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Definitions.

For interpreting these statutes, and the regulations that govern the application of these statutes and orders of the congress.

1 - **Federation** means a “a dodgeball federation/association recognised as such by the WDA. It is a member of WDA, unless a different meaning is evident from the context.”

2 - **ADF** means the “Asian Dodgeball Federation”

3 - **Dodgeball** means “the game governed and organised by the WDA, it’s continental federations and/or national member federations”

4 - **CAS** or **CAS (TAS)** means the “Court of Arbitration for Sport (Tribunal Arbitral du Sport) in Lausanne (Switzerland)

5 - **Club** means a “professional or amateur club which takes part in leagues or competitions governed by a member federation”

6 - **Committee** means “any committee of the ADF which is constituted and governed by these statutes”

7 - **Continental Federation** means “a group of member federations recognised by the WDA that belong to the same continent (or geographic region)”

8 - **Congress** means “the supreme and legislative body of the ADF”

9 - **Domestic Federation/Association** or **State Body** means “an organisation governed by a member federation”

10 - **Executive Committee** mean “the executive body of the ADF”

11 - **WDA** means the “World Dodgeball Association”

12 - **Dodgeball** means, as the context require “any or all types of dodgeball including but not limited to all ball types, surface types, and rule sets”

13 - **Member Federation** means “the governing body for dodgeball within a country or territory recognised by the ADF”

14 - **Rules** mean “the laws and regulations of dodgeball as issued by the ADF and WDA”

15 - **League** means “a professional and/or amateur league which consists of a combination of clubs within the territory of a Federation and which is governed by that Federation.”

16 - **Officials** means “all office bearers and members of various Committees, managers, coaches, trainers, match officials, medical officials, staff and any other person responsible for technical, medical, and administrative matters in the ADF, member federations, leagues or clubs as well as any other person obliged to comply with the ADF statutes (except Players)”

17 - **Player** means a “professional or amateur dodgeball player”

18 - **Regulations** means “without limitation, the rules, regulations, codes, instructions and directives as circulated by the executive committee”

19 - **Stakeholder** means “a person, entity or organisation which is not a Member Federation and/or body of WDA or Continental Federation which has an interest or concern in the ADF’s activities, which may affect or be affected by the ADF’s actions, objectives and policies, in particular clubs, players, and coaches”

20 - **Simple Majority** means “more than fifty percent (50%)”

21 - **Statutes, Regulation Governing The Application of the Statutes and Standing Orders of the Congress** means “rules and regulations circulated by the Congress.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references to natural persons include all genders and the singular case applies to the plural and vice versa.

Chapter 1 : The ADF

Article 1 - Title, Legal Form, Headquarters and Language

- 1 - The organisation shall be called the “Asian Dodgeball Federation” or “ADF”
- 2 - The ADF is an association registered pursuant to the Laws of Australia
- 3 - The ADF is a Continental Federation recognised by WDA
- 4 - The administrative headquarters of the ADF shall be in Australia and may only be transferred by resolution of the Congress
- 5 - The official language of the ADF shall be English

Article 2 - Objectives

- 1 - The objectives of the ADF are as follows
 - a) Promote the sport of dodgeball in a non-discriminatory, inclusive and innovative manner.
 - b) Foster friendly relationships between its Members.
 - c) Organise its own international competitions, and work alongside the WDA to draw up regulations, provisions and ensure their enforcement
 - d) Protect the interests of its Members
 - e) Encourage and support individuals, Members and other affiliated entities in the development and coordination of dodgeball competitions
 - f) Ensure good governance of any other Members by taking appropriate steps to prevent the infringement of the Statutes, Regulations or decisions of the ADF
 - g) Promote integrity, ethics, and fair play with a view to prevent all methods or practices such as corruption, doping or match fixing, which might jeopardize the integrity of matches, competitions, athletes, officials and members or give rise to abusive situations among any of the Members of the ADF.

- h) To ensure it's representatives in WDA actively represent the collective views of the ADF and do so in the true spirit of Asian solidarity.
- i) To disseminate information on the ADF and WDA activities
- j) To raise funds, purchase or hold any asset for the benefit of, or reinvestment in all levels and areas of Dodgeball

Article 3 - Human Rights, Neutrality and Non-Discrimination

1 - The ADF is committed to respecting all recognised human rights, and shall strive to protect these rights

2 - The ADF is neutral in all matters of politics and religion

3 - Discrimination of any kind against a country, private person or group of people on account of race, skin colour, ethnic, national or social origin, gender, disability, language, religion, political opinion or any other opinion, wealth, birth or any other status, sexual orientation or any other reason is strictly prohibited and punishable by suspension or expulsion

4 - The ADF shall manage its affairs independently and with no influence from third parties

Article 4 - Promoting Friendly Relationships

1 - The ADF shall promote friendly relations between its Member Federations, Clubs, Officials and Players and in society for humanitarian objectives

2 - Every person and organisation involved in the game of Dodgeball is obliged to observe the Statutes, Regulations and the principles of fair play as well as the principles of loyalty, integrity and sportsmanship

3 - The ADF in accordance with these statutes provide the necessary institutional means to resolve any disputes that may arise between Member Federations, Clubs, Officials and Players in the territory of the ADF

Article 5 - Rules

1 - The ADF and Member Federations shall organise and/or play:

- a) Multi Ball Dodgeball (Five (5) Ball) in compliance with the WDA Rules and Regulations issued by the WDA Rules Committee
- b) Single Ball Dodgeball (One (1) Ball) issued in accordance with the Rules and Regulations issued by the ADF and the WDA - and WDA
- c) Any other form of Dodgeball that the ADF approves of

Article 6 - Conduct of Persons and Organisations

1 - Every person and organisation directly, or indirectly bound by these Statutes must observe these Statutes and any Regulations, Directives and Decisions of the ADF

2 - Every person and organisation directly or indirectly bound by these Statutes is obliged to observe the Statutes and regulations of the WDA as well as the principles of fair play

Article 7 - Membership

1 - The congress upon recommendation of the Executive Committee shall decide whether to admit, suspend or expel a Member Federation except where the authority is given to the Executive Committee in accordance with these Statutes. The Executive Committee shall issue regulations governing the application, admission, and status of members of the ADF

2 - Any Federation which is responsible for governing and supervising Dodgeball in all of its forms in its country or territory may become a Member Federation

3 - The Member Federation shall be geographically-located in the Asian or Oceania continents. However a Federation that is situated in another continent may be admitted to membership provided it is not a member of any other Continental Federation. Such an admission must be in accordance with the WDA statutes

4 - Only one (1) Federation shall be officially recognised by the ADF in each country or territory

5 - Membership is terminated by resignation or expulsion. Loss of membership does not relieve the Member Federation of its financial obligations towards the ADF or other Member Federations, but leads to cancellation of all rights in relation to the ADF

6 - Membership shall be “Ordinary” or “Observer”

- a) “Ordinary” may be granted by the Congress to a Federation or to an “Observer” that has undertaken the minimum period

- b) “Observer” may be granted by the Executive Committee to any new applicant who is not already a member of WDA for a minimum period of two (2) years

7 - “Ordinary” members shall be entitled to all the rights and obligations of a Member Federation as set out in these Statutes

8 - “Observer” members shall be entitled to all the rights and obligations of a Member Federation as set out in these statutes except

- a) The right to vote in the ADF Congress or the ADF Extraordinary Congress
- b) The right of their officials to hold any ADF office
- c) The right to receive monies from any development program

9 - This article shall not affect the status of existing Member Federations.

10 - All Members must be recognised members of the WDA.

11 - The Member Federations shall be divided into five (5) geographic zones

WEST	CENTRAL/SOUTH	EAST	ASEAN	Oceania
Bahrain	Afghanistan	China PR	Brunei	American Samoa
IR Iran	Bangladesh	Chinese Taipei	Cambodia	Australia
Iraq	Bhutan	DPR Korea	Indonesia	Cook Islands
Jordan	India	Hong Kong	Laos	Fiji
Kuwait	Kyrgyzstan	Japan	Malaysia	Guam
Lebanon	Maldives	Korea Rep	Myanmar	New Caledonia
Oman	Nepal	Macau	Philippines	New Zealand
Palestine	Pakistan	Maldives	Singapore	Papua New Guinea
Qatar	Sri Lanka		Thailand	Samoa
Saudi Arabia	Tajikistan		Timor-Leste	Solomon Islands
Syria	Turkmenistan		Vietnam	Tahiti
UAE	Uzbekistan			Tonga

Yemen				Vanuatu
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Article 8 - Application For Membership

1 - The Regulations Governing the Admission of Federations govern applications for ADF membership and reclassification of ADF membership status

2 - All applications for membership must be submitted on a form prescribed by the ADF to the General Secretary and must comply with said regulations

3 - A new Member Federation shall acquire membership rights and duties as soon as it has been admitted. Delegates representing “ordinary” members are eligible to vote with immediate effect provided that the delegate with the right to vote has been identified to the General Secretary under the procedures set out in Article 20

Article 9 - Rights of Member Federations

1 - The Member Federations shall have the following rights

- a) To take part in the Congress, to know its agenda in advance, to be called to the Congress within the prescribed time and to exercise their voting rights;
- b) To draw up proposals for inclusion in the agenda of the Congress
- c) To nominate candidates for all bodies of the ADF that are subject to election
- d) To be informed of the affairs of the ADF through the official bodies of the ADF
- e) To take part in the ADF competitions, through their representative teams and clubs and/or other activities organised by the ADF
- f) To benefit from the rights and privileges granted to them by these Statutes and applicable Regulations

2 - To exercise these rights is subject to other provisions in these Statutes and applicable Regulations

Article 10 - Obligations of Member Federations

1 - Member Federations have the following obligations

- a) To comply fully with the Statutes, Codes, Rules, Regulations, Directives and Decisions of the WDA and the ADF, and decisions of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) passed in accordance with Article 54 and/or 55 of the ADF Statutes at all times and to ensure that these are also respected by its members
- b) To ensure the election of its decision-making bodies
- c) To convene its supreme and legislative body at regular intervals, at least every two (2) years
- d) To ratify statutes that are in accordance with the requirements of the WDA and ADF
- e) To take part in competitions and other activities or programmes organised by the ADF
- f) To pay their membership subscriptions
- g) To respect the rules of the game as laid down by the WDA as well as the Single-Ball rules of the game as issued by the ADF and to ensure that these are also respected by its members through a statutory provision
- h) To adopt a statutory clause specifying that any dispute requiring arbitration involving itself or one of its members relating to the Statutes, Regulations, Directives and Decisions of the WDA and the ADF shall come solely under the jurisdiction of the appropriate tribunal recognised by the ADF and WDA and that any recourse to ordinary courts is prohibited
- i) To communicate to the ADF any amendment of its Statutes, rules, regulations in English as well as the list of its Officials or persons who are authorised signatories, with the right to enter into legally binding agreements with the ADF and third parties
- j) Not to maintain any relations of a sporting nature with entities that are not recognised by the WDA or ADF or with Member Federations that have been suspended or expelled without written consent from the WDA or ADF
- k) To observe the principles of loyalty, integrity, and good sporting behaviour as an expression of fair play through a statutory provision
- l) To observe mandatory items specified within the relevant Regulations for the duration of their membership
- m) To administer a register of members which shall regularly be updated

- n) To recognise each of the other Member Federations as the sole controlling body of Dodgeball in their respective nations or territories
- o) Not to form themselves into Regional Associations or federations without the consent of the WDA and ADF
- p) To regulate all Leagues and Clubs which exist within their geographical territory
- q) To be held responsible for the good conduct and all financial commitments of their Clubs towards WDA and the ADF
- r) To notify WDA and the ADF promptly of any change in its address and in the name of principal office bearers
- s) To manage its affairs independently and with no influence from any third parties, even if such third party influence was not the fault of the Member Federation concerned
- t) All Members must adhere to the ADF and WDA Membership Regulations.

2 - Violation of the above-mentioned obligations by any Member Federation may lead to sanctions provided for in these Statutes. Each Member Federation is responsible towards WDA and the ADF for any and all acts of the members of their bodies caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of such members.

Article 11 - Suspension

1 - The congress may suspend a Member Federation solely at the request of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may, without a vote of the Congress, temporarily suspend with immediate effect a Member Federation that seriously violates its obligations. A suspension approved by the Executive Committee shall last until the next Congress, unless the Executive Committee has revoked such suspension prior to the Congress

2 - A suspension of a Member Federation by the Congress requires a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Member Federations present and eligible to vote

3 - A suspension of a Member Federation by the Executive Committee shall be confirmed at the next Congress by a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Member Federations present and eligible to vote. If it is not confirmed, such suspension shall automatically be lifted

4 - The Congress may lift the suspension of a Member Federation solely at the request of the Executive Committee. The lifting of the suspension of a Member Federation by the Congress requires a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Member Federations present and

eligible to vote

5 - A suspended Member Federation shall lose its membership rights. Other Member Federations shall not entertain sporting contact with a suspended Member Federation. The Disciplinary Committee may impose further sanctions

6 - Member Federations which do not participate in at least one (1) of the ADF's competitions (as determined by the Executive Committee) over a period of four (4) consecutive years immediately prior to a Congress shall be suspended from voting at the Congress until they have fulfilled their obligations in this respect

Article 12 - Expulsion

1 - The Congress may expel a Member Association solely at the request of the Executive Committee if, without limitation

- a) It fails to fulfill its financial obligations towards the ADF
- b) It seriously violates its own Statutes, Codes, Rules, Regulations and Standing Orders or those of the ADF and/or the WDA
- c) It ceases to have the legal status of the Dodgeball Federation in its own country or territory
- d) It ceases to be a member of the WDA

2 - The presence of an absolute majority (more than 50%) of the Member Associations eligible to vote at the Congress is necessary for a vote to expel a Member Association to be valid

3 - The motion for expulsion must be adopted by a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Member Federations present and eligible to vote

Article 13 - Resignations

1 - Subject to Article 13.2, a Member Federation may resign from the ADF with effect from the end of a calendar year. Notice of resignation must reach the General Secretary no later than six (6) months before the end of the calendar year

2 - Resignation shall not affect any existing financial obligations towards the ADF or its Member Federations

Article 14 - Status And Recognition of Regional Associations

- 1** - The ADF currently does not recognise any Regional Associations
- 2** - Each of these Regional Associations shall have the following rights and obligations
 - a) Participate in the proceedings of the ADF Congress as observers
 - b) Have the obligation to ensure the election of its decision-making bodies
 - c) Organise its own competitions, in compliance with the WDA and ADF international calendar
 - d) Adopt statutes which comply with the principles of good governance and all ADF recommendations
 - e) Have the obligation to invite the ADF to attend the congress of the Regional Association
 - f) Fully comply with the Statutes, regulations, directives and decisions of the ADF and the WDA
 - g) Work closely with the ADF in all spheres, in order to attain the objectives of the ADF
- 3** - The ADF may delegate other duties or powers to one or more (or all) Regional Associations by agreement with such Regional Association(s)
- 4** - The Regional Associations' statutes and regulations, as revised from time to time, shall be submitted to the ADF for approval

Article 15 - Status and Recognition of Member Federations

- 1** - The executive body of a Member Federation shall be elected by the congress, even on an interim basis, with the Member Federation. The statutes of a Member Federation shall provide for a democratic election procedure that guarantees the complete independence of the election
- 2** - The ADF shall not recognise the executive body of a Member Federation, even on an interim basis, if it has not been elected in accordance with Article 15.1, except if approved by the Executive Committee (considerations will be made based on the developmental progress of a nation).

3 - Only decisions passed by bodies constituted in accordance with Article 15.1 and 15.2 may be recognised by the ADF

4 - Member associations shall manage their affairs independently and without undue influence from third parties

Article 16 - Status Of Clubs, Leagues, Domestic Associations and Other Groups Of Stakeholders Affiliated to a Member Federation

1 - Clubs, Leagues, Domestic Associations or any other groups of stakeholders affiliated to a Member Federation shall be subordinate to and recognised by that Member Federation. The Member Federation statutes shall define the scope of authority and the rights and duties of these Clubs and groups. Their statutes and regulations must be approved by the Member Federation.

2 - Every Member Federation shall ensure that its affiliated Clubs and groups take all decisions on any matters regarding their emembership independently of any external body. This obligation applies regardless of their corporate structure

3 - In any case the Member Federation shall ensure that no natural or legal person (including holding companies and subsidiaries) exercise third-party control in any manner whatsoever (in particular through a majority shareholding, a majority of voting rights, a majority of seats on the board of directors or any other form of economic dependence or control etc.) over more than one (1) Club or group whenever the integrity of any match or competition could be jeopardised

Article 17 Honorary Appointments And Awards

Honorary appointment

1. Congress may confer the following Honorary appointment on individuals for meritorious services rendered to the ADF upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee:

- a) Honorary President;
- b) Honorary Vice President; and/or
- c) Honorary Member.

2 - Honorary officials may attend and participate in Congress without the right to vote.

Article 18 - ADF Organisation Regulations

1 - The Executive Committee shall establish ADF Organisation Regulations to support and supplement these Statutes as required

Article 19 - Bodies

1 - The Congress is the supreme and legislative body of the ADF

2 - The Executive Committee is the executive body of the ADF

3 - The General Secretariat is the administrative body of the ADF

4 - Standing and Ad Hoc Committees shall assist the Executive Committee in the performance of its duties in accordance with the ADF Organisation Regulations and these Statutes

5 - The judicial body of the ADF are the Rules / Discipline Committee. The responsibilities and functions of the judicial body shall be stipulated in the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

6 - The ADF may from time to time establish other bodies which it deems necessary for the development of Dodgeball in Asia

7 - The bodies of the ADF shall either be elected or appointed by the ADF itself without any external influence and in accordance with the procedures described in these Statutes

Chapter 2 : The Congress

Article 20 - Definition and Composition Of The Congress

1 - The Congress is the meeting at which all Member Federations of the ADF convene. It represents the supreme and legislative authority of the ADF. Only a Congress that is duly convened has the authority to make decisions

2 - A Congress may be an Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress

3 - The President shall conduct the Congress business in compliance with the Standing Orders of the Congress

4 - The Congress may appoint observers who take part in the Congress without the right to debate or vote

5 - The honorary officials appointed observers in accordance with Article 17 may take part in the Congress. They may join the debates but are not entitled to vote

Article 21 Delegates and Voting

1 - Each Member Federation shall have one (1) vote and is entitled to be represented by a maximum of two (2) delegates to participate in the Congress. One (1) of the two (2) delegates shall exercise the right to vote on behalf of the Member Federation. "Observer" Member Federations shall be entitled to be represented by a maximum of two (2) delegates to participate in Congress without voting rights

2 - The names of the two (2) delegates must reach the General Secretariat at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the Congress indicating the delegat authorised to vote

3 - No delegate shall be allowed to represent more than one (1) Member Federation. Only the authorised delegates who are present are entitled to vote. Voting by proxy or by letter in not permitted

4 - Delegates must belong to the Member Federation that they represent and be appointed or elected by the appropriate body of that Member Federation. They must also be able to produce evidence of this upon request

5 - During their term of office, members of the Executive Committee shall not be appointed as voting delegates for their Member Federation

6 - The Executive Committee may at its discretion invite any person or persons to the Congress who may attend and participate in the Congress without voting rights

7 - The Executive Committee and the General Secretary shall take part in the Congress with one (1) vote, to be represented by the President, or appointed representative.

8 - If members of the Executive Committee are also voting representatives of a Member Federation they will be able to vote as their Member Federation.

Article 22 - Area of Authority

1 - The Congress has the following authority

- a) Adopting or amending the Statutes, Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes and the Standing Orders of the Congress
- b) Appointing two (2) members to check the minutes and approving the minutes of the current Congress
- c) Electing the Executive Committee
- d) Electing the judicial bodies upon the proposal of the Executive Committee
- e) Appointing the scrutineers
- f) Approving the financial statement
- g) Approving the budget
- h) Approving the General Secretary's activity report
- i) Fixing the membership subscriptions
- j) Deciding upon the nomination of the executive committee, whether to confer honorary titles or awards
- k) Admitting, suspending or expelling a Member Federations upon the proposal of the Executive Committee
- l) Revoking the mandate of one or a number of members of a body of the ADF
- m) Dissolving the ADF

- n) Consider and act upon proposals submitted by Member Federations or the Executive Committee in accordance with these Statutes

Article 23 - Quorum of the Congress

1 - The quorum for the Congress shall be the simple majority (more than 50% percent) of the Member Federations who are entitled to vote

2 - If a quorum is not achieved, a second Congress shall take place twenty-four (24) hours after the first, with the same agenda

Article 24 - Decisions of the Congress

1 - Unless otherwise stipulated in the Statutes, a proposal or motion shall be passed if supported by a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast

2 - The election of office-bearers at the Congress shall be by secret ballot. Where a candidate has no opponent for the seat they may be elected by acclamation. No voting by proxy or letter is permitted

3 - The position of the President shall be elected as follows:

- a) Where there are two (2) candidates on the first ballot, a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Federations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary
- b) Where there are more than two (2) candidates on the first ballot, two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the votes of the Member Federations who are present and eligible to vote are necessary. Should no candidate receive two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the votes on the first ballot. All candidates move to the second ballot. From the second ballot (if required) onwards, a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Federations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary. If no candidate is elected, the candidate obtaining the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated from the subsequent ballot. This process shall continue (if required) until two (2) candidates remain and simple majority is achieved.

4 - The other positions listed in Article 32 shall be elected as follows:

- a) Where there is one (1) position available on the first ballot, a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Federations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary. If no candidate is elected, the candidate obtaining the lowest amount of votes shall be eliminated from the subsequent ballot. All subsequent ballots shall require the same simple majority to be achieved. This

process shall continue (if required) until two (2) candidates remain and simple majority is achieved.

b) Where there is more than one (1) position available on the first ballot a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast by the Member Federations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary. Where:

i) at least one (1) candidate is elected but not all positions are filled, all remaining candidates shall move into the subsequent ballot

ii) no candidate is elected, the candidate obtaining the lowest number of votes shall be eliminated from the subsequent ballot

c) all subsequent ballots shall require the same simple majority to be achieved. This process shall continue until two (2) candidates remain and a simple majority is achieved

Article 25 - Ordinary Congress

1- The Ordinary Congress shall be held annually

2 - The Executive Committee shall fix the place and date. Notice of the Ordinary Congress shall be posted to all Member Federations no later three (3) month before the scheduled date of the Congress unless decided otherwise by the Executive Committee

3 - The General Secretary shall, not later than thirty (30) days before the date of the Congress, mail Member Federations the following

a) The agenda of the Congress

b) The report of the General Secretary

c) Any relevant financial statements

d) The names of candidates for election

e) Proposals for amendments and/or alterations to the Statutes if any

f) Any proposal submitted by Member Federations or the Executive Committee for which due notice has been given

Article 26 - Ordinary Congress Agenda

1 - The Agenda of the Congress shall comprise the following

- a) A declaration that the Congress has been convened and composed in compliance with the Statutes
- b) The approval of the Congress agenda
- c) An address by the President
- d) The appointment of two (2) members to check the official minutes
- e) The appointment of two (2) scrutineers to check the voting
- f) Suspension or expulsion of Member Association (if applicable)
- g) Dismissal of person or body (if applicable)
- h) The approval of minutes of the previous Congress
- i) The General Secretary's report for the period preceding Congress
- j) The reports of Committees and bodies
- k) The approval of the budget (if applicable)
- l) Admission for membership (if applicable)
- m) The proposals for amendments and alterations to the ADF Statutes, Regulations Governing the Application of the ADF Statutes and Standing Orders of the Congress of the ADF
- n) Consideration of proposals (if any) submitted by Member Federations or the Executive Committee in accordance with the Statutes
- o) To confer Honorary Titles (if applicable)
- p) The election of the judicial bodies upon the proposal of the Executive Committee
- q) The election of the (as applicable)
 - i) President

- ii) Two Deputy Presidents
- iii) General Secretary

2 - Any proposal that a Member Federation wishes to submit to the Congress shall be sent to the ADF General Secretariat in writing, with a brief explanations, at least six (6) weeks before the date of Congress

3 - The motion to amend and/or alter the agenda of an Ordinary Congress must be adopted by a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of Member Federations present.

Article 27 - Extraordinary Congress

1 - An Extraordinary Congress may be convened:

- a) by the Executive Committee whenever deemed necessary;
- b) in the event the office of the President falls vacant for more than one (1) year; or
- c) upon a written request by at least one third ($\frac{1}{3}$) of the Member Federations within sixty (60) days of receipt of the written request.

2 - The date and venue (or platform if held online) shall be determined by the Executive Committee and notified to the Member Federations at least thirty (30) days before the Extraordinary Congress.

3 - When an Extraordinary Congress is convened on the initiative of the Executive Committee, it must draw up the agenda. When an Extraordinary Congress is convened upon the request of Member Federations, the agenda must contain the points raised by those Member Federations.

4 - The motion to amend and/or alter the agenda of an Extraordinary Congress must be adopted by a three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) majority of the Member Federations present and eligible to vote

5 - An Extraordinary Congress shall be conducted in the same manner as the Ordinary Congress.

Article 28 - Amendment To The Statutes, Regulations Governing The Application Of The Statutes, Regulations Governing The Application Of The Statutes And The Standing Orders Of Congress

1 - Only the Congress may amend or alter the Statutes, the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes and the Standing Orders of the Congress.

2 - Proposals to amend or alter the Statutes may either be submitted by: (i) a Member Federation and seconded by two (2) others to the General Secretariat; or (ii) the Executive Committee. The proposals submitted shall be in writing with a brief explanation.

3 - Proposals to amend the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes and the Standing Orders of the Congress may be submitted by: (i) a Member Federation to the General Secretariat; or (ii) the Executive Committee. The proposals submitted shall be in writing with a brief explanation.

4 - All amendments and alterations to the Statutes shall only be adopted with the approval of three-quarters (3/4) of the votes cast by the Member Associations present and eligible to vote.

5 - All amendments to the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes and/ or the Standing Orders of the Congress shall be adopted only with the approval of a simple majority (more than 50%) of the votes cast by the Member Federations present and eligible to vote. **6.** The presence of an absolute majority (more than 50%) of the Member Federations eligible to vote at the Congress is necessary for a vote to amend or alter the Statutes, Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes, Standing Orders of the Congress to be valid.

Article 29 - Minutes

1 - The General Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes at the Congress. The minutes shall be checked by those members designated and finally approved at the next Congress.

Article 30 - Effective Dates Of Decisions

1 - Decisions passed by the Congress shall come into effect thirty (30) days after the close of the Congress, unless the Congress fixes another date for a decision to take effect.

Chapter 3 : The Executive Committee, The Emergency Committee, And The President

Article 31 - The Executive Committee

1 - The Executive Committee shall consist of up to four (4) members elected from amongst the candidates nominated by the Member Associations and Regional Associations for the following positions:

- a) President (who shall assume the position of WDA Council Member ex officio);
- b) two (2) deputy presidents
- c) General Secretary

2 - Upon being elected, every member of the Executive Committee undertakes, and accepts responsibility, to faithfully, loyally and independently act in the best interest of the ADF and the promotion and development of dodgeball at the Asian level.

3 - Members of the Executive Committee shall serve the term of four (4) years and are eligible for re-election.

4 - No Member Federation shall be eligible to be represented by more than one (1) member in the Executive Committee. This shall include the members referred to in Article 32.1 (f) of these Statutes.

5 - All candidates must be persons who have served dodgeball in various capacities at club, regional or national level and be citizens of the country represented by their respective Dodgeball Federation.

6 - The General Secretariat shall notify the Member Federations of the names of proposed candidates at least thirty (30) days before the date of the Congress.

7 - The longest-serving Deputy President shall be deemed to be the Senior Vice President.

8 - If the President ceases to carry out or is prevented from performing their duties, the Senior Vice President shall deputise and assume the powers and responsibility of the President until the next Congress subject to the provisions of Article 28.1 (b).

9 - If a position is vacant, the Executive Committee, upon the proposal of the President, shall fill that position until the next Ordinary Congress or Extraordinary Congress (if applicable), when a replacement will be elected for the remaining term of mandate. For the avoidance of doubt, the individual who fills that vacancy shall not have the right to vote.

Article 32 - Powers Of The Executive Committee

1 - The Executive Committee shall be empowered to make decisions on all matters, which are not exclusive to the Congress or are not reserved for other bodies by law or under these Statutes, including the release of the funds of the ADF towards the fulfillment of its

objectives.

2 - The duties of the Executive Committee are as follows:

- a) to carry out the objectives of the ADF;
- b) to prepare and convene the Ordinary and Extraordinary Congress of the ADF;
- c) to ensure that the Statutes are applied, and adopt the executive arrangements required for their application;
- d) to approve regulations stipulating how the ADF shall be organised internally;
- e) to formulate the Rules, Regulations, Standing Orders and Instructions of the ADF;
- f) to appoint the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, and members of the Standing Committees;
- g) to propose to the Congress the individuals to be elected or dismissed as Chairpersons, Deputy Chairpersons, and members of the judicial bodies;
- h) to set up ad-hoc committees if necessary at any time;
- i) to approve and submit to the Congress the following:
 - I. the reports of the General Secretary and the various Committees and bodies;
 - II. the Statement of Accounts and the Auditor's Report;
 - III. the budget;
 - IV. all proposals for amendments and alterations to the ADF Statutes, ADF Regulations Governing the Application of the ADF Statutes and Standing Orders of the congress of the ADF;
 - V. the appointment of the External Auditors; and
 - VI. other proposals submitted by the Executive Committee members in accordance with these Statutes;
- j) to relieve a person of their duties in accordance with Article 40.9; and
- k) to provisionally dismiss a person or body or provisionally suspend a Member Association until the next Congress.

3 - The Executive Committee shall also be the legal directions of the ADF as an incorporated entity. If they can not fulfil this role the Executive Committee shall appoint directors to fulfil this role.

Article 33 - Meetings and Decisions

1 - The Executive Committee shall stipulate the terms of reference of the Executive Committee, standing orders for meetings and its ability to make decisions within the ADF Organisation Regulations.

2 - The Executive Committee shall meet at least two (2) times a year.

3 - The President shall convene the Executive Committee meetings. If fifty percent (50%) of the Executive Committee members request a meeting or if the President deems it necessary, the President shall convene it within twenty-one (21) days.

Article 34 - Dismissal Of A Person or Body

1 - The Congress may dismiss a person or body. The Executive Committee may place the dismissal of a person or body on the agenda for the Congress. The Executive Committee may also dismiss a person or body provisionally until the following Congress. Any Executive Committee member may submit a proposal to place such a motion for dismissal on the agenda of the Executive Committee.

2 - The motion for dismissal must be accompanied by written reasons. It will be sent to the Member Associations of the ADF along with the agenda.

3 - The person or body in question has the right to speak in their own defense.

4 - The Congress shall reach a decision by means of secret ballot. For the motion to be passed, a majority of two-thirds (2/3) of the valid votes in favor of the motion is required.

5 - The person or body dismissed (provisionally) must be relieved of their functions with immediate effect.

Article 35 - Emergency Committee

1 - The Executive Committee shall stipulate the terms of reference of the Emergency Committee, standing orders for meetings and its ability to make decisions within the ADF Organisation Regulations.

2 - The Emergency Committee shall deal with all matters requiring immediate settlement between meetings of the Executive Committee. The Emergency Committee shall consist of:

- a) the President; and
- b) the two (2) deputy presidents.

3 - The President shall convene the Emergency Committee meetings.

4 - Decisions of the Emergency Committee shall have immediate effect. The President shall notify the Executive Committee immediately of the decisions passed by the Emergency Committee.

Article 36 - The President

1 - The President represents ADF generally.

2 - The President aims to create and maintain a positive image of the ADF and to ensure that mission, policies, values and strategic direction as defined by the Executive Committee are protected and advanced.

3 - The President shall seek to maintain and develop good relations between and among the ADF, WDA, Continental Federations, Member Federations, stakeholders, political bodies, and international organisations.

4 -The President chairs all the ADF AGM, meetings of the executive committee, and meetings of the Member Federations. The President shall have one (1) ordinary vote on the Executive Committee and, whenever votes are equal, shall have a deciding vote.

5 - The President shall be a member of all committees by virtue of their status (ex officio) without the right to vote.

6 - If the President is absent or unavailable, the General Secretary shall deputise

7 - The President may delegate tasks arising out of their areas of authority to the Executive Committee and the General Secretary.

Article 37 - Candidates For The Office Of The ADF President

1 - The President shall be elected by the Congress for the period of four (4) years. The mandate shall begin two months after the position has been elected. This is in order to facilitate a proper handover (if needed). A president may be re-elected after this term.

2 - Candidates for the position of President shall be valid only if nominated by at least (2) Member Federations (but not necessarily the Member Federation of their home nation). They will then be considered a potential candidate until they accept this nomination and become an Official Candidate

3 - If Candidates maintain a position of leadership in a Member Federation they must be prepared to relinquish their position if they are elected President.

4 - Any Member Federation that wishes to nominate a candidate for the position of President must submit their nomination to the General Secretary not later than four (4) weeks before the date of the Congress.

5 - The General Secretary shall notify the Member Federations of the names of proposed candidates at least three (3) weeks before the date of the Congress.

Chapter 4 : The General Secretariat

Article 38 - General Secretariat

1 - The General Secretariat shall carry out all the administrative work of the ADF under the direction of the General Secretary.

2 - The General Secretariat is supervised by, and is accountable to, the Executive Committee with regard to the discharge of its functions.

3 - The powers and responsibilities of the General Secretariat may be defined in greater detail within the ADF Organisation Regulations.

Article 39 - The General Secretary

1 - The General Secretary shall be the Chief Executive of the ADF and work under the direction of the ADF President.

2 - The General Secretary shall;

- a) Implement decisions passed by the Congress and Executive Committee in compliance with the President's directives
- b) Be responsible for the administration of the ADF
- c) Be responsible for the appointment and discipline of the staff of the ADF
- d) Be responsible for the publications of the ADF
- e) Be responsible for the correspondence of the ADF
- f) Liaise with WDA, Continental Federations and any other organisation in the promotion of the objectives of the ADF
- g) Sign decisions on behalf of any ADF committee, provided that no other ruling exists in the relevant regulations

3 - Additional powers of the General Secretary, including the apparent authority to represent the ADF may be bestowed by the ADF President or the Congress.

4 - In the absence of the General Secretary, an Acting General Secretary shall be appointed by the Executive Committee, or the ADF President will fulfill the roles of the General Secretary.

5 - The General Secretary shall be a member of all committees by virtue of their status (ex officio) without the right to vote.

Chapter 5 : The Standing Committees And The Judicial Bodies

Article 40 - Standing Committees

1 - The Standing Committees of the ADF are the:

- a) Competitions Committee;
- b) Coaching Committee;
- c) Referees and Rules Committee;
- d) Marketing, Media and Communications Committee;
- e) National Federations Development Committee;
- f) Organising Committee for ADF Asian Dodgeball Championships.

2 - The Standing Committees shall report to the Executive Committee. They shall advise and assist the Executive Committee in their respective fields of function.

3 - The terms of reference of each Standing Committee, standing orders for meetings and their ability to make decisions are governed by the ADF Organisation Regulations.

4 - The members of each Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee on the proposal of the Member Federations or the President. The term of office for the members of each Standing Committee is two (2) years.

5 - Members may be reappointed and may also be relieved of their duties at any time either in accordance with the ADF Organisation Regulations. Any individual appointed to fill a vacancy on a Standing Committee shall have the right to vote.

6 - Each Chairperson shall conduct business in compliance with these Statutes and the ADF Organisation Regulations drawn up by the Executive Committee.

7 - The dates of meetings of each Standing Committee shall be fixed by the General Secretariat in consultation with the relevant Chairperson.

8 - Any decisions and/or policies made by a Standing Committee must be either in accordance with a delegation from the Executive Committee or subsequently ratified by the Executive Committee, in order to take effect.

9 - Any member of a Standing Committee who is absent for three (3) consecutive meetings or any five (5) meetings during their term without a properly accepted apology is

automatically suspended. A decision shall then be made by the Executive Committee whether or not to dismiss the member, which shall be final.

10 - Each Standing Committee may propose amendments to its terms of reference within the ADF Organisation Regulations to the Executive Committee.

Article 41 - Competitions Committee

1 - The Competitions Committee shall organise and manage ADF competitions and matches including making decisions on any matters related to these competitions and matches in accordance with these Statutes and all relevant Regulations.

Article 42 - Coaching Committee

1 - The Coaching Committee shall be responsible for continuing and developing educational aspects of the game of Dodgeball.

Article 43 - Discipline, Referees and Rules Committee;

1 - The Discipline Referees and Rules Committee shall:

- a) implement and interpret the Laws of the Game and may propose amendments to the Rules of the Game to the Executive Committee for recommendation to WDA;
- b) appoint the referees, assistant referees, referee assessors and referee instructors for Dodgeball matches in competitions organised by the ADF;
- c) Shall also have additional powers and responsibilities as a Judicial Body

Article 44 - Marketing, Media and Communications Committee

1 - The Marketing, Media and Communications Committee shall advise the Executive Committee on the ADF marketing strategies and policies as well as in negotiating, drafting and implementing contracts between the ADF and its various marketing partners.

2 - The Marketing, Media and Communications Committee shall be responsible for all media operations and liaison with international media agencies.

Article 45 - National Federations Development Committee

1 - The National Federation Development Committee shall be responsible for and supervise the implementation of development programs with the National Federations.

2 - The National Federation Development Committee shall be responsible for relations between the ADF and its Member Associations as well as Member Association's compliance with WDA and ADF Statutes and Regulations. The National Federation Development Committee shall also draw up proposals for optimum cooperation.

Article 46 - Organising Committee for ADF Asian Dodgeball Championships

1 - The Organising Committee for ADF Asian Dodgeball Championships shall be responsible for the organisation of the ADF Asian Dodgeball Championships and related matters

Article 47 - Judicial Bodies

1 - The Judicial Bodies of the ADF are;

- a) Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee (for all player, club and Dodgeball based infractions)
- b) Executive Committee (For all National Federation based infractions and Appeals)

2 - The responsibilities and functions of the Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee / Executive Committee (in the function as a Judicial Body) shall be stipulated in the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

3 - The decision-making powers of other committees remain unaffected.

Article 48 - Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee

1 - The Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee may pronounce the sanctions described in these Statutes and the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code on all parties set out in these Statutes and the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

2 - The Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee may propose amendments to the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code directly to the Executive Committee.

3 - These provisions are subject to the disciplinary powers of the Congress and the Executive Committee with regard to the suspension and expulsion of a Member Federation

Article 49 - Appeals

1 - The Executive Committee shall have jurisdiction to hear appeals arising from decisions of the Discipline, Referees, and Rules Committee that are not declared final pursuant to the ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code.

Article 50 - Sanctions

1 - The ADF may impose the following sanctions for any violation of its Statutes or Regulations on:

a) for individuals:

- i) warning;
- ii) fine;
- iii) caution;
- iv) expulsion;
- v) match suspension;
- vi) ban from team dressing room and/or team bench;
- vii) ban from entering a stadium;
- viii) ban on taking part in any dodgeball-related activity;
- ix) withdrawal of a title or award
- x) social work.

b) for Member Associations and Clubs:

- i) warning;
- ii) fine;
- iii) annulment of the result of the match;

- iv) disqualification from a competition in progress and/or exclusion from a future competition;
- v) defeat by forfeit;
- vi) deduction of points (for a current or future competition);
- vii) order that a match be replayed;
- viii) withdrawal of a title and award;
- ix) withholding of revenues from an ADF competition;
- x) withdrawal of a licence to participate in ADF competition; and
- xi) social work.

Chapter 6 : Dispute Resolution

Article 51 - Court of Arbitration For Sport (CAS)

1 - The ADF recognises the independent Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) with headquarters in Lausanne (Switzerland) to resolve disputes between the ADF and the WDA, other Continental Federations, Member Federations, Leagues, Clubs, Players, Officials, Intermediaries and licensed match agents

2 - The provisions of the CAS Code of Sports–related Arbitration shall apply to the proceedings.

3 - The CAS shall apply the various regulations of the ADF, and additionally where relevant, the Laws of Australia.

Article 52 - Disputes

1 - The Member Associations shall agree to recognise CAS as an independent judicial authority and to ensure that their members, affiliated Leagues, Clubs, Players and Officials comply with the decisions passed by CAS. The same obligation shall apply to Intermediaries and licensed match agents.

2 - Recourse to ordinary courts of law is prohibited unless specifically provided for in any WDA or ADF Regulations. Recourse to ordinary courts of law for all types of provisional measures is also prohibited.

3 - Any violation of this Article shall be sanctioned in accordance with these Statutes.

Article 53 - Disputes Of National Dimensions

1 - Member Federations shall insert a clause in their statutes or regulations stipulating that it is prohibited to take disputes within the Member Federation or disputes affecting Leagues, Clubs, members of Clubs, Players, Officials and other Member Federations Officials to ordinary courts of law, unless WDA regulations, ADF regulations or binding legal provisions specifically provide for or stipulate recourse to ordinary courts of law.

2 - Such disputes in the last instance shall be referred to an independent and duly constituted arbitration tribunal recognised under the rules of the Member Federations or to the CAS.

3 - Member Associations shall ensure that the stipulation in Article 53.1 is implemented

within the Member Federations, if necessary, by imposing a binding obligation on its members. Member Federations shall impose sanctions on any party that fails to respect this obligation and ensure that any appeal against such sanctions shall likewise be strictly submitted to arbitration, and not to ordinary courts of law.

Article 54 - Jurisdiction Of CAS As An Ordinary Court Of Arbitration

1 - CAS shall have jurisdiction, to the exclusion of any ordinary court or any other court of arbitration, to deal with the following disputes in its capacity as an ordinary court of arbitration:

- a) disputes between the ADF and its Member Federations, their Leagues, Clubs, Players and/or Officials; and
- b) disputes of international dimension between Member Federations, Leagues, Clubs, Players and/or Officials.

2 - CAS shall only intervene in its capacity as an ordinary court of arbitration if the dispute does not fall within the competence of an ADF body

Article 55 - Jurisdiction Of CAS As An Appeal Arbitration Body

1 - Any final decision made by an ADF body may be disputed exclusively before CAS in its capacity as an appeals arbitration body, to the exclusion of any ordinary court or any other court of arbitration.

2 - Recourse may only be made to CAS after all other internal ADF channels have been exhausted. Appeals shall be lodged with CAS within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of the decision in question. The relevant ADF regulations may contain further stipulations or amend this time limit.

3 - CAS does not deal with appeals arising from:

- a) violations of the Laws of The Game;
- b) suspensions of up to three (3) months (with the exception of doping decisions);
- c) decisions which any Regulations declare as final and binding and not appealable; or
- d) decisions against which an appeal to an independent and duly constituted arbitration tribunal recognised under the rules of a Member Association may be made.

4 - The appeal shall not have a suspensive effect. The appropriate ADF bodies, or alternatively, CAS may order the appeal to have a suspensive effect.

5 - Only parties directly affected by a decision may appeal to CAS.

6 - Both WDA and the World Anti-Doping Agency are entitled to appeal to CAS against any internally final and binding doping-related decision passed by the ADF.

Chapter 7 : Miscellaneous

Article 56 - Finances

- 1** - The income and property of the ADF will only be applied towards the promotion of the Objectives of the ADF.
- 2** - The financial period of the ADF shall be one (1) year and shall commence on 1 July of each year.
- 3** - The revenue and expenses of the ADF shall be responsibly managed, including where appropriate the creation of reserves.
- 4** - The General Secretary is responsible for drawing up the annual consolidated accounts of the ADF with its subsidiaries as of 31 December every year.
- 5** - The currency of the ADF shall be US Dollars

Article 57 - Revenue

- 1** - The revenue of the ADF arises specifically from:
 - a) Member Associations' annual subscriptions;
 - b) receipts generated by the marketing of rights to which the ADF is entitled;
 - c) fines imposed by the authorised bodies; and
 - d) other subscriptions and receipts in keeping with the objectives pursued by the ADF

Article 58 - Expenses

- 1** - The ADF bears:
 - a) the expenses stipulated in the budget;
 - b) cother expenses approved by the Congress and expenses that the Executive Committee is entitled to incur within the scope of its authority; and
 - c) all other expenses in keeping with the objectives pursued by the AFC.

2 - No income or property will be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to any Member except for payments to a Member:

- a) in return for any services rendered or goods supplied in the ordinary and usual course of business to the Company; or
- b) of interest at a rate not exceeding current bank overdraft rates of interest for moneys lent; or
- c) of reasonable rent for premises let to the Company by them.

Article 59 - External Auditors

1 - The Executive Committee shall recommend a firm of independent External Auditors for a term of four (4) years for approval by the Congress. The External Auditor's mandate(s) may be renewed.

2 - The External Auditors shall examine and certify the accounts before the same is presented to the Executive Committee and the Congress.

3 - The External Auditor's Report shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, and Congress

Article 60 - Annual Subscription

1 - Each Member Federation shall pay a standard annual subscription due by 1 January of each calendar year. The annual subscription for new Member Federations, including "Observer" members, for the year in question shall be paid within thirty (30) days of the close of the Congress at which they were admitted.

2 - The Congress shall fix the amount of annual subscription every two (2) years on the recommendation of the Executive Committee. It shall be the same for every Member Association and amount to no more than five hundred (500) US Dollars.

3 - This is in addition to the WDA Annual Membership Fee.

Article 61 - Settlement

1 - The ADF may debit any Member Federation's accounts to settle claims.

Article 62 - Competitions

1 - The ADF shall have the sole jurisdiction to organise or sanction international competitions in Asia and Oceania in which Member Associations and/or their Clubs participate. WDA Dodgeball World Cups shall not be affected by this Article.

2 - The Executive Committee shall determine the official competitions to be organised and coordinated by the ADF upon recommendations from the Competitions Committee

3 - The Executive Committee may delegate to Member Federations the authority to organise competitions.

4 - The Executive Committee shall set up regulations governing the conditions of participation in and the staging of ADF competitions based upon recommendations from the Competitions Committee.

5 - By the act of entering its team to a competition organised by the ADF, each Member Federation and/or Club affiliated to a Member Federation agrees to comply with the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Directives and Decisions of WDA and ADF and their bodies.

6 - The admission to an ADF competition of a Member Federation or Club directly or indirectly involved in any activity aimed at arranging or influencing the outcome of a match at national or international level can be refused with immediate effect, without prejudice to any possible disciplinary measures.

Article 63 - Club Licensing

1 - The Executive Committee shall define a club licensing system governing:

- a) the minimum criteria to be fulfilled by clubs in order to be admitted to ADF competitions;
- b) the licensing process (including the minimum requirements for the licensing bodies);
and
- c) the minimum requirements to be observed by the licensors.

Article 64 - Rights In Competitions And Events

1 - The ADF and its Member Federations are respectively the original owners of all of the rights emanating from competitions and other events coming under their respective jurisdiction, without any restrictions as to content, time, place and law. These rights include, among others, every kind of financial rights, audiovisual and radio recording, reproduction

and broadcasting rights, multimedia rights, marketing and promotional rights and incorporeal rights such as emblems and rights arising under copyright law.

2 - The Executive Committee shall decide how and to what extent the ADF rights are utilised and draw up special regulations pertaining to this. The Executive Committee shall alone decide whether the ADF rights shall be utilised exclusively, or jointly with a third party or entirely through a third party.

Article 65 - Authorisation

1 - The ADF and its Member Associations are exclusively responsible for authorising the distribution of image and sound and other data carriers of dodgeball matches and events coming under their respective jurisdiction, without any restrictions as to content, time, place and technical and legal aspects.

Article 66 - International Matches and Competitions

1 - The authorisation and organisation of international matches and competitions between Dodgeball Federation teams and between Leagues and/or Club teams in Asia shall be in accordance with the WDA Statutes, ADF Statutes and any relevant WDA or ADF Regulations.

2 - The Executive Committee together with the Competitions Committee shall compile an ADF Competitions Calendar that shall be binding upon Member Federations and Leagues.

3 - The ADF is bound to comply with the international match calendar compiled by the WDA

Article 67 - Approval

1 - Member Associations cannot belong to another Continental Federation or participate in competitions on the territory of another Continental Federation without the authorisation of the ADF, the other Continental Federation and WDA.

Article 68 - Matters Not Provided For

1 - The Executive Committee shall have the final decision on any matter not provided for in these Statutes or in cases of force majeure.

Article 69 - Dissolution

1 - The ADF may be dissolved by a resolution to that effect passed by not less than three quarters (3/4) of the Member Federations eligible to vote.

2 - Upon the dissolution of the ADF, all its funds and assets shall be entrusted to the appropriate authority of the country of the General Secretariat until such time the ADF is re-established.

Article 70 - Administration Of Property

1 - The immovable property of the ADF shall be registered in the name of the ADF.. The Executive Committee shall appoint three (3) officers consisting of the President, one of the Deputy Presidents and the General Secretary, as the Property Administration Officers. They will serve in the capacity for the duration of their term of office. They will automatically cease to hold that position when their term of office ends.

2 - They are not empowered to sell, mortgage or transfer the property of the ADF unless given the authority to do so by Congress.

3 - In the event that a post falls vacant, the Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt any other member of the ADF to fill the vacancy until the next Congress.

Article 71 - Adoption Of Statutes

1 - These Statutes were adopted by the ADF Congress on 11 May 2020 in Melbourne, Australia (Congress held online). They supersede all previous texts and come into force in accordance with Article 31 of these Statutes.

On behalf of the ADF Congress 2020:

Christopher White

President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C White', written in a cursive style.

Regulations Governing The Application Of These Statutes

Article 1 : Issuance And Amendment To The Regulations

1 - The Executive Committee shall have the authority to issue and amend, without limitation, the following Regulations:

- a) ADF Organisation Regulations;
- b) ADF Electoral Code;
- c) ADF Anti-Doping Regulations;
- d) ADF Regulations Governing International Matches;
- e) ADF Disciplinary and Ethics Code;
- f) ADF Regulations Governing the Admission of Dodgeball Federations;
- g) ADF Club Licensing Regulations;
- h) ADF Financial Assistance Programme Regulations;
- i) ADF Equipment Regulations;
- j) ADF Stadium Regulations;
- k) ADF Safety and Security Regulations;
- l) ADF Development Regulations; and
- m) any regulations relating to Competitions, including but not limited to:
 - i) Competition Regulations;
 - ii) Commercial / Marketing Regulations; and
 - iii) Bidding Regulations.

2 - Should the Executive Committee choose to issue these (and any other) regulations, they shall be made publicly available on the ADF website.

Article 2 - Eligibility To Play For Member Federations Teams

1 - The eligibility to play for representative teams of Member Associations shall be governed in accordance with the WDA Player Eligibility Policy.

Article 3 - Amendments To The Rules Of The Game

1 - WDA and ADF shall inform the Member Federations of any amendments and decisions regarding the Rules Of The Game.

2 - The Member Associations shall be entitled to apply the amendments and decisions as soon as they have been issued by The WDA or ADF

Article 4 - Matters Not Provided For

1 - Any matters not provided for in these Regulations shall be decided by the Executive Committee.

Article 5 - Enforcement

1 - These Regulations Governing the Application of the Statutes were approved by the ADF Congress on 11 May 2020 in Melbourne, Australia (Congress held online). They supersede all previous texts and come into force immediately.

On behalf of the ADF Congress 2020:

Christopher White

President



STANDING ORDERS OF THE CONGRESS OF THE ASIAN DODGEBALL FEDERATION

Article 1 - Chairperson

1 - The President of ADF shall chair the Congress. The Senior Deputy President shall deputise in the absence of the President.

2 - The President may designate the General Secretary to conduct the Congress on his behalf with his guidance and supervision. All final decisions in accordance to Article 3 below shall only be made by the Chairperson.

3 - The Chairperson shall:

- a) be responsible for the strict application of the Standing Orders;
- b) open and adjourn the sessions and debates;
- c) permit delegates to speak;
- d) conduct the proceedings of the Congress;
- e) maintain order at the Congress; and
- f) impose disciplinary measures on the delegates who interfere with the proceedings or are guilty of any misconduct.

Article 2 - Disciplinary Measure

1 - In conducting the business of the Congress, the Chairperson shall have the right to apply the following disciplinary measures:

- a) a call to order;
- b) censure; and/or
- c) exclusion from one or more sessions.

2 - In the case of an appeal, the Congress shall decide immediately and without debate.

Article 3 - Appointment Of Officials

1 - The General Secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of the Congress. Stenographers may be employed to assist the General Secretary.

2 - A number of scrutineers in accordance with Article 27 of the ADF Statutes shall be appointed at the beginning of the Congress to count the votes for and against whenever a vote is taken.

3 - A number of members shall be appointed in accordance with Article 27 of the ADF Statutes to check the official minutes of the Congress.

Article 4 - Order Of Procedures

1 - Each discussion on the items on the agenda shall be preceded with a statement:

- a) by the Chairperson or the member designated by the Executive Committee for this purpose; and/or
- b) by the representative of a Committee specially appointed to make a report; and/or
- c) by the representative of a Member Federation responsible for the inclusion of the same in the Agenda.

2 - The general discussion shall then be open to the delegates.

3 - The right to address the Congress shall be granted in the order in which it is requested. No speaker shall speak unless permission has been obtained. Speakers shall speak from their designated places and the rest shall remain seated. (If Congress is conducted in person)

4 - No permission shall be granted to any member to speak a second time unless all those who have obtained permission to speak have done so.

Article 5 - Proposals And Motions

1 - All proposals and amendments shall be submitted in writing. Proposals which are not relevant to the subject under discussion shall be withdrawn from the debate.

2 - If a motion for adjournment is proposed, all discussions shall be suspended until a vote has been taken on the motion.

3 - A proposal to close the discussion shall be put to vote without debate. If the motion is approved, permission to speak shall be granted only to those members who have requested to do so before the vote was taken.

4 - The Chairperson shall close the discussion unless the Congress decides otherwise by a simple majority.

Article 6 - Voting

1 - No vote can be taken by secret ballot except as provided for otherwise in the Statutes.

2 - All proposals may be decided either by a show of hands, the use of electronic equipment, by a roll call or by acclamation as provided for in these statutes. No one shall be compelled to vote.

3 - All proposals without objections shall be adopted.

4 - All proposals shall be put to vote in the order in which they are submitted. Every voting Member Association shall have only one proposal.

5 - Before each vote, the Chairperson or the person designated by him for the purpose shall read aloud the text of the proposal before voting and explain the voting procedure to the Congress.

6 - Voting cards shall be visibly held when voting is by a show of hands.

7 - Alterations to amendments shall be put to the vote before the amendments proper, and amendments before the main proposal.

8 - The Chairperson shall verify and announce the results of the voting to the Congress.

9 - Silence shall be strictly observed during voting and until the result has been announced by the Chairperson. No one may obtain permission to speak during voting and until the result has been announced.

Article 7 - Elections

1 - Elections shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the ADFElectoral Code.

2 - The General Secretary shall keep in the General Secretariat all documents required to be archived pursuant to the ADFElectoral Code for a period of one hundred (100) days after the

end of the Congress, or such later time as directed by the Executive Committee, at which point they shall be destroyed.

Article 8 - Matters Not Provided For

1 - All matters not provided for in the Standing Orders not relating to elections shall be resolved by the Executive Committee unless decided otherwise by the Congress.

2 - All matters not provided for in the Standing Orders relating to elections shall be resolved in accordance with the ADF Electoral Code.

Article 9 - Enforcement

1 - The Standing Orders of the Congress were approved by the ADF Congress on 11 May 2020 in Melbourne, Australia (Congress held online). They supersede all previous texts and come into force immediately.

On behalf of the ADF Congress 2020:

Christopher White

President

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C White". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the printed name and title.

