

Proposed Amendments to the ITF Statutes (Ver 4 19.9.2024)

1. A new Article 8.4 will be added stating:

<p>8.4</p> <p>8.4.1</p> <p>8.4.2</p> <p>8.4.3</p>	<p><i>Regardless of the Statues of the recommended candidate (either recommended to be admitted as an Ordinary Member or as an Associate Member), during the period in between the decision taken by the Board of Directors and the date of the General Assembly that will be dealing with the admission or the reclassification ("the Interim Period"), the following will apply:</i></p> <p><i>If the Interim Period will be up to two months the recommended applicant will have no official status and will remain as such until its matter will be decided by the general Assembly.</i></p> <p><i>If the Interim Period will be longer than two months, the recommended applicant will be granted a provisional status as "Temporary Associate Member" having the rights and obligations of an Associate Member. This provisional status will end at the moment that the decision of the admission will be taken, either being an admission or a denial of the recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>A reclassification will enter into force only upon the decision of the General assembly and therefore the recommendation of the ITF Board will not affect the status of the member during the Interim Period.</i></p>
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2. In Articles 9.2 the following wording will be added:

<p><i>The exercise of the rights under sub-Articles 9.1 (c), (d),(e), (f) & (g) is conditioned as per Art. 10.3.</i></p>
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3. A new Article 10.3 will be added stating the following:

<p>10.3</p>	<p><i>The full and duly payment of all the financial duties under Art. 10.1 (g) & (h) not later than 30 days prior to the date of the General assembly will be a pre-condition for the Ordinary Member to exercise its rights under Art. 9 (1) (c) & (d), as well as a pre-condition for any member (Ordinary and Associate) to execute its rights under Art. 9 (1) (e), (f) & (g). The suspension of the above-mentioned rights will remain in force until the full payments of the above-mentioned duties.</i></p>
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4. In Article 23.8, at the last para. of sub-art (g) the word & number "thirty (30)" (referring to the deadline for the calculation of the average number of Plaques will be replaced by the word & number "Sixty (60)". Therefore, the wording of this paragraph will be the following:

<p><i>The number of Plaques shall be calculated on the average of Plaques licensed to each Member Association during the two (2) years ending sixty (60) days before the date of the General Assembly.</i></p>
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5. In Article 27.4 a new Art (a) & (b) will be added stating the following:

- a) *Where there are more than one position available and there are candidates in a number equal to the number of the available positions or more, the candidates will be listed according to the number of votes that each candidate acquired where the candidate that obtained the highest number of votes will be located first, than the second, etc. the elected persons will be the ones located at the list in the positions equal to the number of the available positions.*
- b) *Where the candidates in places 5 & 6 obtained the same number of votes in the first ballot, a subsequent ballot will take place where only these two candidates will stand to be elected and the elected candidate will be elected by a simple majority of the (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Associations who are present and eligible to vote.*

6. The present Articles 27.4 b) & c) will be deleted and the present Art. 27.4 a will be now Art. 27.4 c) and after the words: "*(1) position available*" the words "*and more than one candidate*" will be added.

7. In Art. 27.4 a new Article (d) will be added stating the following:

- c) *where there is one (1) position available and only one candidate a simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Associations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary. If the candidate is not elected in the first ballot, a second and final ballot will take place where a majority of more than 40%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Associations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary. If the candidate is not elected in the second ballot the position will remain vacant until the next general assembly.*

8. Art. 29.1 m) will be amended to contain the following wording:

The presentation of the budget for the year following the year of the General assembly, as further detailed in Art. 35 j9 iii)

9. Art. 29.3 will be amended to contain the following wording:

*Any proposal to amend and/or alter the agenda of an Ordinary General Assembly (the "**Proposal**") shall be sent and delivered to the ITF General Secretariat in writing, with an explanation as well as with supporting documents (where relevant) at least 14 days before the General Assembly. The Proposal shall be dealt in accordance with sequences of the General Assembly before the approval of the agenda, however only if the same member that sent the proposal will also present before the approval of the agenda a motion (in accordance with Art. 5 of the Standing Orders of the general Assembly of the ITF) to amend the agenda in the exact same terms as requested in the Proposal. The motion must be adopted by a three-quarters (3/4) majority of the Member Associations present and eligible to vote.*

10. Art. 34.11, in its first sentence will be amended to contain the following wording:

All candidates must be either citizens of the country or territory represented by their Member Associations, or a permanent resident of the country or territory represented by the relevant member association for a continuous period of at least the five years before the date in which the candidate submitted the candidature. In case of permanent residency, the candidate must also hold an official position in the country of residence being either the President or Secretary general or member of the Board or Technical Director of the Member Association in the country or region of residence. The Candidate being a permanent resident of a country in which he is not a citizen must provide within the documents supporting his candidature an official document issued by the country or region of residency confirming this residency for the relevant period as well as signed affidavits by the president and SG of the member association confirming the position of the candidate within the member association. Candidates for President...

11. Art. 34.15 the following wording will be replaced by the following:

If a position is vacant for one or more of the positions listed in Article 34.1 (e), will become vacant within the period between the next three Congresses following the last electoral Congresses, the following possibilities will apply:

a. If in the previous elections where the acting Board of Directors was elected there were more candidates than positions listed in Art. 34.1 (e), the immediate next candidates that were in line at the list composed pursuant to Art. 27.4 (a) but were not elected shall become members of the Board of Directors for the vacant positions in Article 34,1 (e), and for the remaining term of the Board that they will join, in the order in which they were listed. However, each such nomination will subject to the following conditions:

- i. If the vacancy/ies occurred during the period between the elections where they were candidates and the consecutive ITF Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress, whichever comes first ("The following Congress"), the Candidate will provide a new updated support letter by its member association (no need for three other member associations) and will present and provide the needed confirmation that he meets the requirement under Art. 34 (5) and (11) as well as meet the requirement under Art. 34 (6).
- ii. If the vacancy/ies occurred during the period between the Following Congress and the next ITF Ordinary or extraordinary Congress whichever comes first ("The second next congress"), the Candidate will provide the needed documents and meet the requirements under Art. ii above and will also provide three other support letters as per Art. 34.8.

- iii. If the vacancy/ies occurred during the period that starts at the end of the second next Congress but before the third next Ordinary Congress an election for such position shall be held at the third next Ordinary General Assembly.

12. Art. 35.2 e) will be amended to contain the following wording:

to approve Regulations stipulating how the ITF shall be organised internally, including the approval of signatory rights and the delegation of rights with respect of signatory rights on behalf of the ITF, in all aspects and regulatory needs

13. Art. 35.2 J will be amended to contain the following wording:

To prepare, approve and submit to the General Assembly the documents containing the following: ...

14. Art. 35 j) iii) will be amended to contain the following wording:

the budget for the year starting on 1 January of the year following the year of the Congress. The Budget as presented, even if approved by the General Assembly, will not prevent the Board of Directors from making adjustments and changes as needed during the relevant year, as long as any such adjustment or change will be approved by the Board of Directors and presented to the general Assembly at the next Congress.

A new Article, No. 41.A will be added under the title:" VICE PRESIDENT", stating the following:

ARTICLE 41.A VICE PRESIDENT

1. The Vice-President shall be responsible for:

- a) developing and maintaining relations with Grand Masters, Masters and Instructors.
- b) identifying their needs in technical matters in co-operation with the Technical & Instruction Committee.
- c) conducting surveys, consultations, and analyses of technical needs.
- d) ensuring a good relation between technical decisions and administration.
- e) legal cases in which the ITF may be involved in co-operation with the Board of Directors.
- f) checking applications for the 9th degree and move it forward for approval to the ITF Board of Directors.
- g) promoting development of ITF TKD in countries with schools and practitioners.
- h) ascertaining current status in each country and needs for development.

- i) suggesting short-term and long-term priorities.
- j) monitoring and controlling the use of the ITF name, logo, etc. worldwide.
- k) making sure that the ITF name is registered as a trademark in all member countries

15. Articles 47 & 48 shall be swapped. i.e the present Art. 48 ("Do and Ethics Committee") will become Art. 47, and the present art. 47 ("Grand Master Promotion Committee") will become Art. 48.

16. A new Article 45 1. e) will be added with the following wording:

Compensation Committee

and the present Art. 45.1.e) will be numbered 45.1 f)

17. Article 46.2 will be deleted.

18. A new Article 46 bis will be added containing the following wording:

ARTICLE 46 bis COMPENSATION COMMITTEE

The Compensation Committee will consist of three members, a chairperson being an independent person who is not a member nor related to any ITF member or any other ITF body and two other members. At least one of the members will always be a woman.

The Compensation Committee shall:

- a) be consulted by the Board of Directors in all aspects and regulatory needs before the Board of Directors will approve (as per Art. 35.2 e) the policy of the signatory rights regime of the ITF and the delegation of rights with respect of signatory rights on behalf of the ITF.
- b) determine the individual compensation of the President, of each other Member of the Board of Directors and of each Chair of the Standing Committees.
- c) approve the salary and terms of employment of the Secretary General as proposed by the Board of Directors.

19. In Art. 54 a new Art. 54.3 will be added containing the following wording:

The Disciplinary Committee and the Appeal Tribunal (Art. 51 & 52) will be the hearing panels for the purpose of the Anti-Doping Regulations.

20. The wording of Article 72 (3) (a) will be amended and will be split into two subparagraphs and will read as follows.

" a.1 At the entrance into force of the transitory period pursuant to Art. 72.3 (c), all the National Associations, Allied Associations, Specified Allied Associations, Schools and Training Centers in countries or territories where there are more than one ITF member, shall maintain their status as prior to the adoption of these Statutes and will remain subject to the relevant by-laws of ITF Spain with respect to the possibility of being reclassified in between statuses during the transitory period.

- a.2 Art. 7 of these Statutes will apply with respect to any new membership in same countries or territories subject to the following exceptional and specific terms:*
- i. Art. 7.4 will not apply.*
 - ii. Any new member will be admitted under the statues as in the By-Laws of ITF Spain but only as an Allied Association (AA).*
 - iii. All the transitory provisions under this Art. 72 will apply also on any new member admitted during the transitory period."*

**Proposed Amendments to the ITF Standing Orders of the General Assembly (ver. 4
19.9.2024)**

(Internal working paper to be presented to the ITF Board)

21. In Article 6.3 the following wording will be added:

The use of an Electronic Voting System for all voting during the General Assemblies is allowed and will be conducted in accordance to the specific parts of the Electoral Code and subject to any decision taken in this respect by the Board of Directors.

22. In Article 6 a new article 6.4 will be added containing the following wording (and the following number will be amended accordingly):

Unless otherwise specifically written in the statutes, the wording "simple majority (more than 50%) of the valid votes cast of the Member Associations who are present and eligible to vote is necessary" means a simple majority of the votes cast of the member Associations present and eligible to vote that voted, i.e. the majority will be calculated based on the votes made and not on the potential number of votes of all the present and eligible Member Associations (that may include also members that decided not to vote).

23. Article 5 will be amended to contain the following wording:

5. ARTICLE 5. PROPOSALS AND MOTIONS

1. All proposals, motions and request for amendments (all of them referred herein as "**proposals**" or "**motions**") 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 in two steps (a) a vote on the question whether to vote on the motion and (b) – if the results of the first vote will be in favour of voting on the notion then voting on the essence of the motion.
3. A proposal to close the discussion shall be put to vote without debate. If the motion is approved, permission to speak on the reasons for proposing the discussion shall be granted only to those delegates who have requested to do so before the vote was taken.
4. The Chairperson shall have the authority to close the discussion on any topic unless the General Assembly decides otherwise by a simple majority. The chairperson will inform of his intention to close the discussion and if no motion is made immediately asking not to close the discussion the discussion will be closed.