



STATUTE

OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPORTS ORGANIZATION

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Article 1 - Name and address

- The International Sports Federation, named "WORLD KETTLEBELL SPORT FEDERATION" (WKSF), hereinafter referred to as "FEDERATION" is established in Italy with the Legal Headquarter in 20020 Nosate (MI) – via San Martino 3/5 and Operating Office in 20022 Castano Primo (MI) – via Crocifisso 30 – International Kettlebell Lifting Training Center Academy
- The Executive Committee has the power to set up and abolish subsidiaries, branches and representations in Italy and abroad, as well as to transfer the company's registered office, without the transfer being a change of statute.

Article 2 – Mission statement and general policy of the Federation

- The federation is non-political and not for profit, during the lifetime of the Federation it is not possible to distribute, even indirectly, management surpluses, funds, reserves or capital
- The Federation aims to develop and disseminate sports activities related to the KETTLEBELL SPORT - KETTLEBELL LIFTING - GHIRI SPORT discipline, intended as a means of psycho-physical and moral training, through the management of any form of competitive, recreational or any other type of motor activity and not, capable of promoting the knowledge and practice of the aforementioned discipline.
- In order to achieve the stated purpose the Federation commits itself:
 - to divulge sporting practice worldwide;
 - to organize and promote:
 - world championships
 - cups of the world
 - Continental Championships (*Europe, Asia, Oceania, Africa, North America, South America*)
 - Continental Cups (*Europe, Asia, Oceania, Africa, North America, South America*)
 - international trophies
 - grand prix
 - national competitions
 - student and disabled championships
 - to support sports organizations, members of the Federation, in the organization of competitions in their respective states
 - to organize stages for the knowledge and study of sports equipment
 - to produce videos and information books on the proper use of specific sports equipment



- The Federation may carry out all the activities deemed necessary for the attainment of its institutional aims, including, but not limited to, the organization of sporting, cultural, recreational, festivals, parties, events, tournaments, games and any other in the respect of the valid disposals of law.
- It may also carry out the activities of managing, conducting and maintaining regular sports equipment for the practice of the KETTLEBELL SPORT - KETTLEBELL LIFTING - GHIRI SPORT discipline, as well as carrying out teaching activities for starting, updating and the improvement in the conduct of the sports practice of the aforementioned discipline.
- It may also carry out commercial activities in compliance with current tax and administrative regulations.
- It will be able to find spaces and facilities, also through agreements with public or private entities, for the conduct of institutional activities and to maintain relations with Credit Institutions.
- The Federation is characterized by the democratic nature of the structure, the electivity and the gratuity of the associative offices. (*except by way of reimbursement of out of pocket expenses or flat reimbursement, when expected*)
- The Federation agrees to comply with the rules, statutes, regulations and directives of any other federation or promotional body to which it intends to affiliate.

Article 3 - Duration

- The duration of the Federation is unlimited and it can only be dissolved by resolution of the Extraordinary Meeting.

Article 4 - Application for admission

- Sports organizations such as sport federations, sport associations, and sports clubs may be members of the Federation, hereinafter referred to as "MEMBERS", in the amount of one organization for each State, and must have an irreproachable moral, civil and sports conduct.
- Organizations wishing to be part of the Federation will have to submit a request on a special form.
- The submission of the membership application form implies the tacit acceptance of the Federation's Statute and the obligation to pay the annual membership fee.
- The status of Member is subject to the acceptance of the application by the Executive Committee, whose judgment must always be motivated and against whose decision the appeal can be appealed to the General Meeting.
- In case more requests are received from the same State, the President will, after careful evaluation of the same submit to the Executive Committee, for ratification, the name of the organization that he considers fit to join the Federation.
- Upon acceptance of the application for membership, the member has to pay, within 30 days, the federal membership fee for the current year.



- The membership fee cannot be transferred to third parties.

Article 5 - Members' rights

- All organizations acquire, at the time of admission, the right to participate in the Social Assemblies as well as the active and passive electorate.
- Each organization will have to designate delegates who will represent it in the assemblies, in the measure of:
 - No 2 delegates for Federations / Associations of national importance
 - No 1 delegate for Clubs
- Organizations may have more delegates, and therefore more votes available, that will be acquired for sporting merits and calculated according to the rules that will be defined via a special regulation.
- The names of the members' representatives and their function in their organization must be communicated before each meeting to which the Member will be called to attend.

Article 6 – Disqualification of Members

- The members cease to belong to the Federation in the following cases:
 - voluntary dismissal;
 - overdue moratorium for more than 30 days from the expiration of the required membership fee;
 - Radiation deliberated by the absolute majority of the members of the Executive Committee, pronounced against the Member who commits actions deemed dishonorable within and outside the association, or which, by its conduct, constitutes an obstacle to the good performance of the partnership.
 - dissolution of the Federation.

Article 7 - Social Bodies

- The social organs are:
 - the General Meetings;
 - the President;
 - the Executive Committee

Article 8 - Operation of the Meetings

- The General Meeting of Members is the highest board of the Federation and is convened in ordinary and extraordinary sessions.
When it is regularly summoned and constituted represents the universality of the associates and



the legitimately adopted resolutions they oblige all the associates, even if they do not intervene or dissent.

- The convening of the Extraordinary General Meeting may be requested by the Execution Committee from at least half plus one of the Members, who must have paid the membership fees at the time of the request, and they have to propose the agenda.
- The convening of the Extraordinary Meeting may also be requested by the President or by half plus one of the members of the Execution Committee.
- The Meeting must be convened at the headquarters of the Federation or, in any case, in a suitable place to guarantee the maximum participation of the members.
- Meetings are presided over by the President of the Execution Committee, in the event of his absence or impediment, by one of the legitimately appointed Members and elected by the majority of those present.
- The Members appoints a secretary, not necessary when the minutes of the assembly are drawn up by a notary.
- The President directs and rules the discussions and establishes the modalities and the time sequence of the voting.
- For each meeting shall be drawn up a report signed by the President, the secretary and, if appointed, by the scrutineers.
- A copy of the minutes must be made available to all the Members with the formalities considered most appropriate by the Governing Board to ensure that they are widely disseminated

Article 9 – Right to attend Meetings

- Only members who are in good standing with the payment of the membership fee and who are not subject to disciplinary measures will be able to attend the Elective Conference, General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meeting.
- The Executive Committee will list, for each convoked Meeting, the list of members entitled to vote.
- No delegations are allowed.

Article 10 – Elective Conference and General Meeting

- The convening of the Elective Federation Conference will take place at least 30 days prior notice
- The Elective Conference must be convened by December 31 of the last year of the term of office of the President and of the Executive Committee.
- The Elective Conference elects with separate votes, with clear or secret voting, which will be defined by the shareholders' meeting itself before the vote:
 - the President of the Federation that is also the Chairman of the Executive Committee



- the members of the Executive Committee
- The convening of the General Meeting will take place at least 10 days notice
- The General Meeting must be called at least once a year, within 4 months of the end of the financial year, for the approval of the balance sheet and for the examination of budget of the current year.
- Both the Elective Conference and the General Meeting must be called by notice at the headquarters of the association and at the same time communicating to the associates by ordinary mail, electronic means, publication on the Federation website, fax, telegram or other means of information available at the moment.
- At the convening of the Meeting, the date, place and time of the meeting and the list of subjects to be addressed shall be indicated.
- It is up to the Member's Meeting to deliberate on the guidelines of the Federation, as well as on the approval of social regulations, and on all matters relating to the life and relations of the Federation that are outside the jurisdiction of the Extraordinary Assembly and are legitimately subjected to its examination in accordance with art. 8

Article 11 - Extraordinary Meeting

- The convening of the Extraordinary Meeting must be made at least 10 days notice by posting notice at the Federation's headquarters and at the same time communicating to the Members by ordinary mail, electronic mail, publication on the Federation website, fax, telegram or other means of information available at the moment.
- At the convening of the Meeting, the date, place and time of the meeting and the list of subjects to be addressed shall be indicated.
- The Extraordinary Meeting resolves on the following matters: approval and amendment of the Articles of Statute; acts and contracts relating to real estate rights, designation and replacement of elective social organs if their decadence compromises the operation and management of the Federation, the dissolution of the Federation and the manner of liquidation.

Article 12 – Validity of the Elective Conference and General Meeting

- The Elective Conference and the General Meeting are validly constituted in the first call with the presence of the absolute majority of Members entitled to vote and deliberate with a favorable vote of the majority of those present.
- The Extraordinary Meeting in first call is validly constituted when two thirds of the Members entitled to vote and deliberates with the favorable vote of the majority of those present.
- One hour after the first convocation, both the Elective Conference, the General Meeting and the Extraordinary Meeting will be validly constituted, whatever the number of the associates involved, and deliberate with the votes of the present.



- In order to give the opportunity to vote for the largest number of members, only for the General Meeting, the votes cast by mail or other means via the web will also be considered valid
- The President shall send an informative email to the Members, who declare that they can not attend the meeting, specifying the topics for which a vote is required.
- To be valid the vote must be received, by mail or other means indicated and agreed, preferably at the time of the request to vote at the meeting, and in any case by midnight of the next day (local time of the venue where the meeting takes place)

Article 13 – Executive Committee

- The Executive Committee consists of a number of 10 (ten) elected members, including the President.
- The President, among the members elected in the Executive Committee, appoints the Vice-President and the Secretary General.
- All social affairs are free of charge. (*except by way of reimbursement of out of pocket expenses or flat reimbursement, when expected*)
- The Executive Committee remains in office for five years and its members can be re-elected.
- Members of the Executive Committee may be the delegates, of the Members in accordance with the payment of membership fees, that have not been subject to convictions for untested crimes and have not been subjected to any of the national sports federations at suspensions for periods of more than one year.
- Each organization, Member of the Federation, may have only one candidate for the Executive Committee
- The Executive Committee is validly constituted with the presence of the majority of the board members in office and shall deliberate with the vote of the majority of those present. In the event of equality, the President's vote will prevail.
- The deliberations of the Executive Committee, for their validity, must result from a signed report from the President of the meeting and the secretary. The same should be made available to all the associates with the formalities considered most appropriate by the Executive Committee to ensure their maximum dissemination.

Article 14 - Resignation

- If, for any reason, during the course of the financial year, one or more members of the Executive Committee should be missed, but not more than half of them, they will be replaced with the first of the non-elected member
- If there are no candidates, the Executive Committee will continue without the missing members until the first useful meeting where the vote will take place in order to replace them, the new member will remain in place until the expire period of the Executive Committee.



- In the event of resignation or impediment of the President of the Executive Committee to perform his / her duties, the duties shall be carried out by the Vice-President until the new President is elected in the first useful meeting.
- The Executive Committee shall be deemed to have fallen and no longer in office if the majority of its members, including the President, are missed.
- Upon the occurrence of such event, the Elective Council shall be called immediately and without delay to appoint the new Executive Committee
- Up to its new constitution and limited to urgent affairs and the management of the ordinary administration of the Federation, the functions will be carried out by the Executive Committee that has fallen

Article 15 - Convening the Executive Committee

- The Executive Committee meets whenever the Chairman considers it necessary or requests from at least half of the Executive Committee members, without formalities.

Article 16 - Tasks of the Executive Committee

- These are the duties of the Executive Committee:
 - to deliberate on the applications for admission of the Members;
 - cooperate with the President to prepare the budget and the balance sheet to be submitted to the General Meeting;
 - to set the dates of the General Meeting to be convened at least once a year and convene the Extraordinary General Meeting in compliance with the quorum as in art. 8.
 - draft any internal regulations concerning the social activity to be submitted to the approval of the General Meeting;
 - adopt the radiation measures to the Members if they become necessary;
 - implement the purposes set out in the Articles of Statute and the implementation of the decisions of the Members' Meeting

Article 17 - The President

- The President directs the Federation and controls the operation in accordance with the autonomy of other social bodies, and is the Legal Representative in any event.
- Convene and chair the meetings of the Executive Committee and the shareholders' meetings
- It proposes to the Executive Committee, for its ratification, the removal of a member of the Executive Committee or or the delegate of one of the federation's member organizations, motivating the proposal
- It cares for the Administration of the Federation and is responsible for the keeping of accounting books as well for collections and payments to be made



- It may assign assignments and / or functions that are necessary for the proper functioning of the Federation, even to people who are not members of the membership list.
- The delegates may, if invited by the Chairman, attend the meetings of the Executive Committee and at any other Meeting without having the right to vote.

Article 18 - The Vice President

- The Vice President replaces the President in case of his temporary absence or temporary impediment and in those duties in which he is expressly delegated.

Article 19 - The Secretary General

- The secretary general executes the resolutions of the President and the Executive Committee, prepares minutes of the meetings.

Article - 20 The report

- The President, also relying on external resources, draws up the balance sheet and the budget of the Federation, to be submitted to the General Meeting. The balance sheet must inform about the overall economic and financial situation of the Federation.
- The balance sheet must be drafted in a clear and fair manner, and must represent the economic and financial situation of the Federation in a true and fair manner, respecting the principle of transparency vis-à-vis members.
- With the convening of the General Meeting which has on agenda the budget approval, it must be made available to all members, a copy of the budget itself.

Article 21 - Social Year and Financial Year

- The social year and the financial year start on January 1 and end on 31 December of each year

Article 22 - Revenues and Social Assets

- The revenues of the Federation are from:
 - the associative membership fees determined annually by the Executive Committee,
 - contributions from bodies, including public, and associations,
 - private contributions,
 - leave or donations,
 - incam deriving from activities organized by the Federation.
- The Federation's assets consist of:
 - sports material and gear
 - properties of the Federation



Article 23 - Compromise clause

- Members undertake to comply with the Statute of Federation and Corporate Regulations.
- The Members also undertake not to enter into legal channels for any divergence that may arise between the Members in relation to the Federation's activities or to the Federation.
- All disputes between the Federation and the Members and the Members themselves are subject to the judgment of a specially formed Committee

Article 24 - Dissolution

- The dissolution of the Federation is resolved by the General Meeting, summoned in extraordinary session and validly constituted as indicated in art.12 of this Statute, with the approval, both in first and second convocation, of at least 3/4 of the votes of the members' representatives.
- The request of the Extraordinary General Meeting by the Members for the dissolution of the Federation must be submitted by at least 3/4 of the members with voting rights.
- At the time of the dissolution of the Federation, the Extraordinary General Meeting will decide on the destination of the remaining active assets of the Federation.
- The destination of the remaining assets will be in favor of another association pursuing sporting purposes, subject to a different destination imposed by law.

Article 25 - Reference rules

- As far as not expressly provided by this Statute, it is expressly referred to the current rules on sports association and the rules of the Civil Code.