

# **MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION**

# **AND**

# **RULES & REGULATIONS**

**OF** 

# **BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA**

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# "BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA"

1. NAME OF THE SOCIETY: "BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA"

2. REGISTRATION ADDRESS: "Boxing Federation of India"

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#### 4. INTRODUCTION

- i. Boxing Federation of India is an affiliated member of World Boxing. By virtue of being an affiliated member of World Boxing, BFI is the sole body for selecting and sending Indian Boxers for participating in international events organized under the aegis of World Boxing.
- ii. World Boxing is an International Federation comprising National Boxing Federations and organizations operating in accordance with the conditions contained in these Statutes. World Boxing is the supreme authority in all matters relating to International Boxing.
- iii. World Boxing recognizes and cooperates with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF) on all matters related to the governance of sports and the Olympic family.

# 5. OBJECT OF SOCIETY

- i. To promote true spirit and friendly competition among participating athletes of the member units.
- ii. To frame rules and regulations under which boxing competitions are conducted in the country.
- iii. To ensure that all competitions under B.F.I. open to all the affiliated Units and shall be organised under the rules of B.F.I.

- iv. To draw up and enforce definition acceptable to all affiliated Units under which alone, the sport can be conducted.
- v. To promote mutual respect among affiliated units in their relations and the reciprocal recognition of penalties and suspensions.
- vi. To ensure that the income and property of the B.F.I. shall be applied towards the promotion of the objects of the B.F.I.
- vii. To encourage and improve the Technical Cadres, Coaches and Promotors.
- viii. To strengthen friendship and mutual understanding among the athletes all over the country.
- ix. To have full control and complete jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the participation of the Boxing Teams outside the country.
- x. To certify the status of boxers from the country for International Level Competitions & Championships.
- xi. To admit State / Union Territories Boxing Associations and vocational Boards to the Membership of the Association.
- xii. To take disciplinary actions against the members affiliated State / Union Territories Association, or Board for commission of any acts or omissions which amount to breaches of the rules framed by the B.F.I. and generally which will bring discredit to the Association and / or nation.
- xiii. To stimulate the interest of the people of the country in the promotion of Boxing and to that end encourage the formation of State / Union Territories Boxing Associations for the development of the sport.
- xiv. To superintend the working of the State / Union Territories Boxing Associations for the conduct of competitions at the National Level and to forward their audited statements of Accounts with observation and recommendations for financial assistance.
- xv. To develop, encourage, organize and promote Boxing in the country.
- xvi. To promote and encourage the physical, moral and cultural education of the youth of the country for the development of character, good health and good citizenship Boxing.
- xvii. To enforce all rules and regulations of the World Boxing, in the conduct of Competitions in the country.

xviii. To be the official organization in compete and sole charge of Boxing in India.

- xix. To render all the necessary Co-operation to the I.O.A (Indian Olympic Association) for the selection, training, coaching of the Boxing Teams / Boxers that will represent India in the Nationals, National Games and Olympic Games when such events are conducted under their patronage after selection of the Indian Team, to supervise and control the participation of the team in the said Competitions and tournaments.
- xx. To resist in the realm of boxing all pressures of any kind, whether of a political, racial, religious or economic nature.
- xxi. To protect the independence and autonomy of BFI, its members and stakeholders to govern and regulate the sport of Boxing according, including exercising the right of democratic elections, free from any external influence.
- xxii. To do all other things that may be necessary or expedient to promote the development of boxing in the country and the conduct of its business.
- xxiii. To raise the physical and moral standards in the state by the educational and healthy pursuit of Boxing.
- xxiv. To further the development and welfare of Boxing in India irrespective of religion, caste, colour and creed.
- xxv. To control boxing by taking steps as shall be deemed necessary of desirable for preventing infringement of the regulations of the B.F.I. and the introduction of the improper practices in the game.
- xxvi. To undertake such action as may be conductive or incidental to the attainment of the above objects.

## 6. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

English and Hindi shall be the official languages of Boxing Federation of India.

## 7. INTERIM COMMITTEE

# BACKGROUND:

On 07.04.2025, the World Boxing composed an Interim Committee of Boxing Federation of India to provide administrative continuity and to safeguards the rights and interest of Indian Boxers until elections are held and a new democratic executive committee is elected. As part of the responsibilities assigned to the Interim Committee, one key task was to initiate the revision and alignment of the

Boxing Federation of India (BFI) Constitution in accordance with the World Boxing Statutes. This task has been completed, and the BFI Constitution has been duly amended to ensure full alignment with the World Boxing Statutes. The Interim Committee will stand dissolved after the elections of the Executive Committee.

#### 8. **DEFINITIONS**

- i. "Association" means the State / Union Territory Boxing Association who are members of Boxing Federation of India in accordance with these Rules and Regulations.
- ii. "Association Representative" means an individual representing each Association at the General Council.
- iii. "Boards" means the Vocational Organization of all India nature (All India Police Sports Control Board, Services Sports Control Board, Railway Sports Promotion Board, Steel Plant Sports Promotion Board), who are the governing bodies controlling boxing in their respective jurisdiction.
- iv. "Board Representative" means an individual representing Board at General Council.
- v. "The Executive Council" means the Executive Council constituted under these rules and regulations.
- vi. "Financial Year" in relation to Boxing Federation of India, means the period commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April of each year and ending on 31<sup>st</sup> day of March every subsequent year.
- vii. "The General Council" means Association and Board Representatives acting collectively in accordance with these rules and regulations as the supreme legislative body of Boxing Federation of India.
- viii. "Member" means State / Union Territories Associations and Boards who are affiliated to the Boxing Federation of India in accordance with these rules and regulations.
- ix. "Official" means the supervisors, R&Js, Technical Officials, Coaches, Managers, Team Delegations, Timekeepers, Doctors, Physiotherapists, Masseurs, Sports Analysts and other supporting staff etc.
- x. "Office Bearers" means President, the Secretary General and the Treasurer.
- xi. "Registering Authority" means the local / State Government Authority such as Registrar of Firms and Societies, Charity Commissioner etc.

xii. "Representative" means a person nominated by each Member to represent it at the General Council. Such person shall be an elected member of State / UT Association in Election AGM in presence of BFI Observer and shall not be a Government servant or holding a public office

#### 9. MEMBERSHIP

- i. The Federation shall consist of all those natural or legal entities that apply for membership to the Federation and include:
  - a. State/Union Territory Boxing Associations;
  - b. Institutional Units recognized by the Federation including but not limited to Services Sports Control Board, Railway Sports Promotion Board, Steel Plants Sports Board, All India Police Sports Control Board;
  - c. Sports bodies, including clubs engaged in the promotion of boxing at various levels, may be granted recognition for the limited purpose of participation in select championships as determined by the Federation.
- ii. Members shall adhere to the Constitution, Code of Conduct, Anti-Doping Policy, and directions issued by the Federation from time to time.
- iii. Suspension, expulsion, or disaffiliation of members shall follow principles of natural justice.

#### 10. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

A new applicant seeking membership shall submit a written application to the Executive Council. The application shall be reviewed by the Executive Council within sixty days of its receipt. Admission shall be subject to approval by the Executive Council and ratification by the General Body. The application along with the review report of the Executive Council shall be placed before the next (Annual or Special) General Meeting for decision by simple majority of the voting members present.

#### 11. DEFAULTERS & DIS-AFFILIATION

A member Unit will cease to be a member of the Federation if:

- i. It fails to pay the renewal fee or other dues by 30<sup>th</sup> April every year. It shall be treated as a defaulter and shall lose its voting rights, representation in the General Assembly or Executive Council or any Committees of the Federation, and participation privileges in events organized under the aegis of the Federation or other affiliated units.
- ii. Restoration of rights shall be subject to payment of all arrears along with a penalty of 20% of the total dues or the Annual Renewal Fee, whichever is

higher, and subject to Executive Council approval. Notwithstanding any action taken by the council against any other defaulter under these rules or the regulation thereunder the Council shall have full power to take legal steps against such defaulter for the recovery of dues of the Federation.

- iii. A member that remains in default beyond one financial year shall automatically stand disaffiliated.
- iv. If any affiliated unit fails to conduct mandatory activities (as notified in the Annual Calendar) for two consecutive years, it may be relegated to an associate status, losing voting and electoral privileges until such time as compliance is re-established.
- v. A disaffiliated member shall only be considered for re-affiliation upon submission of a fresh application and compliance with all required norms, including payment of admission fee and fulfilment of activity benchmarks.
- vi. If the Unit ceases to be a member of the State Olympic Association and the State Sports Council

#### 12. SUSPENSION FROM MEMBERSHIP

- i. The President and/or the Executive Council may suspend any affiliated Unit from membership of the Federation on any of the grounds set out below:
  - a. The member no longer satisfies the requisites of affiliation
  - b. The member has committed serious violations of these Rules or any of the Rules and Policies governing the conduct of Members
  - c. The member fails to adhere to the Constitution, Code of Conduct, Anti-Doping Policy, and directions issued by the Federation from time to time.
  - d. The member has acted in a manner which is detrimental or is contrary to the principles, and Objectives of the Federation
  - e. The member has acted in a manner detrimental to the sport of Boxing or the governance of BFI
  - f. The member has acted in a manner that brings disrepute to or harms the sport of Boxing (including boxers and all participants) or harms the image and integrity of BFI
  - g. The member ceases to be a member of the State Olympic Association and the State Sports Council

- h. The member fails to conduct boxing activities in its respective states
- ii. For the avoidance of doubt, the President can independently suspend a member. However, such suspension shall remain in force only for a period of 3 months, within which such suspension will have to be ratified by Executive Council.
- iii. The length of suspension may be a fixed period of time or an indefinite period subject to the satisfaction of any terms and conditions imposed.
- iv. Where a fixed term suspension is imposed, it may be extended by the same decision-making body that made the original decision (the "Decision Maker") if the Decision Maker determines that the original grounds for suspension are likely to remain in issue at the end of the fixed term.
- v. Any suspension can be revoked at any time by the Decision Maker should the Member demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Decision Maker that the grounds for the suspension no longer apply and/or (where applicable) any terms or conditions imposed have been met.
- vi. A Member that has been suspended may not exercise any of the rights or benefits of Membership during the period of suspension.
- vii. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Clause, the concerned affiliated Unit or Athlete shall be given the opportunity to be heard before the appropriate Committee.

## 13. RE-AFFILIATION

A Unit, who ceases to be a member of the Federation either by forfeiture of membership or otherwise shall in no circumstances be eligible for re-affiliation unless all its arrears of membership fee or other dues, if any to the Federation, are cleared. The disaffiliated Unit shall only be considered for re-affiliation if it satisfies all conditions of affiliation.

Such Reaffiliation must be approved by the Executive Council and the General Council of the Federation.

#### 14. MEMEBERSHIP FEES

i. The membership fees for admission shall be as follows:

a. State/Union Territories Boxing Associations Rs. 10,000/-

b. Boards Rs. 50,000/-

ii. The annual subscription fees for per Financial Year applicable to all Members are as follows:

a. State/Union Territories Boxing Associations
b. Boards
Rs. 5,000/ Rs. 10,000/-

- iii. The annual subscription fees shall fall due to April 1, each Financial Year and should be paid on or before April 30, of the Financial Year.
- iv. The Annual Subscription fees shall be subject to change at the discretion of the Executive General Council.

#### 15. RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF THE MEMBERS

Subject to the provisions of these rules and regulations generally, a Member of the Boxing Federation of India shall have the following rights and privileges:

- i. To participate and vote at the General Council Meeting provided that the annual subscription and other dues, if any, have been paid;
- ii. Right to seek election to the Executive Council or apply for nomination to any Sub Committee of the Boxing Federation of India;
- iii. To nominate representatives to attend the General Council Meeting;
- iv. To nominate candidates for positions on the Executive Council or any Subcommittee of the Boxing Federation of India;

# 16. OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

State / Union Territories Boxing Association / Board have the following obligations:

- i. to comply with these rules and regulations and other rules of competition of Boxing Federation of India in addition to the World Boxing Regulations;
- ii. to intimate dates of their annual calendar of championships as agreed with the Boxing Federation of India and forward the result thereof to the Boxing Federation of India within 15 days of the completion of the event. Members shall also furnish a copy of their Annual Report and Annual Audited Accounts to the Boxing Federation of India by 31st of May every year;
- iii. to ensure that their boxers and Officials do not take part in any unauthorised competitions which is not organized in the aegis of BFI or World Boxing;
- iv. to refrain from participating in competitions outside of India without the prior permission of the Boxing Federation of India;

- v. to refrain from holding competitions of All-India nature without prior permission of the Boxing Federation of India. fully comply with the anti-doping regulations as laid down by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA), World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), and the Federation. They must take steps to prevent use of prohibited substances by athletes under their jurisdiction;
- vi. maintain active communication with the Federation, promptly respond to official correspondence, and utilize the digital systems (e.g., email, online portals) provided by the Federation for entries, updates, and other administrative tasks;
- vii. respect the autonomy of the Federation and shall not approach any court of law or tribunal on matters of internal governance or dispute resolution without first exhausting all internal remedies provided under the Constitution of the Federation and its Bye-laws.
- viii. to fill any vacancy in their respective executive council/committee only after the approval of the BFI.
- ix. to conduct their respective elections every four (4) years after duly informing and providing all necessary documents to the BFI.
- x. To align their constitution with the BFI constitution.

# 17. GENERAL COUNCIL

The General Council of the Boxing Federation of India will consist of;

- i. Office Bearers
- ii. All other Executive Council Members
- iii. 2 elected representatives from the Executive Council of each Member elected during the Election AGM duly notified to the Federation

## 18. OFFICE BEARERS

- i. The Following will be the Office Bearers of the Boxing Federation of India who shall be elected from amongst the members of the General Council Meeting:
  - a. President
  - b. Secretary General
  - c. Treasurer

- ii. The President can hold the office for a maximum period of three (3) terms of four (4) years each or twelve years with or without a break between terms. The Secretary General and the Treasurer can serve a maximum of two (2) successive terms of four (4) years each, after which a minimum cooling off period of four (4) years will apply before seeking fresh election for any posts in the Executive Council.
- iii. No Office Bearer shall be eligible to be an Office Bearer / Executive Member simultaneously of any other National Sports Federation or any other State Sport Association with the exception of the Indian Olympic Association/ State Olympic Association.
- iv. No Office Bearer can have been convicted by any court of any offence involving moral turpitude or any other criminal offence.
- v. On conviction of an offence which is of serious nature under the Indian Penal Code/Prevention of Corruption Act, the Executive Council Member/Office Bearer/Member of BFI shall resign immediately and if not than they will be excluded and will not be allowed to contest in the election of the Executive Council/Office Bearers of BFI till three years after completion of the sentence and the case will then be referred to the BFI Ethics Commission for further guidance.
- vi. Where the charges have been framed by any Court in India, in respect of an offence which is of serious nature under the Indian Penal Code/ Prevention of Corruption Act, in which the punishment of imprisonment of more than 2 years is prescribed then the Members / Office Bearer/ Member of the Executive Council of the BFI will resign immediately and if not then they will be provisionally suspended and will not be eligible to contest in the elections.
- vii. All Office Bearers shall cease to hold their elected posts on attaining the age of 70 years.
- viii. The Office Bearers, Vice Presidents, Joint Secretaries, and Executive Council Members must be national passport holders of India / be of Indian Nationality. In the event the Office Bearers or Vice President or Executive Council members holds dual nationality, he or she must decide upon one country they wish to represent and provide proof that it is the country of residence if requested to do so.
- ix. That the provisions number ii and vii shall not apply to any person where such person serves as an office bearer, or on the executive committee or similar body of World Boxing/Asian Boxing or International Olympic Committee.

# 19. POWER AND FUNCTION OF GENERAL COUNCIL

The powers and functions of the General Council shall be:

- i. To formulate the policy of the Federation and the principles on which it shall be carried out.
- ii. To carry into effect the objects of the Federation.
- iii. To hold election of the Elected members and the Executive Council, every four years in accordance with the constitution.
- iv. To admit membership of any organization eligible for affiliation under the Constitution.
- v. To raise funds for the Federation and to hold the same and to control and administer other properties of the Federation.
- vi. To impose or enforce penalties for any violation of the Rules and the Byelaws of the Federation as also of the World Boxing.
- vii. To appoint Auditors to examine and certify the Balance Sheet of the Federation, annually.
- viii. To consider and adopt the Annual Reports, Statement of Accounts and sanction the Budget estimates of the Federation.
- ix. To be the sole official Organisation in complete and sole charge of all Boxing matters in the country.
- x. To institute, locate, conduct and manage all meets proposed for the selection of Indian Boxers Contingent for the World Boxing Championships, Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, and other competitions.
- xi. To consider and decide upon participation of National teams in international competitions
- xii. To invite teams from abroad and arrange competitions
- xiii. To convene National Boxing Championships.
- xiv. To appoint Sub-Committees as and when necessary.
- xv. To amend the Constitution, when considered necessary.

- xvi. To maintain a register of qualified Referee/Judges, Timekeepers, and Medical Officers as recommended by the Ring Officials Commission
- xvii. To hold or arrange to hold individual physical efficiency tests.
- xviii. To explain and interpret the Rules & Regulations of the Federation and to give decision on any point not covered by them.
  - xix. To maintain affiliation with the World Boxing
  - xx. To make Rules and Regulations for holding National Competitions.
  - xxi. To decide any dispute arising in and / or between Members
- xxii. To take disciplinary action against any member or its representatives for misbehaviour or any other undesirable activity bringing discredit to the country or to the Federation.
- xxiii. Any dispute between any Member and the Federation shall be resolved by the General Council.
- xxiv. To consider and decide any matter referred to it by a member
- xxv. To have power to suspend any member or any other Athlete from taking part in the National Competition.
- xxvi. To have power to suspend any elected member for violating this constitution or for bringing disrepute to the federation
- xxvii. To delegate any of its power to any person or body.
- xxviii. To have powers to frame by-laws and rules which are not inconsistent with the Constitution.
  - xxix. To explain, interpret, and implement the rules and regulations of the Federation and give decisions on any points not covered therein
  - xxx. To exercise such other power and perform all other duties as are incidental and to relate to the aims and objectives of the Federation mentioned in the Memorandum of Association.
  - xxxi. To take decision regarding continuing / discontinuing of its affiliation with any other body.

# 20. REPRESENTATIVES ENTITLED TO ATTEND GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

- i. He shall be a citizen of India.
- ii. He shall be the age of 18 years or above.
- iii. He shall be an elected member of the State / UT member association during the election AGM duly notified to BFI and in presence of BFI observer
- iv. He shall not be an Executive Council member of any other sports association
- v. He shall not be convicted in any criminal offence which is punishable for more than two years
- vi. He shall not be suspended by the Ethics Commission
- vii. He shall not be a Government servant or holding a public office

# 21. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- i. The Executive Council of the Boxing Federation of India shall consist of persons as follows:
  - a. the President
  - b. Vice Presidents 4 (one women). The highest polling Vice President will be nominated as the First Vice President.
  - c. the Secretary General
  - d. Joint Secretary 4 (one women). The highest polling Joint Secretary will be nominated as the First Joint Secretary.
  - e. the Treasurer
  - f. Executive Members -4 (one women)
  - g. 4 Members from Athletes Commission
- ii. In case the number of sports persons in the Executive Council falls short of 25% of total strength of the Council, President will appoint eminent sports persons in the boxing discipline in order of merit having participated in Olympics, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, World Championship, Asian Championship and National Championship to the EC, with the approval of EC, to make the number of sports persons 25% of the total strength of EC.
- iii. All the above Members of the Executive Council will have voting rights in the meeting of Executive Council.

- iv. the term of the Executive Council shall be 4 (four) years.
- v. There shall be a minimum of four (4) Executive Council meetings in each calendar year. The dates, location, and agenda of each meeting shall be confirmed by the President.
- vi. The Executive Council meetings will be held in person, virtually, or in a hybrid format as considered fit by the President.
- vii. No Government servant shall, except with the previous sanction of the Government or the prescribed authority, hold an elective office in BFI. Further, such Government Servant shall be allowed to hold elective office as per instructions of Government of India issued from time to time.

# 22. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Powers and Functions of the Executive Council shall be:

- i. to conduct the general management of the Boxing Federation of India and for this purpose to appoint such commissioners and executives as the Executive Council may deem fit, having such powers including powers to commercialize the sport of boxing for such term or terms as the Executive Council deems fit, but not exceeding an aggregate period of two terms of 4 (four) years each;
- ii. to recommend disaffiliation or taking action against any Member in breach;
- iii. to recommend any application for Membership to the General Council in accordance with the terms and conditions of these rules:
- iv. to nominate members of the Commissions;
- v. to recommend to the General Council a scheme for the promotion and development of boxing.
- vi. to frame rules for the conduct of National Championships and other tournaments.
- vii. to ensure that proper steps are taken by the Disciplinary Commission against defaulting Officials/ competitors /team managers/coaches seconds and be the appellate authority on the disciplinary proceedings. Appeals must be filed in writing within specified time of 15 days of the said order. Such written appeals must be accompanied by Rs. 20,000/- and must be filled before the Secretary General of the Boxing Federation of India.

- viii. to review membership of Members as per these rules and regulations and recommend to General Council re decision of disaffiliation or any other decision for non-compliance with these rules and regulations.
  - ix. to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the General Council.
  - x. The Executive Council shall meet at least four times a year.

# 23. FILING VACANCIES IN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- i. The Executive Council shall have the power to fill any vacancy caused due to any reason, by co-option from among the members and the same shall remain good till the next election provided that the appointment is ratified at the next meeting of the General Council.
- ii. All Executive Council members must continue to fulfil all of the eligibility criteria set out in these rules and regulations.

# 24. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF PRESIDENT

- i. The President shall be the Head of the Boxing Federation of India
- ii. He shall preside over all the meetings of the General Council and of the Executive Council.
- iii. He shall oversee office Bearers / Members of the Executive Council and other Commissions in the discharge of their duties.
- iv. He shall have overall powers of supervision over the working of the Boxing Federation of India and its efficient administration.
- v. He may call a meeting of the Executive Council and the General Council through the Secretary General as and when necessary and shall perform all such duties attached to the office he holds.
- vi. He shall give a 'casting vote' in case of a tie in addition to his deliberation vote.
- vii. He shall implement the objectives of the Boxing Federation of India
- viii. He shall also deal with the disciplinary matters connected with the Boxing Federation of India and members.

- ix. He will endeavour to keep the sound financial position of the Boxing Federation of India, and he is authorised to sanction expenditures of up to Rs. 200000. Expenditure in excess of the same by him will have to be sanctioned by the Finance Committee and regularised by the Executive Committee.
- x. The President through the Secretary General has to ensure that various business meetings, as required under these rules and regulations, have been duly held and business transacted.
- xi. The President has to ensure that various business meetings, as required under these rules and regulations, have been duly held and business transacted.
- xii. All the National Championships shall be declared "closed" by the President or in his absence the next most senior vice-president or any other senior most office bearer present, or in their absence whomsoever the President nominates.
- xiii. The head of Operations of the Boxing Federation of India Commercial Arm will be appointed by the Executive Council headed by the President and report to the President thru the Secretary General.
- xiv. He shall appoint observer for the elections of the member State / UT Associations.
- xv. He shall have the power of suspension of any elected member, official, or Athlete in case of breach of the provision of this constitution, directives issued by BFI, unethical conduct, causing wrongful loss or bringing disrepute to the federation.
- xvi. He shall have the power to appoint the members of the commissions or appoint independent inquiry commissions.
- xvii. He shall be a part of any Interim Committee formed to run the affairs of BFI.

# 25. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF VICE-PRESIDENT

In the absence of the President, the First Vice President shall perform the duties of the President and preside over the meetings.

# 26. POWERS AND FUNCTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

i. The Secretary General shall be in charge of administration of the Boxing Federation of India and shall transact all the business in accordance with the decisions of the General Council, Executive Council and the President. The Secretary General shall avail of the assistance of the Commissions and Executives appointed by the Executive Council from time to time. In this

- regard he shall delegate such roles and responsibilities to such Commissioners and Executives as he may consider appropriate.
- ii. He shall keep all the Minutes of all the Meetings and records of the Boxing Federation of India, carry out the correspondence in the name of the Boxing Federation of India, save otherwise advised by the President.
- iii. He will convene the meetings of the General Council and Executive Council under the advice of the President and perform all such acts as are assigned to him under these rules and regulations and rules framed thereunder.
- iv. He shall prepare and submit at the Annual General Meeting his Annual Report.
- v. The financial powers of the Secretary General are restricted to sanctioning of payment of Rs. 1,00,000/- at any time within the budget.
- vi. He will also receive payments in absence of the Treasurer and pass the accounts for him.
- vii. He shall be responsible for the smooth conduct of the National or any other championships of the Boxing Federation of India as per guidelines set out by Boxing Federation of India.
- viii. He shall be solely liable for all compliances including but not limited to statutory compliances under applicable laws, rules and regulations from time to time.
  - ix. He shall also be responsible for the maintenance of the properties (Moveable and immovable) of the Boxing Federation of India.

# 27. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF JOINT SECRETARIES

They shall perform such duties may be assigned to them from time to time by the President and / or the Secretary General. The Joint Secretaries may perform any tasks / functions as directed by the President, the Secretary General, the Executive Council or the General Meeting.

#### 28. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF TREASURER

- i. The Honorary Treasurer shall be in charge of the funds of the Boxing Federation of India.
- ii. He shall maintain all accounts, receive monies, issue receipts, and pay all BFI dues duly certified by the President / Secretary General or their delegate or

- such persons authorised by the Executive Council, within the amounts passed in the budget.
- iii. Deposit all the moneys received by the Boxing Federation of India into bank accounts of the Boxing Federation of India.
- iv. Have an imprest of Rupees 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only).
- v. Operate jointly with the President or Secretary General any account in a nationalized bank duly approved.
- vi. He will submit such Statements of Accounts as may be called from him.
- vii. He will present an Audited Statement of Accounts and budget for the year and do all acts necessary for the due performance of his duties.
- viii. He shall be liable for prudent fund management and accounting thereof strictly in accordance with statutory provisions and guidelines of Boxing Federation of India as applicable from time to time.

# 29. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

There shall be a post of Executive Director who shall be appointed by the President and shall be responsible for overseeing the daily operations of the Federation. Executive Director shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the President, Secretary General, Executive Council, and the General Council.

# 30. SUSPENSION OF AN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER

In the following circumstances either the President or the Executive Council can suspend an Executive Council member from the Federation and all associated roles if:

- i. the individual has breached any provision of these rules, or any other directive issued by the Federation and is viewed to be harmful to the interests of World Boxing and the sport of Boxing;
- ii. the individual fails to perform any of his / her duties as an Executive Board member
- iii. the individual is considered to have brought the sport of Boxing, BFI, and World Boxing into serious disrepute

#### 31. ELECTIONS

- i. Elections shall be held once in every Four years at the Annual General Meeting (AGM i.e. Meeting of the General Assembly) as per these rules and regulations as well as the election bye-laws of the Federation to elect the Office Bearers, and other members of the Executive Council from amongst the eligible members/representatives.
- ii. An independent Returning Officer shall be appointed by the President who shall be responsible for conducting a free and fair election of members to the Executive Council.
- iii. Only affiliated units in good standing shall have voting rights.
- iv. Elections shall be held by secret ballot unless otherwise decided by the Returning Officer in consultation with the General Assembly.
- v. There shall be no proxy voting,
- vi. Election procedure shall be in accordance with the Model Elections Guidelines of the National Sports Development Code of India, 2011.

# 32. PROCEDURE OF ELECTIONS

- i. Each member association duly affiliated with the Federation will intimate the name(s) of their representatives which is to be signed by both President and Secretary of the member unit. Names of such may be sent by way of a single letter or by separate letters within four days from the notification of the date of elections. In case, the President and Secretary General provide two different lists then the list prepared by the President will prevail.
- ii. The notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be sent to all Members Association(s) fifteen (15) clear days in advance.
- iii. The President of the Federation will nominate the Returning Officer.
- iv. The President / Secretary General will prepare the list of authorized representatives of the Member Association (s) who are authorised to vote and circulate this list to all member Association (s), 11 (Eleven) days before the AGM. This list of Electoral College will be handed over to the Returning Officer on the same day. {i.e. the day when it is circulated to all Member Association(s)}.

- v. In case, the President and Secretary General prepare two different lists of authorised representatives of the Member Association(s), then the list prepared by the President will prevail.
- vi. Nomination for any post of Executive Council should be proposed and seconded by one authorized representative of Member Association(s).
- vii. Nomination for any post of Executive Council can only be filed by an elected member of a Member Association(s) in an Annual General Meeting of that Member Unit, duly notified to BFI.
- viii. Nomination for the various post of the Executive Council will be filed within 4 (Four) days from the circulation of the Electoral College.
  - ix. Returning Officer will scrutinize and prepare the list of valid nominations, post- wise and publish it on the last day of filling the nominations.
  - x. The withdrawal of nomination may be made within 2 (Two) days from publishing of list of valid nomination by the Returning Officer.
  - xi. The Returning Officer will prepare the Final list of contesting candidates and display it on the Federation's website on the last date fixed for withdrawal of nomination.
- xii. The counting of votes will be done immediately after the voting is complete.
- xiii. Returning Officer shall formally declare the results for all the Posts of Executive Council upon completion of the entire election process.

#### 33. MEETINGS

## i. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS:

Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be convened once every calendar year at a date, time and venue to be determined by the President. However, in exceptional circumstances where the AGM cannot be held within the year, it may be conducted in the following year. In such a case, the Annual Report of the Secretary General and the Audited Financial Statement for the year concerned may be considered and approved by the Executive Council and subsequently ratified at the next AGM.

The agenda of the Annual General Meeting shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meeting, if held;
- b. Consideration and adoption of the Annual Report of the Secretary General on the activities and functioning of the Federation;
- c. Review and approval of the Audited Statement of Accounts for the preceding year and the Annual Budget for the upcoming year, as presented by the Treasurer;
- d. Appointment of statutory auditors and determination of their remuneration;
- e. Conduct of elections to the Executive Council and Office Bearer posts, if elections are due;
- f. Review and approval of the annual calendar of national boxing championships and events;
- g. Consideration and approval of any proposed amendments to the Constitution, if applicable;
- h. Any other matter duly notified in advance to the Members;
- i. Any additional item relating to the development, governance, or welfare of the Federation that the President may bring before the Assembly or permit to be discussed, including a strategic review of programs, policies, and performance.

**Note**: All relevant documents including the Annual Report, Audited Financial Statement, and other agenda-related materials shall be circulated to all members in advance of the meeting.

# ii. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Special General Meetings (SGM) may be called by the President, at his discretion, or upon request by 2/3rd members of the Executive Council, to address urgent or significant matters concerning the affairs of the Federation. Where 2/3<sup>rd</sup> members of the Executive Council submits a written request to the President and/or Secretary General specifying the subject matter to be discussed, particularly on matters related to the development and governance of boxing, the President shall cause a Special General Meeting to be convened within thirty (30) days of receiving such a request.

# iii. EMERGENT MEETING

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, an Emergent Meeting of the General Assembly may be convened by the President to consider any urgent or time-sensitive matter requiring immediate attention and decision of the Assembly.

# iv. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS

- a. A meeting of the Executive Council shall be convened at least four (4) times in each calendar year. The dates, location, and agenda of each meeting shall be confirmed by the President.
- b. The Executive Council meetings will be held in person, virtually, or in a hybrid format as considered fit by the President.

# v. EMERGENT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, an Emergent Meeting of the Executive Council may be convened by the President to consider any urgent or time-sensitive matter requiring immediate attention and decision of the Executive Council.

# 34. NOTICE AND QUORAM FOR MEETINGS

The following notice periods and quorum requirements shall apply to the meetings of the Federation:

Type of Meeting	Minimum Notice Period	Quorum
Annual General Meeting (AGM)	15 clear days	One-third of the voting representatives or 15 representatives, whichever is less
Special General Meeting (SGM)	10 clear days	15 representatives
Emergent Meeting	10 clear days (by phone/email)	15 representatives
Executive Council Meeting	10 clear days	7 members
Emergent Executive Council Meeting	7 clear days	7 members

# **Explanation:**

- i. "Clear days" means the number of days excluding the day of sending the notice and the day of the meeting. Notices may be sent by post, email, or any other approved electronic method. In urgent situations, communication may also be made via telephone or messaging apps, subject to confirmation in writing.
- ii. In the course of any National Boxing Championship, the President / Secretary General may, with the consent of the majority of members present, convene a meeting at short notice to discuss matters relating specifically to the event being held.
- iii. For matters of urgent importance, where it is not feasible to convene an Executive Council meeting, the President / Secretary General may seek approval from Council members by circulation (email or written consent). Such decisions shall be considered valid only if a majority of Council members approve the proposal and shall be placed before the next meeting of the Executive Council for ratification and record.

# 35. QUALIFICATON OF REPRESNETATIVES

Accredited Representatives of the Members which attend the General Council Meeting and Executive Council Meeting shall:

- i. be National passport holders of India/a person of Indian Nationality
- ii. be persons of good standings;
- iii. have sound judgment; and
- iv. not have been convicted of any criminal activities
- v. Duly elected in an election AGM, notified to the BFI

# 36. RULES OF COMPETITION

All boxing competitions shall be conducted under the Rules of World Boxing as adopted by the Boxing Federation of India in their Rules of Competition.

# 37. COMMISSIONS OF THE BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA

- i. The composition of the Commissions shall be decided by the President, subject to the approval of the Executive Council.
- ii. The following Commissions/Committees shall be formed:
  - a. The Technical and Rules Commission;

- b. The Ring Officials Commission;
- c. The Medical and Anti-Doping Commission;
- d. The Sports and Competition Committee
- e. The Development Commission
- f. The Disciplinary Commission;
- g. The Dispute Commission
- h. The Selection Commission;
- i. The Coaches Commission;
- j. The Competition Commission;
- k. Arbitration Commission
- 1. Ethics Commission
- m. Athletes Commission
- n. The Youth and Age Fraud Commission
- o. Any other Commission
- iii. Duties & functions of each commission shall be formulated and be approved by the Executive Council. The above Commissions shall all base their activities on Annual and four (4) year working programs and reports to be submitted to the Executive Council at the first Executive Council and Annual General Meeting of the General Council following the elections of Office Bearers. The Commissions shall be subject to the directions of the Executive Council.

# 38. AMENDMENTS

No amendment shall be made to these Rules and Regulations except at the Annual/Special General Meeting of the General Council and unless supported by 2/3 of the Representatives present. All proposed Amendments must be presented to the Secretary General at least one month before the Annual/Special General Meeting and all proposed amendments should be forwarded to all the members 15 days before the meeting.

# 39. RESIDUARY POWERS

Any matter not provided for these rules and regulations shall be dealt with by the General Council.

# 40. DISSOLUTION PROCEDURE

Any number not less than ¾ of the members of Boxing Federation of India at Special General Council Meeting of General Council may determine their votes delivered in person, or by proxy, that it shall be dissolved, and thereupon it shall be dissolved forthwith, or at the time then agreed upon, and all necessary steps shall be taken for the disposal and settlement of the property of the Boxing Federation of India, its claims and liabilities, as the Governing Council shall find, in the event of any dispute arising among the General Council or the Members, the adjustment of its affairs shall be referred to the principal Court of original civil jurisdiction of this District in which the chief building of the Boxing Federation of India is situate, and the Court shall make such order in the matter as it shall deem requisite. Boxing Federation of India shall not be dissolved without consent of appropriate Government in any other circumstances.

# 41. DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

In case Boxing Federation of India is disbanded, its assets will be transferred to some other society in accordance with the decision of the General Council or as provided in Section 14 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860.

## 42. MISCELLANEOUS

- i. Members shall be required to have suitable facilities for Boxing and have sufficient number of active Members i.e. 50% of the total States / UT's / Boards under the provinces.
- ii. Each Member of the Boxing Federation of India shall be furnished with a Copy of Memorandum and rules and regulations of the Boxing Federation of India and Rules of the Competitions and World Boxing Regulations and shall be bound thereby. The Executive Council shall have the power to take disciplinary action against any Member or Person connected with it for not conforming to these rules and regulations and rules and World Boxing Regulations. Should any Member or person thereof function in a manner detrimental to the credit and interest of the Boxing Federation of India or World Boxing or attempt to obtain redress through any outside channel in any matter capable of being dealt with under these rules and regulations and rules of the Boxing Federation of India shall be reported to all Members of Boxing Federation of India.

- iii. A member shall intimate dates of their Annual Championships and forward the Results thereof to the Boxing Federation of India. They shall also furnish a copy of their Annual Report and Accounts to the Boxing Federation of India.
- iv. Boxers and officials of the Members shall not take part in unauthorized competitions, contents, meets and events.
- v. No member is empowered to arrange Competitions or participate outside the limits of India without prior sanction of the Boxing Federation of India.
- vi. No member shall hold the Competitions of All India nature without the prior sanction of the Boxing Federation of India. The officials for the conduct of the Competition shall be approved by the Boxing Federation of India and shall also depute any observer to the competition. TA/DA of such officials shall be borne by the organizers of the concerned competition, meet or event.
- vii. In case there being more than one unit in a State, the Dispute Commission of the Boxing Federation of India shall be the final authority in deciding which unit is to be affiliated with the Boxing Federation of India. However, the Commission will give due consideration to the Unit recognized by the State/UT' Olympic Association for being affiliated with the Boxing Federation of India.
- viii. The Boxing Federation of India may sue or be sued in the name of the President, Boxing Federation of India and suit or petition if any, shall be filed at the headquarters of the Boxing Federation of India.
- ix. No decision made by at the General Council shall be reopened, modified or cancelled within a period of Six (6) months thereof.
- x. The Executive Council may frame bye laws or rules of competitions for the proper and efficient administration of the Boxing Federation of India.
- xi. Notwithstanding anything repugnant to those present, the General Council of the Boxing Federation of India may, if it so deems fit and proper, change, amend, delete any of the rules and regulations and Rules of the Competitions of the Boxing Federation of India, or alter them, everything to meet the exigencies as may be the case arising on any context, provided that the proposed amendment(s) do not conflict with the World Boxing Regulations and such amendments have been approved by World Boxing in advance.
- xii. All the necessary provisions of the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 will also apply to the Boxing Federation of India.
- xiii. If the winding up or dissolution of the Boxing Federation of India is given effect to, in accordance which may remain after satisfaction of all its debts and

liabilities, shall not be paid to, or distributed among the members of the Boxing Federation of India or any of them, but, shall be given to some other society in accordance with the decision of the members of the Council of the Boxing Federation of India or as provided in section 14 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860.

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