

# EUROPEAN SUMO FEDERATION 歐洲相撲聯盟

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# STATUE OF EUROPEAN SUMO FEDERATION

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# Chapter I Name, area of activity, seats of authorities, law character

# §1

European Sumo Federation, called below EFS is a sports association within the meaning of article 6 of Act of sport of 25.06.2010, acting in sport sumo, beach sumo and sumo for disabled.

#### §2

- **1**. Area of activity of EFS is region of Poland, and seat is in Krotoszyn City.
- 2. To realize purposes of EFS could take activity beyond borders of Poland.

# §З

- 1. EFS definy goals, actions program and organizational structure and enacts acts about its actions.
- 2. EFS is voluntary, self-governing and permanent sumo sport organization, acting based on affiliates members.
- 3. EFS is estabilished for indefinite period.
- 4. EFS has legal personality.

# §4

- EFS acting due to the legal order of Poland including act from 25th June 2010 of sport, act from 7th April 1989 — Law about associations and this Statue.
- 2. EFS is register in National Court Register.
- **3**. EFS could has the status of public benefit organization, acting in area of physical culture and sport.

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EFS cooperates with sports clubs, other sports organization and institution acting in sumo sport.

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EFS could be a member of others international organization of similar action profile.

- 1. EFS could has badge organizational, emblem and banner, could send statement, organizational materials and uses stamp in accordance with legal regulations.
- 2. Board of EFS definy pattern of badge, emblems, banner of EFS.

- 1. Actions of EFS are based on social work of members. EFS could also employs workers.
- 2. All EFS's members, members of authority of EFS, athletes, couches, judges, activists are obliged to observe Statute, REgulations, Decisions and Rules contained in separates regulations.

# Chapter II Goals and way of realisation

# §9

Goals of EFS are:

- 1. Organization, popularization and development sports competition in sumo in Poland and abroad;
- 2. Representation interests of sumo in National and international organization;
- 3. Taking actions for promote and develop sumo;
- 4. Representation, protection rights and coordination actions of all members;
- 5. Popularization and develop of pshysical culture and sport among children, youth and students;
- 6. Protection rights and coordination actions of all members of EFS;
- 7. Promotion and organization volunteering;
- 8. Actions in area of public safety and prevent social pathologies;
- 9. Organization of sports competition, promotion of sport and active recreation;
- 10. Promotion of health and healthy lifestyle;
- 11. Shaping positivecharacter traits;
- 12. Obtaining funds for statue activity.

#### §10

EFS realizes goals through:

1. Organization, popularization and develompment of sumo,

- 2. Protection rights and coordinatio activity of EFS's members, athletes, judges, activists;
- 3. Elaboration programm of delopment of sumo,
- 4. Leading trainings for athletes, judges in cooperation with other institution and organization,
- 5. Taking care of all EFS's members and controlling observe Statute, Regulations and Principles,
- 6. Making principles of competition inside structure of EFS
- 7. Organization and leading competitions in sumo,
- 8. Determination of rights and obligations of athletes,
- 9. Determination:
- 1.9 Sports, organizational and disciplinary rules about competitions in sumo
- 2.9 Rules about changing clubs,
- 3.9 Internal law about antdoping,
- 4.9 Determination rules about disciplinary and making bodies,
- 5.9 Resolving disputes between EFS's members,
- 6.9 Promotion sumo, supporting and organization events,
- 7.9 Organization tournaments, events, also international,
- 8.9 Organization trainings, seminars for athletes, judges and activists,
- 9.9 Making records, documents, and making statements,
- 10.9 Making publishing activity,
- 11.9 Raise funds for realization statue goals,
- 12.9 Making other actions to realization statue goals.

EFS could make economic activity in accordance with other regulations. Income from its should serve realizations of statue goals and can not be divided between members.

# Chapter III Members of European Sumo Federation

# §12

Among members of EFS we have:

- 1. Ordinary members
- 2. Supporting members
- **3**. Honorary Members

- 1. Ordinary members could be sports club and sports associations action in sumo.
- 2. Sports club action as legal bodies in accordance to common regulations.

- 1. Ordinary members are accept by Board of EFS, through resolution, based on written declaration about will to join to EFS.
- About acceptation will decide Board through resolution, taking no later thab in 3 months from date of giving declaration. Board should immediately inform applicant about decision.
- 3. Board could refuse membership to those, who:

1.3 Acts againts goals of EFS,

2.3 Not indicate permissions do taking part in competition in sumo

3.3 Has not legal personality,

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1.Supporting members could be legal body, which statue or other documents provide activity in sumo, accept and support goals of EFS and support actions of EFS.

2. Supporting members are accepted by Board of EFS through resolution, based written application. In application spplicatn should declare observe Statute and write about kind of support for EFS.

#### §16

1. General meeting, called below "Congress" could give to person, who is well -deserve for EFS title of "Honorary Member".

2. To person, who was a president of EFS, Congress could give title "Honorary President".

3. About giving honorary membership Board should apply to Congress.

# §17

1. Ordinary Members of EFS has right to:

1.1 Taking part in Congress through delegates, choosen in accordance to rules from 528 Statute.

- 2.1 Passive and active electoral law to others authorities of EFS,
- 3.1 Taking part in competition organized by EFS,
- 4.1 Submit conclusions and postulates to EFS's authorities,
- 5.1 Receiving informations about EFS,
- 6.1 Using help and rights according to membership
- 7.1 Organizing tournaments

8.1 Express opinions about EFS.

- 2. Support members have rights to taking part in Congress with consultative voice.
- 3. Honorary members has right to taking part in Congress with consultative voice.

# §18

- 1. Ordinary Members are obliged to:
  - 1.1.Observe Statue, Regulations and other resolutions and common law,
  - 1.2. Active action for development sumo and raising level,
  - 1.3. Taking care about good name of EFS and observe ethics of sport
  - 1.4. Realization resolutions and decisions taken by body of EFS,
  - 1.5.Payment benefits for EFS,
  - 1.6. Submitting jurisdiction of bodies of EFS,
  - 1.7. Taking part in Congresses and in work of bodies of EFS, if they are choosen,
  - 1.8. Taking part in competition organized by EFS, if they are sports club.
- 2. Support Members are obliged to:
- 2.1 Observe Statue, Regulations and other resolutions and common law.
- 2.2 Taking care about good name of EFS,
- 2.3 Realization resolutions and decisions taken by bodies of EFS,
- 2.4 Making payments for EFS,
- 2.5 Realization of declared supporting for EFS.
- 2.6 Honorary Members are obliged to:
- 2.7 Taking care about good name of EFS,
- 2.8 Action, which contribute to growing up importance of sumo.

- 1. Loss of membership can take place through:
- 1.1.Written resignation sent to Board,
- 1.2. Denouement EFS.
- 1.3.Liquidation or denouement member of EFS or sumo section.
- 1.4. Exclusion of member.
- 1.5.Exclusion ordinary member based on resolution of Board can take place in below mentioned situation
- Not taking part in action of EFS during one year,
- Action in contradiction with Statue, resolusion, regulations and common law,
- Acting to detriment of EFS, after earlier written application about stop this kind of acting.

- 2. Exclusion support member can take place in below mentioned situation:
  - Action in contradiction with Statue, resoluation, regulations and common law,
  - Stated omission of realization declared support during 6 months,

- Acting to detriment of EFS, after earlier written application about stop this kind of acting.

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Loss of membership can take place in below mentioned situation:

- 1. Death.
- 2. Written resignation sent to Board.
- 3. Action in contradiction with Statute, resolutions, regulations and common law.
- 4. Taking resolution by Congress about deprivation honorary membership after. hearing by Board and after making application by Board.

# §21

1. Ordinary member of EFS can be suspended in member's right, based on resolution of board, in situation, when ordinary member action in contradiction with Statute, resolutions, regulations, and common law.

2. Suspension rely on periodic deprivation in statutory rights of member, especially: passive and active electoral law and right to participation in competition organized by EFS.

3. Resolution about suspension is valid from moment of taking.

# §22

1. When applicant got refuse of accept, exclusion or suspension, he has right to apply for cancellation to Congress in period of 14 days since date of deliver resolution, but not later than 14 days before the day of Congress. During above mentioned procedure member is suspended in his rights. Decision of Congress is final.

# CHAPTER IV Authority of European Sumo Federation

# §23

**1**. Authorities of EFS are:

# 1.1.General Assembly

- 1.2. Board
- 1.3. Revision Committee

# §24

Cadency of choosen authority last 5 years, and decision is taking in voting — secret or explicit. It depends on resolution of General Assembly.

# §25

If during cadency is choosen new Board, cadency of this new Board lasts to next Reporting — Election General Assembly.

# §26

- 1. Supreme authority of EFS is General Assembly.
- 2. Among kind of General Assembly we have:
- Reporting election
- Reporting
- 3. Extraordinary General Assembly.

Reporting — Election General Assembly takes place every 5 years.

Reporting General Assembly takes place once a year.

# §27

1. Competences of Reporting – Election General Assembly are, especially:

1.1 Taking resolutions about directions of action of EFS and programms of actions for cadency.

1.2 Taking resolutions about Statute and its amendements.

1.3 Accepting statement of authority of EFS with rights to ask questions by members before vote of approval.

1.4 Taking resolutions of regulations of proceedings of Congress.

1.5 Petition, after application of Revision Committee for vote of approval — statements of authority.

- 1.6 Election of Board's members and Revision Committee.
- 1.7 Award title "honorary member" and divest this title.
- 1.8 Making arrangements about amount of money, which will be paid to EFS.
- 1.9 Examining complains and appeals.
- 1.11Interpretaion of Statute.

1.11 Taking resolutions about dissolution of EFS.

1.12 Voting on Disciplinary Regulation.

2. General Assemlby also debate about annual statements of Board and other business included in Agenda.

3. Extraordinary Congress debate only of business, for which is convened.

# §28

1. In General Assembly can take part:

1.1 With right to vote — delegates of ordinary member choosen from National organization.

- 1.2 With no right to vote:
- 1.3 Honorary members
- 1.4 Supporting members
- 1.5 Memebrs of other authority of EFS
- 1.6 Guests.
- 2. Every ordinary member receive one mandate. Every mandate can be representatives only by one delegate.
- 3. In extraordinary General Assembly take part delegates, who were choosen on last Reporting — Election General Assembly or Reporting — Financial General Assembly and persons mentioned in § 1, point 2.

# §29

 Delegates are choosen for one cadency. Cadency begins in day of Reporting — Election General Assembly or Reporting — Financial General Assembly and lasts until day before day of next Reporting — Election or Reporting — Financial General Assembly.

# 2. Mandate of delegate expire in situation of:

- 2.1 Death of delegate.
- 2.2 Written resignation.
- 2.3 Lost of membership.
- 2.4 Cancellation delegate by National Association.
- 2.5 Conviction with a final sentence.
- 3. In situation from point 2 mandate receive other person choosen by National association.
- Cadency of new delegate lasts to day of convene new Reporting Election or Reporting Financial General Assembly.

- 1. General Assembly debate according to Regulation and Agenda. Project of Regulation and Agenda is prepared by Board.
- 2. To legitimacy of deliberation of General Assembly needed is at least presence of half of delegates, who has right to vote in first date and besides of amount of delegates in second date, if it was included in announcement.
- **3**. Resolutions are taken by common majority of votes, unless this Statue provide otherwise.
- 4. To change Statue required is majority 2/3 votes in presence at least half of amount of delegates.
- 5. Every delegate has only one mandate to voting.

- 1. General Assembly is convened by Board, procedure should be based on resolution. In announcement should be included date, place and agenda.
- 2. About date, lace and agenda ordinary members and Revision Committee should be informed 14 days before day of General Assembly.
- Announcement can be sent by airmail or by electronic way.
  Board dhould deliver to ordinary member 7 day before Congress materials about meeting.

- 1. Extraordinary General Assembly is convened by Board:
  - 1.1 Through resolution its own initiative of Board,
  - 1.2 Due to application of:
    - Revision Committee,
    - At least half of amount of ordinary members.
- 2. Extraordinary General Assembly is convened by Board in period of 2 months since day of taking resolution (by Board), or sine moment of making application.
- 3. If Board not convened Extraordinary it should be convened by Revision Committee.
- 4. Extraordinary General Assembly deals with issues, for which it was convened.
- In Extraordinary General Assembly take part delegates choosen on last Reporting Election or Reporting - Financial General Assembly and persons about which is art.28, §1, point 2 of Statute.

- 1. Action of EFS is directed by Board.
- Board could be consisted from 1 9 persons (includes President) the amount of member depends on resolution of General Assembly.
- 3. Cadency of Board lasts 5 years.

- 1. Board is elected by General Assembly in secret or explicit voting it depends on resolution taken by General Assembly.
- Passive electoral right has every delegate and also persons, who are not delegates. Candidates should have knowledge and experiences in management of sports association.
- **3**. Candidate for President can be reported by at least one ordinary member, in period at least 14 days before Congress. Application should be reported in written form to Board.
- 4. If nobody reported candidate for President's position, he can be reported during Congress.
- 5. For President's position is choosen cadidate, who get most amount of votes. If is only one candidate, he should get absolute amount of votes.
- 6. When in Board is more than one person, candidates to Board can be reported by President and delegates, who taking part in Congress and has right to vote.
- 7. Members of Board become candidates, who got, in sequence, the most amount of votes. In situation when candidates get the same amount of votes and simultaneous choice is

not possible, they should take part in next voting. Win candidate, who get most amount of votes.

# §35

- 1. Competences of Board are, especially:
  - 1.1 Representation EFS to other institution and action on behalf on EFS,
  - 1.2 Realization resolutions of Congress,
  - 1.3 Convene Congress,
  - 1.4 Taking resolution about acceptance of new members and about exclusion,

1.5 Making application to Congress of awarding and taking back title of "Honorary Member",

- 1.6 Constitute special Committee and its chairman,
- 1.7 Apply for funds,
- 1.8 Management of funds of EFS,

1.9 Making programms of action and financial plans,

- 1.10 Directing of EFS,
- 1.11 Rating work of its members
- 1.12 Making arrangements about ensure adequate conditions for judges
- 1.13 Preparing regulations,
- 1.14 Representation EFS in other institution,
- 1.15 Awarding,
- 1.16 Preparing statements,
- 1.17 Preparing statements and presentation to Congress and Revision Committee,
- 1.18 Accept of statements of other Committee,
- 1.19 Taking resolutions about conducting business action,
- 1.20 Introducing changes in Statute,
- 1.21 Execute disciplinary decisions,
- 1.22 Organization trainings for couches, judges and activists.

- 1. Mandate of member of Board expire in situation:
  - 1.1 Written resignation of President,
  - 1.2 Cancellation, when action is in contribution with Statue
  - 1.3 Death.
- 2. Member of Board can be cancel by General Assembly in absolute majority amount of votes, in presence of at least half delegates, who have rights to vote.

- 1. If Board consisted of more than one person, in case of expire of membership in Board, Board has right to fill in its composition, but no more than 1/3 amount of members.
- 2. If President resigned oraz can not serve, Revision Committee have to convene in period of 30 days Extraordinary General Assembly.
- 3. If is any possibilities to fill in composition of Board, Revision Committee convene Extraordinary Congress to make election.
- 4. Revision Committee has not convene Extraordinary General Assembly, if in period of 3 months should be organize Reporting Election General Assembly.

# **REVISION COMMITTEE**

#### §38

- 1. Control body of EFS is Revision Committee.
- 2. Revision Committee consist of 3 –4 members (includes chairman, vice-chairman, secretary) and is choosen for 5 years.
- **3**. Passive electoral right has delegate and also person, who is no mandate of delegate. Candidate should has experiences in internal control in social organization.
- 4. At the first meeting not later than 14 days after election, Revision Committee should choose chairman, vice-chairman and secretary.
- 5. Revision Committee should takes resolution about Internal Regulation.
- 6. Resolution of Revision Committee are taken by common majority, in presence at least half of members. In situation, when amount of votes is equal decide vote of chairman.
- 7. Resolutions of Revision Committee can be taken by airmail or by using electronic way.
- 8. If during cadency should be choosen new Revision Committee cadency lasts to next Reporting Election General Assembly.

#### §39

- 1. Revision Committee should make control of EFS at least once a year.
- 2. Revision Committee give statements of control to General Assembly and only Revision Committee can apply for accept statements and vote of approval.
- **3**. Revision Committee has right to ask questions and demand explains and removing irregularities.
- 4. Revision Committee has right to choose auditor, who evaluate financial situation.
- 5. Revision Committee can convened Extraordinary General Assembly.

# §40

1.Membership in Revision Committee expire as a result of:

- Written resignation
- Recall in situation of action in contradiction with Statute,
- Conviction with final sentence,
- Death.

2.Recall member of Revision Committee can be made by decision of Congress, by absolute majority amount of votes, in presence, at least half of delegates, who have right to vote.

#### §41

If mandate of being member of Revision Committee expired, the new member become person, who has during election the most amount of votes, but was not be choosen. If it is not possible Revision Committe can fill in composition, but not more than 1/3 amount of members. If also this way is impossible, Board convene Extraordinary General Assembly to elect new member. Unless, to end of cadency of Revision Committee is no more than 3 months - Board convene Extraordinary General Assembly to make election new authority.

# Chapter V

# **Disciplinary Responsibility**

#### §42

Members of EFS, athletes, couches, judges and members od authorities and others have disciplinary responsibility for violation Statute, antidoping principles, regulations and others.

#### §43

Discipline responsibility is realized based on special regulations.

# CHAPTER VI

#### Internal Committee and administrative bodies

#### §44

- 1. To realize statutory goals, Board can legislate special committees.
- 2. Those committees action is based on regulation confirmed by Board.

#### §45

1.Office of EFS action according to regulation confirmed by Board.

#### CHAPTER VII

#### **Prizes and Distinction**

§46

EFS can awardspeople, who deserve it.

§47

EFS can apply for awarding for its members and supporters to authority of countries.

§48

Kind of prizes and distinction is identified in other regulations.

# CHAPTER VIII Wealth and funds of EFS

#### §49

- 1. Wealth of EFS can consists with real estates, movables, securities, funds.
- 2. Funds can consists with:
- Incomes from organizing tournaments,
- Annual fees, payment for licences, other fees,
- Subsides from state authorities,
- Donations,
- Incomes from statutory actions.
- Inheritance,
- Incomes from wealth,
- Funds from sponsors,
- Incomes from doing business and other

resources.

#### §50

1. Wealth and funds are manager by Board.

- 1. EFS can do business in accordance with common law.
- 2. If it is economic activity, which kind require franchise or something like that it should be obtain.

# CHAPTER IX Way of representation

§52

- 1. If Board consists only of President every commitment can be made by President.
- 2. In situation, in which we have more than one person in Board, EFS is represented (in making commitments) by President and one member of Board.

# CHAPTER X

# **Final Provisions**

§53

Resolution about changes in Statue is taken by General Assembly by qualified majority 2/3 votes in presence, at least half of delegates.

§54

- 1. Resolution about disolution of EFS is taken by General Assembly, with majority of at least 2/3 votes in presence at least half of delegates.
- 2. Resolution about point 1. Should definy way of liquidation.
- **3**. Person, who close down EFS apply to Register Court for cancellation EFS from Register.

§55

Final interpretation of Statue is right of General Assembly, based on written application about interpretation.