

THE CYPRUS NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE



STATUTES

In force as of 17th December 2021

ARTICLE 1: NAME

The name of the Committee shall be "The Cyprus National Olympic Committee " (hereinafter referred to as the "Cyprus N.O.C.") and its seat is in Nicosia, the capital of the Republic of Cyprus (hereinafter referred to as "Cyprus").

ARTICLE 2: LEGAL STATUS

The Cyprus N.O.C. is a non-governmental, non-profit-making organisation, of unlimited duration created in accordance with the "Olympic Charter" under guidelines approved by the International Olympic Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "I.O.C.").

ARTICLE 3: MISSION AND ROLE

3.1. The mission of the Cyprus N.O.C. is to encourage interest in the Olympic Games and to develop, promote and protect the Olympic Movement in Cyprus, in accordance with the Olympic Charter.

3.2. The Cyprus N.O.C. undertakes:

3.2.1. To promote the fundamental principles and values of Olympism in Cyprus in particular, in the fields of sport and education, by promoting Olympic educational programmes in all levels of schools, sports and physical education institutions and universities, as well as by encouraging the creation of institutions dedicated to Olympic education, such as National Olympic Academies, Olympic Museums and other programmes, including cultural, related to the Olympic Movement.

3.2.2. To ensure the observance of the "Olympic Charter" in Cyprus.

3.2.3. To encourage the development of high performance sport as well as sport for all.

3.2.4. To help in the training of sports administrators by organizing courses and ensure that such courses contribute to the propagation of the fundamental principles of Olympism.

3.2.5. To organise, together with the respective national federations, the preparation of athletes in order to ensure that the athletes will have prepared in such a manner so that Cyprus be represented successfully at the Olympic Games as well as regional, continental and international games which have the patronage of the I.O.C.

3.2.6. To encourage and support the promotion of ethics in sport and the spirit of fair play and to take action against any form of discrimination and violence in sport.

3.2.7. To adopt and implement the World Anti Doping Code thereby ensuring that the Cyprus N.O.C. anti-doping policies and rules, membership and/or funding requirements and results management procedures conform with the World Anti Doping Code and respect all the roles and responsibilities for National Olympic Committees that are listed within the World Anti Doping Code.

3.2.8. To support and encourage the promotion of women in sport at all levels and in all structures with a view to implementing the principle of equality of men and women.

- 3.2.9. To encourage and support measures relating to the medical care and health of athletes.
- 3.2.10. To oppose any political or commercial abuse of sport and athletes.
- 3.2.11. To encourage and support the efforts of sports organisations and public authorities to provide for the social and professional future of athletes.
- 3.2.12. To encourage and support a responsible concern for environmental issues.
- 3.3. The Cyprus N.O.C. has the exclusive authority for constituting, organising and leading the Cyprus delegation at the Olympic Games as well as at regional, continental and world multi-sports competitions which have the patronage of the I.O.C. The Cyprus N.O.C. decides upon the entry of athletes proposed by their national federations. In addition, the Cyprus N.O.C is obliged to participate in the Olympic Games by sending athletes.
- 3.4. The Cyprus N.O.C. has the exclusive authority to select and designate the city which may apply to organize Olympic Games, regional, continental and world multisports competitions patronized by the I.O.C. in Cyprus.
- 3.5. The Cyprus N.O.C may cooperate with non-governmental or governmental bodies in order to fulfil its mission. The Cyprus N.O.C must not associate itself with any activity which would be in contradiction with the Olympic Charter.
- 3.6. The Cyprus N.O.C. must preserve its autonomy and resist all pressures of any kind, including but not limited to political, legal, religious or economic pressures which may prevent it from complying with the Olympic Charter.
- 3.7. The Cyprus N.O.C may raise money by public appeals or otherwise and to apply the same together with all other funds and property of the Cyprus N.O.C. for the furtherance of fulfilling its mission and to hold and invest all moneys, not applied for such purposes, as it may think fit.
- 3.8. The Cyprus N.O.C may establish, undertake or administer any trusts for the furtherance of fulfilling its mission and to hold and administer any property or funds subject to any such trusts.
- 3.9. The Cyprus N.O.C. may, by decision of the Executive Council, borrow money, conclude loans, seek money, credit facilities, or other facilities and undertake or secure any such obligations in the manner and under the terms it thinks fit and in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the above by the issue of debentures and debenture stock (perpetual or terminable), bonds, mortgages, pledges, assignments and charges (including fixed and floating charges) or by the issue of any other debentures or securities which are founded or based or which may be founded or based upon all or any of the Cyprus N.O.C's undertaking or movable or immovable assets or property or rights, present or future, or without any security, and under such terms, as to priority or otherwise, as the Executive Council of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall determine at its discretion.
- 3.10. The Cyprus N.O.C may subscribe, guarantee or lend money to any association or institution for any purpose calculated to further the fulfilling of its mission or to benefit amateur sport in Cyprus or for any charitable purpose.
- 3.11. The Cyprus N.O.C shall adopt its own flag, emblem and anthem for use in relation to its activities, including the Olympic Games, which shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the I.O.C.

3.12. The Cyprus N.O.C may use the Olympic properties within the framework of its nonprofit-making activities provided such use contributes to the development of the Olympic Movement and does not detract from its dignity and provided the prior approval of the Executive Board of the I.O.C. is obtained.

ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP

4.1. The members of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be:

4.1.1. Each national federation affiliated to the Cyprus N.O.C. as provided in Article 5 hereinbelow (hereinafter referred to as "Affiliated Body"), whose representative to the Cyprus N.O.C. ('Representative Member' as defined in Article 7.1 hereinbelow) may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly with full authority to vote.

4.1.2. Each body or institution associated to the Cyprus N.O.C. as provided in Article 5 hereinbelow (hereinafter referred to as "Associated Body"), whose representative to the Cyprus N.O.C. ('Representative Member' as defined in Article 7.1 hereinbelow) may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly but shall not be entitled to vote.

4.1.3. The members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus who may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly with full authority to vote. Provided that a member expelled from the I.O.C. may not be a member of the Cyprus N.O.C.

4.1.4. The Honorary Members elected as provided in Article 8 hereinbelow who may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly with full authority to vote.

4.1.5. Two elected representatives from the Athletes' Commission established by the Cyprus N.O.C. (hereinafter referred to as "Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission"), in accordance with the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission's regulations adopted by the Executive Council. Each of the two elected representatives from the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly with full authority to vote.

4.2. The Representative Members, representatives of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission and Honorary Members of the Cyprus N.O.C. must be Cypriot nationals, of age, and in full possession of their civil and political rights. They shall not be employees of the Cyprus N.O.C.. Except for professional sports administrators, they shall not accept any compensation or bonus of any kind in consideration for their services or for the performance of their duties. They may be reimbursed for their travelling, accommodation and other justified expenses incurred in the carrying out of their functions.

4.3. Notwithstanding that the Affiliated Bodies and Associated Bodies may appoint Representative Members to be their representatives to the Cyprus N.O.C., Cyprus N.O.C. membership cannot be exercised by proxy nor can it be transferred or inherited.

4.4. The membership to the Cyprus N.O.C. of an Affiliated Body or Associated Body shall terminate:

4.4.1. Upon its dissolution;

4.4.2. Upon its voluntary departure from the Cyprus N.O.C.;

4.4.3. Upon its expulsion by the General Assembly at a meeting convened within thirty (30) days following the recommendation of the Executive Council by a decision of the Executive Council taken by a majority of at least two thirds, for any of the following reasons:

- (a) non-payment by the Affiliated Body or Associated Body of its annual subscription fee;
- (b) infringement by the Affiliated Body or Associated Body of the provisions of these Statutes, or of any Regulations issued hereunder or of the "Olympic Charter";
- (c) the behaviour, actions or omissions of the Affiliated Body or Associated Body bring upon or cause disgrace or harm to the credibility or repute of the Cyprus N.O.C. or otherwise harm the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C.;

4.5 (d) if such Affiliated Body or Associated Body has neglected or knowingly jeopardised the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C. or acted in a way which is unworthy of the Cyprus N.O.C. The membership to the Cyprus N.O.C. of the members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus, the elected representatives of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission and Honorary Members shall terminate:

4.5.1 Upon the member's voluntary departure from the Cyprus N.O.C.;

4.5.2 Upon the resignation or death of the member;

4.5.3 Upon expulsion by the Executive Council of the member for any for the following reasons:

- (a) infringement by the member of the provisions of these Statutes, or of any Regulations issued hereunder or of the "Olympic Charter";
- (b) the behaviour, actions or omissions of the member bring upon or cause disgrace or harm to the credibility or repute of the Cyprus N.O.C. or otherwise harm the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C.;
- (c) the member losing his Cypriot nationality or his civil and political rights;
- (d) the member being found guilty by a court of law of a criminal offence;
- (e) the member has neglected or knowingly jeopardised the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C. or acted in a way which is unworthy of the Cyprus N.O.C.

4.6 In addition to the aforementioned in Article 4.5, the membership to the Cyprus N.O.C. of the elected representatives of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission shall terminate upon the dissolution of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission or upon its voluntary departure from the Cyprus N.O.C.

4.7. Provided that expulsion of a member as provided in Article 4.5.3 hereinabove can only occur following a hearing during which the member concerned is given the right to be heard.

4.8. Any member of the Cyprus N.O.C. may depart at any time, provided that it has settled its outstanding subscription fees. No departing member shall have any right over the assets of the Cyprus N.O.C.

4.9. The Executive Council shall maintain a fully updated register of the members of the Cyprus N.O.C. which shall be reviewed at least every year.

ARTICLE 5: AFFILIATED AND ASSOCIATED BODIES

5.1. The Cyprus N.O.C. must:

Affiliate to the Cyprus N.O.C. any national federation affiliated to the International Federations (hereinafter referred to as "I.Fs") governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games.

Provided that at least five of the national federations affiliated to the Cyprus N.O.C. must be affiliated to the I.Fs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games.

5.2 The C.N.O.C may:

Affiliate to the Cyprus N.O.C. any national federation which is affiliated to I.Fs recognised by the I.O.C., the sports of which are not included in the programme of the Olympic Games; provided that such national federation has participated with athletes being included in the Cyprus delegation in at least four editions of the Mediterranean Games up to and including the 2009 edition of the Mediterranean Games.

5.3 Any national federation which is affiliated to the Cyprus N.O.C. as provided in Articles 5.1. and 5.2 hereinabove, is referred to in these Statutes as an Affiliated Body and its representative to the Cyprus N.O.C. may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly with full authority to vote.

Provided that only one national federation for each sport governed by an I.F. may become Affiliated Body.

Provided further that only national federations which exercise a specific and real on-going sports activity in Cyprus and internationally and which have incorporated in their statutes the adoption and implementation of the World Anti Doping Code may become Affiliated Bodies.

5.4. The Cyprus N.O.C. may:

Associate to the Cyprus N.O.C. any multi-sports group and other sports-oriented organisation, association or institution in Cyprus.

Any group, organisation, association or institution which is associated to the Cyprus N.O.C. as provided hereinabove, is referred to in these Statutes as an Associated Body and its representative to the Cyprus N.O.C. may attend any meeting of the Cyprus N.O.C's General Assembly but shall not be entitled to vote.

5.5. Applications for affiliation or association to the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be made to the Executive Council of the Cyprus N.O.C. which may accept or reject them. No federation, association, institution or body shall be affiliated or associated to the Cyprus N.O.C. unless in the opinion of the Executive Council it can assist materially in the work or deliberations of the Cyprus N.O.C.

5.6. Objections to the decisions of the Executive Council made in accordance with Article 5.5. hereinabove, must be submitted to and be considered by the General Assembly.

5.7. Affiliated Bodies and Associated Bodies must always conform with the instructions of the Executive Council in relation to the time and place of dope testing to be taken by their athletes.

5.8. Governments or other public authorities shall not designate any members of the Cyprus N.O.C. However, the Cyprus N.O.C. may decide, at its discretion, to elect as members representatives of such authorities.

ARTICLE 6: REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

6.1. The registration fee of all members of the Cyprus N.O.C. being an Affiliated Body or an Associated Body, is fixed at €30 (thirty euros), and should accompany the application for membership which will be reimbursed in the event of it not being approved.

6.2. The annual subscription fee of all members of the Cyprus N.O.C. being an Affiliated Body or an Associated Body, is fixed at €50 (fifty euros) and is payable by the 31st January of each year. The members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus, the elected representatives of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission and Honorary Members elected as provided in Article 8 herein below shall not be required to pay an annual subscription fee.

6.3. If any subscription fee is not paid within one month after it is due, the Treasurer of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall give written notice of the fact to the relevant member and if the subscription fee remains unpaid for three months from the date when it fell due, the membership of the relevant member shall be terminated by the Executive Council.

6.4. When a membership has been terminated by virtue of Article 6.3 hereinabove, the member whose membership was terminated may be re-admitted as a member of the Cyprus N.O.C. by the Executive Council, provided all subscription fees owed are paid and that a satisfactory explanation for the failure to pay the subscription fee when it was due is given to the Executive Council.

6.5. Without prejudice to Article 4.4.3(a), the representative of any member whose subscription has not been paid shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the General Assembly and may not be elected to the Executive Council.

ARTICLE 7: REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS

7.1. An Affiliated Body or Associated Body shall by resolution of its Board of Directors or Committee or other governing body have the right to appoint a person to be its representative to the Cyprus N.O.C. who shall be admitted as a Representative Member to the Cyprus N.O.C. and, subject to Article 7.2. and the rest of the provisions of these Statutes, shall remain a Representative Member until one of the events provided in Article 7.3 hereinbelow occurs.

Provided that at any one time a person may represent only one Affiliated Body or Associated Body as the case may be, as its Representative Member.

7.2. An Affiliated Body or Associated Body may, by seven days' notice in writing to the Secretary General of the Cyprus N.O.C., revoke the authority of the person appointed to represent it, and may appoint another representative in his place.

Provided that if a Representative Member is elected to the Executive Council, that Representative Member shall remain on the Executive Council until his term of office expires.

7.3. The right of a Representative Member to be the representative of an Affiliated Body or Associated Body to the Cyprus N.O.C. shall terminate:

7.3.1. Upon the dissolution of the Affiliated Body or Associated Body which the Representative Member represents;

7.3.2. Upon the voluntary departure from the Cyprus N.O.C. of the Affiliated Body or Associated Body which the Representative Member represents;

7.3.3. Upon the resignation or death of the Representative Member;

7.3.4. Upon expulsion of the Affiliated Body or Associated Body which the Representative Member represents, pursuant to Article 4.4.3 hereinabove;

7.3.5. Upon expulsion of the Representative Member by the General Assembly at a meeting convened within thirty (30) days following the recommendation of the Executive Council by a decision of the Executive Council taken by a majority of at least two thirds, for any of the following reasons:

- (a) infringement by the Representative Member of the provisions of these Statutes, or of any Regulations issued hereunder or of the "Olympic Charter";
- (b) the behaviour, actions or omissions of the Representative Member bring upon or cause disgrace or harm to the credibility or repute of the Cyprus N.O.C. or otherwise harm the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C.;
- (c) the Representative Member losing his Cypriot nationality or his civil and political rights;
- (d) the Representative Member being found guilty by a court of law of a criminal offence;
- (e) the Representative Member neglecting or knowingly jeopardising the interests of the Cyprus N.O.C. or acting in a way which is unworthy of the Cyprus N.O.C.

7.4. Provided that expulsion of a Representative Member as provided in Article 7.3.5. hereinabove can only occur following a hearing during which the Representative Member concerned was given the right to be heard.

ARTICLE 8: HONORARY MEMBERS

8.1. The General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C. may at any of its meetings, upon the proposal of the Executive Committee, elect by simple majority persons that have rendered important services towards the objects of the Cyprus N.O.C. or have materially assisted in the work or deliberations of the Cyprus N.O.C., as Honorary Members of the Cyprus N.O.C. Such persons shall be of high morality and social standing and shall have good knowledge and experience of amateur sport.

8.2. Not more than one Honorary Member may be elected by any General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C. in any single year.

8.3. The maximum number of Honorary Members that the Cyprus N.O.C. may have at any one time is 5 (five).

8.4. In the event that the person elected as an Honorary Member is a former President, Vice President, Secretary General or Treasurer of the Executive Council of the Cyprus N.O.C., then such person shall keep an honorary title corresponding to the post that he formerly held on the Executive Council (e.g. Honorary President, Honorary Vice President etc.).

ARTICLE 9: BODIES OF THE CYPRUS N.O.C.

The bodies of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be:

9.1. The General Assembly, 9.2.
The Executive Council.

ARTICLE 10: THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

10.1. The General Assembly shall be the supreme authority of the Cyprus N.O.C. and shall decide on any matter of the Cyprus N.O.C. that does not fall within the competence of any other organ of the Cyprus N.O.C.

10.2. The General Assembly shall be composed of the persons referred to in Article 4.1. hereinabove and shall be convened at least once a year, and in any event within eighteen months of the previous meeting of the General Assembly having been held, at such time and place as the Executive Council shall determine.

All members of the General Assembly, with the exception of the Representative Members of Associated Bodies, shall be entitled to vote at all meetings of the General Assembly. Voting by proxy is not allowed, but replacements of Representative Members may be made in accordance with Article 7.2. hereinabove.

10.3. Notice of an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly shall be given by the Secretary General in writing to all the members entitled to attend the meeting at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting, together with an agenda which must state the items to be dealt with at the meeting.

The accidental omission to give notice to a member or the non-receipt of a notice by any member shall not invalidate the proceedings at a meeting of the General Assembly.

10.4. The items of the agenda of an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly shall be drawn by the Executive Council and shall include inter alia:

10.4.1. The report of the President for the activities of the Cyprus N.O.C. for the preceding year;

10.4.2. The approval of the financial statements of the preceding year, duly audited and presented by the Treasurer;

10.4.3. The approval of the budget for the following year;

10.4.4. The appointment of the external auditors for the following year.

10.5. Besides the items included in the agenda accompanying the invitation for an ordinary meeting of the General Assembly, no other item may be dealt with at the meeting unless:

10.5.1. A member submits an item for consideration by the General Assembly in writing to the Secretary General at least 7 days prior to the date of the meeting of the General Assembly whereupon the Secretary General should add this item to the agenda; or

10.5.2. The president of the meeting of the General Assembly at his discretion allows an item which is not included in the agenda of the meeting to be discussed at that meeting due to the fact that in his opinion the discussion of such business is in the best interest of the Cyprus N.O.C.

10.6. An extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly may be convened either as the Executive Council may decide, or, at the request in writing of at least one third of the members of the General Assembly who are entitled to attend and vote, in either case by the Secretary General giving notice of the meeting in writing to all the members entitled to attend the meeting at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting, together with an agenda which must state the business to be dealt with at the meeting.

Besides the items included in the agenda accompanying the invitation for the extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly, no other item may be dealt with at the meeting.

The rest of the procedural provisions governing meetings of the General Assembly shall apply mutatis mutandis to extraordinary meetings of the General Assembly.

10.7. During the year of the Summer Olympic Games, the ordinary meeting of the General Assembly at which the election of the Executive Council shall take place, shall be convened within three months after the closing of the Summer Olympic Games.

10.8. The General Assembly forms a quorum, if one half of its members plus one, having the right to attend in accordance with the provisions of the present Statutes, are present at the meeting.

If no quorum is achieved, the meeting of the General Assembly is automatically adjourned for 30 minutes at the same place, with the same agenda, and any number of participating members at this second convening will automatically constitute a quorum.

10.9. Meetings of the General Assembly are presided over by the President of the Executive Council or in his absence by the Vice-President. If both the President and the Vice-President of the Executive Council are absent, then the members of the Executive Council present shall elect one of their number to act as president of the meeting of the General Assembly. The president of the General Assembly will have a casting vote in case of equal division of votes on any issue.

10.10. Decisions shall be taken by a simple majority of members present and entitled to vote, except if otherwise provided in the present Statutes, and such decisions can be reached either by the show of hands or by secret ballot as the president of the General Assembly may decide.

Provided that the voting majority of the General Assembly shall consist of the votes cast by the Representative Members of Affiliated Bodies affiliated to I.Fs governing Olympic sports. When dealing with business relating to the Olympic Games, only the votes cast by the members of the Executive Council and by the Representative Members of Affiliated Bodies affiliated to I.Fs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games shall be taken into consideration.

Provided further that no member may participate in any discussion or voting procedure of the General Assembly if the decision to be taken relates to a legal transaction or the initiation or termination of legal proceedings between the Cyprus N.O.C. and such member or between the Cyprus N.O.C. and the representative of such member, or the spouse of such member or of

the representative of such member, or a relative of theirs, whether through blood or by marriage, up to third-degree relatives. Further, no member may participate in any discussion or voting procedure of the General Assembly if the decision to be taken relates to a legal transaction between the Cyprus N.O.C. and a company, in the management or capital of which, such member or the representative of such member or their spouse, or a relative of theirs, whether through blood or by marriage, up to third-degree relatives, participates.

10.11. Minutes of every meeting of the General Assembly shall be kept and be signed by the president of the meeting and the Secretary General.

10.12. In the case of the election of the Officers (as defined in Article 11.4 hereinbelow) and members of the Executive Council, the work of the General Assembly will be conducted by an electoral committee of three persons to be elected by the General Assembly at the time of such election.

10.13. Any sports-related disputes within the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be resolved by the competent bodies of the Cyprus N.O.C. If the Statutes do not vest in any particular body of the Cyprus N.O.C. the power to resolve the dispute, the dispute shall be resolved by the General Assembly being the highest decision-making body of the Cyprus N.O.C. For that purpose, the General Assembly may decide to make a final decision or may decide to establish any mediation, arbitration or disciplinary body to resolve the dispute. Any final decision made by the General Assembly in the dispute in question or by the mediation, arbitration or disciplinary body set up by the General Assembly for that purpose may be challenged by way of appeal exclusively before the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland. The time limit for appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport is twenty-one days after receipt of the decision to be appealed.

ARTICLE 11: THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

11.1. The Executive Council shall exercise the administration of the Cyprus N.O.C. and shall meet at least 8 times per year.

11.2. Subject to Article 11.8 below, the Executive Council shall be composed of the following persons who shall have full voting rights at all meetings of the Executive Council:

11.2.1. The President,

11.2.2. The Vice President,

11.2.3. The Secretary General,

11.2.4. The Treasurer,

11.2.5. Seven members,

11.2.6. The members of the I.O.C. from Cyprus.

11.2.7. One representative of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission elected by the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission, in accordance with the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission's regulations adopted by the Executive Council.

11.3. The duration of the term of office of the Executive Council shall be four years.

No person may serve on the Executive Council for more than four consecutive terms. Provided that the limitation of four consecutive terms applies from the term of the Executive Council that was elected at the ordinary meeting of the General Assembly held during the year 2012.

11.4. The President, the Vice President, the Secretary General and the Treasurer constitute the Officers of the Executive Council.

11.5. At the ordinary meeting of the General Assembly which is held during the year of the Summer Olympic Games (i.e. every four years), the General Assembly shall elect the President, the Vice President, the Secretary General, the Treasurer and seven members of the Executive Council.

11.5.1. The President, the Vice President, the Secretary General and the Treasurer are elected separately one by one for each of these posts by a simple majority of votes. In the event of a tie, the person elected shall be determined by an election between the two tied candidates only and in the event of a second tie the person elected shall be determined by lot.

11.5.2. The seven members of the Executive Council are elected by a simple majority of votes however the ballot paper shall only be valid if seven of the candidates are voted for.

If the number of candidates for election as a member of the Executive Council does not exceed seven, the said candidates are automatically declared by the General Assembly as having been unanimously elected.

In the event of a tie for the election of the seventh member in number of votes, the person elected shall be determined by an election between the tied candidates only and in the event of a second tie the person elected shall be determined by lot. Provided that in an election between tied candidates, the ballot paper shall only be valid if the number of the candidates that are voted for is equal to the number of membership spots to be filled pursuant to such election.

11.5.3. If there are more nominations than the required candidates, as the case may be, a secret ballot shall be held.

11.6. Eligible for election to the Executive Council are: (i) all the Representative Members of Affiliated Bodies whose subscription fees have been paid as on the date of the meeting, provided that they are proposed as candidates for election by one of the Representative Members entitled to vote and seconded by another and that such proposing and seconding are set out in a single document signed by both Representative Members and received by the Secretary General at least 7 (seven) days prior to the date of the meeting at which the election has been set to take place, and (ii) Honorary Members provided that they are proposed as candidates for election by one of the Representative Members entitled to vote and seconded by another and that such proposing and seconding are set out in a single document signed by both Representative Members and received by the Secretary General at least 7 (seven) days prior to the date of the meeting at which the election has been set to take place.

The members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus are eligible for election to any of the Officer posts of the Executive Council provided that they are proposed as candidates for election by one of the Representative Members entitled to vote and seconded by another and that such proposing and seconding are set out in a single document signed by both Representative Members and received by the Secretary General at least 7 (seven) days prior to the date of the meeting at which the election has been set to take place.

11.7. The President and the Secretary General must not necessarily represent an Affiliated Body and they may be elected from the class of Honorary Members or of members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus. The Vice President and the Treasurer must either be elected from the class of

members of the I.O.C. in Cyprus or must represent an Affiliated Body. The other seven members of the Executive Council must represent an Affiliated Body.

In all cases, as per the Olympic Charter and Article 11.15 of these Statutes, the majority of the members of the Executive Council shall be formed by the elected representatives of the Affiliated Bodies affiliated to International Federations governing sports on the programme of the Olympic Games.

11.8. Both genders shall be represented on the Executive Council. In the event that two or fewer women are elected to the Executive Council, the Executive Council shall appoint one more woman to the Executive Council.

11.9. The Executive Council may delegate powers to one or more of its members and/or to any of the employees of the Cyprus N.O.C.

11.10. The Executive Council may issue regulations in the form it deems most appropriate including, in particular, but not limited to, regulations necessary to enable the Cyprus N.O.C. to fulfil its mission and role and to ensure the more efficient organisation and operation of the Cyprus N.O.C. Such regulations may relate, inter alia, to the following matters:

11.10.1. The collection of subscription fees and other monies payable to the Cyprus N.O.C.

11.10.2. The establishment and operation of Committees and/or Sub-Committees. The powers and the terms of such Committees and Sub-Committees shall be determined by the Executive Council. The President and/or the Secretary General shall be a member ex officio of all such Committees and Sub-Committees and shall preside over them.

11.10.3. The appointment of the Cyprus N.O.C.'s management, administrators and other employees.

11.11. In case of a vacancy in the office of the President, the Vice President, the Secretary General or the Treasurer, an extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly shall be convened within thirty (30) days in accordance with Article 10.6 hereinabove in order to fill such vacancy as provided for in Article 11.5.1. hereinabove.

In case the position of the representative of the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission on the Executive Council is vacated, the operations of the Executive Council shall not be affected. However, the Cyprus N.O.C. Athletes' Commission shall fill the vacancy by appointing another representative as soon as possible.

In case of any other vacancy on the Executive Council, the Executive Council shall fill the vacancy by appointing to such office the candidate who received the next most number of votes in the previous election for the particular office, within a period not exceeding one month. If there is no such candidate, or if the candidate who received the next most number of votes in the previous election declines the appointment, the remaining members of the Executive Council, provided that they form a quorum, may fill the vacancy by appointing to the office a member of the General Assembly.

The members elected or appointed as mentioned above, will serve on the Executive Council for the remainder of the term of office of the Executive Council to which they have been elected or appointed.

11.12. A meeting of the Executive Council is convened either by the President, or at the written request of the majority of its members stating the reasons for the request, in which case the President shall convene a meeting within 7 days of receiving the written request.

11.13. Notice of an ordinary meeting of the Executive Council shall be given by the Secretary General in writing to all its members at least 7 days prior to the date of the meeting, together with an agenda which must state the items to be dealt with at the meeting.

11.14. The Executive Council forms a quorum if one half of its members plus one are present at the meeting.

11.15. The decisions of the Executive Council are taken by simple majority, except if otherwise provided in the present Statutes, and in case of equal division of votes on any issue, the President has the casting vote.

The voting majority of the Executive Council shall consist of the votes cast by the Representative Members of Affiliated Bodies affiliated to I.Fs governing Olympic sports.

Provided that no member of the Executive Council may participate in any discussion or voting procedure of the Executive Council if the decision to be taken relates to a legal transaction or the initiation or termination of legal proceedings between the Cyprus N.O.C. and such member, or their spouse, or a relative of theirs, whether through blood or by marriage, up to third-degree relatives. Further, no member of the Executive Council may participate in any discussion or voting procedure of the Executive Council if the decision to be taken relates to a legal transaction between the Cyprus N.O.C. and a company in the management or capital of which, such member or their spouse, or a relative of theirs, whether through blood or by marriage, up to third-degree relatives, participates.

11.16. Minutes of every meeting of the Executive Council shall be kept and shall be circulated to its members before the immediately ensuing meeting of the Executive Council, in order that at such meeting they be approved by the members and signed by the President and the Secretary General of the Executive Council.

11.17. The post of a member of the Executive Council shall become vacant:

11.17.1. Upon the member's resignation in writing to the Executive Council or his death;

11.17.2. Upon the member being unjustifiably absent from three consecutive meetings of the Executive Council;

11.17.3. Upon expulsion by the Executive Council of the member pursuant to Article 7.3.5. of the present Statutes.

11.18. If as a result of resignation or expulsion, or for any other reason, more than seven of the posts of the original members of the Executive Council elected at the immediately preceding electoral meeting of the General Assembly are vacated, the whole body of the Executive Council ceases automatically to exist, but remains temporarily in office, with the sole purpose of convening an extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly, as provided for in Article 10.6. of the present Statutes, with a view to electing a new Executive Council. The extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly for the purpose of electing a new Executive Council should be convened within 15 days of the date on which the Executive Council ceased automatically to exist by virtue of the operation of the previous provisions of this paragraph.

ARTICLE 12: THE PRESIDENT

12.1. The President, in addition to the rights and duties prescribed in any of the foregoing Articles of the present Statutes, has the following rights and duties:

12.1.1. Together with the Secretary General, he represents the Cyprus N.O.C. in its official activities.

12.1.2. He reports on behalf of the Executive Council to the various meetings of the General Assembly.

12.1.3. Together with the Secretary General, he monitors and ensures the strict compliance with the provisions of the present Statutes and of any regulations enacted by virtue of the provisions of the present Statutes.

12.1.4. He convenes the meetings of the General Assembly and the Executive Council and presides over these meetings.

12.1.5. He represents the Cyprus N.O.C. judicially and extra-judicially.

ARTICLE 13: THE VICE PRESIDENT

13.1. In the event that the President is unable to fulfil the duties of his office, the Vice President replaces him and is vested with all the powers of the President until the President has recovered his ability or, if he is in a condition of permanent disability, until a new President is elected in accordance with Article 11.11. hereinabove.

13.2. The Vice President may exercise any powers and perform any duties that the Executive Council delegates to him.

ARTICLE 14: THE SECRETARY GENERAL

14.1. The Secretary General, in addition to the rights and duties prescribed in any of the foregoing Articles of the present Statutes, has the following rights and duties:

14.1.1. Together with the President, he represents the Cyprus N.O.C. in its official activities.

14.1.2. Together with the President, he monitors and ensures the strict compliance with the provisions of the present Statutes and of any regulations enacted by virtue of the provisions of the present Statutes.

14.1.3. He supervises the offices and premises of the Cyprus N.O.C.

14.1.4. He keeps minutes of all General Assembly and Executive Council meetings and other proceedings of the Cyprus N.O.C. and provides for the safekeeping of all minutes, accounts, correspondence, publications, press releases and other records of the Cyprus N.O.C. He is responsible for the safekeeping of the Cyprus N.O.C.'s seal and register of members.

14.1.5. He represents the Cyprus N.O.C. judicially in the event that the President is unable to do so.

14.1.6. In the event that both the President and the Vice President are unable to fulfil the duties of the President, the Secretary General replaces the President and is vested with all his powers.

ARTICLE 15: THE TREASURER

15.1. The Treasurer, has the following rights and duties:

15.1.1. He manages the property of the Cyprus N.O.C.

15.1.2. He is responsible for the timely preparation of the Cyprus N.O.C's financial statements and budget and for ensuring that the financial accounts and records of the Cyprus N.O.C. are maintained in order.

15.1.3. He is responsible for monitoring the proper collection of all revenues of the Cyprus N.O.C. and for ensuring that receipts are issued for payments made to the Cyprus N.O.C. which have been approved by the Executive Council.

15.1.4. He supervises the entries of all receipts and payments in the Cyprus N.O.C's accounting books and he is responsible for safeguarding the financial interests of the Cyprus N.O.C.

15.1.5. He reports regularly to the Executive Council as regards the financial status of the Cyprus N.O.C. and he is accountable to the Executive Council and the General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C. with respect to all matters regarding the finances of the Cyprus N.O.C.

ARTICLE 16: REVENUES

16.1. The revenues of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall accrue, inter alia, from:

16.1.1. Subsidies from the government of Cyprus and from public authorities and other bodies in Cyprus, as may be agreed from time to time.

16.1.2. Gifts and bequests that the Executive Council may accept.

16.1.3. Proceeds from events organised by the Cyprus N.O.C. in order to promote the Olympic Movement, including, but not limited to, Olympic Day celebrations, commemorative coin and stamp issues.

16.1.4. The exploitation of any of the Cyprus N.O.C.'s rights, including, but not limited to, its rights with respect to its flag, emblem and anthem, provided such exploitation is in accordance with the provisions of the Olympic Charter.

16.1.5. Fees for services rendered.

16.1.6. The registration fees and annual subscription fees of the members of the Cyprus N.O.C.

ARTICLE 17: FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS & BANK ACCOUNTS

17.1. The Cyprus N.O.C's financial statements shall be audited, at least once a year, by the external auditors appointed by the General Assembly as provided in Article 10.4.4. hereinabove.

17.2. The audited financial statements of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be presented each year to the General Assembly at its ordinary meeting as provided in Article 10.4.2. hereinabove.

17.3. The financial year of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be the calendar year.

17.4. Any two of the Officers of the Executive Council, signing together, shall have authority to operate the accounts of the Cyprus N.O.C maintained with any bank. The Executive Council may, however, amend such authority by a simple majority decision to this effect.

ARTICLE 18: NOTICES

18.1. Any notice required to be given to any member of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be made in writing and shall be sent to the address last registered in the books of the Cyprus N.O.C. as the member's address in Cyprus.

18.2. Any notice required to be given to the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be made in writing, shall be addressed to the Secretary General of the Cyprus N.O.C. and shall be sent to the offices of the Cyprus N.O.C.

18.3. Any notice may be delivered or sent by ordinary post and any notice sent by ordinary post shall be deemed to have been delivered three days after the date on which it was posted.

ARTICLE 19: AMENDMENT OF THE STATUTES

19.1. An amendment to these Statutes may only be effected by a decision of the General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C at an extraordinary meeting convened for this purpose and provided that the prior approval of the Executive Board of the I.O.C. is obtained.

19.2. A meeting of the General Assembly for the purpose of amending these Statutes may be convened either as the Executive Council may decide, or, at the request in writing of at least one half (50%) plus one of the members of the General Assembly who are entitled to attend and vote containing the proposed amendment, in either case by the Secretary General giving notice of the meeting in writing to all the members entitled to attend the meeting at least 14 days prior to the date of the meeting, together with the proposed amendment to be dealt with at the meeting.

19.3. Subject to Article 19.4. hereinbelow, a decision to amend these Statutes shall be taken by a majority of at least two thirds of the members of the General Assembly entitled to vote who are present at the particular meeting and the president of the General Assembly shall have a casting vote in the event of an equal division of votes.

19.4. A decision to amend the objects of the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be taken by a majority of at least two thirds of the members of the General Assembly entitled to vote who are present at the particular meeting.

19.5. The rest of the procedural provisions governing meetings of the General Assembly shall apply mutatis mutandis to meetings of the General Assembly convened for the purpose of amending these Statutes.

ARTICLE 20: DISSOLUTION

20.1. The Cyprus N.O.C. has no limit or duration.

20.2. Subject to applicable law, the Cyprus N.O.C. may be dissolved by a decision of the General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C. at an extraordinary meeting convened for such purpose upon the written request of at least two thirds of the members of the General Assembly entitled to vote.

20.3. A decision to dissolve the Cyprus N.O.C. shall be taken by an at least 80% majority of the members of the General Assembly entitled to vote who are present at the particular meeting.

20.4. At the extraordinary meeting of the General Assembly which decides the dissolution of the Cyprus N.O.C., the disposal of the Cyprus N.O.C.'s assets, as on the date of its dissolution, should also be dealt with. In such a case, however, such assets should be given over to serve the promotion and development of sport and under no circumstances are they to be distributed between the members of the General Assembly of the Cyprus N.O.C.

20.5. The rest of the procedural provisions governing meetings of the General Assembly shall apply mutatis mutandis to meetings of the General Assembly convened for the purpose of dissolving the Cyprus N.O.C.

ARTICLE 21: INTERPRETATION

21.1. In the event that there is any doubt as to the meaning or interpretation of these Statutes, or in the event that there is an inconsistency or a contradiction between the provisions of these Statutes and the provisions of the Olympic Charter, the latter shall take precedence.

21.2. In the event that these Statutes are translated into any of the official languages of Cyprus and there is any doubt as to their meaning or interpretation in such language, the English version of the Statutes shall take precedence.

21.3. In the event that no provision is made for a particular matter in these Statutes, the Executive Council of the Cyprus N.O.C. may take any decision it deems expedient and/or necessary, provided that such a decision will not be contrary to the provisions of the Olympic Charter, or these Statutes or any regulations issued by virtue of Article 11.10. hereinabove and does not contravene any rule of law and/or natural justice.

ARTICLE 22: APPROVAL BY THE I.O.C.

22.1. These Statutes revise the existing Rules of the Cyprus N.O.C. and were approved by the I.O.C. upon completion of the formalities required in accordance with the Olympic Charter on 17th December 2021 and come into force on the 17th December 2021.

22.2. Any decisions and/or resolutions, however reached under the old Rules, shall continue to be effective unless the Executive Council specifically decides otherwise.