discretion.
- 2) For the first term of office, the BD is constituted by itself and shall consist of the four founding members which shall appoint the President of the ISF and the additional members of the BD for the first term of office.
- 3) The procedure for the nomination of candidates and the resignation, dismissal and succession of Members of the BD and the President will be set out in the ISF Regulations.

27. Terms of office of the Directors

- 1) The term of office of the BD and of the President shall commence immediately upon the adjournment of the Congress that elected them. It shall come to an end upon the adjournment of the Congress that elects the new BD.
- 2) The BD shall be renewed every four years. Outgoing members shall be eligible for re-election.

28. Meetings

- 1) The Board of Directors shall meet at least twice a year of which once shall be in the city and on the eve of the statutory Congress.
- 2) It shall also meet either at the request of the President, or at the request of at least five members each time circumstances may require. In such a case, the choice of venue shall be left up to the President's discretion. However, meetings shall take place, if possible, on the occasion of an international scooter event.

29. Decisions of the Board of Directors

- 1) To be able to deliberate validly, the BD must have the majority of its members present.
- 2) The BD shall take its decisions with a majority (more than 50%) of the votes validly cast. In no case may the members of the BD have substitutes for themselves.
- 3) In case of an equality of votes, the President or the President's replacement shall have a casting vote.

30. Report to the Congress

During the Congress, the BD shall report on its management. To this end, the BD shall draw up a report, approval of which by the Congress shall amount to discharge for its management.

V. The President of the ISF

31. Role of the President

- 1) The President of the ISF shall chair the Congress of the ISF, and meetings of the BD.
- 2) The President manages the activities of the BD, including ensuring the BD is organised properly, functions effectively and meets its obligations and responsibilities;
- 3) The President is primarily responsible for implementing the decisions passed by the Congress and the BD through the secretary general and administration.
- 4) The President facilitates effective communications and relations with affiliated members, associates members, volunteers, stakeholders and the general public.
- 5) The President may, under his own responsibility, appoint persons with a function in scooter riding as official delegates of the ISF to perform special assignments.

32. Limitation of terms

The President of the ISF may serve a maximum of four mandates of four years.

33. Vacancy

- 1) If the President is absent or unable to attend, he is replaced by the Deputy-President.
- 2) If the President is permanently prevented from performing his official function, the Deputy-President shall represent the President until the next Congress, where a new President will be elected.

VI. The Administration and the Secretary General

- 1) The administration of the ISF shall be placed under the direction of the President, assisted by the secretary general.
- 2) The secretary general shall be appointed by Board of Directors under contract on a proposal from the President, having gone through a selection process agreed with the BD.
- 3) The secretary general shall draw up the minutes of the Congresses and the meetings of the Board of Directors.
- 4) The administration shall assume the general secretarial services of the ISF. It shall also assume routine bookkeeping, receipt of payments, and making payments.
- 5) The administration shall be situated in Switzerland at a place fixed by the Board of Directors.

VII. Judicial Bodies

- 1) The Judicial bodies of the ISF are:
 - a the Disciplinary Committee;
 - b the Ethics Committee.

- 2) The members of the Disciplinary Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.
- 3) The members of the Ethics Committee shall be elected by the Congress.
- 4) The responsibilities and function of the Disciplinary Committee shall be governed by the ISF Regulations.
- 5) The responsibilities and function of the Ethics Commission shall be governed by the ISF Code of Ethics.
- 6) The term of office of a judicial body member ends in the event of resignation, death or dismissal by the Board of Directors, with the exception of the members of the Ethics Committee, who may only be dismissed by the Congress.
- 7) Any official of the ISF shall abide by the Constitution, the Regulations and the Code of Ethics of the ISF.

VIII. Finances and Intellectual Property Rights

34. Finances and Financial Control

- 1) The financial year of the ISF shall commence on 1 January and close on 31 December.
- 2) The resources of the ISF shall consist in particular of the contributions of the affiliated members, the contributions or fees of licenceholders, sponsoring and the revenues and royalties generated directly or indirectly by sport activities, inter alia derived from the sale or licensing of television, radio broadcasting and media rights (whether current or future) of ISF sanctioned or controlled scooter activities.
- 3) The ISF's financial statements shall be expressed in Swiss Francs and/or US Dollars.
- 4) The ISF may express financial obligations and other amounts in Swiss Francs or US Dollars.
- 5) In accordance with objective criteria and within the limits of the budget approved by the Congress, an allowance may be granted to persons who exercise tasks inside the ISF which take up a considerable amount of their time.
- 6) Travel and accommodation expenses of the members of the Board of Directors and committees with regard to the execution of their duties, shall be at the expense of the

ISF.

35. Public Auditor

- 1) On a proposal from the Board of Directors, the Congress shall appoint a public auditor for a period of four years. His or her term of office shall be terminated exclusively by the Congress.
- 2) The auditor shall be appointed two years after the election of the Management Committee.
- 3) The auditor shall be an independent company auditor established in Switzerland.
- 4) The auditor shall audit the accounts of the ISF and draw up a relevant report to be submitted to the Congress.

36. Intellectual Property Rights

ISF exclusively owns and controls all intellectual property rights (trademark, design, patent or copyright) over:

- a its name and logo;
- b any other design, symbol, trademark, mascot or emblem relating to ISF Competitions and ISF's other activities;
- c any cup, trophy, sculpture or other items intended to be used as prizes during ISF Competitions;
- d any training material or other information about the scooter riding sport published by ISF; and
- e any digital representations relating to the activities of ISF.

IX. External Representation

37. Representation

The President shall represent the ISF in all circumstances, including at law, both as plaintiff and defendant.

38. Signatures

The BD determines the persons authorized and the terms to validly bind the ISF to third parties.

X. Court of Arbitration for Sport

39. Appeals

The Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, is the sole competent authority to adjudicate appeals, in cases stipulated by the present Statutes or the regulations established by the Board of Directors, against sporting, disciplinary and administrative decisions taken in accordance with ISF rules. Any decision taken by the Congress or the Board of Directors may be appealed to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland.

40. Appeals may only be lodged to The Court of Arbitration for Sport after all other internal channels have been exhausted.

41. Disputes

The Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, is the sole competent authority, with the exclusion of state courts, to adjudicate disputes between ISF bodies, and disputes between national federations.

42. Final instance

The Court of Arbitration for Sport makes a ruling in the last instance.

43. Applicable rules of law

In the absence of a choice of applicable law by the parties, the Court of Arbitration for Sport shall primarily apply the ISF Statutes and Regulations and, additionally, Swiss law.

XI. Dissolution

44. Dissolution

- 1) The ISF shall be established for an indefinite period.
- 2) The issue of its dissolution shall be decided only by an extraordinary Congress.
- 3) The BD shall convene the extraordinary Congress to deliberate on the possible dissolution of the ISF, either at the written request of at least one one-third (1/3) of the

affiliated members or pursuant to a decision taken from among its affiliated members by a majority of two thirds of the votes.

- 4) The Congress must represent at least two thirds ($2/3$) of the voting delegates at the time of the voting. Dissolution shall be decided by a majority of two thirds ($2/3$) of the votes cast.