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IFSC 2019 Statutes Amendments As approved by the IFSC Plenary Assembly in Tokyo, 16 March 2019

Changes are marked in red

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<p>Article 15</p> <p>The Plenary Assembly is the highest body of the IFSC and has ultimate authority for all activities of the IFSC. It convenes every year.</p> <p>Organisation of the Plenary Assembly shall be entrusted alternately to one of its members. The date and venue for the assembly shall be agreed at the Plenary Assembly meeting two years prior.</p> <p>The calling notice must be sent to all members at least 3 months prior to the date set for the Assembly.</p>	<p>Article 15</p> <p>The Plenary Assembly is the highest body of the IFSC and has ultimate authority for all activities of the IFSC. It convenes every year.</p> <p>Organisation of the Plenary Assembly shall be entrusted alternately to one of its members. The date and venue for the assembly shall be agreed at the Plenary Assembly meeting two years prior.</p> <p>The calling notice must be sent to all members at least 3 months prior to the date set for the Assembly.</p> <p>The calling notice must be sent to all members at least 90 days prior to the date set for the Assembly, or 120 days in case elections are scheduled at Plenary Assembly.</p> <p>Candidate nominations shall be submitted to the Administration not later than 90 days prior to the Plenary Assembly elections.</p>
<p>Article 20</p> <p>Voting at the Plenary Assembly is conducted by show of hands. Upon the request of any delegate entitled to vote, supported by at least one other delegate, any vote must be taken by secret written ballot.</p> <p>Elections shall always be decided by secret written ballot.</p>	<p>Article 20</p> <p>Voting at the Plenary Assembly is conducted by show of hands or electronic vote. Upon the request of any delegate entitled to vote supported by at least one other delegate one fifth of the Members present, any vote must be taken by secret written ballot.</p> <p>Elections shall always be decided by secret ballot and proxy votes are not admitted.</p> <p>The election process is described in the relevant document approved by the Plenary Assembly.</p>



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	<p>The Executive Board may decide to establish an Electoral Committee to assume certain duties related to elections. The electoral committee members will be proposed by the Executive Board and appointed by the Plenary Assembly one year ahead of the elections.</p>
<p>Article 24 The Executive Board of IFSC consists of the following officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President/IFSC • Vice-President – Sports / Events • Vice President – Treasurer / Finances • Vice President – Media and Communication • Secretary General/IFSC <p>as well as of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 representative elected by each of the five Continental Councils • 1 representative elected by the Athletes’ Commission 	<p>Article 24 <i>In force as of the next elections (Athletes 2020, EB 2021)</i></p> <p>The Executive Board of IFSC consists of the following officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President/IFSC • Vice-President – Sports / Events • Vice President – Treasurer / Finances • Vice President – Media and Communication • 3 (three) Vice-Presidents/IFSC • General Secretary/IFSC <p>As well as of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 representative elected by each of the five Continental Councils • 1 female representative elected by the Athletes’ Commission • 1 male representative elected by the Athletes’ Commission <p>All elected members of the Executive Board will sign and be subject to the IFSC Charter and IFSC Code of Conduct. Therefore, all Executive Board members must have a fiduciary responsibility to the IFSC and breach of that fiduciary responsibility could result in disciplinary actions.</p>
<p>Article 25 Candidates standing for election to any post in the Executive Board (with the exception of the representatives of the Athletes and representatives of the Continental Councils) shall be presented by the Member association of the country where he/she holds citizenship. The members of the Executive Board (with the exception of the representatives of the Athletes and representatives of the Continental Councils) are elected by the Plenary Assembly for a term of four years. Executive Board members are re-eligible at will.</p>	<p>Article 25 Candidates standing for election to any post in the Executive Board (with the exception of Athletes’ Representatives and representatives of the Continental Councils) shall be presented by the Member association of the country where he/she holds citizenship. The members of the Executive Board (with the exception of the representatives of the Athletes and representatives of the Continental Councils) are elected by the Plenary Assembly for a term of four years. Executive Board members are re-eligible at will.</p>



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	<p><i>Executive Board members are re-eligible for a maximum of three terms.</i></p> <p><i>Provision to Article 25, to be deleted after PA2021: Executive Board members can be elected for a maximum of three terms of four years; not retroactive. This begins with the next elections in 2021.</i></p>
<p>Article 29 Every member of the Executive Board has one vote. All decisions of the Executive Board are taken by majority of the members present, and no voting rights may be exercised by proxy. The quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members.</p>	<p>Article 29 Every member of the Executive Board has one vote. All decisions of the Executive Board are taken by majority of the members present, and no voting rights may be exercised by proxy. The quorum of the Executive Board consists of a majority of its members. In case of tie, the President's vote is the casting vote.</p>
<p>Article 35 The function of the Anti-Doping Commission is to ensure that the IFSC complies with the World Anti-Doping Code. Its rules will comply with the World Anti-Doping Code. The Ethics Commission intends to protect and encourage ethical values in all IFSC. The Ethics Commission addresses issues referred to it by the IFSC President. It can also propose issues for consideration to the IFSC President or the IFSC Executive Board following information received directly or indirectly. The function of the Disciplinary Commission is to investigate and take appropriate action following any complaint concerning breach of rules (including the IFSC Anti-Doping Rules) or misconduct. (...)</p>	<p>Article 35 The function of the Anti-Doping Commission is to ensure that the IFSC complies with the World Anti-Doping Code. Its rules will comply with the World Anti-Doping Code. The Ethics Commission intends to protect and encourage ethical values in all IFSC. The Ethics Commission addresses issues referred to it by the IFSC President. It can also propose issues for consideration to the IFSC President or the IFSC Executive Board following information received directly or indirectly. The Ethics Commission will consider cases resulting from a breach of the IFSC Code of Conduct or Charter and elected members of the IFSC. They can recommend action to the IFSC President, who may address the Disciplinary Commission. The function of the Disciplinary Commission is to investigate and take appropriate action following any complaint concerning breach of rules (including the IFSC Anti-Doping Rules) or misconduct. (...)</p>
<p>Article 37 The Athletes' Commission provides a permanent liaison between active athletes and the IFSC. One representative appointed by the Athletes' Commission is elected by the Plenary Assembly as member of the Executive Board.</p>	<p>Article 37 The Athletes' Commission provides a permanent liaison between active athletes and the IFSC. One female and one male representatives, not from the same country, appointed by the Athletes' Commission is are elected by the Plenary Assembly as members of the Executive Board.</p>



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<p>Composition and functioning of the Athletes' Commission are described in the relevant regulations as approved by the Plenary Assembly.</p>	<p>Composition and functioning of the Athletes' Commission are described in the relevant regulations as approved by the Plenary Assembly.</p>
	<p>Bye-law to Article 20 – NEW The role of the Committee which oversees elections may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervising the administrative process relating to the election of officials; • Monitoring compliance with the relevant regulations; • Ensuring the correct application of the regulations; • Issuing instructions and admitting candidates
<p>Bye-law to Article 26 Executive Board members IFSC Executive Board members are elected in a personal capacity, and not as representative of any member association and are to act independently from these. Candidates to the Executive Board are required to declare any potential conflict of interest, in accordance with the IOC Code of Ethics. No member of the Board shall also be a representative of a member association in the Plenary Assembly.</p>	<p>Bye-law to Article 26 <i>In force as of the next elections in 2021</i> Executive Board members IFSC Executive Board members are elected in a personal capacity, and not as representative of any member association and are to act independently from these. Candidates to the Executive Board are required to declare any potential conflict of interest, in accordance with the IOC Code of Ethics. The President may not hold any office or position with a Member of the IFSC or with any sponsor of the IFSC. No member of the Board shall also be act as a representative of a member association in at the Plenary Assembly or at any other IFSC event.</p>