

# Asian Federation of Sports Medicine

## MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

### 1. NAME OF THE FEDERATION:

Title name of this Federation shall be: "Asian Federation of Sports Medicine" - **abbreviated as AFSM**

### 2. POLICY OF THE FEDERATION:

The Federation is a public non-profit scientific organization of Sports Medicine in Asia, following the statute of International Federation of Sports Medicine - **FIMS** and principles of the International Olympic Committee **IOC and of the World Anti-Doping Agency – WADA.**

### 3. ADDRESS OF THE FEDERATION:

Address of the Federation will be the address of the Secretary-General

### 4. DEFINITION OF SPORTS MEDICINE:

Sports Medicine is the theoretical, practical and academic aspects of Medicine which investigates the influence of movement, training, sports and lack of movement on normal and diseased persons, of all ages and both sexes, in order to apply the results for health promotion, preventive medicine, therapy, rehabilitation for the promotion of athletic training and healthy living.

### 5. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE FEDERATION:

- i. To organize and help Sports Organizations, Agencies, Associations and Federations in organizing Sports Medicine facilities in Asia.
- ii. To study and prepare medical protocols and documentation outlining all requirements of Sports Medicine in general, as well as specifically for each and every sport.
- iii. To establish, strengthen and practice medical code in sports and to establish medical ethics in the practice of Sports Medicine.
- iv. To campaign against drug abuse in sports, (doping) and implement the anti-doping charter of International Olympic Committee and International Federation of Sports Medicine **and WADA.**
- v. To establish and provide a scientific forum for the coordination and communication of all the sports science disciplines in Asia.
- vi. To establish guidelines, draw up position statements and issue bulletin regarding controversies and updates in the practice of Sports Medicine, applicable to the Member National Associations.
- vii. To encourage research exchanges in expertise and experts among member countries in regions.
- viii. To make affiliation with appropriate International Authority, Organization, Institution, Body etc. in order to promote Sports Medicine.
- ix. To establish, maintain and work for the development of modern and up to date delivery system of Sports Medicine services in member countries in the regions.
- x. To participate and to organize and / or conduct International Courses, Workshops, Seminars, Scientific Sessions and Meetings, in order to share the knowledge and advance techniques, in the field of Sports Medicine.
- xi. To publish books, booklets, leaflets, journals and other literature on the art and science of Sports Medicine.
- xii. To do all other acts as would be conducive to the fulfillment of objectives of the Federation as would be fit.

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## ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

### CLAUSE I. DEFINITIONS:

1. **Articles:** means articles of Asian Federation of Sports Medicine as originally framed or as altered /amended from time to time by the Executive Committee and duly approved by the Council of Delegates.
2. **Federation:** means Asian Federation of Sports Medicine.
3. **Office Bearers:** means any member holding the post in the Executive Committee and shall include President, Vice Presidents, Secretary General, Treasurer and Members of the Executive Committee.
4. **Executive Committee:** means Executive Committee of the Federation formed through election of office bearers from the members on the roll of Federation.
5. **Council of Delegates:** means Council of Delegates officially representing a member country/region.
6. **Member:** means a Member of the Federation registered under Clause II of Articles of the Federation.
7. **Commission:** means a Commission formed by the Executive Committee/ Council of Delegates for the purpose of some specific job/work/project.
8. **Rules:** means Rules of Federation framed for day to day business.
9. **Co-opted Member:** a person who represents an organization, recognized by the Federation, or a resourceful person whose presence, can enhance the progress of the Federation.

### CLAUSE II. MEMBERSHIP:

#### 1. National/Regional Member:

- i. The Membership of the Federation shall be open to National/Regional Sports Medicine Association of Asian countries/ Asian region that agree to the aims and objects of the Federation and are willing to abide by the rules. Such members will be admitted to membership on payment of annual subscription fee of US \$100.(membership starts with Jan 1, and ends at Dec 31)
- ii. The Council of Delegates shall admit to membership, the National/Regional Associations (not more than one from each country/region) which are recognized, as representing the interests of Sports Medicine in each country/region.
- iii. Where two or more organizations in any country/region claim recognition as the National/Regional Association of that country/region, it shall be in the absolute discretion of the Council of Delegates to determine, after due consideration, which, if any, shall be recognized. The Applicant National/Regional Association must submit for consideration by the Executive Committee, the following documents before the petition can be presented to the Council of Delegates:
  - a. Application in writing signed by the President and the Secretary General of the National/Regional Association.
  - b. Copy of the Statutes of the Association.
  - c. List of Officers of the Association with their titles.
  - d. Total number of members in each category of membership.
  - e. Letter of recommendation attesting the fact that the applicant Association is the representative Sports Medicine organization in that country/region from one of the following bodies: National/Regional Medical Association, National/Regional Olympic Committee.
  - f. National/Regional Association shall forward to the Secretariat of Asian Federation of Sports Medicine, in the event of change, a revised copy of their constitution document, a current list of their officers and the total number of their members in each category of membership.

## **2. Individual Member:**

### **a. Member:**

The Executive Committee may admit for individual membership sports doctor, scientist and researcher who, has attended at least one of the Federation's Scientific Congresses or its approved Course in Sports Medicine or sports sciences.

The qualification of a Member would be either a Medical Doctor or having a recognized academic qualification in Sports Science, from a recognized Institute at Post-graduate level.

He will be admitted on payment of annual subscription fee of US \$50 or US \$ 180 every four years. (membership starts with Jan 1, and ends at Dec 31) Individual Member shall not have the right to vote.

### **b. Life Member:**

A member in clause II (ii a) can become a Life Member on one time life subscription of US \$ 300.

### **c. Associate Member:**

The Executive Committee may admit for Associate Membership, Paramedics, Physiotherapist, Allied Health care professional, Coach, Trainer, Sports Organizer or other persons of related field of Sports Medicine.

Such members will be admitted to membership on payment of annual subscription fee of US \$30 or US \$ 100 every four years. An Associate Member shall not have the right to vote.

### **d. Co-opted Member:**

The Executive Committee may admit a person who represents an organization recognized by the Federation, or a resourceful person whose presence can enhance the progress of the Federation. He will not be eligible to vote.

## **3. Honorary Fellow:**

The Executive Committee may nominate prominent and distinguished member(s) of the International Sports Medicine fraternity to be Honorary Fellow of the Federation.

## **4. Elected AFSM Fellow:**

The Executive Committee can nominate any member of the AFSM fraternity, for his/her outstanding Contribution, in Sports Medicine, its teaching in his/her own country, in the Region and his/her long service, to AFSM activities.

## **CLAUSE III. DIRECTORY OF MEMBERS:**

The Federation shall keep a directory of its Member National Associations containing names, addresses and activities.

## **CLAUSE IV. REMOVAL/TERMINATION FROM MEMBERSHIP:**

- i. Every member who fails to pay membership fee for one whole year will be removed from membership after being given 3 months' notice. .
- ii. Every member who acts or behaves in contravention of the aims and objects of the Federation either by active behavior or otherwise and resolution to that effect is passed by the Executive Committee.
- iii. Resignation accepted by the Executive Committee.

## **CLAUSE V. RESTORATION OF MEMBERSHIP:**

Members who ceased to be a member of Federation or whose membership has been terminated for any of the reasons mentioned above may be re-enrolled as member with the approval of Executive Committee, upon written request.

The payment of absentee subscriptions for reinstatement will be equal to total amount of absentee subscriptions,

on top of one year of subscription fee as reactivation fee, with total sum not more than 5 years of subscription fee.

#### **CLAUSE VI. PATRON**

The Executive Committee, with the approval of the Council of Delegates, will offer the position of Patron to a distinguished personality who endorses the activities of the Federation and is willing to help promote its cause. This position will fall vacant as soon as the Patron resigns, or if the Council of Delegates decides for his replacement.

#### **CLAUSE VII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

The interests of the Federation, shall be looked after by the following elected office bearers, who shall constitute the Executive Committee:

i. President	one
ii. President – Elect	one
iii. Vice Presidents	five
iv. Secretary-General	one
v. Treasurer	one
vi. Members	eight

Terms of ExCo member shall follow Financial year (Jan 1 – Dec 31)

#### **The Bureau shall consist of the following:**

- i. President
- ii. President – Elect
- iii. Vice Presidents
- iv. Secretary-General
- v. Treasurer

#### **7.01 Qualifications to be nominated as President AFSM**

1. The nominee shall be a senior member who has served at least 01 term in the Ex-Co/ Bureau.
2. He should be over the age of 40 years and hold a position of recognition in his own Country.
3. He should have an attendance of over 75% of the AFSM Ex Co meetings or AFSM Congresses.
4. The term of AFSM Presidency shall be four years. The term cannot be renewed and the President shall not be eligible for re-nomination as President or President Elect in the future.

#### **7.02. Qualifications to be nominated as ‘President-Elect’ AFSM**

1. The nominee shall be a senior member who has served at least 01 term in the Ex-Co/ Bureau.
2. He should be over the age of 40 years and hold a position of recognition in his own Country.
3. He should have an attendance of over 75% of the AFSM Ex Co meetings or AFSM Congresses.
4. A President Elect shall be elected every four years.

#### **7.03. Qualifications, for Nomination of Candidates as Vice Presidents –**

1. There will be 05 Vice Presidents who will be nominated one from each AFSM Region as given in Clause XXL on Regionalization
2. Nominee should have served at least one term as an Office Bearer in the Bureau, or 01 term in the Ex-Co, or 02 terms as a Commission Member /Chairman.
3. The nominee should hold a position of recognition in his own National Organization
4. The term of the Vice president shall be 4 years.

#### **7.04 The Past President of the Federation will serve as advisory board.**

#### **CLAUSE VIII. COUNCIL OF DELEGATES:**

1. All the affairs of Federation including financial and otherwise, shall be conducted and approved by the Council of Delegates.
2. In order to conduct the affairs of the Federation, the Council of Delegates shall exercise its powers through

Executive Committee.

3. The Council of Delegates is a high powered body, and all its decisions, taken in normal or extra ordinary meeting, shall be binding on all its members.

#### **CLAUSE IX. AFSM STANDING COMMISSION STATUTES**

**9.01. The AFSM Executive Committee is supported by Standing Commissions.**

**9.02. Each Standing Commission consists of AFSM Individual or Associate members and is comprised as follows**

1. A Chairperson designated by the Executive Committee who directs the activities of the Commission and reports to the Executive Committee and Council of Delegates, with the right to attend both meetings.
2. Up to five members designated by the Executive Committee from nominations submitted by Member National Associations after considering recommendations of the Commission Chairperson.
3. Delegates appointed from the Executive Committee.
4. 'Corresponding', members.
5. Members nominated as Observers by appropriate International Organizations.
6. Temporary Members, co-opted ad hoc, for particular purposes.

**9.03. The working period for a Standing Commission is 4 years, to coincide with the term of the Executive Committee.**

**9.04. A Chairperson shall maintain a record of meetings with the assistance of a Secretary and circulate such minutes to the Commission members, AFSM President and the Secretary General.**

**9.05. A Standing Commission –**

1. Reports directly to the Executive Committee which alone shall endorse policy.
2. Shall not have executive functions or responsibility, except, when specific tasks are delegated to it by the Executive Committee.

**9.06. The Standing Commissions are:**

- i. Scientific & Education Commission.**
- ii. Liason & Anti Doping Commission.**

**9.07. The SCIENTIFIC & EDUCATION COMMISSION.**

**The aims of the Scientific & Education Commissions are –**

1. To cooperate with the organizers of AFSM Congresses as well as with organizers of other Sports Medicine Seminars or Congresses in the Region and extend support in terms of choice of Topics, Guest lecturers, Chairpersons of Sessions and publication of proceedings.
2. To promote scientific research in the field of Sports Medicine in the Region.
3. To prepare statements regarding issues in Sports Medicine that would be specific to Countries in the Region.
4. To advice and make recommendations to the Executive Committee on all matters related to Sports Medicine, Education for doctors, and allied health professionals.
5. To devise and recommend AFSM Team Physician courses and devise Instructor Courses to develop a teaching faculty for on-going and future AFSM endorsed courses in the Region.
6. To propose and devise Advanced courses in Sports Medicine and formulate a plan for Continuous Medical Education - CME in Sports Medicine.
7. To assist doctors to present papers, conduct research in Sports Medicine and publish such work.

**9.08. The LIASON & ANTI DOPING COMMISSION.**

**The Aims of the Liason and Anti Doping Commission are –**

1. To provide and make recommendations to the Executive Committee on matters related to communication,

promotion and membership.

2. In conjunction with the Secretary General and the IT Director Facilitate and enhance cooperation and collaboration with other International Organizations related to Sports Medicine as defined by the Executive Committee.
3. Assist and cooperate with the IT Director in the maintenance of effective communication with National bodies, Individual members, and associated organizations, through acquisition and collation, of materials for AFSM electronic publications.
4. Enhance contacts, with International Organizations and Institutions of non-medical professions related to Sports Medicine.
5. In conjunction with the Treasurer and the IT Director raise the level of awareness and promote the benefits of individual membership of AFSM.
6. Develop strategies for the maintenance and monitoring of effective membership services.
7. Assist the Executive Committee in the implementation and conduct of procedures associated with the granting of Individual and Associate Membership.
8. Identify countries with special needs in respect to Sports Medicine information and services, and develop and implement mechanisms to extend the dissemination of information to these countries.
9. To advise the Executive Committee on all matters related to the Anti Doping code laid down by IOC and WADA.
10. Making use of the official List of Prohibited Substances and Methods issued by WADA, to disseminate information through the Liason and IT commission to Sports Physicians, coaches and administrators in the region, to avoid administering drugs containing prohibited substances.
11. To devise in conjunction with the Education commission a publication/guide that would contain trade names, chemical names and synonyms used in the Asian Region, for substances on the current WADA list. This guide should pinpoint relevant reliable information without search for information in websites and commercially available databases.
12. To advise and conduct AFSM - Anti Doping courses for member associations in the Region in conjunction with NOC and WADA.
13. To advise on the maintenance of requirements for accreditation and good laboratory practice that would ensure, quality of laboratory work, annual re-accreditation and the development of out-of-competition testing for countries in the Region.

**CLAUSE X. AFSM ADVISORY BOARD:**

1. An Advisory Board shall be constituted under the Chairmanship of the Immediate or a Senior Past President of AFSM.
2. The Advisory Board with the approval of the Executive Committees can co-opt senior past Ex Co members of AFSM, and/or nominate prominent and distinguished members of the International Sports Medicine/ Sporting fraternity to be advisors of the Federation.
3. The Advisory Board shall be invited as guests to AFSM Congresses in the Region.

**CLAUSE XI. MEETINGS:**

- 11.1. Council of Delegates:** The ordinary meeting of the Council of Delegates Meeting shall be held biennially on a date fixed by the Secretary General and approved by the President, which shall be communicated to all members at least 60 days in advance.

The Council of Delegates shall meet every two years to transact the followin business:

1. Confirm the minutes of last meeting.
2. Adopt and approve the report of the work done by the Federation and the Audited Statement of the Accounts.
3. Elect the new office bearers of the Federation, during the election year.
4. Transact all other business as circulated in the agenda.
5. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

- 11.2. Executive Committee:** The ordinary meeting of the Executive Committee shall be held annually on a date fixed

by the Secretary General and approved by the President, which shall be communicated to all members at least 30 days in advance.

- 11.3. Quorum:** Half of the members/office bearers will be the quorum for the Council Delegates / Executive Committee Meeting respectively.
- 11.4. Extra Ordinary Council of Delegates Meeting:** Extra Ordinary Council of Delegates Meeting of the Federation may be held, as may be deemed necessary by the President, or in pursuance of the direction issued to him, by the Executive Committee, and shall be held within 90 days from date of receipt of the requisition, signed by not less than half of the valid members describing the urgency thereto.
- 11.5. Extra Ordinary Executive Committee Meeting:** Extra Ordinary meeting of the Executive Committee may be held to discuss some emergent matters or on the request of not less than half of its members. Such meeting shall be held within 90 days from date of receipt of the requisition.
- 11.6. Issue of notice for meetings:**
- a. Notice for the Council of Delegates meeting of the Federation shall be issued not less than 60 days before the date fixed.
  - b. Notice for the extra Ordinary Council of Delegates meeting of the Federation shall be issued not less than 30 days before the date fixed.
  - c. Notice for the meeting of Executive Committee shall be issued not less than 30 days before the date fixed.
  - d. Notice for extra ordinary meeting of the Executive Committee may be issued not less than 15 days before the date fixed.

**CLAUSE XII. DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

- 12.1. President:** he will be the Chief Executive and responsible for the general supervision of the work of the Federation and shall preside over all meetings. He shall call meetings of the Executive Committee, either on his own accord or at the request of the members of Executive Committee. He **may** spend up to U.S. \$ 2000.00 in a month in case of emergency and thereafter, seek approval/sanction from the Executive Committee.
- 12.2. Vice Presidents:** One of them as appointed by president shall preside over the meetings in the absence of the President and shall exercise powers of President, and shall perform duties in his absence. They will assist the President and look after the matters and working in consultation with the President. They will be representative of the President, if so desired by him for some specific purpose, and shall act according to the directive of the President and Executive Committee.
- 12.3. Secretary General:** Shall be responsible to execute the decision of the Executive Committee and the Council of Delegates.  
Shall, keep proper records of proceedings of all the meetings held.  
Shall execute and enforce the resolution passed in the meetings in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of the Federation. Shall, have custody and control over the records of the Federation.  
May spend up to U.S.\$ 500.00 in a month in case of an emergency, and thereafter seek approval/sanction from the Executive Committee.
- 12.4. Treasurer:** Shall keep all the accounts of receipts and expenditure. He shall be responsible for all funds of the Federation. Shall, prepare a balance sheet and income and expenditure account annually, duly audited by the Chartered Accountants.
- 12.5. Members:** All the members shall assist the Executive Committee in that manner as desired/required by the Executive Committee.

**CLAUSE XIII. FUNDS:**

The s of the Federation shall be raised as follows:

- 13.1. National Association Membership Affiliation Fee::** US. \$ 150.00.
- 13.2. Annual National Association Subscription:** US. \$ 150.00
- 13.3. Grants, donation or gifts** from Members and any other agency/ institution, Government agencies and through Administrative Fees of Courses and Congresses.  
Fees due to AFSM from such Congresses/Courses should be paid prior to the commencement of the Congress/Course. Quantum of payment for Congress/Course shall be decided by the Ex Co.
- 13.4. Annual Individual, Annual Associate Membership and Life member** subscriptions.

**CLAUSE XIV. PROHIBITION OF REMUNERATION:**

No member shall be entitled to remuneration **from the Federation** whether holding any office or not.

**CLAUSE XV. OPERATION OF BANK ACCOUNTS:**

The funds of Federation shall be deposited in any scheduled bank approved by Executive Committee in the name of 'Asian Federation of Sports Medicine'.

The bank account shall be operated under the joint signatures of any two of the following:

- i. President
- ii. Secretary General
- iii. Treasurer

**CLAUSE XVI. FINANCIAL YEAR:**

The financial year of the Federation will be from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December.

**CLAUSE XVII. AUDIT:**

The accounts of the Federation shall be audited by a Chartered Accountant, annually.

**CLAUSE XVIII. VACANCIES:**

The Executive Committee will nominate replacement of any office bearer who may in the event of resignation/expulsion/death etc. become out of the Executive Committee. The nominated office bearer will continue to hold the office till the date of new election.

**CLAUSE XIX. AMENDMENTS IN THE ARTICLE:**

- 19.1.** Any amendment/alteration or introduction of rules, can be moved by a member. The motion is to be submitted to the Secretary General 90 days before the Council of Delegates meeting. The Secretary General will submit the motion to Executive Committee. If the motion is recommended, by the Executive Committee it can be put before Council of Delegates, as part of a scheduled agenda. If such amendment is approved by simple majority of Council of Delegates, it will become part of this document.
- 19.2.** No change in the Memorandum and the Article shall be made as provided in sub clause (1) except when approved by the simple majority of members.

**CLAUSE XX. RULES OF ELECTION:**

**20.1. Term of Election:**

Starting 1992, elections will be held every four years to elect office bearers under clause VII.

**20.2. Formation of Election Committee:**

The Executive Committee shall constitute the Election Committee after every four years before every election. It shall consist of a Chairman and two Members.

**20.3. Function of Election Committee:**

The Election Committee shall hold elections, in Council of Delegates meetings, for the purpose of electing the office bearers of the Federation in accordance with the constitution and the election rules.



**20.4. Qualification of a Candidate for Election:**

- i. Representative of the Member Association of Asian Federation of Sports Medicine, duly recommended as such by the Member National/Regional Association and who is an Individual or Life Member of the Federation.
- ii. Those members who have paid subscription up to the closing date of receiving nomination (see 20.6 ii).
- iii. Members/Chairman of Election Committee shall be ineligible to contest.

**20.5. Qualification for Voters:**

All the member Associations shall be entitled to vote in the election of office bearers provided the subscription of that Association is paid up to the publishing date of voters' list (see 20.6 iv)

**20.6. Procedure for Elections:**

- i. The Election Committee shall fix a date, place and time as the closing date for receiving nominations, from candidates for election of office bearers.
- ii. The Election day should fall no less than 30 days after the closing date for receiving nominations.
- iii. The Election Committee shall announce the full schedule of election at least 60 days in advance of the election day, such schedule will be circulated to the members.
- iv. Voters' list shall be published 30 days before the election day by the Secretary General. In other words, if the Election day is to be held on 'Day 31', the voter's list should be published on 'Day1'.

**20.7. Nomination of Candidate for Election: \***

- i. Every nomination shall be made on a nomination form supplied by the Election Committee/Secretary-General.
- ii. Such nomination form is to be signed by the candidate to whom it relates and is proposed by a valid member.
- iii. No one candidate shall be entitled to contest for more than one post.
- iv. No member shall propose or second more than one candidate for one and same post.

**20.8. Scrutiny of the Nomination Forms:**

- i. On the day following the last day fixed for filing the nomination forms, the same shall be scrutinized by the Election Committee and invalid forms shall be rejected.
- ii. Members have right to appeal to Chairman of Election Committee. Decision of Election Committee will be final.

**20.9. Mode of Election:**

- i. The election shall be through secret ballot.
- ii. If the number of candidate(s) validly nominated is equal to the number of seat(s), the candidate(s) shall be forthwith declared, *as* duly elected.
- iii. The Election Committee shall declare the names of elected office bearers of the Federation soon after the counting, in presence of all the candidates/ representatives.

**20.10. Proxy:**

Proxy will be allowed if obtained on the prescribed Proforma endorsed by the Federation.

## CLAUSE XXL REGIONALIZATION:

**21.1.** The principle of Regionalization will be followed in the elections. Asia will be divided in five regions in accordance, with the principles of the Olympic Council of Asia, to be called;

1. **East Asia**
2. **South East Asia**
3. **South Asia**
4. **Central Asia**
5. **West Asia**

**21.2.** The positions of President, Secretary-General, Treasurer and eight Members will be open for all regions, however the vacancies of five vice presidents will be equally distributed i.e. one Vice President each, among the countries of the five above named regions; which are given below:

### **East Asia:**

1. China (CHN)
2. DPR Korea (PRK)
3. Hong Kong (HKG)
4. Japan. (JPN)
5. Korea (KOR)
6. Macau (MAC)
7. Mongolia (MGL)
8. Chinese Taipei (TPE)

### **South Asia:**

1. Bangladesh (BAN)
2. Bhutan (BHU)
3. India (IND)
4. Maldives (MDV)
5. Nepal (NEP)
6. Pakistan (PAK)
7. Sri Lanka (SRI)

### **West Asia**

1. Yemen (YEM)
2. Bahrain (BRN)
3. Iraq (IRQ)
4. Jordan (JOR)
5. Kuwait (KUW)
6. Lebanon (LIB)
7. Oman (OMA)
8. Palestine (PLE)
9. Qatar (QAT)
10. Saudi Arabia(KSA)
11. Syria (SYR)
12. United Arab Emirates(UAE)

### **South East Asia:**

1. Brunei (BRU)
2. Myanmar (MYA)
3. Indonesia (INA)
4. Laos (LAO)
5. Malaysia (MAS)
6. Philippines (PHI)
7. Singapore (SIN)
8. Thailand (THA)
9. Vietnam (VIE)
10. Cambodia (CAM)
11. Timor - Leste (TLS)

### **Central Asia :**

1. Iran (IRA)
2. Kazakhstan (KAZ)
3. Afghanistan (AFG)
4. Kyrgyzstan (KGZ)
5. Tajikistan (TJK)
6. Turkmenistan (TKM)
7. Uzbekistan (MGL)
8. Mongolia (MGL)

( The above list shall be amended with the inclusion of new member countries).

Should any of the 5 above-mentioned regions failed to nominate a candidate to fill up a vacancy of vice-president, the rest of the regions may nominate more than one candidate for the position of VPs and fill up more than 1 VP position via election.

**CLAUSE XXII. EXCEPTIONS:**

In case any matter arises, which is not clearly defined in this Constitution, Statutes of International Federation of Sports Medicine or the principles of International Olympic Committee and WADA, will be followed, until such time, as when the Constitution of the Federation is amended to accommodate such matter(s).

**CLAUSE XXIII. DECISIONS:**

All the decisions to be made in the meetings of Executive Committee/Council of Delegates shall be taken with a simple majority.  
(Approved on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024 Council of Delegates meeting)