#### **BY-LAW**

#### **Elections of FIB Executive Committee Members**



# 1) Introduction

- 1.1 According to FIB Statutes Article 23.1 j), the FIB Executive Committee (EC) shall issue By-Laws.
- 1.2 In order to ensure fairness, integrity and to provide a clear and transparent election procedure, the FIB EC established this By-Law for Elections of FIB Executive Committee Members.

## 2) Executive Committee Positions

- 2.1 According to FIB Statutes 20.1, the FIB EC shall consist of:
- the President.
- the First Vice President
- the two (2) additional Vice Presidents
- the four (4) members

Each of the above positions shall be filled by way of elections conducted at the Congress in accordance with the FIB Statutes and this By-Law.

The order of the election shall be the same as above.

- the Athletes Committee Chair is ex-officio member of the FIB EC, to be elected by the members of the Athletes Committee.
- the General Secretary is appointed by the FIB EC.
- 2.2 According to FIB Statutes, Article 20.2, the Executive Committee shall, with the exception of the Athlete Committee Chair, not include more than one elected representative of the same Member Association unless the Congress decide otherwise.

## 3) Voting Procedures

- 3.1 According to FIB Statutes, Article 17.1, each Member Association shall have one vote which shall be exercised on its behalf by one of its representatives.
- 3.2 According to FIB Statutes, Article 17.2, votes by proxy shall not be permitted.
- 3.3 According to FIB Statutes, Article 17.5, suspended Member Associations and national bandy associations admitted into membership on a provisional basis shall not have the right to vote.
- 3.4 According to FIB Statutes, Article 18.4, elections shall be by secret ballot. If only one candidate stands for election, the Congress may decide to proceed otherwise.
- 3.5 Furthermore, if there is an equal (or less) number of candidates nominated than the number of positions to be filled, the Congress may decide to proceed otherwise.
- 3.6 To be valid, ballots shall carry votes for as many candidates as there are vacancies.
- 3.7 According to FIB Statutes, Article 18.3
- a person shall be elected in the first ballot if supported by an absolute majority of the valid votes cast (i.e. half of the votes plus one),

- if no election is made, there shall be a second ballot, in which the person supported by a simple majority (i.e. most votes) shall be elected,
- in the event of a tie in the second ballot, there shall be a third ballot, in which the person supported by a simple majority shall be elected,
- in the event of a tie in the third ballot, election shall be determined by the drawing of lots.

## 3.8 Furthermore,

- if there is a greater number of candidates than the number of positions to be filled (for example four (4) candidates for the two (2) Vice President positions), then the vote is subject to relative majority, i.e. the candidates equal to the number of available positions who poll the highest number of votes shall be declared elected,
- in the event of a tie for the last position (for example, a tie for the second (2nd) position) between two (2) or more candidates, then a second election shall be held for the tied candidates only, and the candidate polling the highest number of votes shall be declared elected to that position,
- in the event of another tie, a third ballot will be conducted in the same way,
- in the event of a tie in the third ballot, election shall be determined by the drawing of lots,
- if there is an equal (or less) number of candidates nominated than the number of positions to be filled, in that case the vote is also subject to relative majority.
- a person can be a candidate for multiple positions, but may only be elected to one,
- if a person is elected, the person's name shall be removed from any further candidature list.
- unsuccessful candidates are not automatically eligible for election to another position, unless nominated to that position as well,
- 3.9 The results of the votes will be announced by the Chairman of the Congress. No succeeding vote should take place until the result of the previous vote is announced, including the number of votes polled for each candidate.
- 3.10 According to FIB Statutes, Article 20.3, the Executive Committee shall include elected representative from both genders, excluding the Athletes Committee Chair.
- 3.11 In order to achieve the above gender balance, if the individuals elected as President, First Vice President and Vice Presidents represent only one gender, one of the four (4) Executive Committee member positions shall be attributed in preference to the other gender, unless the Congress decides otherwise. To that effect, only candidates from the gender not represented yet shall be admitted to take part in a first round of voting for the EC members election.
- 3.12 If there are no candidates from the other gender, then the four (4) positions of EC members shall be attributed to those candidates who receive the highest number of votes.

## 4) Adoption and enforcement

The present By-Law was adopted by the FIB Executive Committee on 10 May 2024 and comes into force immediately.