

PROPOSED STATUTES AMENDMENTS BY THE FIH EXECUTIVE BOARD – CONGRESS 2022

Find below the proposed amendments from February/ July 2022

<p align="center">Proposed Amendment (February/July 2022)</p>	<p align="center">Reason for the Amendment</p>
<p>Article 6.2 – Meetings</p> <p>(f) Meetings of <i>Congress</i> may be attended by the following persons:</p> <p>(i) An <i>NA</i> whose application to be admitted as a <i>Member</i> is on the agenda may send up to two (2) delegates (aged 18 years or over) to the meeting, one of whom must own a valid passport from that Member’s Country and shall be designated the head of the delegation. He may speak to but may not vote on the <i>NA</i>’s application for admission as a <i>Member</i>. If the application is granted, from that point the delegation may speak to and vote (exclusively through the head of the delegation) on all subsequent resolutions put to <i>Congress</i> at the meeting. When a Congress is held by teleconference, by videoconference or by another means of communication, voting by correspondence and/or online is permitted.</p> <p>(ii) A <i>Member</i> whose suspension or expulsion is on the agenda may send up to two (2) delegates (aged 18 years or over) to the part of the meeting where the resolution for such suspension or expulsion is considered, one of whom must own a valid passport from that Member’s Country and shall be designated the head of the delegation. He may speak to but may not vote on the resolution. If the resolution is not passed, from that point the delegation may remain in the meeting and may speak to and vote (exclusively through the head of its delegation) on all subsequent resolutions put to <i>Congress</i> at the meeting. When a Congress is held by teleconference, by videoconference or by another means of communication, voting by correspondence and/or online is permitted.</p>	<p>To clearer wording</p> <p>To clearer wording</p>

Article 6.3 – Decision-making

- (b) Save where these *Statutes* provide to the contrary, each full *Member* is entitled to one (1) vote on each resolution put to *Congress*, provided it has a delegation present at the meeting. Voting by proxy or by letter is not permitted at a *Congress* held in person. When a *Congress* is held by teleconference, by videoconference or by another means of communication, voting ~~by correspondence and/or~~ online is permitted.

- (c) Voting shall be by show of hands or secret ballot (manual or electronic). When a *Congress* is held by teleconference, by videoconference or by another means of communication, voting ~~by correspondence and/or~~ online is permitted. The *Member's* vote on the resolution shall be exercised by the head of that *Member's* delegation to *Congress*, provided that a person may only be head of one *Member's* delegation and so may only vote on behalf of one (1) *Member*.

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Article 7 – THE EXECUTED BOARD

7.2 Election to the *Executive Board*

New articles to be added

- (d) For the election of the President, where there is only one candidate, that person will be elected unopposed.

- (e) For the election of an ordinary member (for both men and women), where there is the same number of candidates as positions available, these candidates will be elected unopposed.

This allows the President to be elected "unopposed" when there is only one candidate (if there is no rival for the position).

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7.4 Vacancies

- (a) If the *President* dies, resigns, is expelled or becomes permanently incapacitated during term of office, or if there is no eligible or elected candidate for the position of President at the time of an election, the *Executive Board* shall appoint an acting *President* to hold office until *Congress* appoints a person to fill the vacancy. A meeting of the *Congress* must be held within ninety (90) days for that purpose, unless the vacancy arises less than six (6) months before the next meeting of Congress, in which case, the acting President shall continue to hold office until the Congress elects a new President. The acting *President* shall be entitled to all privileges and responsible for all duties of the *President*. **The President newly appointed by the Congress will hold office for the remaining time of the term that the former President would have held otherwise, until the close of the ordinary meeting of Congress at which the position will fall vacant again for election.**

The amended Article 7.4 (a) explicitly provides for the duration of the term of office of the newly elected President appointed by the Congress in the event the President dies, resigns, is expelled or becomes permanently incapacitated during term of office.