



STATUTE

OF WORLD FUDOKAN FEDERATION

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I. DEFINITIONS

Terminology

Article 1.

(1) General terms used in this statute have the following meaning:

- 1) **Traditional Karate:** All modern forms of karate sports have originated from traditional karate (*Karate-Do*), from which they inherited their names. Karate itself originates from Tode, the concept that represents the system of self-defense with bare hands, without weapon, which was born in Okinawa under the influence of Chinese martial arts. In the central Japan karate became an integral part of the Budo system of Japanese martial arts, therefore the concept of traditional karate implies karate based on Budo principles. At the 101st General Assembly of the International Olympic Committee in 1993. it was established that the traditional karate is an independent sports discipline with its own sport rules which differentiate it from other karate sports (disciplines);
- 2) **Fudokan:** Scientific union between the martial art of traditional karate and a way of life, which is recognized and accredited by Japanese masters as an independent Fudokan Karate-Do style, on whose foundations Soke Ilija Jorga founded Fudokan as the new separate discipline (不動館 Fudokan - "House of strong foundations"). Fudokan is a sport discipline with its own sport rules;
- 3) **ITKAs** (*International Traditional Karate Associations*): **International associations of traditional karate** are two international federations that share values and principles of traditional karate - International Traditional Karate Federation and World Fudokan Federation;
- 4) **ITKAs Board** (*International Traditional Karate Associations Board*): The Board of traditional karate associations is an independent joint body of two international federations in charge of upholding and advancing the values and principles of traditional karate. The board consists of six (6) members, three (3) of which are appointed by each of the two ITKAs international federations, wherein the World Fudokan Federation appoints the supreme teacher (Soke), namely its president. The board meets once per year and it may implement decisions reached through majority of votes with at least four (4) members present. The decisions reached by the Board are binding to both ITKAs international federations. The Board establishes the Code of Ethics and sports rules of traditional karate;
- 5) **Federation:** WFF - World Fudokan Federation;

- 6) **Fudokan Confederation:** Union of national Fudokan associations (alliances) recognized by the World Fudokan Federation, which consists of national Fudokan associations from the same continent or other narrower or broader geographical areas recognized by the World Fudokan Federation;
- 7) **Fudokan League:** Organization formed by a group or combination of clubs that is subordinated to the national Fudokan association (alliance), in effect directly to the Federation or Fudokan Confederation;
- 8) **WFF Member:** Fudokan Alliance, Federation, Confederation and any other association, namely any other legal or physical party accepted into membership of the Federation through decision of the Assembly in accordance with the statute;
- 9) **Association:** National Association (alliance) of traditional karate, sports organization, or national sport alliance recognized by one of the two ITKAs international federations;
- 10) **Fudokan Association:** National Fudokan Association (alliance), sports organization, namely national sport alliance recognized by the World Fudokan Federation. Fudokan association is a member of the World Fudokan Federation, unless another meaning is evident from the context;
- 11) **Club:** Basic organization in which athletes practice Fudokan martial art, recognized by the competent National Fudokan Association (alliance);
- 12) **Athlete:** Any person that practices Fudokan martial art as a registered member of a club recognized by the competent national Fudokan association (alliance);
- 13) **Official:** Any person that is a member of the Board of traditional karate, member of the Board and other bodies of the Federation, judge, selector, coach as well as any other party responsible for technical, medical or administrative duties in the Federation, Fudokan Confederation, Fudokan Alliance, Fudokan League or club;
- 14) **Congress:** Highest organ of the World Fudokan Federation stipulated by the provisions of the Law on Sport. This term is translated into world languages as *Assembly* (eng.), *Assemblée* (fr.), *Assemblea* (it.), *Asamblea* (es.), but it can also be translated as *Congress* (eng.), *Congrès* (fr.), *Congresso* (it.), *Congreso* (es.), which is in accordance with the international good practice, usages and organizational principles of democratic delegatory representation;
- 15) **Executive Committee:** Executive organ of the World Fudokan Federation;
- 16) **Emergency Committee:** Immediate executive body of the World Fudokan Federation that passes and implements decisions on all urgent issues in between two sessions of the Executive Committee within the jurisdiction of the Executive Committee. Decisions of the Emergency Committee are subsequently verified on the next following Executive Committee session;
- 17) **Soke:** Official teacher, recognized and accredited master of Fudokan martial art;
- 18) **Council of Guardians of Style:** Highest organ for preservation of foundations and sovereignty of Fudokan style, led by Soke, made up of recognized and accredited grand masters of Fudokan martial art appointed by Soke;
- 19) **Code of Ethics:** Code of traditional karate founded on Budo principles of Japanese martial arts which is established by the Board of traditional karate;
- 20) **Rules:** Rules of Fudokan martial art adopted by the Assembly, approved by the Council of Guardians of Style;

21) **Court of Arbitration for Sport:** An independent permanent Court of Arbitration for Sport that acts in place of the regular court, under the jurisdiction of which is the resolution of disputes that arise between the Federation, its members, Fudokan confederations, Fudokan leagues, clubs, athletes and officials;

(2) Terms in this statute that refer to physical parties and are grammatically masculine nouns imply both male and female gender of persons they refer to. Each term in singular refers to plural, and vice versa.

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Federation

Article 2.

- (1) World Fudokan Federation is an international sport alliance with the seat in the Republic of Serbia.
- (2) World Fudokan Federation is the competent umbrella international sport alliance in non-Olympic sports outside of Sport accord.
- (3) Federation is an independent, voluntary, non-governmental and non-profit international sport organization established for an indefinite period with the purpose of accomplishing goals in the field of sports development.
- (4) National sports Fudokan alliances, international Fudokan confederations and other Fudokan confederations merge to form the Federation.
- (5) Other interested organizations and other legal and physical parties can join the Federation, in accordance with this statute.

Federation Name

Article 3.

- (1) Name of the federation in Serbian language is: Светска Фудокан Федерација.
- (2) Abbreviated name of the Federation in Serbian language is: СФФ.

(3) Federation has full and abbreviated name in other world languages:

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| 1) English language: | World Fudokan Federation | (WFF); |
| 2) French language: | Fédération mondiale de Fudokan | (FMF); |
| 3) Russian language: | Всемирная федерация Фудокан | (ВФФ); |
| 4) German language: | Fudokan Weltverband | (FWV); |
| 5) Spanish language: | Federación mundial de Fudokan | (FMF); |
| 6) Italian language: | Federazione mondiale di Fudokan | (FMF). |

Federation Seat

Article 4.

- (1) Federation Headquarter is in the Republic of Serbia, Belgrade.
- (2) Seat of the Federation is in Bulevar Zorana Đinđića broj 123v, lokal broj 6.
- (3) Postal address of the Federation Seat is: Bulevar Zorana Đinđića broj 123v/6, 11070 Beograd 27, ZIP/PAK (poštanski adresni kod) 190311.

Area of Activities

Article 5.

- (1) Federation, as an international sport alliance with the seat on the territory of the Republic of Serbia, performs activities aimed at achievement of statutory objectives at the global level, worldwide.

Legal Status

Article 6.

- (1) Federation is a legal party with, rights, obligations and responsibilities established by the Law and this statute.
- (2) Federation has the legal status of a sport association, that is sport alliance, in compliance with the stipulations of the Law on Sport.
- (3) Federation has the legal form of an international sport alliance.
- (4) Federation is registered in the competent Register in compliance with the legislation of the Republic of Serbia.

Official Emblem

Article 7.

- (1) Federation may have symbols of visual identity, as well as other official emblems that make it unique and recognizable, as are:

- 1) Sign, logo and other graphic symbols of visual identity, whose appearance and usage are established by the Assembly;
 - 2) Flag, anthem and motto, whose appearance and usage are determined by the Executive Board.
- (2) When determining the graphic symbols of visual identity the Assembly will rely on traditional symbols of Fudokan: white eagle with spread wings and emblem in the shape of shield with stylized figure of an eagle, body of a tiger and year of Fudokan creation (1980), Japan ideogram of Fudokan (B/W:Multicolored logo and ideogram). Federation may use the other logos with a combination of symbols and labeling Fudokan and WFF.



- (3) Motto of the Federation is based on the meaning of the term Fudokan – “House of strong foundations”, as well as the inscription of the year of Fudokan creation – “Since 1980”.

Seal and Stamp

Article 8.

- (1) Seal of the federation has a round shape and contains the name of the Federation on Serbian and English language ("Светска Фудокан Федерација - World Fudokan Federation"), seat ("Београд") and the stylized sign of the Federation in the center. Federation may also have a dry seal, which is in shape, size and content identical to the regular seal.



- (2) Stamp of the Federation contains the name of the Federation on Serbian and English language and seat of the Federation, and a place for number and date.

Official Languages

Article 9.

- (1) Official languages of the Federation are:

- 1) Serbian;
- 2) English;
- 3) French;
- 4) Russian;
- 5) German;
- 6) Spanish;
- 7) Italian.

- (2) Official language of the Register and the General Acts is Serbian language.

- (3) Official language of correspondence is English language.

- (4) Members of the Federation are responsible for translation to their native language.

- (5) Official languages of the Assembly of the Federation are: Serbian, English, French, Russian, German, Spanish and Italian. Certified translators are hired to translate to these languages. Delegates can participate in discussion in their native language by hiring certified translator and providing translation to one of the official languages of the Federation.

- (6) General and specific acts of the Federation, as well as announcements and notices, shall be published on all official languages of the Federation. In case there are any discrepancies in any of these acts the text on Serbian language shall prevail.

Cooperation with Other Organizations

Article 10.

- (1) In order to accomplish its statutory goals the Federation shall establish contacts and relations of cooperation with other organizations and associations.
- (2) Federation may join international sports and other organizations and associations, as determined by the Assembly.

Traditional Karate Board

Article 11.

- (1) Federation shall establish special collaboration with international associations of traditional karate, in particular with the International Traditional Karate Federation, with the purpose of preserving, affirming and advancing the values and principles of traditional karate.
- (2) Within collaboration specified in Item 1. of this Article Board of traditional karate shall be established as an independent joint body of these two ITKAs international federations, and shall be responsible for preserving and advancing the values principles of traditional karate.
- (3) Board of traditional karate shall consist of six members, three of which shall be appointed by each of the two ITKAs international federations, with the World Fudokan Federation appointing the chief teacher (Soke), i.e. its president.
- (4) The Board of traditional karate meets once per year and may implement decisions if at least four (4) members are present, and decisions are passed through majority of votes. Decisions of the Board are binding to both ITKAs international federations. The Board establishes the Code of Ethics and Sports Rules of traditional karate.

Representation

Article 12.

- (1) President of the Federation is authorized to represent the Federation, honorably and in accordance with the protocol.
- (2) Secretary General of the Federation represents and speaks before the Federation in legal matters and also is responsible and has the rights and duties relating to financial matters.
- (3) The Executive Board may appoint and authorize other persons with rights and duties to represent the federation in performing certain legal matters, within the limits of assigned authorization.
- (4) Secretary General can delegate certain duties, within his scope of operation, to other management personnel of the Technical Office of the Federation.

Discrimination Prohibition

Article 13.

- (1) Federation is neutral on political and religious issues.
- (2) Any direct or indirect discrimination, of any country, person or group, on the grounds of ethnicity, race, gender, language, politics, religion or any other ground is strictly prohibited and punishable by appropriate disciplinary measures.
- (3) Provisions of the general acts of the Federation and members of the Federation cannot be enacted if they establish or perpetuate discrimination of persons within their jurisdiction, and all individual acts which establish discrimination shall be considered void.
- (4) A violation of human and civil rights and freedoms is prohibited in the Federation and members of the Federation.

III. GOALS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE FEDERATION

Federation Goals

Article 14.

(1) Goal of the Federation is:

- 1) to advance, develop and promote Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline worldwide and contribute to increasing its popularity among all people, especially children and youth, which practice and apply this martial art;
- 2) to continually advance Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline for its full affirmation and inclusion into the Olympic sports, to affirm and control Fudokan at the global level in the spirit of encouraging healthy agonism and unique educational, cultural and humanitarian values of this martial art, particularly through youth and developmental programs;
- 3) to solidify and advance the system of organization and competitions of Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline;
- 4) to contribute to implementation and enforcement of the statute, regulation, directives and decisions of the Board of traditional karate, Federation and members of the Federation, and ensure enforcement of the sports rules and norms of the Code of Ethics of traditional karate;
- 5) to coordinate activities of the members of the Federation, protect and respect their interests and resolve their disputes;
- 6) to coordinate and develop international sports cooperation with the members of the Federation and with other international sports organizations and associations and govern the international sports relations related to Fudokan, in all aspects of those relations.
- 7) to continually encourage practice of Fudokan as independent martial art and sports discipline in the spirit of peace and healthy agonism, free of discrimination on the grounds of ethnicity, race, gender, language, politics, religion or any other ground;
- 8) to organize international sports competitions in Fudokan for all categories;
- 9) to work effectively on implementing anti-doping measures in Fudokan, as well as on educating the members of the Federation and athletes with the purpose of preventing the use of prohibited stimulatory substances and their harmful consequences;

- 10) to respect and ensure the respect of principles of loyalty, integrity and sport spirit in accordance with the principles of fair play, and to promote educational and pedagogical function of sport, especially Fudokan, as well as fair play, understanding, tolerance and responsibility through sport;
- 11) to prevent all methods and activities that could violate integrity of competition or lead to abuse of Fudokan;
- 12) to conduct business dealings that ensure opportunities for supervising development and advancement of mass sport, school sport, professional sport and sport for disabled people;
- 13) to conduct other dealings in accordance with the Law on Sport and this statute.

Federation Activities

Article 15.

(1) Federation accomplishes its goals by:

- 1) normatively regulating, organizing and administrating Fudokan at the global level;
- 2) establishing sport rules and standards that are applied in practice, and monitoring their implementation;
- 3) organizing and monitoring international sports manifestations and competitions in Fudokan for all categories (male, female, cadet, youth, junior, senior, veterans etc.), in accordance with this statute;
- 4) organizing and supervising competition, promotion and other activities and manifestations of educational-competitive character;
- 5) normatively regulating rights and duties of every member of the Federation, passing decisions on the status of its members, enacting other legal acts and informing its members of their obligations that follow from this statute;
- 6) encouraging and directing professional work and training of all participants which practice Fudokan martial art, like athletes, judges, coaches, trainers, medical professionals, administrators and other persons;
- 7) normatively regulating matters relating to the members of the Federation, athletes, judges, coaches, trainers and other persons, as well as those matters relating to the registration of athletes, officials and members of the Federation;
- 8) providing means for financing international sports activities, education of experts, officials, and for functioning of the Federation and Technical Office;
- 9) providing assistance to the members of the Federation in advancing professional activities;
- 10) encouraging activity of the members of the Federation by awarding prizes and recognitions for outstanding sports performance and contribution to development and advancement of Fudokan;
- 11) coordinating activities of the members of the Federation;

- 12) representing shared interests of the members of the Federation before government bodies and international sports and other organizations;
 - 13) collecting, processing and publishing its own publications and providing support for publication of scientific and technical literature and other publications relevant to the development of Fudokan as martial art and sport discipline;
 - 14) organizing and guiding international sports cooperation;
 - 15) popularizing Fudokan in the media, educational institutions and other organizations, with special attention to activities aimed at facilitating Fudokan inclusion into the order of Olympic sports disciplines;
 - 16) taking measures to prevent the negative happenings in sport (doping, violence and misconduct);
 - 17) drawing attention to health care of athletes;
 - 18) encouraging engaging in sport activities, especially practicing Fudokan martial art;
 - 19) supporting and encouraging development of school and university sports;
 - 20) proposing and taking measures to strengthen ethics in sport and sportsmanship among the members of the Federation, and establish rules of conduct in their relations;
 - 21) providing assistance and support to the members of the federation in the area of marketing, in connecting with industry, introduction of new methods of work and business, obtaining business information, management of public relations etc.;
 - 22) supervising and monitoring work and activities of the members of the Federation, coordination of these activities with the statute and general acts of the Federation as well as with its own normative acts, helping members in addressing work shortcomings, and assisting in resolving disputes that threaten functions and objectives of the Federation;
 - 23) organizing joint professional services when and where possible;
 - 24) initiating proposal of annual and special programs for financing from public funds in accordance with the Law;
 - 25) organizing dispute resolution by arbitration, as well as resolution of disputes of other members of the Federation in accordance with this statute;
 - 26) supporting participation of the members of the Federation in committee for preparation of categorization of sports, athletes and sports experts in accordance with the Law;
 - 27) awarding candidacy to the members of the Federation for organization of major international competitions;
 - 28) performing other activities and taking measures that contribute to realization of statutory goals of the Federation;
 - 29) performing other duties in the best interest of the Federation and its members, in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Serbia and this statute.
 - 30) creating and implementing specially designed for disabled people, especially children.
- (2) Accomplishment of objectives of the Federation is more closely specified with appropriate general acts, and especially with sports rules passed by the competent organs of the Federation in accordance with the statute.

- (3) For the purpose of efficient implementation of activities specified in Item 1. of this Article the Federation can establish companies and other legally recognized forms of organizations, both at home and abroad, alone or together with other legal and physical persons.

Professional Activities

Article 16.

- (1) Professional work in the Federation and its members can be performed exclusively by persons that have the appropriate expertise in accordance with the Law and general acts of the Federation (sports experts and specialists in sport).
- (2) Sports experts specified in Item 1. of this Article are required to improve professionally in accordance with the Law and the general acts of the Federation.

Sports Activities

Article 17.

- (1) In performing sports activities and dealings, the Federation and its members in particular are appointed to assert the spirit of Olympics, healthy agonism, encourage fair play, promote educational-pedagogical and professional work in sport, as well as encourage and promote voluntary work in sport, fight against falsifying, suppress violence and doping in sport.
- (2) Federation and its members shall achieve their goals and perform sports activities and dealings in accordance with the Law, sports rules and general acts of the Federation and its members that are ratified by conventions in the area of sport, and principles as established by the documents of international organizations.
- (3) Federation and its members are required to ensure that the practice of sport is humane, free and voluntary, healthy and safe, in agreement with natural and social environment, fair, tolerant, ethically acceptable, responsible, free of abuse and goals contrary to the spirit of sport, and available to all persons on equal terms, regardless of age, level of physical aptitude, gender and other personal characteristics.
- (4) Dealings of the Federation that are recorded in the competent Register of associations, societies and alliances in the area of sport, are established in accordance with the provisions of the Law on Sport.

IV. MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERATION

Membership

Article 18.

- (1) Federation and its members function as a unified system.
- (2) In achieving its goals and tasks members of the Federation shall independently organize their internal functioning, establish and implement developmental programs, organize competitions

within their jurisdiction, and accomplish other goals and tasks as established by their plans and plans of the Federation.

- (3) Organization and work of the members of the Federation is regulated by their statutes, in accordance with the Law on Sport, the statute and sports rules of the Federation.
- (4) Membership of the Federation is not transferrable.

Fudokan Alliance

Article 19.

- (1) Sports organizations and associations, independent athletes that practice Fudokan martial art and professional associations in the field of Fudkan from the same country shall merge into a National Fudokan Alliance with the goal of regulating matters of shared interests and representation, addressing issues of importance for organization of competitions and status of athletes.
- (2) Fudokan Alliance, as a registered national sport Fudokan association that is regular and full member of the Federation, shall admit into its membership persons specified in Item 1. of this Article, which are registered in accordance with the law and meet conditions stipulated by the statute of the Federation relating to acceptance into membership.
- (3) Statute of a member of the Federation cannot be used to establish discriminatory conditions for acceptance to membership, that is conditions that are not based on the Law, objective or related to achieving the goals of the national Fudokan association, or related to establishing conditions not in compliance with this statute.
- (4) Only one national Fudokan association from each country shall be accepted into the Federation as a regular and full member, and shall become the official National Fudokan Alliance. Under the term *country* an internationally recognized country is implied, which is a member of the Organization of United Nations (OUN).
- (5) National Fudokan Alliance which is a regular and full member of the Federation has exclusive authority on national level to represent Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline to the international and national sports alliances and public authorities.
- (6) National Fudokan Alliance that is a regular and full member of the Federation is required to make continual efforts at the national level to further development of Fudokan as an independent martial art and sport discipline, as well as to unite all organizations and persons that practice Fudokan, and also adopt appropriate statutory provisions which will ensure that an organization under its jurisdiction from a particular territory becomes a member of the competent National Fudokan Alliance.
- (7) National Fudokan Alliance which is a regular and full member of the Federation can accept into membership only an organization in the field of sport which belongs to the sport system established by this statute, namely which is an indirect or direct member of the Federation. Exceptionally, an organization in the field of traditional karate can be accepted into membership if there is no traditional karate national sport association on the territory of the competent Fudokan Alliance.
- (8) If there is more than one registered National Fudokan Alliance in the same country, the Federation will take measures to unite those national associations, in accordance with the statute of the Federation. Interested national associations are required to entrust resolution of

disputes to an independent permanent Court of Arbitration for Sport, which is established in accordance with this statute.

- (9) Registered National Fudokan Associations which are not recognized by the Federation may, after entrusting resolution of disputes to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, temporarily be accepted into Federation, without voting rights. Status of a provisional member can be retained until resolution of dispute by the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

Fudokan Confederation

Article 20.

- (1) National Fudokan Associations (alliances) recognized by the World Fudokan Federation, that belong to the same continent or other narrower or wider geographic area, may form continental or regional Fudokan confederations on the grounds of previous approval by the Federation.
- (2) Members of the Federation from the same continent may form the following continental Fudokan confederations recognized by the Federation:
- 1) European Fudokan Federation (for area of Europe and Russian Federation);
 - 2) North American Fudokan Federation (for area of North America: USA, Canada and Mexico);
 - 3) South American Fudokan Federation (for area of south and central America);
 - 4) Asian Fudokan Federation (for area of Asia);
 - 5) Australian Fudokan Federation (for area of Australia and Oceania);
 - 6) African Fudokan Federation (for area of Afrika).
- (3) Exceptionally, the Federation may grant admittance into continental Fudokan confederation to a member from a different geographic area, with prior approval of the Fudokan confederation regulating the geographic area to which this member belongs, provided that this member isn't already admitted into membership of another continental Fudokan confederation.
- (4) Members of the Federation from the same geographical area, which cannot overlap with areas specified in Item 2. of this Article, can join into regional Fudokan confederations:
- 1) Balkan Fudokan Federation (for area of Balkan Peninsula);
 - 2) Mediterranean Fudokan Federation (for area of Mediterranean);
 - 3) Baltic-Scandinavian Fudokan Federation (for area of Scandinavia and Baltic);
 - 4) other regional Fudokan confederations that are recognized by the federation.
- (5) Exceptionally, the Federation may grant admittance into a regional Fudokan Confederation to a member of a federation from a geographical area that does not strictly belong to the geographical area regulated by this confederation. This right is applied to Fudokan Association of Serbia, which can be member of the Mediterranean Fudokan Federation even though Serbia does not extend to any of the Mediterranean seas.
- (6) Fudokan Confederation has the following rights and duties:
- 1) to adjust its normative acts to the statute of the Federation and to implement and ensure realization of the statute, regulations and decisions of the Federation;
 - 2) to cooperate closely with the Federation in all areas, to implement statutory goals of the Federation and organize international competitions;
 - 3) to organize its own special inter-club competitions, that will be in accordance with the calendar of international competitions;

- 4) to organize its own special international competitions, particularly children, cadets, juniors and youth competitions, that will be in accordance with the calendar of international competitions;
 - 5) to prevent organization of international Fudokan leagues and other similar groups of clubs or leagues without prior consent and approval of the Federation;
 - 6) to admit into membership provisional members, at the request of the Federation, which will have the right to participate in competitions organized by a Fudokan Confederation and attend its conferences. All other rights and duties of provisional members of the Federation are determined by the statute and regulations of a Fudokan confederation.
 - 7) to select and appoint members of the Executive Board in accordance with this statute;
 - 8) to actively and constructively, for the benefit of Fudokan, foster extensive cooperation with the Federation through consultative meetings to discuss and resolve problems of importance to Fudokan Confederation and Federation;
 - 9) to provide means so that the representatives appointed into the Federation organs and the Executive Board may perform their duties and activities in those organs with mutual respect, solidarity and fair play;
 - 10) to establish boards that shall cooperate closely with the appropriate boards of the Federation;
 - 11) to permit, in exceptional circumstances and with prior approval by the Federation, participation in competition in its organization to a Fudokan association which is a member of another continental Fudokan confederation (or club belonging to this confederation);
 - 12) to organize, with mutual assistance and cooperation with the Federation, all activities that are considered necessary for development and advancement of Fudokan in the geographic area under its jurisdiction, including making and developing programs, workshops, conferences and other activities;
 - 13) to select, appoint and authorize organs that will be responsible for implementation of statutory and other duties and tasks of Fudokan Confederation;
 - 14) to ensure and obtain means necessary for implementation of its tasks.
- (7) The Executive Board can delegate execution of additional responsibilities and tasks to Fudokan confederations, reduce or increase the scope of their authority. In this regard the Federation can conclude with each of the interested Fudokan confederations appropriate agreement or contract.
- (8) Fudokan confederations are required to submit their statutes, regulations and other general normative acts to the Federation for prior approval. Statutes, regulations and other general normative acts of any Fudokan confederation cannot take effect or be implemented without the prior approval by the Federation.

Membership Categories

Article 21.

- (1) There are following categories of memberships in the Federation:

- 1) full members;

- 2) associate members;
- 3) provisional members;
- 4) honorary members;
- 5) supporting members.

Membership Requirements

Article 22.

(1) The following can join the Federation as full members:

- 1) national Fudokan alliances;
- 2) continental and regional Fudokan confederations;
- 3) international professional and professional-vocational sports associations within Fudokan (sports coaches associations, judge, selectors etc.).

(2) Organization specified in Item 1. of this Article can become full member of the Federation if it meets the following requirements:

- 1) it is registered in accordance with the Law;
- 2) its goals match the goals of the Federation;
- 3) its statute is in accordance with the general acts of the Federation;
- 4) it meets the requirements for conducting sports activities and dealings as prescribed by the Law and general acts of the Federation;
- 5) it submits a written statement in which it fully accepts the statute and general acts of the Federation, as well as the jurisdiction of court of arbitration for final settlement of all disputes that arise from the exercise of rights and fulfillment of obligations of membership in the Federation.

(3) The following can join the Federation as associate members:

- 1) national associations (alliances) of traditional karate;
- 2) continental and regional organizations of traditional karate;
- 3) international professional and professional-vocational sports associations within traditional karate (associations of sport coaches, judges, selectors etc.).

(4) Organization specified in Item 3. of this Article can become associate member of the Federation if it meets the following requirements:

- 1) it is registered in accordance with the Law;
- 2) its goals match the goals of the Federation;
- 3) its statute is in accordance with the general acts of the Federation;
- 4) it meets the requirements for conducting sports activities and dealings as prescribed by the Law and general acts of the Federation;
- 5) it submits a written statement in which it fully accepts the statute and general acts of the Federation, as well as the authority of the Court of Arbitration for Sport in final settlement of all disputes in which it is involved, in accordance with the statute of the Federation;

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- 6) it performs its dealings for at least one year;
 - 7) it holds the status of an international sport alliance or is a member of appropriate international sport alliance;
 - 8) it gathers the majority of the registered organizations from the sport discipline it represents (traditional karate).
- (5) National Fudokan association that gathers smaller part of organizations registered with Fudokan and traditional karate in the country in which there already exists a Fudokan alliance recognized by the Federation can join the Federation, if it meets the following requirements:
- 1) it is registered in accordance with the Law;
 - 2) its goals match the goals of the Federation;
 - 3) its statute is in accordance with the general acts of the Federation;
 - 4) it meets the requirements for conducting sports activities and dealings as prescribed by the Law and general acts of the Federation;
 - 5) it submits a written statement in which it fully accepts the statute and general acts of the Federation;
 - 6) it entrusts the resolution of disputes with recognized national Fudokan association (alliance) to the Court of Arbitration for Sport and submits a written statement that it fully accepts the decision of this court as the final settlement.
- (6) Any person that has made special contribution to the work of the Federation or whose membership in the Federation is of special interest for implementation of statutory goals of the Federation, may be accepted as an honorary member by the decision of the Executive Board if he submits a written statement in which he fully accepts the statute and the general acts of the Federation as well as the authority of the Court of Arbitration for Sport in the final settlement of all disputes, in accordance with the statute of the Federation.
- (7) Supporting member may become any organization that meets the following requirements:
- 1) it is registered in accordance with the Law;
 - 2) it supports implementation of the statutory goals of the Federation;
 - 3) it submits written statement in which it fully accepts the statute and the general acts of the Federation as well as the authority of the Court of Arbitration for Sport in the final resolution of all disputes it is involved in, in accordance with the statute of the Federation.
- (8) Indirect members of the Federation are considered to be sports organizations, sports alliances, sports associations, sports societies, athletes, sports professionals and other physical persons/parties if they are:
- 1) members of organizations which are full and associated members of the Federation;
 - 2) members of organs and governing bodies of the Federation or members of the Federation;
 - 3) employed, hired as experts or perform official duties in the Federation or the members of the Federation.
- (9) All direct or indirect members of the Federation shall be considered, in terms of the provisions of this statute, as persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation.
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Membership**Article 23.**

- (1) The procedure for admission into membership is initiated by filing an application for membership in the Federation in written form, which is submitted to the Executive Board.
- (2) With the application the candidate for membership needs to submit the following documents:
 - 1) written decision to join the Federation;
 - 2) copy of the statute of the candidate;
 - 3) copy of the decision on registration of the candidate in the competent Register in accordance with the Law;
 - 4) completed questionnaire, containing the data of the candidate for the Register of members of the Federation;
 - 5) statement of the candidate on acceptance of the authority of the Court of Arbitration for Sport in the final resolution of all disputes it is involved in, that arise from the exercise of rights and completion of obligations of membership in the Federation;
 - 6) statement of candidate on full acceptance of the statute and general acts of the Federation;
 - 7) list of members of the candidate organization;
 - 8) proof of compliance with other requirements for admission into membership in accordance with the statute.
- (3) The Executive Board decides on the admission into membership, no later than three (3) months from the date of submission of application for membership.
- (4) Adequate application for membership in the Federation can be rejected only if the applicant does not meet the requirements stipulated in Article 22. of this statute (Membership Requirements).
- (5) In case of rejection of the application for membership in the Federation the applicant may appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, whose decision is final.
- (6) In case the application for membership is accepted the applicant is required to pay enrollment fee in the amount determined by the Executive Board, and the annual membership fee, no later than 15 days upon receiving the notice of admission into membership. In case of failure and extension of the payment due date it shall be considered that the applicant has withdrawn from membership in the Federation. The newly admitted member starts with the realization of the rights of the membership in the Federation from the date of payment of the enrollment fee and annual membership fee.
- (7) Each direct member of the Federation and an organ of the Federation can propose or start an initiative to appoint an individual as an honorary member of the Federation.

Rights and Duties of Members**Article 24.**

- (1) Member of the Federation has the following rights:

- 1) to initiate review and participate in discussion on all matters relevant to implementation of the statutory objectives of the Federation;
- 2) to use assistance, support and services of the Federation, to the extent that it does not jeopardize the interests of other members of the Federation;
- 3) to have insight into the work of the Federation and its organs;
- 4) to participate in the activities of the Federation;
- 5) to obtain information necessary for the exercise of membership rights;
- 6) if it is a regular member, to manage the activities of the Federation on the basis of the right to vote, in accordance with this statute.

(2) Member of the Federation has the following duties:

- 1) to cooperate with other members of the Federation, with complete respect of sports and ethical principles in their relations;
- 2) to participate in the activities of the Federation;
- 3) to meet on schedule its financial obligations toward the Federation;
- 4) to perform its duties as established by the Law, statute and other general normative acts of the Federation;
- 5) to fully comply with all of its own general acts;
- 6) to execute legal and binding decisions of the organs of the Federation and the Court of Arbitration for Sport;
- 7) to protect the reputation of the Federation;
- 8) to ensure transparency of its work, in accordance with the Law and this statute;
- 9) to objectively inform members and public through its web site (page), newsletter, bulletin boards or other suitable means on the following:
 - i. basic information about organization (name, address, legal form, organs, short history, membership in national and international associations);
 - ii. its work (sessions of organs, international cooperation, etc.);
 - iii. implementation of programs financed from public funds;
 - iv. sports accomplishments;
 - v. adopted general acts (to be published in its entirety);
- 10) to harmonize its statute and other general acts with the statute and general acts of the Federation;
- 11) to notify the Federation on amendments and additions to its statute (as well as deliver a copy of the statute), held assembly session and election of authorized representatives, no later than seven (7) days from the date of adoption, namely the date of decision.

(3) The general acts of the Federation must ensure the right to appeal to any decision of the organs of the Federation related to rights and obligations of the members of the Federation, unless this decision is within the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration for Sport, in accordance with the Law on Sport and this statute.

Participation in Activities and Decisions

Article 25.

- (1) All members participate in the work of the Federation.
- (2) Regular full members also participate in the decision making bodies of the Federation through their representatives in the Federation.
- (3) A person that represents a member of the Federation must have a written authorization, authenticated with the seal of that member of the Federation and personally signed by the representative, unless this statute states otherwise.

Register of Members and Other Records

Article 26.

- (1) The Federation and members of the Federation shall keep records of their members (Register of Members) and other basic records, in accordance with the Law.
- (2) The Federation and the member of the Federation must be registered in the Register, in accordance with the Law.
- (3) Decisions of the organs of the Federation and of the organs of the members of the Federation must be recorded in the official records of decisions kept by those organs.

Membership Termination

Article 27.

- (1) Membership in the Federation is terminated by dissolution, withdrawal or expulsion.
- (2) Membership termination is determined on the basis of decision made by the competent government or other organ, following which the member is removed from the appropriate register.
- (3) Starting with the initiation of liquidation or bankruptcy and until the final cessation of work of a member, the rights and obligations of this member in the Federation are suspended.
- (4) Withdrawal from the Federation is possible only on the basis of a written statement of a member of the Federation on withdrawing from the Federation, made on the basis of authoritative decision of the competent organ of the member of the Federation, with a notice period of three (3) months.
- (5) With the termination of the membership all of the membership requirements are also terminated, except the requirement to settle the remaining financial obligations toward the Federation.
- (6) With the termination of membership also ends the term of representatives of members of the Federation in the organs and governing bodies of the Federation.
- (7) With the termination of membership also ends the right to participate in all the activities organized by the Federation.

Exclusion from Membership

Article 28.

- (1) Exclusion of a member of the Federation is possible only if that member:
 - 1) causes serious damage to the reputation of the Federation with its actions;
 - 2) openly acts contrary to the interests of the Federation or decisions of the organs of the Federation;
 - 3) openly or repeatedly, with its procedures and acts, violates legal obligations, the statute and other general acts of the Federation or its own general acts;
 - 4) no longer meets the requirements for membership.
- (2) In cases specified in Item 1 of this Article the Executive Board must warn the member of the Federation of the existence of circumstances that can lead to its exclusion from membership and provide a deadline of no more than two months for this member to remedy its actions.
- (3) Executive Board is required to leave a two week period to a member of the Federation to respond to complaints concerning its work before making a decision on exclusion.
- (4) Exclusion decision is made by the Executive Board of the Federation through majority of votes of its members and delivered in written form to the member of the Federation.
- (5) The decision on exclusion must be explained.
- (6) In cases specified in Item 1. of this Article, when there are legitimate reasons, the Executive Board can pass decision by a majority of votes of its members to temporarily suspend membership in the Federation until the procedure as stipulated by provisions of Items 2-4. of this Article ends, but not longer than (6) months.
- (7) Member of the Federation may appeal against decision on suspension, namely expulsion, the Court of Arbitration for Sport, whose decision is final.
- (8) Until the final decision on exclusion is passed by the Court of Arbitration for Sport the rights of a member of the Federation are suspended.
- (9) If a member of the Federation, despite a double warning, is late paying the annual membership fee and has not cleared its debt within one month of receiving the second warning, with the expiry of this deadline it is automatically excluded from the Federation members, with no exclusion decision required.
- (10) The organization that is excluded from the membership of the Federation may be re-admitted at the earliest two years after the termination of its membership in the Federation, provided that the circumstances due to which it was excluded are removed.

Disciplinary Responsibility

Article 29.

- (1) Persons within the jurisdiction of the Federation that intentionally or negligently act contrary to the statute and other general acts of the Federation, or cause damage to the reputation of the Federation, by decision of the organs or authorized persons of the Federation may be held responsible and be penalized with the following:

- 1) warning;
 - 2) public warning;
 - 3) suspension;
 - 4) monetary fine;
 - 5) prohibition of duties;
 - 6) exclusion.
- (2) The Executive Board of the Federation further specifies the disciplinary measures, disciplinary violations and disciplinary actions, in accordance with this statute.

Legal and Statutory Protection of Members

Article 30.

- (1) Rights of the members of the Federation are protected in accordance with the provisions of the Law and provisions of this statute.
- (2) No direct and indirect member of the Federation can be penalized or bear other negative consequences for exercise of its rights established by the law, general acts of the Federation and general acts of the member of the Federation.

V. ORGANS OF THE FEDERATION

Governing the Federation

Article 31.

- (1) The Federation is governed by full members, directly or through their elected representatives in the organs of the Federation, in the manner stipulated by this statute.

Organs of the Federation

Article 32.

- (1) Organs of the Federation are:
 - 1) Assembly;
 - 2) Executive Board;
 - 3) Supervising Board;
 - 4) President of the Federation;
 - 5) Secretary General;
 - 6) Disciplinary Court and Disciplinary Prosecutor.
- (2) The term of the members of the organs of the Federation lasts four (4) years, unless this statute states otherwise.
- (3) In case when the mandate of an organ of the Federation has expired, and new organs are not elected, previously elected organs continue to perform their duties until newly elected organs assume office.

- (4) Persons who are convicted of crimes against property and official duties, and also of the following criminal offenses:
- 1) first degree murder;
 - 2) grand larceny, aggravated theft and larceny;
 - 3) fraud and deceit;
 - 4) unjustified use of loan and other benefits;
 - 5) extortion, blackmail and usury;
 - 6) for criminal offences as determined by the law regarding prevention of violence and misbehavior at sports events,
- cannot perform the functions of the president of the Federation, Secretary General, liquidator or member of the organs of the Federation, while legal ramifications of conviction are in effect.
- (5) A member of the organ of the Federation may only be a person included in the patronage of the Federation and the members of the Federation.

Status of Members of Organs of the Federation

Article 33.

- (1) Members of the organs of the Federation are jointly liable for the damage they cause to the Federation with their acts, if those acts are taken intentionally or with utter carelessness. The members that were against those acts or refrained from voting on those acts are not held liable.
- (2) Member of the organ of the Federation has no right to vote in the session of the organ of the Federation when decisions are made on:
 - 1) initiating or terminating a dispute litigation against him;
 - 2) approval of business between this member and the Federation in case of conflict of interests or existence of personal interest in deciding;
 - 3) responsibility of this member and dissolution.
- (3) Member of the organ of the Federation has no right to vote if decision concerns conclusion of legal business with this member, or whether the dispute between this member and the Federation is initiated or ended, or if it concerns his spouse or second degree relative in direct line, or if it concerns a legal entity over which he has control or economic interest.

1. Assembly

Structure, Election and Mandate

Article 34.

- (1) Assembly is the highest organ of the Federation.
- (2) Assembly consists of one representative from each of the full members of the Federation (members of the Assembly). The representative of a full member of the Federation in the Assembly can be its delegate as well as another party based on a written authorization (proxy) issued by that member of the Federation, which is authenticated with the seal and signed by the

representative of that member of the federation. This written authorization is issued for each assembly session.

- (3) Representatives of joined, honorary and supporting members (one representative per member), as well as representatives of other international and national associations and governmental organs, invited at the request of the president of the Federation, can participate in the work of the Assembly.

Regular Assembly

Article 35.

- (1) Regular session of the Assembly is held once per year.
- (2) A written invitation to the Assembly session containing agenda is sent to the full member of the Federation, as a rule at least two weeks prior to the Assembly session. The invitation is sent by a registered letter to the last known postal address, and a period of two weeks is counted from the date on the letter stamp. The member of the Federation may agree in writing that the invitations to the sessions be sent by e-mail.
- (3) Member of the Federation may propose amending the agenda of the Assembly by a written submission, at the latest one week prior to the session.
- (4) At the latest three (3) days prior to the scheduled Assembly session the president establishes the agenda of the session and publishes it on the bulletin board and the website of the Federation.
- (5) Record of the Assembly session is kept and signed by the president of the Federation and recording secretary.
- (6) Beginning each Assembly session the president of the Federation determines whether there is a quorum necessary for work and decision making and whether the Assembly is called in accordance with the Law.
- (7) The regular elections session is convened every four (4) years, as a rule at least two months before the end of the presidential term, and preferably in the period immediately following the World Championship.
- (8) The work of the Federation Assembly is further specified by working regulations.

Extraordinary Assembly

Article 36.

- (1) President of the Federation may at any time convene an Extraordinary Assembly session, if it is required by the interests of the Federation.
- (2) President of the Federation is required to convene an Extraordinary Assembly session if it is in writing, with purpose, reason and agenda stated, prompted by the Executive Board, Supervising Board or one tenth of the full members of the Federation. The Assembly must convene no later than thirty (30) days from the date of filing a proper claim. If the president of the Federation does not call for convening of an Extraordinary Assembly session, it can be convened by the organ of the Federation or the members of the Federation, which have requested its convening.

No more than ninety (90) days should pass between the filing of a proper request for the Extraordinary Assembly session convening and the convening of the Extraordinary Assembly session itself.

- (3) A call for an Extraordinary Assembly session with the proposed agenda must be sent to the members of the Federation that have the right to vote, at the latest, seven days before the date of the session.
- (4) Agenda of the Assembly specified in Item 2. of this Article can contain only questions that are listed in the request for convening of the Extraordinary Assembly, unless the Assembly decides otherwise by a majority of a total number of its members.
- (5) Provisions of this statute on the Regular Assembly and rules of procedure of the Assembly are applied also to the Extraordinary Assembly session.
- (6) Extraordinary Assembly session of the Federation has all authorizations as the Regular Assembly.

Jurisdictions of the Assembly

Article 37.

- (1) Assembly considers, approves and adopts:
 - 1) the statute, amendments and additions of the statute, and authentic interpretation of the statute of the Federation;
 - 2) yearly reports on work of the Federation and its organs;
 - 3) financial reports;
 - 4) decision on dissolution of the Federation;
 - 5) decision on status changes;
 - 6) decision on program and development of the Federation;
 - 7) code of conduct of the members of the Federation;
 - 8) decision on joining and entering other organization;
 - 9) decisions that are explicitly placed under its jurisdiction by this statute.
- (2) Assembly elects, that is appoints and dismisses:
 - 1) president of the Federation;
 - 2) vice-president of the Executive Board;
 - 3) members of the Supervising Board;
 - 4) Secretary General of the Federation.
- (3) For specific tasks the Assembly may form its own commissions. With each individual decision on formation of the Assembly Commission its scope and composition is determined.

Assembly Decisions

Article 38.

- (1) Assembly may operate and pass decisions if one third of its members is present, with the decisions being passed by the majority of votes, except in those cases where the Law or this statute states otherwise.
- (2) If the president of the Federation is not elected in the first round of election of the president and the members of the organs of the Federation, or if the necessary number of the members of the organs of the Federation is not elected, the second round of election is performed for all of the candidates that did not have the necessary number of votes. If the required number of members of the organs of the Federation is not elected in the second round the candidature and the election is repeated.
- (3) Decisions on issues that are not listed in the agenda of the Assembly, and that arise during the Assembly session, can only be passed if it is adopted by two thirds of the delegates of the Assembly present.
- (4) Members of the other organs of the Federation cannot be the members of the Assembly.
- (5) Members of the Assembly vote publicly by show of hand, unless the majority of Assembly members agree on the closed ballot.

2. Executive Board**Executive Board Structure**

Article 39.

- (1) Executive Board consists of:
 - 1) president;
 - 2) two vice-presidents;
 - 3) six (6) members.
- (2) President of the Federation is also the president of the Executive Board.
- (3) Secretary General of the Federation participates in the work of the Executive Board without the right to vote.
- (4) Vice-presidents of the Executive Board are elected and dismissed by the Federation Assembly at the proposal of the president of the Federation, for a period of four (4) years.
- (5) Each of the continental Fudokan confederations appoints one member of the Executive Board, no later than one year counting from the election of the vice-president of the Executive Board. The mandate of the members of the Executive Board lasts until the expiry of the mandate of the vice-president elected by the Federation Assembly.
- (6) Until the seats in the Executive Board are assumed by the members appointed by the continental Fudokan confederations provisional members can be co-opted into the board at the proposal of the president of the Federation.
- (7) Same person may be re-elected, namely appointed to the Executive Board of the Federation.
- (8) Mandate of the vice-president and member of the Executive Board terminates with: death, resignation, dismissal and termination of membership in the Federation of a member of the

Federation, under whose regulative he was at the moment of election. The Executive Board establishes conditions for termination of membership in the Executive Board of the Federation.

- (9) President of the Federation assigns specific tasks to each member of the Executive Board.
- (10) If as a result of death, resignation or termination of membership in the Federation the mandate terminates prematurely for more than five (5) members of the Executive Board, an Extraordinary Assembly session is convened without delay.
- (11) Federation Assembly can prematurely dismiss the vice-president of the Executive Board and appoint another person in his place. The mandate of the newly elected vice-president of the Executive Board lasts as the mandate of other prematurely elected vice-presidents.
- (12) Federation Assembly may prematurely dismiss the member of the Executive Board and Fudokan confederation, under whose regulative this member was at the time of the election, shall appoint another person in his place. The mandate of the newly elected member of the Executive Board lasts until the expiry of the mandate of the vice-president appointed by the Federation Assembly.

Executive Board Jurisdictions

Article 40.

- (1) Executive Board is required to:
 - 1) perform current business of the Federation;
 - 2) propose financial reports to the Assembly;
 - 3) review submitted yearly reports on work of the Federation and its organs;
 - 4) adopt financial plan;
 - 5) adopt general acts of the Federation required for accomplishment of goals of the Federation, which are not explicitly under the jurisdiction of the Assembly;
 - 6) make proposition of statute amendments;
 - 7) make proposition of decision on statute changes;
 - 8) manage property of the Federation;
 - 9) determines amount of membership and enrollment fee;
 - 10) implement decisions and conclusions of the Assembly;
 - 11) determine organizational scheme and job systemization in the Federation, at the proposal of Secretary General;
 - 12) determine earnings of employees of the Federation, at the proposal of Secretary General;
 - 13) provide means for work of the Federation;
 - 14) prepare and determine propositions of the general acts and decisions under the jurisdiction of the Federation Assembly;
 - 15) appoint representatives of the Federation in other organizations;

- 16) establish and decide on rewards and recognitions of the Federation for merits and results of organizations and individuals in development and advancement of Fudokan and traditional karate;
 - 17) decide on structure of branches (office, section, affiliate), their place of business and legal representative;
 - 18) establish special care programs for promising athletes;
 - 19) approve legal businesses in case of conflict of interests;
 - 20) decide on initiating a litigation or withdrawing from it;
 - 21) determine, appoint and authorize persons with rights and obligations to represent the Federation in legal businesses and sets the limitations to those authorizations;
 - 22) perform all other activities related to accomplishment of goals of the Federation that are based on this statute within its jurisdiction, or which are based on this statute not in the explicit jurisdiction of other organs of the Federation.
- (2) To perform specific activities within its jurisdiction the Executive Board may form commissions and working bodies or appoint certain persons. With the decision to form commission or working bodies or to appoint certain persons their scope of work and composition is determined as well.
 - (3) Executive Board can, by the majority of votes of its members present, form the Board for Emergency Matters and appoint members from among its own members. Between two sessions of the Executive Board, the Board for Emergency Matters resolves issues which are under the jurisdiction of the Executive Board, with the decisions being submitted to the Executive Board for approval on the first following session.
 - (4) As a rule the Board for Emergency Matters is formed by president and two vice-presidents.
 - (5) President of the Federation is also the president of the Board for Emergency Matters.
 - (6) Secretary General of the Federation participates in the activities of the Board for Emergency Matters without the right to vote.
 - (7) Work of the Executive Board and the Board for Emergency Matters is more closely specified with the rules of procedure.

Executive Board Sessions

Article 41.

- (1) Executive Board deliberates in sessions convened by the president of the Federation, and in case of his absence the sessions are convened by the vice-president authorized by the president of the Federation or the senior vice-president of the Executive Board.
- (2) Sessions of the Executive Board are convened as a rule at least one in four (4) month.
- (3) Executive Board can deliberate if more than half of the total number of members of the Board is present. In case the Executive Board does not have a quorum necessary for decision-making the president of the Federation, or the vice-president of the Executive Board, will in emergency situations convene a new session with the same agenda no later than three days. At the

reconvened session the Executive Board can decide by majority of votes of the members present.

- (4) Executive Board decides through majority of votes of the members present, unless this statute states otherwise. In case of equal division of votes the vote of the president of the Federation is the deciding one.
- (5) Decision of the Executive Board on the disposal of property of the Federation is valid only with the consent of the Federation Assembly.
- (6) Members of the Executive Board when passing decisions have no obligations to their organizations nor can they receive directions from them, but are bound to protect the interests of the Federation as a whole and to represent decisions of the Assembly and the Executive Board of the Federation.
- (7) Executive Board can, in accordance with the rules of procedure, decide on emergency matters in a session held with the use of electronic means for communication (i.e. electronic session), unless it is being decided on adoption of the general acts.
- (8) Executive Board can, in accordance with the rules of procedure, at the written proposal of the president of the Federation, decide by written ballot of the members out of session, unless it is being decided on adoption of the general acts. If a member of the Executive Board does not respond to the decision draft of the president of the Federation within the deadline it will be considered he has given consent.

3. Supervising Board

Supervising Board Structure

Article 42.

- (1) Supervising Board is supervisory organ of the Federation that controls financial dealings of the Federation and final annual account.
- (2) Supervising Board is formed by three members.
- (3) Supervising Board appoints from among its members the president of the Supervising Board.
- (4) Supervising Board must report to the Assembly on matters within its jurisdictions during the adoption of the report on work.

Decisions of the Supervising Board

Article 43.

- (1) Supervising Board makes decisions through majority of votes of its members.
- (2) Members of the Supervising Board can be re-elected for only one more term.
- (3) Activities of the Supervising Board are determined by the rules of procedure.

Auditor

Article 44.

- (1) Executive Board can appoint Auditor with supervisory authority specified in accordance with the regulations on accounting and auditing.

4. President of the Federation**President of the Federation Election**

Article 45.

- (1) President of the Federation is also the president of the Assembly, the president of the Executive Board and the president of the Emergency Board of the Federation.
- (2) President of the Federation is elected by the Assembly for a four (4) year period, with the possibility of re-election, from among prominent sports professionals, athletes and sports experts in the field of Fudokan and traditional karate.
- (3) At least ten (10) full members of the Federation can nominate a candidate for the president of the Federation, with one member of the Federation nominating only one candidate.
- (4) Candidates for the president of the Federation are required to, no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the session of the election Assembly of the Federation, submit their agenda to the Federation which is published on its website.
- (5) President of the Federation reports to the Assembly of the Federation for his work.
- (6) In case that the Assembly of the Federation does not adopt the yearly report on the work of the Federation a vote of confidence (resolving) of the president of the Federation is performed.
- (7) Function of the president of the Federation can be terminated before the expiration of the term he was elected for by resignation or dismissal.
- (8) If the president of the Federation resigns, his duties are assumed by the senior vice-president of the Executive Board, which is required to convene and Extraordinary election Assembly, which will be held no later than three months from the date of the resignation.
- (9) In the event of termination of mandate of the president of the Federation before the term for which he was elected, the mandate will terminate for all vice-presidents and members of the Executive Board on the date of the first Assembly session at which the new president will be elected, in accordance with this statute.

Jurisdictions of the President of the Federation

Article 46.

- (1) President of the Federation performs the following jobs:
 - 1) represents the Federation;
 - 2) convenes and presides at the Assembly Sessions;

- 3) convenes sessions and directs the work of the Executive Board;
 - 4) convenes sessions and manages the Board for Emergency Matters;
 - 5) ensures implementation of programs, plans, decisions and conclusions of the Assembly;
 - 6) ensures execution of implementation of decisions and conclusions of the organs of the Federation;
 - 7) ensures achievement of the objectives of the Federation, realization of rights and obligations of the members of the Federation, and takes necessary measures;
 - 8) signs decisions and other acts passed by the Assembly;
 - 9) submits an annual report on the work of the Federation, which includes his work and the work of the Executive Board;
 - 10) in cooperation with the Secretary General prepares the sessions of the Assembly and of the Executive Board;
 - 11) establishes proposals of general acts and decisions passed by the Executive Board of the Federation;
 - 12) performs other duties in accordance with the statute and other general acts of the Federation.
- (2) Vice-president of the Executive Board authorized by the president of the Federation replaces the president of the Federation in the exercise of rights and duties during his absence, unless this statute states otherwise.

Honorary President of the Federation

Article 47.

- (1) The Assembly of the Federation can assign a status of lifelong honorary president of the Federation to a person who has given through their work a remarkable contribution to the development of Fudokan, traditional karate and sports in general.
- (2) The honorary president of the Federation can participate in the work of the Assembly and of the Executive Board, without voting rights.

Soke - the Supreme Teacher

Article 48.

- (1) A person that has acquired an international status of a well known and accredited master of the Fudokan martial art may be appointed to the supreme teacher (Soke) by the council of the guardians of style. The first supreme teacher (Soke) is Univ. Professor Ilija Jorga, MD.,PhD.
- (2) Soke functions as a lifelong president of the council of the guardians of style and as an honorary president of the federation.

Council of the Guardians of Style

Article 49.

- (1) Council of the Guardians of Style is the highest authority for the preservation of the foundations, independence and authenticity of the Fudokan style formed by internationally recognized and accredited top masters of Fudokan martial art that are appointed and dismissed by Soke.
- (2) Mandate of the guardians of style is not limited and as a rule is lifelong.
- (3) The Council of the Guardians of Style approves sports rules of the Fudokan martial art and their amendments, and the approved sports rules are adopted by the Assembly of the Federation.
- (4) The Council of the Guardians of Style proposes, and coordinates with the Board of traditional karate, the Code of Ethics and sports rules of traditional karate and their amendments.

5. Secretary General

Appointment and Jurisdictions of the Secretary General

Article 50.

- (1) Secretary General of the Federation is in charge for performing the following:
 - 1) speaks on behalf of and represents the Federation;
 - 2) answers for the legality of the work of the Federation;
 - 3) organizes and controls the performance of professional activities in the Federation and takes measures to improve those activities;
 - 4) takes care of preparations of sessions of the organs of the Federation and implementation of decisions and other acts of these organs;
 - 5) takes care of keeping the record of sessions of the organs of the Federation;
 - 6) acts as financial warrant issuer in implementation of the financial plan of the Federation;
 - 7) decides on individual rights, duties and responsibilities of the employees of the Federation;
 - 8) approves official travel at home;
 - 9) approves official travel abroad, in accordance with decisions of the Executive Board;
 - 10) performs tasks transferred to him by the president of the Federation and the Executive Board of the Federation;
 - 11) participates in the work of the Assembly of the Federation, without voting right;
 - 12) proposes the general act on internal organization and job systematization in the Federation;
 - 13) appoints and determines compensation for professional associates of the Federation;

- 14) takes care of completion of the goals of the Federation, completion of rights and duties of the members of the Federation, and takes necessary measures;
 - 15) also performs other tasks as determined by the provisions of the law concerning the representative of the Federation, provisions of this statute and the general acts of the Federation.
- (2) Secretary General as a rule concludes an employment contract with the Federation or concludes a contract on engagement, during his term of office, and for his work reports to the Assembly, the Executive Board and to the president of the Federation.
 - (3) Secretary General is appointed by the Assembly, at the proposal of the president of the Federation, for a period of four (4) years, with the possibility of reappointment.
 - (4) Secretary General can transfer certain activities within its area of jurisdiction to other management personnel in the technical office of the Federation.
 - (5) As a rule the Secretary General is appointed from amongst the renowned sport experts or professionals in sport that have a university degree, at least three years of working experience in sport, proven technical and organizational skills, good knowledge of the situation in Fudokan, traditional karate and sport in general, and knowledge of one world language.
 - (6) Exceptionally, Secretary General may be appointed from amongst the renowned and deserving athletes in the field of Fudokan and traditional karate, even if he does not meet the requirements set forth in the stipulations of previous paragraph concerning professional qualification, work experience and language skills.
 - (7) According to the Law the Secretary General is authorized to perform supervision of the legality of work of the Federation.
 - (8) In case of absence or inability the Secretary General is replaced by a person appointed by the Executive Board.

Informing the Organs and Members of the Federation

Article 51.

- (1) Secretary General is required to inform the organs of the Federation about activities and workings of the Federation and its financial dealings.
- (2) If an organ of the Federation, or at least twenty (20) members of the Federation, with stating the reasons, require submission of information specified in Item 1. of this Article, the Secretary General is required to submit those information no later than fifteen (15) days counting from the date of the submission of this request.

6. Disciplinary Court

Disciplinary Court

Article 52.

- (1) Disciplinary Court of the Federation is an independent disciplinary organ of the Federation, which decides on sanctioning of violations as determined by the disciplinary regulations and other general acts of the Federation, committed by persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation.

Structure of the Disciplinary Court

Article 53.

- (1) Disciplinary Court is formed by the president and two judges, appointed and dismissed by the Executive Board for a period of four (4) years, deciding on their appointment and dismissal by a majority of votes of the total number of members.
- (2) A person which is a lawyer and not a delegate in the Assembly of the Federation, or a member of the Executive Board or the arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport may be appointed as a disciplinary judge.
- (3) If a disciplinary judge is elected for one of the functions specified in the previous paragraph, its disciplinary judge function ceases with his election to this other function.

Proceedings Before the Disciplinary Court

Article 54.

- (1) Disciplinary Court decides primarily on the basis of the disciplinary regulations and other general acts of the Federation.
- (2) Disciplinary Court enacts its decisions by a majority of votes of the total number of judges. The disciplinary decision is made in writing and must be explained.
- (3) Appeal may be made against the decision of the Disciplinary Court to the Court of Arbitration for Sport within fifteen (15) days from the date of delivery of decision.
- (4) In the proceedings before the Disciplinary Court the public is, as a rule, excluded.
- (5) Organization and work of the Disciplinary Court are further specified with the disciplinary regulations of the Federation.
- (6) Disciplinary proceeding before the Disciplinary Court is initiated on the basis of a disciplinary action, which can be filed by the disciplinary prosecutor or persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation.
- (7) When filing disciplinary action a fee is paid in the amount determined by the Executive Board of the Federation. This fee is not charged when the disciplinary action is filed by the Disciplinary Prosecutor.

Disciplinary Prosecutor

Article 55.

- (1) Disciplinary Prosecutor is an organ of the Federation in charge of submission of disciplinary actions to the Disciplinary Court, ex officio, against persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation that have committed misconduct.
- (2) A person that meets the requirements established for the disciplinary judge may be appointed as Disciplinary Prosecutor.
- (3) Disciplinary Prosecutor submits disciplinary charges on his own initiative or on the basis of a disciplinary report of a person under the jurisdiction of the Federation.

Legality of Disciplinary Proceedings

Article 56.

- (1) Disciplinary sanctions may be imposed on a member of the Federation, in accordance with the Law, statute and general acts of the Federation, but he cannot be penalized for a disciplinary action he is not guilty of and which, before it was committed, was not specified by the general acts of the Federation as a disciplinary misconduct and for which no penalty was prescribed.
- (2) In the disciplinary proceeding a member of the Federation has the right to:
 - 1) conduct proceedings without delay and at the lowest possible cost;
 - 2) independent, expert and unbiased organ which decides on liability;
 - 3) defense attorney on personal expense;
 - 4) statement and presentation of evidence;
 - 5) written and justified decision;
 - 6) appeal.

7. Conflict of Interest and Ban on Competition

Conflict of Interest

Article 57.

- (1) Conduct of the members of the organs must be in accordance with the law and the general acts of the Federation.
- (2) Secretary General, members of the organs and working bodies of the Federation, as well as members of the organs of organizational units of the federation, are required to act conscientiously, carefully and responsibly to the Federation, in accordance with the Law and the general acts of the Federation.
- (3) Persons specified in Item 2. of this Article, which have personal interest, cannot use the Federation for gain of personal wealth, namely for personal needs.
- (4) Secretary General, employees and members of the organs of the Federation cannot, directly or indirectly, be engaged in a rival organization in the field of sport.

- (5) Conflict of interest as specified by the provisions of Item 3. of this Article exists if a member of the organ of the Federation, or the Secretary General or a member of his family (spouse, blood relative in the direct line and the lateral line to the second degree of kinship, foster or adopted child, a relative by marriage to the first degree) is;
- 1) a party in a legal transaction with the Federation;
 - 2) owner or otherwise in a legal transaction with a party in the legal business or action which concludes the contract with the Federation or which has financial interests in the legal business or action based on which it could reasonably be expected for it to influence the conduct of a member of the Federation or Secretary General, contrary to the interests of the Federation;
 - 3) under the controlling influence of a party in the legal business or action or a party with a financial interest in the legal business or action, so that it could reasonably be expected for it to influence the conduct of a member of the Federation, or Secretary General, contrary to the interests of the Federation.
- (6) The contract between the Secretary General and the Federation can be concluded with the approval of the Executive Board of the Federation. The contract with the secretary general is signed by the president of the Federation.
- (7) Violation of conflict of interests and ban on competition specified in Item 3. and 4. of this Article gives the Federation the right to compensation and the right for the transactions that a person performs for his own account be recognized as the transactions executed for the account of the Federation.
- (8) In case of conflict of interest between the Federation and the Secretary General the Federation is represented by the president of the Federation.

VI. PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION FOR SPORT

Court of Arbitration

Article 58.

- (1) Permanent Court of Arbitration for Sport (Court of Arbitration) is a permanent arbitral institution, responsible for solving disputes concerning the rights which the Federation and the members of the Federation (direct and indirect) freely exercise, in accordance with the Law, this statute and other general acts of the Federation.
- (2) Court of Arbitration is an independent organizational unit (branch) of the Federation and is independent in its operations and decisions.
- (3) Court of Arbitration may have a separate bank account, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Board of the Federation.
- (4) Jurisdiction, seat, structure and organization of the Court of Arbitration, conditions and method of election and dissolution of arbitrators, the arbitration costs and procedure in matters under the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration are further specified with the general acts passed by the Executive Board of the Federation with two thirds majority of votes of its members present.

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- (5) General act of the preceding point must ensure the independence, impartiality and competency of the arbitration in decision making as well as protect the rights of parties in the proceeding, including the right of the litigant to have a legal representative of its own choosing.
 - (6) An arbitration dispute is urgent.
 - (7) Members of the Federation and other persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation are required:
 - 1) to provide assistance to the Court of Arbitration in its proceedings;
 - 2) not to interfere and affect the arbitration procedure and its outcome;
 - 3) to provide information and documents at their disposal to the Court of Arbitration at its request;
 - 4) to answer the call of the permanent Court of Arbitration to participate in the proceeding;
 - 5) to observe and enforce decisions of the Court of Arbitration;
 - 6) to refrain from disparaging the Court of Arbitration and its decisions in public.
 - (8) Violation of obligations specified in the previous Item is a serious disciplinary offense.
 - (9) Member of the Federation that does not carry out the final decision of the Court of Arbitration has its membership in the federation suspended upon the expiry of the deadline for the fulfillment of the decision, and its membership stays suspended until the execution of the decision of the Court of Arbitration. The membership in the Federation ceases upon the expiry of the second (final) deadline for the fulfillment of the decision of the Court of Arbitration.
 - (10) Member of the Federation is required to implement all decisions necessary for execution of the final decision of the Court of Arbitration, including amendments and additions of the contested general act.
 - (11) Headquarter of activities of the Court of Arbitration is Belgrade.

Structure of the Court of Arbitration

Article 59.

- (1) Court of Arbitration consists of the president, vice-president and secretary of the Court of Arbitration, appointed by the Executive Board of the Federation by a majority of votes of the total number of its members present. The Court of Arbitration also consists of arbitrators from the list of arbitrators.
- (2) List of arbitrators is formed with each national Fudokan association appointing up to two arbitrators, and the Executive Board of the Federation appointing an additional ten (10) arbitrators.
- (3) President, vice-president and arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration are appointed for a period of four (4) years, with the possibility of re-election.
- (4) President and vice-president of the Court of Arbitration have the status of arbitrators.
- (5) President of the Court of Arbitration represents the Court of Arbitration by performing duties under the jurisdiction of this court and may participate in the activities of the Assembly and the Executive Board of the Federation, without the right to vote.

- (6) Executive Board of the Federation may dismiss an arbitrator prior to the expiration of the term for which he was appointed at the request of the arbitrator himself or when the joint session of the arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration previously establishes that the arbitrator in question violated his obligations as the arbitrator.
- (7) Person may be appointed as the arbitrator if he meets the following requirements:
 - 1) has business acumen;
 - 2) is not sentenced to an unconditional prison term, while the consequences of conviction last;
 - 3) is a lawyer by profession.
- (8) Arbitrator in a given dispute may not be a person who is an owner, member of an organ or an employee of sports organizations in the field of Fudokan and traditional karate, a person who participated in decision making in the same matter in the earlier proceeding, a person who is a member of an organ, official or an employee of the supervising national Fudokan association, as well as a person in connection with whom there are other reasons to question his impartiality.
- (9) Arbitrator must be impartial and independent with regard to parties and the subject matter of dispute.

Court of Arbitration Jurisdiction

Article 60.

- (1) Court of Arbitration resolves disputes:
 - 1) as first degree and final **instance** for arbitral resolution of disputes eligible for arbitration, that is disputes concerning rights which parties (persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation) freely exercise;
 - 2) as first degree and final instance for arbitral resolution of disputes between the Federation and its members and disputes between the members of the Federation concerning the exercise of rights and obligations of membership in the Federation;
 - 3) as first degree and final instance for arbitral resolution of disputes between the members of the Federation, which relate to matters for which a member of the federation may cease working in accordance with the provisions of Article 86. of the Law on Sport, and in accordance with other legal provisions regulating the termination of a member of the Federation;
 - 4) as first degree and final instance for arbitral resolution of disputes arising from decisions of the Federation or member of the Federation that discriminate against persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation, contrary to the Law, this statute or statute of the member of the Federation;
 - 5) as second degree final appellate instance relating to first degree rulings of the organs of the Federation;

- 6) as second degree final appellate instance relating to first degree rulings of the organs of the member of the Federation, in cases specified by the statute or other general act of the member of the Federation;
 - 7) as revision instance regarding the final decisions made by the members of the Federation, in cases determined by this statute or by the statute of the member of the Federation;
 - 8) as first instance disciplinary organ in cases of violation of anti-doping rules, in accordance with the Law on prevention of doping in sport and general acts of the Federation;
 - 9) as first and final instance for establishing invalidity of provision of a statute or other general act of a member of the Federation due to disagreement with this statute or other general act of the Federation.
- (2) General act of the Federation or that of a member of the Federation cannot refuse the right to file a complaint or appeal to the Court of Arbitration against a decision which regulates the right, duty or responsibility of a person under the jurisdiction of the Federation.

Disputes before the Court of Arbitration

Article 61.

- (1) Court of Arbitration passes decisions on disputes specified in Article 60. Item 1. Paragraph 1. of this statute (provisions relating to the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration):
 - 1) if the parties explicitly contract its jurisdiction;
 - 2) if the arbitration clause (provision relating to the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration) is contained in the general act of the Federation or that of a member of the Federation;
 - 3) if the arbitration clause is contained in the application for membership of the Federation or that of a member of the Federation, in a separate statement issued on admission to the membership of the Federation or that of a member of the Federation, in the application for registration or licensing.
- (2) It shall be considered that the contract on sports arbitration is concluded if the prosecutor files a claim or appeal to the Court of Arbitration, and the defendant does not object to the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration going into discussions on the subject of the dispute.
- (3) Arbitration, namely the work of the Court of Arbitration, is subject to the provisions of the arbitration Law which governs the arbitration, unless the Law on Sports specifies otherwise.

Miscellaneous Jurisdictions of the Court of Arbitration

Article 62.

- (1) Court of Arbitration has jurisdiction also over mediating dispute resolution and providing legal opinions at the request of a person under the jurisdiction of the Federation (direct or indirect member of the Federation).
- (2) Jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration specified in Item 1. of this Article is determined by written agreement concluded between the parties.

Revision

Article 63.

- (1) Members of the Federation can resolve their internal disputes via other arbitrators, except for disputes specified in Article 60. (provisions relating to the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration) and Article 61. (provisions relating to disputes before the Court of Arbitration) of this statute, which are within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration.
- (2) Member of the Federation, or a person under the jurisdiction of the Federation, that deems that the final decision of the Federation or of a member of the Federation violates its/his rights established by the Law, statute or general act of the Federation, or by statute or general act of a member of the Federation, may submit a revision to the Court of Arbitration, within thirty (30) days after delivery of the final decision.
- (3) Revision specified in Item 2. of this Article may be submitted also against the final decision of a member of the Federation relating to issues specified in Article 19. of this statute (questions concerning admittance of national Fudokan associations into the Federation).
- (4) Submission of revision does not postpone execution of the final decision, unless the Court of Arbitration does not pass a decision, in exceptional justified cases, to temporarily suspend execution of the contested decision.

Court of Arbitration Expenses

Article 64.

- (1) When submitting a request for arbitration, request for mediation and request for rendering of legal opinion, the applicant is required to pay a fee to the Court of Arbitration in the amount determined by the president of the Court of Arbitration, within the limits of the costs of Court of Arbitration expenses established by the Executive Board of the Federation.
- (2) The cost of expenses of the Court of Arbitration is determined by official financial costs of the Court of Arbitration by significance, type and complexity of the dispute.

Arbitration Clause

Article 65.

- (1) Jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration is determined by the Arbitration Clause.
- (2) All contracts concluded between persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation, that regulate the matters within the jurisdiction of the Federation, must include an arbitration clause which establishes the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration, in accordance with this statute, or the jurisdiction of other arbitration, which serves to resolve all disputes arising from a contract to which the arbitration clause refers to.

Abstaining from Court Dispute

Article 66.

- (1) All persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation are required to abstain from initiating and conducting a court dispute in the matters within the jurisdiction of the Court of Arbitration.

VII. SYSTEM OF ORGANIZATION

System of Organization

Article 67.

- (1) Organizational units in the Federation system are:
- 1) councils;
 - 2) commissions;
 - 3) boards;
 - 4) sections;
 - 5) offices;
 - 6) specialized services etc.
- (2) Scope, jurisdictions, composition and method of work of certain organizational units, and form of work in the Federation, are established by appropriate general acts, passed by the Executive Board.

Permanent Commissions and Boards

Article 68.

- (1) Federation can have the following permanent boards, commissions and councils:
- 1) finance board;
 - 2) board for legal matters;
 - 3) sports medicine board;
 - 4) international cooperation board;
 - 5) board for cooperation with Fudokan alliances;
 - 6) world championship organizing board;
 - 7) referee commission;
 - 8) commission for strategic matters;
 - 9) commission for top sport and sport development;
 - 10) commission for fair play and social responsibility;
 - 11) commission for marketing, media and public relation;
 - 12) council for publishing.
- (2) Jurisdiction and work of commissions is further specified with appropriate general acts of the Federation and decisions of the Executive Board.

Commission Structure

Article 69.

- (1) Commission is formed by:
 - 1) president of commission, appointed and dismissed by the Executive Board of the Federation;
 - 2) between two and four (2-4) members of commission, appointed and dismissed by the Executive Board of the Federation at the proposal of the president of commission.
- (2) Mandate of the president and members of commission lasts four (4) years.
- (3) Provisions specified in Item 1. and 2. of this Article relating to commission apply to all permanent working bodies and types of work in the Federation, in particular to boards and councils.

Finance Board

Article 70.

- (1) Finance Board is responsible for supervising financial operations and providing advice to the Executive Board on financial matters and use of the Federation funds. Finance Board analyzes the budget and financial reports, which are made by the Secretary General and forwarded to the Executive Board.

Board for Legal Matters

Article 71.

- (1) Board for legal matters is responsible for the legal status of associations and organizations in the field of Fudokan, for development and improvement of the statute and other general normative acts of the Federation, confederations and Fudokan alliances.

Sports Medicine Board

Article 72.

- (1) Sports medicine board is responsible for matters relating to the medical aspects of Fudokan and traditional karate.

International Cooperation Board

Article 73.

- (1) International cooperation board is responsible for general matters relating to position and promotion of Fudokan as a sport discipline, primarily in terms of adequacy and improvement of its organizational structure, and in term of relations between clubs, leagues, members of the Federation, Fudokan confederations and the Federation.

Board for Cooperation with Fudokan Alliances

Article 74.

- (1) Board for cooperation with Fudokan alliances is responsible for relations between the Federation and its members as well as for elaboration of proposals for establishment of optimal cooperation.
- (2) At the same time, the board for cooperation with Fudokan Alliances is in charge for monitoring the development and improvement of the statute and other general normative acts of the Federation, confederations and Fudokan alliances.

World Championship Organizing Board

Article 75.

- (1) World championship organizing board is responsible for organizing the Fudokan world championship in accordance with the provisions of all general and other acts of the Federation and its members, which relate to this highest level of international competition.

Referee Commission

Article 76.

- (1) Referee commission is responsible for implementation and interpretation of sports rules and is authorized to submit proposals for amendments of sports rules to the Executive Board. Referee commission is responsible for appointing competition judges for Fudokan competitions organized by the Federation.

Strategic Commission

Article 77.

- (1) Commission for strategic matters is responsible for development of a global strategy for the affirmation of Fudokan as martial art and sports discipline, and for improvement of its political, economic and social status.
- (2) Commission for strategic matters is responsible for establishing policies and activities to advance Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline, with the final goal of its full recognition and inclusion in the line of Olympic sports.

Top sport and Sport Development Commission

Article 78.

- (1) Commission for top sport and sport development is responsible for cooperation with government agencies and institutions with the goal of advancement of position of Fudokan as an independent martial art and sports discipline, and for the final goal of its full affirmation. The commission prepares proposals for special care programs for promising athletes, and forwards them to the Executive Board.
- (2) Commission cooperates with the supervising governmental commission to prepare categorization of sports, athletes and sport experts, and to rank athletes and sport experts in accordance with the Law, as well as with other governmental agencies that deal with similar issues.

Fair Play and Social Responsibility Commission

Article 79.

- (1) Commission for fair play and social responsibility is responsible for issues of fair play in Fudokan, supervising implementation of measures for appreciation and promotion of fair play, and assisting and supporting individuals under the jurisdiction of Fudokan in designing and implementing activities relating to social responsibility.

Marketing, Media and Public Relations Commission

Article 80.

- (1) Commission for marketing, media and public relations is responsible for ensuring the necessary conditions for media at sporting events organized by the Federation, as well as for maintaining relations with international media and organizations.
- (2) Commission for marketing, media and public relations is responsible for advising the Executive Board in preparation, signing and execution of contract between the Federation and various media and television organizations. Commission is also responsible for analyzing and evaluating marketing and television strategies it recommended to the Executive Board.

Council for Publishing

Article 81.

- (1) Council for publishing is responsible for publication and distribution of professional and technical publications in the field of Fudokan and traditional karate.

VIII. TECHNICAL SERVICE OF THE FEDERATION

Technical Service

Article 82.

- (1) Federation has technical service for professional, administrative and support jobs.

- (2) Executive Board of the Federation may delegate tasks specified in Item 1. of this Article to appropriate professional institutions and organizations, or individuals.
- (3) Technical service of the Federation is in charge for:
 - 1) performing tasks of implementation of decisions, conclusions and other acts of organs of the Federation and implementation of forms of organization and work in the Federation;
 - 2) preparing analyses, reports and information, as well as blueprints of general and other acts of the Federation;
 - 3) organizing activities and performing tasks within the Federation;
 - 4) performing other duties as instructed by the Assembly, Executive Board, president of the Federation or Secretary General.
- (4) In performing its activities the technical service of the Federation collaborates with the technical services of the members of the Federation.
- (5) Activities of the technical service of the Federation are managed by the Secretary General of the Federation.
- (6) Persons employed in the technical service of the Federation, in accordance with the activities they perform, are entitled to adequate compensation, namely wages and other benefits if they are in a working relationship.

IX. GENERAL ACTS

General Acts

Article 83.

- (1) General acts of the Federation are the statute, regulations and decisions which in a general manner regulate certain issues. The regulations include codes passed by the organs of the Federation.
- (2) Proposal to amend the statute must be submitted to the members of the Assembly no later than 15 days prior to the date of the Assembly.
- (3) Amendments to the proposal of the statute, namely changes and additions to the statute, are submitted to the Assembly in written form no later than three days prior to the Assembly session.
- (4) The statute, namely the changes and additions to the statute, are adopted by a majority of votes of the total number of delegates of the assembly with voting right present.
- (5) Executive Board of the Federation may, by two thirds majority of votes of all its members present, decide on adoption of the statute or other general act through direct vote (referendum) of regular full members of the Federation. In direct vote, on behalf of a member of the Federation the right to vote is exercised by the representative of that member or a person with special permission certified with the seal of that member of the Federation and signed by the representative. The decision in direct voting is passed only if it is adopted by the majority of the total number of regular full members of the Federation.

- (6) Method of passing the statute, or amendments and additions to the statute is regulated by the Assembly rules of procedures.
- (7) General acts issued by the Executive Board of the Federation are adopted by the majority of votes of the total number of its members present.
- (8) Each member and each organ of the Federation may initiate adoption or amendment of a certain general act of the Federation.
- (9) Public dispute is conducted only regarding the draft of the statute of the Federation.
- (10) Each member of the Federation is entitled to a copy of the statute of the Federation.

Implementation of General Acts

Article 84.

- (1) The statute and other general acts of the Federation, as well as sport rules from the Law on Sport, are applied directly on all persons who are, directly or indirectly, under the jurisdictions of the Federation.
- (2) The statute and other general acts of a member of the Federation must be in accordance with the law and the statute and other general acts of the Federation, and are otherwise invalid.
- (3) In case of disagreement of provisions between the general acts of the Federation and this statute the provisions of the statutes shall be applied.
- (4) In case of disagreement between provisions of the statute or other general act of a member of the Federation and provisions of the statute and general act of the Federation, the provisions of the statute or general act of the Federation shall be directly applied.

Decisions as Individual Acts

Article 85.

- (1) Decisions as individual acts, passed by the organs and authorized persons in the Federation, must be in accordance with the general act of the Federation and current legislature, otherwise are invalid.
- (2) Decisions as individual acts, passed by the organs of the members of the Federation, must be in accordance with the current legislature, general acts of the Federation and general acts of the members of the Federation, otherwise are invalid.
- (3) The right to appeal to decisions as individual acts, passed by the organs of the Federation and members of the Federation, must be allowed unless the Court of Arbitration is in charge for resolution of dispute.
- (4) To establish invalidity of decision specified in Item 1. and 2. of this Article persons under the jurisdiction of the Federation are required to, prior to initiating litigation in accordance with the Law, submit appeal or revision of the contested decision to the Court of Arbitration.

X. STATUS CHANGES

Status Changes

Article 86.

- (1) Decision on status changes, in accordance with the Law on Sport, is passed by the Assembly of the Federation, at the proposal of the Executive Board, through majority of votes of the total number of the members of the assembly, with the right to vote, present.
- (2) Executive Board of the Federation may, by two thirds majority of votes of all its members present, decide to vote on status change through direct vote (referendum) of regular full members of the Federation. In direct vote, on behalf of a member of the Federation the right to vote is exercised by the representative of that member or a person with special permission certified with the seal of that member of the Federation and signed by the representative. The decision in direct voting is passed only if it is adopted by the majority of the total number of regular full members of the Federation.

XI. ANTI-DOPING RULES

Anti-Doping Rules

Article 87.

- (1) Doping is contrary to the fundamental principles of sport and contrary to medical ethics.
- (2) Doping is prohibited, both in competitions and outside of competitions, during training and every day activities.
- (3) Under doping is classified any activity defined as such by WADA (World Anti Doping Agency).
- (4) Executive Board of the Federation establishes anti-doping rules, in accordance with WADA.
- (5) All direct and indirect members of the Federation are required to abide by and comply with the obligations defined by the Law on Prevention of Doping in Sport and by the anti-doping regulations of the Federation.
- (6) For violation of anti-doping rules the responsible person is appropriately sentenced, in accordance with the general acts of the Federation.
- (7) Doping control is conducted by national supervising anti-doping agency, and officially appointed laboratories of WADA.

XII. PROPERTY AND RESOURCES

Federation Resources

Article 88.

- (1) Federation acquires the resources to accomplish its goals from:
 - 1) registration fees;
 - 2) membership fees;
 - 3) revenues from its own activities;

- 4) sponsorships;
 - 5) donations;
 - 6) public revenues;
 - 7) direct performance of economic and other activities, in accordance with the Law;
 - 8) revenues of enterprises, institutions, agencies and other organizations in which the Federation is the founder or co-founder;
 - 9) other sources, in accordance with the Law.
- (2) Facilities and assets which the Federation acquires and has at its disposal represent its property.
- (3) Federation is liable for its obligations with all its assets.
- (4) Secretary General of the Federation is the financial warrant issuer of financial papers for managing the funds of the Federation.
- (5) Decisions on the amount of certain fees (registration fee, membership fee etc.) specified in Item 1. of this Article are established by the Executive Board of the Federation.
- (6) Federation has dinar and foreign currency account and through its accounts conducts business independently.
- (7) Profit made by the Federation during a fiscal year is used exclusively for the achievement of the statutory goals of the Federation.

Use of Funds and Resources

Article 89.

- (1) Federation manages and uses the facilities, funds and resources at its disposal or that are placed at its disposal.
- (2) Federation may change the purpose of a sports facility at its disposal, but only in exceptional cases and under the conditions established by the provisions of the Law on Sport.
- (3) Federation may allow use of objects and assets at its disposal to the members of the Federation, under the conditions established by the decision of the Executive Board of the Federation.

XIII. LIABILITY FOR CAUSED DAMAGE

Liability for Damage

Article 90.

- (1) Members of the organs of the Federation are jointly liable for the damage they caused to the Federation by voting for a certain decision, if this decision was made due to gross negligence or with the intent to cause damage.
- (2) Those members that were against making harmful decision specified in Item 1. of this article, or have refrained from voting, will not be held liable.
- (3) Proceeding for damage compensation is initiated based on the decision of the Assembly of the Federation, the Executive Board of the Federation or at least five (5) regular members of the Federation.

- (4) Provisions specified in Item 1. and 2. of this Article also apply to decisions of the Secretary General of the Federation.

XIV. TRANSPARENCY OF WORK

Transparency of Work

Article 91.

- (1) Work of the Federation is open to public, in accordance with the Law and this statute.
- (2) Transparency of work of the Federation is ensured through public sessions of the organs of the Federation, publication of decisions of the organs of the Federation and timely and full release of information to the public and members of the Federation on activities of the Federation.
- (3) Organs of the Federation can ensure transparency of work also by delivering decisions, information and acts of the Federation and organs of the Federation to the members of the Federation exclusively through electronic mail.
- (4) Federation shall regularly inform its members and public on its decisions, stands and proposals, adopted in the sessions of organs and bodies and other Federation meetings, as well as on current events among the members of the Federation, through mass media, press conferences or by publishing special information and bulletins.
- (5) Representative of the Federation which provides data and information concerning the work of the Federation is responsible for its accuracy.
- (6) Positions of the Federation and its organs and bodies, may be delivered and represented exclusively by the elected officials of the Federation.

Official Journal of the Federation

Article 92.

- (1) Federation has its official internet page (website) www.fudokaninfo.com on which information on the Federation, its work, decisions and general acts is published.
- (2) Internet presentation of the Federation is the Official Journal of the Federation.

XV. TERMINATION

Termination

Article 93.

- (1) Federation ceases to operate by the decision of the Assembly of the Federation, made through two third majority of delegates of the assembly with voting rights.
- (2) Federation notifies the competent registration authority on the dissolution of the Federation to delete it from the registry.

- (3) In case of termination of the Federation, the property of the Federation is transferred to benefit an organization with the same or similar goals as the Federation, if there is no such organization the property of the Federation is transferred to the Olympic Committee of the Republic of Serbia.

XVI. TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Compliance with the Law on Sport

Article 94.

- (1) Organization, work and general acts of the Federation are harmonized with the provisions of the Law on Sport, and the Federation is, with the change of jurisdiction, deleted from the Register of associations and registered in the Register of associations, societies and alliances in the field of sport.
- (2) General acts and the work of the Federation will be in accordance with the provisions of the statute by the end of the calendar year in which this statute is passed, more precisely by 31st of December 2012.
- (3) Until the election, the constitution and the completion of the organs of the Federation, the duties of the Executive Board of the Federation will be conducted by the Board for Emergency Matters.
- (4) Court of Arbitration begins work on the day of entry into effect of the general act specified in Article 58. Item 4. of this statute (the Court of Arbitration).

Election of the First President

Article 95.

- (1) Provisions specified in Article 45. Item 3. and 4. of this statute, concerning the proposal of candidates for president and submission and publication of programs of work of these candidates, will not apply in the election of the first president of the Federation.
- (2) First president of the Federation to be elected, in accordance with the provisions of this statute, may be proposed by at least one member of the Federation.
- (3) First president of the Federation submits his working agenda after his election and no later than 31st of December 2012.

Statute of Association

Article 96.

- (1)** Upon entry into effect of this statute, the statute of the World Fudokan Federation association, adopted on the 5th of February 2012 ceases to be valid and applicable.

Entry Into Effect

Article 97.

- (1) This statute shall enter into effect on the date of published on the website (www.fudokaninfo.com) and bulletin board of the Federation.
- (2) This statute shall be published on the website and bulletin board of the Federation.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY

Univ.Prof. Ilija Jorga MD., PhD.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'I. Jorga', is written over a horizontal line.