Article(IV) Council.

Section 1. The conduct of the affairs of the Federation shall be vested in the Council.

The Council shall be formed annually by one representative current voting member from each club, Salle d'Armes or fencing group affiliated to the Federation which has ten or more current voting members of the Federation. For every additional fifteen or more such members each affiliated club Salle d'Armes and fencing group is entitled to one additonal Council member per fifteen or more such members.

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Section 2. The Council may make provision by bye-law for representativ of affiliated school groups, catering for students under 17 years of age.

Section 3. Assumption of duties of the incoming Council shall be regulated by bye-laws. The Council at its first session shall appoint one of its members as President of the Federation. The President, on accepting office shall nominate from the Council an Honorary Secretary and an Honorary Treasurer of the Federation and such further offices as the Council may from time to time determine.

Section 4. The officers of the Federation shallhave such powers and duties as may be prescribed by this Constitution or in the bye-laws.

Section 5 The Honorary President shall be appointed by the Annual General Meeting.

Section 6 An Honorary Auditor shall be appointed by the Annual General Meeting.

Section 7 All Committees and commissions shall be appointed by the Council and a member of the Council will be nominated by the President to act as Chairman on such committees and commissions.

Section 8 The Council, at its first session each year shall appoint a Selectors Committee which shall hold office for one year The committee shall consist of a Chairman nominated by the Council from the selectors and each weapon shall be represented by at least one selector. The committees decisions shall be final if its determination shall not be revocable by the Council.

Section 9 The Council and all committees and commissions shall conduct their proceedings in accordance with recognised practices, and all committees and commissions shall report the results of their meetings directly to the Council.

Article(V) Bye-laws.

Section. 1 The Council may issue bye-laws from time to time for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the Federation. A bye-law shall come into force at such time as the Council may direct, or failing a direction shall be immediately effective, provided that no bye-law shall be retrospective in its effective.

Section 2 All bye-laws shall be ratified by a two-third majority at the Annual General Meeting next subsequent to the date of issue: failing such ratification the bye-law shall be ineffective from the date of said Annual General Meeting, provided that any art undertaken in persuance of the bye-law whilst said bye-law was in force shall be deemed vali

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Article)Vl) Amendments

Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any General Meeting provided that twenty-eight days notice in writing is given to the Honorary Secretary. An amendment to the constitution shall be deemed to be passed when favoured by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting.

Article (Vll) General Meetings.

Section 1.
A General Meeting which shall be deemed to be the Annual General Meeting will be held each calender yaar. Such meeting will be held not less than nine months nor more than fifteen months after the next preceding Annual General Meeting.

Section 2.
Extraordinary General Meetings will be called by the Honorary Secretary by direction of the Council or upon written demand signed by fifteen fencing members of the Federaton. The meeting will be called with 28 days of the date of any such notice.

Section 3.
Fourteen days clear notice shall be given to all Fencing Members of all General Meetings and of the business to be transacted thereat.

Article Vlll) Discipline

Section 1.
The Council shall be a two-third majority of the members voting have power to reprimand, suspend or expel any member whose conduct it deems detrimental to the interests of character of the Federation. No suspension shall be fore more than one year.

Section.2.
Notice must be served upon the member against whom the preposed action is to be taken, setting forth generally the conduct forming the basis for the proposed action.

Section 3.
If requested within ten days by the member to be disciplined or by three members of the Council,a committee of not less than five Fencing Members of the Federation shall be appointed by the President to investigate the conduct charged against the member; the Committee shall give the member an opportunity to be heard on the matters before it. The Council shall not exercise its disciplinary powers unless the Committee confirms the charges made to have been proved.

Article(lX) Finance

The Federation may demand from its Fencing Members and from its affiliated groups such Annual Subscriptions as may be determined from time to time by the Federation in General Meeting.

Section 2.
The Council may determine the amount of subscriptions fees and charge to be demanded in respect of specific services or in respect of events promoted by the Federation.

Section 3.
The Honorary Treasurer shall be accountable for all funds of the Federation.

(b) The Honorary Treasuer shall present to the Annual General Meeting an accounts of the Federations funds which shall have been certified by the Honorary Auditor.

(c) The Honorary Treasurer shall cause all moneys of the Federation to be deposited with a bank to be nominated by the Council, or an otherwise directed by the Council.

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Article X F.I.E.

Notwithstanding any provisions of this constitution the Federation shall not undertake any action held to contravene any requirement of its affiliation to Federation Internationale d'Escrime nor shall it refrain from any action required by each affiliation.

Article Xl Liability

All members shall arm equip and clothe themselves at their own expense and at their own risk and no liability whatsoever shall attack to the Federation as a result of any injury they may suffer when fencing in any match tournament or competition conducted under the auspices of the Federation.

Article Xll Council Quornm

No resolution of the Council shall be valid unless the attendance at the meeting at which the resolution is passed includes one office of the Federation, and the total attendance shall be not less than one half of the total membership of the Council, plus one member.

Article Xlll Winding up.

In the event of the dissolution of the Federation, its assets shall be distributed of the discretion of the Council to any body or group most closely allied in its objects to those of the Federation.

Article XIV Proxy.

Voting at General Meetings of the Federation shall be either (a) in person or (b) by written proxy addressed to a Fencing Member of the Federation attending the meeting. Voting at all other meetings shall be in person only.

Article XV affiliation.

Section 1.

Any member of persons who are fencing members of the Federation may combine and apply for affiliation of their club, salle d'Armes or group.

Section 2.

The Council may require such details of the group as they may deem necessary for their consideration of the application. Any group to which the Council may refuse affiliation may appeal tothe next succeeding Annual General Meeting for reconsideration of its application. Such an application shall be deemed to be successful if approved by a simple majority at such Annual General Meeting.

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