

ISAF Constitution – Executive Committee

Representation of Athletes' Commission - Article 67

A submission from the RS:X Class Association

Purpose or Objective

To place a member of the Athletes Commission or Committee onto the Executive Committee of the Federation.

Proposal

Amend Article 67 as follows:

67. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President and the seven Vice-Presidents, and shall constitute the board of directors of the Federation. **A member of the Athletes' Commission or Committee shall also be on the Executive Committee.** The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio non-voting member of the Executive Committee, and also of the Constitution Committee and General Assembly, unless already a member in some other capacity.

Insert New Article 70.1

70.1. The member of the Athletes Commission or committee on the Executive Committee shall be elected by the Athletes' Commission or Committee in accordance with its bylaws.

Current Position

As above.

Reasons

1. The IOC reform commission of 2000 created the clear recommendation for athletes commissions' to be a part of every decision making body of the International federations. Then the subsequent IOC congress meeting in 2009 further developed the IOC official guidelines for IF athletes commission which were published in late 2009.

These IOC guidelines related to the creation of an IF athletes' commission state:

"The Commission is represented within the IF's executive body by at least one member who is an athlete, elected by the IF's General Assembly or the Commission, who will have the right to vote within this executive body."

2. The ISAF athletes Commission is currently only on the Council. By changing this member to being on the executive, he/she maintains 1 vote, or 2.7% of the Council make up representation of the Athletes, but now complies with the IOC recommendations, and also allows better representation of Athletes and ability for their voices and rights to be addressed.
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