



Fédération Internationale de la Pêche Sportive en Eau Douce

F.I.P.S.e.d. Règlement

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INTERIOR RULES OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT FISHING IN FRESH WATER (FIPSeD)

ARTICLE 1

First affiliation

1. The National Federations aiming to practice the sport fishing within the FIPSeD must get affiliated to the International Confederation of Sport Fishing (CIPS).

ARTICLE 2

Acceptation and membership fee

1. The acceptance of a National Federation, who applied to becoming member, shall be deemed to be discussed and possibly approved by the FIPSeD General Assembly with the following ratification by the CIPS Congress.
The National Federations can apply of becoming ordinary Member, requesting Member or promoting Member, according to the art. 3 of the FIPSeD Statutes.
2. The membership fees as ordinary, requesting or promoting *status* are fixed by the CIPS Congress;
3. The membership fee for requesting members has the same amount as ordinary Members fee, but it is spread as follows:
 - Free for the first year
 - 1/3 for the second year
 - 2/3 for the third year
 - The forth year's fee has the same amount as ordinary Members' and, consequently, requesting Members will be considered accordingly with the same rights and duties.
4. A Federation loses the first year free benefit, and so consequently for the following four years, if it has attended a FIPSeD competition under invitation without having applied to becoming requesting Member in that year (free year), but it has only presented its request afterwards.
5. If a Member fails to pay his fee within May 1st of the current year, he shall be sent a reminder by the CIPS Treasurer by means of a registered letter, with a copy to the concerned FIPS, informing them that the non payment entails the immediate suspension of all his rights. In the event the fee is paid consequently the warning, he will be re-accepted after receiving the payment. Otherwise he will cease to be a C.I.P.S. Member.

ARTICLE 3

Membership application

1. The membership application can be forwarded at any time of the year. It must be undersigned by the applying National Federation President, on the form expressly prepared for this purpose by the FIPSeD and addressed to the FIPSeD General Secretary. The applying Federation shall indicate in its request which kind of Member *status* it wishes to become affiliated for. The

application form must be annexed to the Statutes of the applying Federation and to an official statement from its concerned National Governmental Body attesting that the requesting Federation is the only Organism recognized to practice the fresh water fishing in its Country. When the request of affiliation is accepted by the CIPS Congress, the National Federation must provide to pay the membership fee fixed by the Congress itself.

ARTICLE 4

Duration of membership

1. The duration of membership lasts since the acceptance of its request by the CIPS Congress until the date of December the 31st.

ARTICLE 5

Membership renew

1. The membership must be renewed within the date of May the 1st of the following year, paying to the General Secretariat by bank transfer, the membership fee fixed by the CIPS Congress.
2. Failing to pay the membership fee, the consequences are ruled by the art. 15, coma 3 of the CIPS Statutes.

ARTICLE 6

Representation of a National Federation

1. Every National Federation's President, or a deputy recognized by his Statutes to represent him, is the representative of its Federation towards the FIPSeD.
2. The Presidents or their deputies of the National Federations with right to vote are allowed to bring at the General Assembly one more proxy in addition to theirs.

ARTICLE 7

General Assembly calling

1. The General Assembly is called and convened by the FIPSeD President or by his deputy, at least 6 months before the date of the Assembly.
2. The National Federations must send to the FIPSeD General Secretariat any motions to present at the Assembly at least 4 months before the event.
3. The agenda with the suggestions must be sent at least 2 months before the Assembly to all affiliated Federations.

ARTICLE 8

Commission to check the mandate (Credentials Committee)

1. The FIPSeD General Secretary has the task to check the validity of candidacies, which shall reach the Secretariat, in the concerned form expressly prepared, at least 30 days before the Assembly.
2. The list of candidates will be published on the FIPSeD official web site.

ARTICLE 9

Committee for ballot

1. The Committee for ballot, composed of 3 persons, one President and two members appointed by the Assembly, has the task of counting the ballot sheets inserted in the boxes and to draft the minute with the indication of the number of voters, the number of the white, spoil and valid sheets together with the number of valid votes per candidate.

ARTICLE 10

Right to vote

1. Only National Federations that, at the date of the Assembly, have well regularized their CIPS membership position of the preceding year have the right to vote.

ARTICLE 11

Opening of the General Assembly

1. *In First calling.* At the time indicated for the Assembly, the General Secretary verifies the presence of the conditions which, as for the Statutes, make the Assembly be declared valid. In case these conditions are verified, he drafts the minute.
2. *In second call.* In case the necessary quorum is not reached in first call, the General Secretary goes on with his works until the Assembly is declared valid, afterwards he drafts the above mentioned minute.
3. After acknowledging the minute of the General Secretary, the President declares open the Assembly, he temporarily takes the presidency and he invites the participants to vote the President of the Assembly.
4. The functions as General Secretary are charged by the FIPSeD General Secretary.

ARTICLE 12

Eligibility

1. Only the candidates in possession of the requirements prescribed at the article 9, paragraph 5 and 6 of the Statutes can be elected at International charges; the possession of these requirements must be declared by candidates by mean of an auto certification undersigned by the President of his national Federation, reflecting the form expressly prepared for this purpose by the FIPSeD Secretariat.
2. Failing to comply with one of the requirements, above mentioned in the preceding paragraph, the charge is immediately lapsed.

ARTICLE 13

Presentation of candidacies

1. The candidatures at the charges of President, Vice-president and at one of the six members of the Directing Committee must be sent to the FIPSeD Secretariat at least 30 days before the elective Assembly's date.
2. Under penalty of inadmissibility, candidatures must reach the Secretariat by ordinary mail or by fax or e-mail. Anyway, all candidatures must be presented on the form expressly prepared for this purpose including the proposing Federation's Candidate and President in full signatures.

3. The observation of the deadline for the presentation of candidatures is a condition of their admissibility.
4. The candidature from the same person to more than one charge cannot be accepted.

ARTICLE 14

Lists

1. Depending on the expressed and registered candidatures, according to art. 13, and after the General Secretary has verified the statements presented by candidates on the possession of the necessary eligibility requirements, the General Secretary will take care of preparing separated lists of candidates for each of the elective Body to be renewed. The lists shall be also affixed in the venue of the Assembly.
2. The lists must be signed by the President who convened the Assembly.
3. The tables with accepted candidatures and the rejected ones, these latter to be annexed to a synthetic motivation, shall also be published on the FIPSeD website.
4. The lists of all candidatures are posted at least 25 days before the Assembly.

ARTICLE 15

Appeals against candidacies' admissibility and rejection

1. Appeals against the admission or the rejection of one or more candidatures can be presented, only in written version, within 15 days by the Assembly to the FIPSeD Directing Committee.
2. The FIPSeD Directing Committee will examine and decide over the appeals received at least 10 days before the Assembly.
3. In case the petition is accepted, the General Secretary shall issue an amendment note against the lists of candidates, which shall be immediately published on the FIPSeD official website.

ARTICLE 16

Elections

1. The elective charges are elected by secret ballots, with separated and consequential voting per each elective charge.
2. The secret vote may also be requested for other kind of procedures, different from elections, and it may be accepted if the request is supported by the majority of the presents with right to vote.
3. Candidates receiving the majority of votes are declared elected.
4. In case of a tie, a second round of voting occurs among the candidates who received the equal number of votes only if it is necessary to define a graduation among elected candidates.
5. Only one preference can be expressed for the election of the charges of President and Vice-president.
6. For the election of the six Members of the Technical Commission, voters can express the same number of references as the eligible candidates for those charges (6).
7. A list with all candidates at the same charge will be put on the ballot sheets.

ARTICLE 17

Elections results

1. After the vote counting, the President of the Assembly will read the results of elections and will announce the elected candidates on the basis of the information provided by the Committee for Ballot.

ARTICLE 18

Elective Assembly minute

1. The minute of the Assembly, drafted by the General Assembly, must fully reflect the events occurred and the operations described.

ARTICLE 19

Appeal against the Assembly's validity

1. Appeals against the Assembly validity must be presented, in written version, to the FIPSeD Directing Committee.
2. Appeals can be proposed only if during the Assembly some objection was expressed and if the objection was reported on the minute.
3. Appeals against the validity of the Assembly must be proposed within the 5 days that follow the Assembly and must reach the FIPSeD General Secretariat with registered letter with forwarding receipt in the 5 days following the Assembly.
4. In case the appeal is accepted, a new Assembly must be convened. It shall take place by the 45 days since the date of the communication of the appeal result. The General Secretary is charged to send this communication within 48 hours since the moment when the decision has been taken.

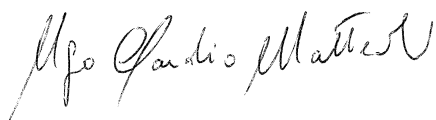
ARTICLE 20

Subrogation of the FIPSeD Directing Committee's Members

1. In the event of a reduction, even not simultaneously, of maximum 50 per cent of the FIPSeD Directing Committee Members during the four years period, the Directing Committee itself will substitute them with the non elected candidates for those charges, provided that the substitutes had obtained at least the half number of votes of the last elected.
2. In case of a tie, the eldest candidate will prevail.
3. When this procedure cannot be applied, the FIPSeD Directing Committee will be integrated in the first next Assembly. In case the reduction of its Members doesn't allow the FIPSeD Directing Committee to legitimately fulfil its tasks, this latter must convene, within the 60 days which follow this event, an Extraordinary Assembly to be held by 30 days for the integration of this Body.

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