



**MEDITERRANEAN
BOWLING
CONFEDERATION**

STATUTES



STATUTES OF THE MEDITERRANEAN BOWLING CONFEDERATION (MBC)

Chapter I: CONSTITUTION

Article 1

The vocation of the confederation of the Mediterranean Bowling Confederation (MBC) is to regroup the national federations of the Mediterranean Basin in full compliance with the ICMG charter and General Assembly decisions.

The confederation is liable to the law of the country in which it has its headquarters, where the statutes are registered.

Article 2

The national federations who wish to be a member will have to accept these statutes to apply the candidature.

Article 3

The MBC is an international, non-profit organization, in a form of a confederation, without political, religious, and social discrimination.

Article 4

Rules and activities of the confederation must respect the strict framework of moral and ethical principles, just as respecting human dignity, the value of sport, Fairplay, protection of the child, sports without doping, etc.

Article 5

Confederation respects the statutes and rules of World Bowling (the International governing body for the sport of Tenpin bowling), operating in full harmonization with ICMG charter.

Chapter II: Definition - Membership – Mission – Composition - Office:

Article 1

The confederation is a geographical group, made up of National Bowling Federations actually or historically bordering the Mediterranean Sea, in full harmonization with ICMG charter.

Article 2



To be a member these national federations must be affiliated to World Bowling.
The admission of a national federation is subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

Article 3

MBC's main purpose is to promote:

3.1 the development of humanist and cultural values through athletes in every discipline approved by World Bowling, at all levels of practice.

3.2 collaboration, solidarity, mutual aid between the National Bowling Federations within every domain, administrative, technical, educational, health, logistics, in particular, if requested by a national federation.

3.2.1 mutual administrative aid between federations

3.2.2 technical collaboration between technician; pooling of technical services; education – formation

3.2.3 solidarity between athletes - priority in calling and inviting athletes of the confederation to training camps, tournaments, international and national "Open" competitions, and other events.

3.2.4 medical assistance formation and recycling of medical organizations and anti-doping education.

3.2.5 establishment of events between the countries of the confederation, in full harmonization with ICMG charter

Article 4

The Confederation has an unlimited existence period.

Article 5

The official language of the confederation is English.

The official language for meetings - Congresses, Executive Boards, and Committees- shall be English.

The English language shall apply where there are varying interpretations.

Statutes and Rules shall be published in English.

Article 6

The MBC's headquarters are located in Thessaloniki, Greece by unanimous decision of the general assembly

Article 7- Fee:

The Member Federations of the Confederation agree to pay an annual fee of one hundred euro (100 €) determined by the Ordinary General Assembly (AGO).



Chapter –III- BODIES OF THE CONFEDERATION

Article -1- The bodies of the confederation are as follows:

- 1.1 Ordinary General Assembly (AGO);
- 1.2 Extraordinary General Assembly (AGE);
- 1.3 The President;
- 1.4 Vice Presidents;
- 1.5 The Executive Committee (EC);
- 1.6 The Administrative Staff.

1-1 Ordinary General Assembly (AGO)

The AGO is the supreme organ of the confederation. It is composed of mandated delegates of their National Federation.

Can be invited to attend the AGO: the President of World Bowling, the Presidents of the three Continental Unions concerned (Europe, Africa, Asia), the President of CIJM, or their representatives, also the Honorary members of the confederation.

The AGO decides the following:

1. approval of progress reports of the previous year,
2. the admission or exclusion of member federations,
3. the election of the President and Executive Committee members,
4. setting an annual fee,
5. the adoption of the activity plan,
6. approval of budgets and accounts,
7. all matters referred by the member federations or by the Executive Committee (EC),
8. approval and modification of the statutes

- Each federation up to date of member fees has one vote.
- Each federation can participate with a maximum of three (3) delegates; Only one (1) delegate has the right to vote and he will be identified at this time.
- Proxy votation is not admitted.
- In special circumstances, such as a global pandemic, the executive committee can decide that the AGO can take place via internet and vote by an electronic voting process whose conditions of implementation shall guarantee the regularity and secrecy of ballots.
- Every decision is taken at a simple majority of voting except for the approval of the above points 3 and 8 that require a minimum quorum of at least more than half of the representing member associated. To reach the agreement a simple majority of the votes will be required.



The meeting of AGO takes place once a year.

1-2 Extraordinary general Assembly (AGE)

An AGE can take place on demand of at least two-thirds of the members affiliated to the confederation, or on the decision of the Executive Committee (EC).

A quorum of fifty percent of the affiliated federations is required.

The simple majority of voting is sufficient.

In special circumstances, such as a global pandemic, the executive committee can decide that the AGE can take place via internet and vote by an electronic voting process whose conditions of implementation shall guarantee the regularity and secrecy of ballots.

The AGE is competent for the modifications of the statutes or the dissolution of the confederation (dissolution 3/4 of the majority of the affiliated federations)

1-3 Composition – Mode of designation and operation

The MBC is administered by the MBC EC elected by the AGO for a four-year term of office, which may be completed with coopted members, and consisting of:

- **A President.** The President is the legal representative of the confederation. He presides the AGO, AGE, and the Executive Committee. He decides, with the EC's members, of the actions to plan for the development of the confederation in the respect of the orientations and recommendations of the AG.
- **A First Vice-President** who replaces the President on his/her request in case of impediment.
- **A Secretary-General**, who is responsible for the administration, arranging meetings, and taking the circulating minutes and matters regarding the constitution. Must be a permanent resident of the country where the headquarters of MBC is.
- **A Treasurer** who is accountable before the MBC EC to which he/she shall report regularly and who is responsible for finances, accounting, and the execution of the budget with all related obligations of any kind.
- **Three members**

Among the seven members of the EC, must be at least two members of each gender.

In the event that there are no corresponding nominations, the seats remain vacant and the EC must apply for candidacies of this gender from the countries that are not represented in the EC. If the nominations submitted exceed the available positions, a vote is held in an AGE.

In the event that there are no candidates, then the seats are filled by the members who received the most votes, regardless of gender.

1-4 Administrative staff (not elected position)

The staff executes the decisions and performs the missions requested by the elected representatives of the confederation. It consists of different collaborators if necessary.

They could be paid or volunteers.

Article 2 - Terms of organization and holding of elections for the representatives



2-1 Any nomination as a member of the EC must be submitted by the national federation of the country where he/she is a member. One single candidate per national federation can be presented (with exception of the secretary-general position).

The deadline for the applications is 30 days before the 1st day of the AG.

2-2 The election of the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary-general, and the members are made, every four years, by secret ballot.

2-3 The order of election is the President, the Vice presidents, the treasurer, and the members. They are all elected by a simple majority.

2-4 In case of a tie between two or more candidates, there will be an extra tour of voting until the tie between candidates is solved

2-5 In case of resignation or death of a member of the CE there will be an additional election during the next AGO.

Chapter - IV THE COMMISSIONS

To assure the good functioning of the confederation, the President can propose to the EC the creation of different commissions and can designate the members.

Chapter -V THE FINANCES

Article-1- The financial year of the confederation begins on the 1st of January and ends on December 31st.

Article-2- The incomes are constituted by subscription fees of the members, donations accepted by the EC, and all incomes generated by its activities.

Article-3- The expenses allowed to the administration, the President, the Vice Presidents, the Secretary-general, and the members, as duties expenses and project developments will be covered by the Confederation; the AGO and the EC may determine the limits.
Elected members and co-opted members are volunteers.

Article- 4- The transport and assembly meeting expenses of all elected members will be supported by their own national federation.

Chapter- VI- HONORARY MEMBERS

Article -1- All national federations, all members elected of the confederation can propose to the executive, any person for the title of member of honor which will be submitted to the approbation of the AGO.

Chapter – VII- THE GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

Article -1- the debates will take place in the English language only.



Article -2- correspondences and official documents of the Confederation are the English language only.

Chapter –VIII – MODIFICATION OF THE STATUTES - DISSOLUTION OF THE CONFEDERATION

Article -1-

Only the AGE and AGO can modify the statutes.

Article -2-

In case of a proposal for modification of the regulations, the AGE or AGO must be convened at least three (03) months before the date of the meeting.

AGE, AGO, and EC are convened by the president.

The proposals are made by national federation and EC members for modifications must be included in an annex of the AGE' agenda and sent at least one (03) month before the AGE' meeting to all affiliated federations.

Article -3-

The dissolution of the confederation may only be pronounced by the AGE by the majority of three quarters (3/4) of the members of the Confederation affiliated and two thirds (2/3) of the federation's members represented.

Article -4-

In case of dissolution, the property belonging to the confederation will be devolved to International charity associations that work in sports fields.

Chapter IX Situations and rules that are not covered by the present regulations

The situations and rules not foreseen by these regulations will be settled rapidly in the spirit of the rules of the World Bowling or continental unions, by the president, or by the EC depending on the case, with pending to be reviewed and approved by the AGO.

Annex 1

Rules of ICMG and the relationship between an International Federation and the Mediterranean Games.

MBC respects Chapter 4 Point XV of the ICMG Charter and recognizes that the International Federation assumes the responsibility for the technical control and direction of Bowling at the Mediterranean Games.

Voted by the General assembly of the MBC

Approved by the Executive committee

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