

STATUTES of OMAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (OOC)

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CHAPTER ONE

Definitions

Article (1)

In application of the provisions of these Statutes, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings ascribed to them hereunder unless the context otherwise requires:

Law: Royal Decree No. 81/2007 on the Law of Private Organizations Operating in the Sports Field and Royal Decree No. 57/2012 on the functioning of the Oman Olympic Committee (OOC) and Elected Sports Association.

Committee: Oman Olympic Committee.

General Assembly: General Assembly of Oman Olympic Committee.

Board: Board of Directors of Oman Olympic Committee.

Statutes: Statutes of Oman Olympic Committee.

Association: Omani Association registered in accordance with Law.

Organizations: organizations and societies having an activity relating to sports and Olympic Movement and operating in accordance with the principles of the Olympic Charter whose membership is approved by the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Statutes.

Person: Natural person affiliated to the Committee pursuant to the provisions of the Statutes, and enjoying all rights and duties in the Statutes including athlete representatives, sports celebrities and the representatives of the international sports organizations.

Sports Disputes: disputes related to the application of the statues' provisions and statues of the elected sports associations or the interpretation of their provisions as well as the regulations issued in implementation thereof in accordance with the provisions of the law and statues of these associations.

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CHAPTER TWO

Establishment & Functions

Article (2)

Oman Olympic Committee is a private sports organization of public interest set up in 1982. It has a legal personality as well as administrative and financial independence. It is based in the Governorate of Muscat.

As a part of the Olympic Movement the Committee shall respect the provisions of the Olympic Charter.

Article (3)

Subject to the provisions of the Olympic Charter, the Committee shall assume the following functions:

- 1. Taking care of the Olympic Movement in the Sultanate of Oman and maintaining the Olympic rules and principles
- 2. Promoting women's participation in sporting activities at all levels locally and internationally.
- 3. Organizing the Olympic sporting activity within Oman, coordinating this activity among its various sports associations and assisting them in developing their programs and plans relating to the Olympic and regional activity.
- 4. Organizing Olympic, continental and regional events and activities to be held in Oman in accordance with the Olympic and international rules and laws.
- 5. Collaborating and coordinating with the sports associations to better prepare teams representing the Sultanate in the Olympic, continental and regional competitions and selecting the Sultanate's representatives in such events in accordance with the rules and laws prescribed by International Olympic Committee {IOC} and the decisions made by the committees of these events. The Committee shall represent Oman at the Olympic Games and at the regional, continental or world multi-sport games sponsored by the IOC. Itshall constitute, organize and lead its respective delegations to these competitions. Moreover, it shall be liable for the acts of the members of its delegations to these competitions and shall participate in the Olympic Games by sending athletes.

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- 6. Assisting sports associations in performing their mission and coordinating work between them.
- 7. Seeking to resolve sports disputes by Omani Committee of Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport which is formed and regulated by the General Assembly.
- 8. Preventing the use of dopes and drugs prohibited by International Olympic Committee or international sports federations, imposing the penalties in the regulations and rules issued by the IOC or the competent international organizations, implementing the World Anti-Doping Code and its rules and requirements of membership and respecting the responsibilities to be assumed by the national Olympic committees.
- 9. Contributing to the preparation of the sports leaders and the development of their skills.
- 10. Promoting the execution the of the "Sport For All" Programs.
- 11. Authorizing the use, manufacture and trade in its name and logo and in accordance with the provisions of the Olympic Charter and the terms and conditions prescribed by the Board. No natural or legal person may use the name of Oman Olympic Committee or any other name that may cause any ambiguity in this regard.
- 12. Participating in spreading the Olympic spirit in physical education programs in schools, universities and sports communities.
- 13. Participating in the activities of promoting peace and preserving the environment and good sporting manners and conduct.
- 14. Developing and protecting the Olympic Movement and disseminating its key principles in the sports activity by cooperating with government and nongovernment entities in Oman and not participating in any activity that may violate the Olympic Charter as well as preserving its autonomy in face of any pressures preventing the Committee from complying with the Olympic Charter.
- 15. Preventing all forms of discrimination, differentiation or violence in sport.
- 16. Representing Oman in the Olympic, international, continental and regional events whether held inside or outside the Sultanate.
- 17. Creating an Omani Olympic Academy and Olympic Museum with the aim of encouraging Olympic education and training, enabling them to do their activities and preparing programs and cultural publications relating to the Olympic Movement.

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CHAPTER THREE

The Conditions of Membership, Procedures of its Acceptance, and Rights and Obligations of Members

Article (4)

The conditions that should be satisfied for the committee's membership are as follows:

1. The sports association or committee must be registered and doing a specific and ongoing sports activity, be affiliated to an international federation, and be governed by the Olympic Charter and rules of its international federation.

An association or sports committees affiliated to an International Federation whose sport is not included in the Olympic Games program may be accepted subject to the provisions of the Olympic Charter and these Statutes.

- 2. Organizations must be legally registered with the competent authority and do or engage in activities connected with the Olympic Movement.
- 3. All applicable fees and subscriptions should be paid provided that such payment shall be made prior to opening of the nomination for Board membership.

Article (5)

Membership application shall be submitted to the Committee by an official letter enclosing three copies of each of the following documents:

- 1. A statement including the details of the activity, headquarters, facilities, and playgrounds.
- 2. The Statutes and registration decision.
- 3. A list of its members.
- 4. A recently approved annual report on its activity and budget.
- 5. A list of the names of members of its Board of Directors as well as their qualifications and positions.
- 6. A payment receipt of the due fees for the Committee membership.

Article (6)

The membership application shall be referred to the Committee's General Assembly to resolve upon it at the first meeting following submission of the application duly completed.

The applicant association shall be notified of the acceptance/rejection resolution within thirty (30) days from the date of its issuance by a registered mail. In case that the application is accepted the association shall become a member of the Committee with effect from the date of issuance of the General Assembly's resolution accepting the application.

In case that the application is rejected the rejection resolution shall specify the reasons therefor. The application may however be re-submitted after meeting the reasons of rejection.

Article (7)

A member of the Committee shall:

- 1. Comply with the provisions of the Law, these Statutes and the regulations set forth by the Committee.
- 2. Implement the resolutions of the Committee's General Assembly, its Board of Directors and various committees set up in accordance with the provisions of these Statutes.
- 3. Pay annual subscription fees and any other fees prescribed by the Committee for its activities.
- 4. Respect the Omani customs and traditions and observe sportsmanship.
- 5. Participate in the competitions and championships supervised by the Committee in accordance with the relevant controls.

Article (8)

A member of the Committee may:

- 1. Participate in activities and championships organized and supervised by the Committee.
- 2. Participate in meetings of the Committee's General Assembly.
- 3. Enjoy the services provided by the Committee to its members.
- 4. Take part in the Olympic, continental and regional competitions and championships.

CHAPTER FOUR

Entities

Article (9)

The Committee shall consist of the following entities:

- 1. General Assembly.
- 2. Board of Directors.
- 3. General Secretariat.
- 4. Committees of Omani Committee for Dispute Resolution and

Arbitration for Sport. Supporting may be set up to assist any of these

entities.

Article (10)

The General Assembly is the higher entity of the Committee having all powers subject to the provisions of the Olympic Charter and the statutes of the concerned international sports federations (IFS).

Article (11)

The Board is the executive body of the Committee pursuant to the provisions of these Statutes.

Article (12)

The General Secretariat is the body liable for following up and implementing all resolutions issued by the Committee's Board and General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of these Statutes. It includes the administrative and technical apparatus. It shall be concerned with overseeing the progress of work of the supporting committees and implementing the consequent recommendations after being approved by the Board.

Article (13)

The Omani Committee for Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport is the committee responsible for settling sports disputes in accordance with the provisions of the law and these Statutes. It shall perform its functions pursuant to the provisions of the Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Regulation. Its decisions may not be appealed except in accordance with these Statutes.

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Article (14)

Permanent or temporary committees may be set up, upon a decision of the Chairman subject to the Board's approval provided that such decision shall specify the formation and membership of such committees, their functions, operating system and term.

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CHAPTER FIVE

General Assembly

Article (15)

The Committee's General Assembly shall be composed of members satisfying the membership conditions in Article No. (4) as follows:

- 1. Omani member(s) of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), if any, with each one of them having one vote.
- 2. All sports associations and committees affiliated to their relevant International Federations whose sports are included in the program of the Olympic Games with each of them having one vote.
- 3. Not more than two sports figures who made important contributions to the sport or the Olympic Movement, or have experience or significant contributions to sport in the Sultanate in accordance with the selection conditions, controls and standards approved by the General Assembly. Their membership shall end after each Summer Olympic Games whether held or no. Each of them shall have one vote.
- 4. Two representatives of Athletes to be elected by athletes registered with the Athletes Committee who participated in one of the latest three Olympic Games or Asian Games. Each of them shall have one vote.
- 5. Sports associations and committees affiliated to the International Sports Federations supervising the sports which are not included in the program of the Olympic Games with each one of them having one vote.
- 6. Generic associations and organizations with each of them having one vote.

Article (16)

Each association shall be represented by its Chairman at the meetings of the General Assembly. If he is absent the Association's Board shall elect one of its members to represent and act for him. The committees and organizations shall be represented by their chairpersons or their deputies. In case of discussing issues relating to the Olympic Games in particular the votes cast by the national associations affiliated to the International Federations which govern the sports included in the program of the Olympic Games shall only be taken into consideration.

In all cases the votes of the national associations affiliated to the International Federations which govern the sports included in the program of the Olympic Games shall always constitute the voting majority of the General Assembly.

Attendance of the Board members shall be mandatory at the meetings of the Ordinary General Assembly. However they shall neither be entitled to vote on its resolution nor to attend the meetings of the General Assembly in their capacities as representatives for any relevant member or vote in the Board elections.

Article (17)

The General Assembly shall convene at an ordinary meeting at least once a year within three (3) months from the end of the Committee's fiscal year. An invitation by a letter from the Chairman/Secretary General shall be made to the members entitled to attend the same. The invitation shall also be published in a local daily newspaper at least thirty (30) days before the scheduled date. The invitation letter shall define the date and venue of the meeting enclosing a copy of each of the following:

- I. Meeting Agenda.
- 2. The report of the Board on the Committee's administrative status, activities for the expired year and various activities that will be conducted next year.
- 3. The final account for the expired fiscal year approved by the auditor.
- 4. A draft estimated budget for next fiscal year.
- 5. The proposals made by the members at least sixty (60) days prior to the meeting of the General Assembly.
- 6. A list of names of the members entitled to attend the meeting.

If the agenda implies electing the Board or filling vacant positions the invitation shall be made in the form mentioned in the first paragraph of this Article not less than sixty (60) days prior to the meeting.

Article (18)

Without prejudice to the provisions of these Statutes the Chairman shall issue the Election Regulation of the Committee subject to approval of the General Assembly. This Regulation shall include all organizational and legal procedures relating to the electoral process, including the formation of committees concerned with elections, appeals, etc.

Article (19)

The Ordinary General Assembly shall be concerned with the following:

- 1. Approving of the minutes of previous meeting.
- 2. Discussing of the Board's report on its works last year, activity programs and action plan for next year.
- 3. Discussing the Auditor's report and approving the closing account of the expired year and the draft balance sheet for next fiscal year.
- 4. Electing the Board or filling the vacancies.
- 5. Electing and determining the remuneration of the Auditor
- 6. Considering the proposals submitted by members.

Article (20)

Voting in the General Assembly shall be conducted in the physical presence of the members and openly with the exception of the cases determined by the General Assembly and of the Committee's elections, where voting shall be conducted by secret ballot.

Article (21)

The meeting of General Assembly shall not be valid unless it is attended by an absolute majority of the members including at least a simple majority of representatives for the sports associations and committees affiliated to the International Federations whose sports are included in the program of Olympic Games. If such condition is not satisfied the meeting shall be adjourned to another time on same day or on the date specified by the Board within at most fifteen (15) days from the date of the first meeting. The second meeting shall be valid if it is attended by at least one-quarter of the members including a simple majority of representatives for the sports associations and committees affiliated to the International Federations whose sports are included in the program of the Olympic Games. If this majority could not however be attained at the second meeting the Board shall exercise the terms of reference of the General Assembly. If the agenda implies an election of the Board of Directors the Board shall continue exercising its business temporarily.

In all cases the Board should invite the General Assembly for a meeting within six (6) months.

Article (22)

Without prejudice to provisions of paragraph 2 of Article (16) the General Assembly shall issue its resolutions by an absolute majority of the votes of the members present at the meeting and entitled to voting. A tier in this case shall be deemed as a rejection of the subject matter brought forward to it. Such subject may however be presented at another meeting.

Article (23)

If the General Assembly convenes and for certain reasons the agenda could not be completed the meeting shall be deemed as continuing. The meeting shall be adjourned to another date specified by the General Assembly or the Board and the members shal be notified of the new date. The resolutions adopted before theadjournment shall be considered as valid and effective.

Article (24)

Subject to the provisions of the cases where a special majority is stipulated the validity of meeting or of its resolutions shall not be affected by the number of attending members being less than the number with which the valid meeting commenced unless their number at the time of voting was less than one-quarter of the members with whom the meeting began.

Article (25)

If a Force Majeure prevents convening the meeting of the General Assembly at the specified date the Board shall specify a new date within thirty (30) days from the previously specified date. In this case the members shall be notified of the new date by an official letter at least two weeks prior to the meeting. The notice shall also be published in one of the daily newspapers.

In all circumstances however neither the agenda nor the names and status of candidates for the Board may in this case be amended or altered

Article (26)

If the General Assembly fails to agree on the balance sheet or the closing account due to gross financial breaches the Board should call for an Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting within thirty (30) days from the date of the Ordinary General Assembly Meeting in order to consider the expulsion of the Board members with the agreement of two thirds of the present members. Should the expulsion resolution be carried the General Assembly shall at same meeting appoint an interim committee of five (5) members for a period of three (3) months to undertake the management of the Committee's affairs and call for a Board election before the end of this period. The acquired membership in this case shall be valid for the remaining term of the removed Board. In the event that no expulsion is resolved this matter of fact shall be deemed as an approval of the balance sheet and the closing account.

In all cases the General Assemblyshall resolve whether there are gross breaches or not.

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Article (27)

If the Board fails to convene the Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting in accordance with the provisions of the previous Article at least one half of the members entitled to vote at the General Assembly may hold at the Committee's expense an Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting by themselves and may for that purpose seek assistance from the International Olympic Committee.

Article (28)

The General Assembly shall convene an extraordinary meeting upon a resolution of the Board or upon a written request from at least a half of its members who are entitled to attend it indicating the reasons for the call. In this case the Board should take necessary actions to invite and hold the meeting within fifteen (15) days from the date of the request. Should the Board fail to do so the General Assembly shall undertake this matter at the expense of the Committee.

If the proposal relates to the Committee's dissolution and liquidation, the written request shall be submitted by at least two thirds of the general assembly members who have the right to attend.

Article (29)

The Extraordinary General Assembly shall be concerned with the following:

- 1. The expulsion of all or some of the Board members with the consent of two-thirds of the present members.
- 2. The abolishment of one or more of the resolutions passed by the Board with the consent of an absolute majority of the present members.
- 3. The amendment to the Committee's Statutes with the consent of two-thirds of the present members.
- 4. The dissolution and liquidation of the Committee with the consent of two-thirds of the present members. It is stipulated that the dissolution resolution should include the implementation procedures.

Article (30)

Should the Extraordinary General Assembly expel some of the Board members without affecting the majority in the Board the General Assembly shall at same meeting fix a date for vacancies to be filled.

Should it expel the entire Board or in a manner affecting its majority the General Assembly shall at same meeting appoint a temporary committee of no less than five

{5) members who were not expelled for a period of three (3) months to manage the Committee's affairs and call for a Board election in case of a full or partial expulsion of the Board before the end of this period. In both cases the acquired membership shall be for the remaining incumbancy of the Board.

Article (31)

A member of the General Assembly shall be committed to attending its meetings. Whoever fails to attend without acceptable reason shall be obliged to pay a financial fine of OMR 200/- (Two Hundred Omani Riyals) to the Committee's Treasury.

Article (32)

The representative for a member of the General Assembly (Ordinary or Extraordinary) may not attend the meetings during discussion of any subject in which he, his spouse or any of his relatives up to the fourth degree has a personal interest. Further he/she may not vote if the subject of the resolution was on concluding an agreement with him, filing a case against him/her or resolving any dispute between him/her and the Committee except for the election of the Board.

Article (33)

Where no special provision spelled out herein the same procedures relating to the Ordinary General Assembly shall also be applicable to the Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting.

A General Assembly Meeting whether ordinary or extraordinary may not consider matters that are not included on its agenda. No extraordinary General Assembly may be convened to consider a matter on which an Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting has already passed a resolution before the lapse of at least one (1) calendar year from the date of carrying such resolution unless new facts do occur which the Board deems as necessitating a re-consideration of the matter before the lapse of the one-year period.

Article (34)

Meeting of Ordinary General Assembly and Extraordinary General Assembly shall be chaired by the Committee Chairman, Vice Chairman in his absence or whoever is chosen by the General Assembly for this purpose from its members in case both the chairperson and his/her deputy are absent or if they have a legal impediement to chair the meeting. The Committee's Secretary General shall carry out the administrative works and oversee the minutes of the Committee's meetings. In the event that he is absent the Chairman shall choose one of the Board members to do so.

CHAPTER SIX

Board of Directors

Article (35)

The Committee's affairs shall be managed by a Board comprising the Chairman, Vice- Chairman and a number of the members as follows:

- 1. Chairperson to be elected by the General Assembly.
- 2. Vice-Chairman to be elected by the General Assembly.
- 3. The Omani member(s) of the International Olympic Committee (if any).
- 4. The Omani member(s) of the Executive Boards of the International Sports Federations whose sports are included in the program of Olympic Games (if any) with a maximum number of two to be approved by the General Assembly. If the number is more than the same two members shall be elected by the General Assembly.
- 5. Six members representing the sports associations and committees affiliated to the International Sports Federations whose sports are included in the program of Olympic Games, to be elected by the General Assembly.
- One member representing sports and generic associations and sports committees affiliated to the International Sports Federations, whose sports are not included in the program of Olympic Games.
- 7. One female member representing Women's Sport to be elected by the General Assembly. She must have an experience of no less than four (4) years in the fields relating to women's sports.
- 8. One athletes' representative who has participated in one of the last three Olympic Games or Asian Games, elected by the Athletes' Committee and ratified by the General Assembly.

Article (36)

The voting majority of the Board of Directors shall always consist of the votes cast by the representatives for the sports included in the program of the Olympic Games.

The Board's decisions shall be issued by an absolute majority of those present. In case of a tier the chairperson shall have the casting vote.

Article (37)

The positions of the Secretary General, Treasurer or any other position resolved by the Board in addition to the allocated duties of the members shall be made at the first meeting to be held by the Board following its election.

The term of office of the Board shall be four (4) years. In all cases the Board shall be elected following each summer Olympic Games whether held or not.

Article (38): Nominees shall be selected as follows:

- I. The boards of directors of the sports associations and committees whose sports are included in the program of Olympic Games may submit one nominee each to fill any position in the board membership. The nominee should be one of those doing or werepreviously doing an activity related to the game supervised by the federation, and nomination shall be for filing one of the positions mentioned in paragraphs(1,2,5) of Article (35) of these Statues.
- 2. The sports and generic associations and sports committees affiliated to the International Sports Federations whose sports are not included in the program of Olympic Games may present one nominee provided that each nominee should be one of those doing or were previously doing an activity related to the game supervised by the federation or committee. The nomination shall be for a competition on filling their seat in the Board.
- 3. The Athletes' representative within the Board satisfying membership conditions shall be elected by the Athletes' Committee and approved by the General Assembly.
- 4. A woman satisfying the nomination requirements shall submit her application for the direct competition to fill in the seat allocated to women's sports.
- 5. Sports figures fulfilling the requirements and regulations approved by the General Assembly shall submit their application directly for the competition to fill in one of the positions in paragraphs (1, 2) of Article (35) of these Statues provided that their number in the Board of Directors shall not be more than (2). The Election Committee shall take the necessary action to ensure this.

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Article (39)

Moreover where a special provision is set forth in these Statutes a member of the Board should satisfy the following requirements:

- 1. . Be an Omani national.
- 2. He must not be notorious in such a manner as to adversely affect the Committee's reputation.
- 3. He must not be convicted of an offence or a crime of honor and honesty unless reinstated.
- 4. He must not be less than thirty (30) years of age at the time of the nomination application except for the representative of athletes, and not more than 70 years at the time of the election date.
- 5. He should hold a university degree or its equivalent according to the applicable laws in Oman or be a previous board member of the Committee or any association for at least two terms.
- 6. He is not expelled in his personal capacity as member of any of the local or international private organizations operating in the sports field.

Article (40)

The Board shall assume the following responsibilities:

- 1. Establishing the general rules and principles to prepare the teams formed by the Committee to take part in Olympic, continental and regional competitions and championships, definining the sports in which they shall participate and approving the selection of team members and administrators nominated by the associations according to the rules, principles and levels prescribed by the Committee's Board in agreement with the concerned associations pursuant to the laws and systems prescribed within the International Olympic Committee and committees of Olympic, continental and regional competitions.
- 2. Managing the Committee's affairs in all technical, regulatory, administrative and financial aspects and approving the recommendations of the Executive Office and various committees.

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- 3. Preparing and referring the closing account of the expired fiscal year to the General Assembly for approval.
- 4. Discussing the draft estimated budget, annual activity report and action plan for the next year before being presented to the General Assembly for approval.
- 5. Deciding on the complaints submitted to the Committee by the sports associations on matters relating to the Olympic, continental and regional games as well asworking on eliminating their causes and resolving them.
- 6. Defining the bank in which the Committee's funds shall be deposited.
- 7. Developing the investment funds of the Committee.
- 8. Inviting the Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assembly to convene and implementing their resolutions.
- 9. Issuing the regulations necessary for running the works of the technical, administrative and financial committees.
- 10. Approving the contracts and agreements concluded in the name of the Committee.
- 11. Deciding upon any resignations submitted by board members.
- 12. Preparing the sporting programs for the sports season in collaboration with the various members and assessing preparedness of national teams which take part in the competitions staged under the umbrella of Oman Olympic Committee.
- 13. Recruiting and promoting and defining the salaries, compensations, allowances and the disciplinary penalties applicable to the employees of the Committee and terminating their services in accordance with the Personnel Regulation.
- 14. Approving the foreign participations by the sports and generic associations and committees within the the Committee's terms of reference.

Article (41)

The Board shall meet at least four (4) times every year. The invitation to a meeting shall be made by the Secretary General at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting. The invitation should include the date of the meeting and enclose the agenda and related notes.

The Board may be called for an urgent meeting in accordance with an invitation made by the Board Chairman or by one-quarter of the members. Such invitation shall not follow the aforementioned procedures.

If it is required under the circumstances to adopt a prompt resolution on a specific matter of urgency the Board may pass the resolution to the members without the need to invite them to a meeting. This action shall be taken in accordance with the request of the Chairman or Vice Chairman. In such cases the resolution must be unanimously adopted.

Article (42)

The Board meeting shall not be valid unless it is attended by an absolute majority of the members. Failing this quorum the meeting shall be adjourned to be held within one (I) week from the date of the first meeting. Members should be notified of the new date. The second meeting shall be valid with the attendance of at least a half of the members including the Chairman or Vice-Chairman.

Article (43)

The Committee shall keep a record of the minutes of the meetings of Board with the minutes of each meeting being signed by the Chairman and the Secretary General. The Committee's Management shall keep registers, files and documents pertaining to it in its headquarters under the supervision of the Secretary General and Treasurer respectively. Each of the Board members may peruse the records of minutes of the General Assembly (both Ordinary and Extraordinary) with the exception of the records relating to the subjects that may not be allowed to involve in their discussion. The period of retention for these records should not be less than twelve (12) years.

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CHAPTER SEVEN

Executive Office

Article (44)

The Committee's Board may set up an Executive Office comprising the Chairman or Vice Chairman as head of this office, the Secretary General, the Treasurer and a person who is selected by the Board from its members.

The meeting of Executive Office shall not be valid unless it is attended by at least three (3) members including the Chairman.

The Committee's by-law shall regulate the procedures of holding meetings of the Executive Office, its terms of reference, the scope of its powers and the resolution that the Board is entitled or authorized to adopt.

Article (45)

The Executive Office shall:

- 1. Prepare, study and give remarks on the matters brought up by the Board..
- 2. Follow up the implementation of the Board's resolutions.
- Discuss urgent matters and issue relevant recommendations or decisions within the Committee's by-law provided that such recommendations or decisions shall be raised at the first meeting of the Board to consider their approval.
- 4. Prepare a draft report on the Committee's annual activity.
- 5. Propose the appointment, promotion and termination of employees of the Committee and define their salaries, compensations, allowances and the disciplinary penalties imposed on them in accordance with what is indicated in the Personnel Regulation.
- 6. Consider the matters referred to it by the Board.

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CHAPTER EIGHT

The Competencies of the Chairman, Secretary General and Treasurer

Article (46)

The Committee Chairman shall:

- 1. Preside over the meetings of the General Assembly and Board as well as the meetings of various committees attended by him/her.
- 2. Represent the Committee before courts and third parties.
- 3. Sign contracts and agreements concluded in the name of the Committee subject to the approval of the Board.
- 4. Sign with the Treasurer on the payment notes and cheques.
- 5. Sign the Committee's correspondences of significant nature.
- 6. Perform any other duties provided for in the relevant laws and regulations.

Article (47)

The Vice-Chairman shall assume the responsibilities of the Chairman in his absence or if he/she is unable to exercise his/ her responsibilities.

Article (48)

The Secretary General shall:

- 1. Prepare the meetings of the General Assembly, Board, Executive Office and committees, take and maintain the minutes pertaining to them in the intended register and sign them together with the chairperson of the meeting.
- 2. Write down the agenda of a meeting including the matters required to be listed by the Board on its agenda and the matters required by the Board to be listed on the agenda of the General Assembly.
- 3. Implement the resolutions of the Board and the Executive Office.
- 4. Supervise the works of committees, participate in their meetings if required, implement their decisions, supervise the Committee's employees and take all necessary measures and all required decisions to facilitate the work of the committees.

- 5. Prepare and forward to the Board a draft budget for next fiscal year in participation with the Treasurer and.
- 6. Forward to the Board the annual report on the status and the various activities of the Committee.
- 7. Refer membership applications to the Board.
- 8. Keep the Committee's permanent imprest account.
- 9. Keep documents, registers and stamps in his custody at the Committee headquarters.
- 10. Sign the correspondences pertaining to the Committee except the correspondences which in the opinion of Board are necessary to be signed by the Committee Chairman.

Article (49)

The Treasurer shall:

- 1. Supervise t h e collection of the revenues and funds of the Committee and deposit them immediately in the bank chosen by the Committee.
- 2. Implement the resolutions of Board and Executive Office on the financial matters after ensuring that they are consistent with the budget are not in breach of the Financial Regulation.
- 3. Sign with the Chairman on the payment notes and cheques.
- 4. Supervise and enter the Committee's accounts into the financial records and books.
- 5. Supervise the keeping of financial records and books, revenue and expenditure documents and inventory at the Committee headquarters.
- 6. Prepare the closing account of the expired fiscal year, take part with the Secretary General in drawing up a draft budget for next financial year and raise it to Board.
- 7. Approve the payment of the salaries, purchasing invoices, electricity and water consumption bills and maintenance works in accordance with the approved budget and the Financial Regulation.
- 8. Prepare and file to the Board a quarterly report and another annual report on the financial position of the Committee.

CHAPTER NINE

Membership Termination, Forfeiture and Suspension

Article (50)

The Board membership shall be terminated in the following events:

- 1. Death.
- 2. Resignation.
- 3. If the member fails to attend three (3) consecutive ordinary meeting or four (4) separated meetings of the Board during a year without a written excuse accepted by the Board. A resolution on such member should be adopted by the Board as if he/she had resigned.

Article (51)

The Board membership shall be forfeited in the following events:

- 1. A final judgment is given against the member on a crime or an offence in breach of honor or honesty.
- 2. His/her membership of one of the private organizations operating in the sports or social fields is forfeited for acts in breach of honour or honesty.
- 3. He/she is proven to have committed acts undermining the prestige of the Committee or jeopardizing its funds or properties in a way that would make him/her unworthy of its membership.

His/her membership shall not be forfeited under paragraph 3 above unless the Board discusses and refers the matter to the Extraordinary General Assembly to consider expelling him/her by a majority of two-thirds of the present members.

A member expelled in accordance with the provision of this Article may not go for election once more to the membership of the Committee's Board unless reinstated or the causes that led to his expulsion cease to exist.

Article (52)

The Board may suspend the activity of any of its members in any of the following events:

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- 1. He/she is proven to have breached the Law or these Statutes until the Extraordinary General Meeting passes a resolution on him/her.
- 2. He is referred by the Public Prosecution to a court trial due to a crime in breach of honor or honesty until a final ruling is given thereon.
- 3. If the case provided for in paragraph 3 of Article (53) of these Statutes applies to him until his case is brought forward to Extraordinary General Meeting.

The Suspensed activity of a member shall lead to a suspension of all his/her competences hereunder.

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CHAPTER TEN

Termination and Suspension of Committee Membership

Article (53)

The General Assembly may resolve to expel any member in any of the following

events:

- 1. Breaching any of the membership requirements.
- 2. Failing to pay the annual subscription to the Committee for three {3) consecutive years.
- 3. Violating the provisions of the Law, these Statutes or the other regulations of the Committee.
- 4. Engaging in conduct that contradicts with its continuation as member of the Committee or undermines the Committee's prestige or reputation.

In all events a membership may be suspended temporarily for a period that does not exceed six {6} months through a justifiable reason until the matter is resolved on by the General Assembly. Before any measure or sanction is taken against him/her a member shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard.

The membership shall be suspended if the member refrains from enforcing a judgment delivered against him/her by the Oman Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Committee within a month as of being notified by the Committee of necessarily enforcing the same. The Committee should however notify the member that he/she must implement the judgment within a period not exceeding one week from the date it is notified by Oman Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Committee of the judgment and its inevitable enforcement.

The membership may not be forfeited in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 4 unless an investigation is conducted with respect to the matter attributed to the member with notification of the concerned international federation and consultation and coordination with it in this respect. The membership forfeiture resolution shall be issued by a majority of three- quarters of the attending members. An application to restore a previously forfeited membership may not be considered unless one {1) year passes since the date in which the resolution is adopted.

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Committee Finance, Resources and Means of their Utilization, Disposal and Control

Article (54):

The Committee's fiscal Year shall commence on the first day of the month of January and endon the thirty-first day of the month of December every year.

Article (55):

The Committee's resources shall comprise:

- 1. Membership subscription fees.
- 2. Donations, grants and wills as accepted by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Law and these Statutes.
- 3. Annual aids and assistances provided by the State.
- 4. Grants and assistances provided by International Olympic Committee and international sports organizations in accordance with the provisions of the Law and these Statutes.
- 5. Revenues from sports matches, activities, commercials, advertisements, marketing and promotion in accordance with the conditions determined by the Board.
- 6. Returns from its funds and investment projects that are approved by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Law.

Article (56)

The Committee shall have an annual budget and a closing account prepared in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles.

The final account shall be checked and audited with the knowledge of a certified auditor who is selected by the Ordinary General Assembly for one (1) year. With his compensations being determined by the General Assembly. An auditor shall:

1. Revise the Committee's accounts on a regular basis and inspect its financial documents to ensure their consistence with the Committee's Financial Regulation.

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- 2. Revise the components of the expenditure in accordance with the budget votes.
- 3. Revise and audit the Committee'budget and closing account before presentation to the General Assembly.
- 4. Forward a detailed report to the General Assembly on the Committee's financial position.

An auditor may not be a member of the Board or General Assembly. The Board shall, however, be entitled to invite him/it to take part in the discussion of financial matters without him having a counted vote.

Article (57)

Should the appointment of the auditor end for any reason, the Board shall appoint and determined the fees of his/its replacement provided that this appointment is referred to the first General Assembly for approval or for the selection of an alternative.

Article (58)

The Committee shall undertake to spend its funds for the the purposes for which it is set up. It shall have the right to exploit any excess funds in profit-generating activities to ensure a constant resource provided that this does not affect its capacity to do its basic activity.

Article (59)

Spending from the annual budget shall be in accordance with the rules, procedures and conditions indicated in the Financial Regulation which will also underline the value of subscription to the Committee membership and method of recovering it and the rules, procedures and conditions of spending from the budget.

Article (60)

The Board should before the beginning of its fiscal year draft an estimated budget for the next year including the votes of spending on administrative affairs as well as the various activities of the Committee, constructions, utilities and maintenance works.

Article (61)

The Committee may collect donations from the audience or hold events and activities that are attended against payment of specific charges or for free subject to the Board's approval and in accordance with the provisions of the Law.



Settlement of Sports Disputes

Article (62):

The Committee of Dispute Resolution and Sports Arbitration within the Committee shall be solely competent in considering and deciding upon the sports-related disputes in accordance with the Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sports Regulation. The decisions made by it in this respect shall be deemed as unobjectionable judgments except in accordance with the procedures indicated in the Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sports Regulation.

The Committee shall also be competent in considering and deciding upon the sportsrelated disputes pertinent to sports associations, provided that the statutes of such associations provide for exclusive recourse to the OCC's Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sports Committee for the consideration or settlement of their sports-related disputes in accordance with the provisions of the OCC's Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sports Regulation.

Decisions made by the Omani Committee for Dispute Resolution and Arbitration may pursuant to the provisions of the Omani Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Regulation be submitted exclusively by way of an appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, twenty-one (21) days after the knowledge of the this Committee's decision. Its decisions shall be final pursuant to the rules of arbitration for sport.

Article (63):

The General Assembly shall issue the Sports Dispute Resolution and Arbitration Regulation including in particular the principles of the formation of the Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Committee specifying its competences, responsibilities, legal quorum of its meetings, its awards, membership term, conditions that must be satisfied by its members and other provisions.

This Regulation shall also include an appropriate mechanism for enforcing the judgments of the Dispute Resolution and Arbitration for Sport Committee and the punishments to be imposed in case of failure to enforce its judgments and awards.

CHAPTER THIRTEE N

General Provisions

Article (64)

The Committee may use the symbol, flag, logo and Olympic anthem as a part of its activities provided that such use contributes to developing the Olympic Movement without compromising its dignity, with the Committee obtaining a prior approval of the International Olympic Committee in accordance with the Olympic Charter.

Article (65)

The Committee may not under all circumstances involve in betting or financial speculations nor may it allow procuring or serving alcoholic beverages or allow gambling on its premises or perform any type of gambling whatsoever.

Article (66)

The Committee may not accept more than one national association or one committee or national organization for each sport governed by an International Federation.

Article (67)

The government authorities shall not appoint any members of the Committee. However the Committee may decide to elect at its discretion representatives from these authorities as a part of its membership.

Article (68)

The Committee and Board members may not be employed by Oman Olympic Committee in permanent or temporary position or accept any compensation or bonus or any consideration in kind or in cash for their works or services. They may however receive allowances for the expenses they incur in the performance of their duties.

Article (69)

The Board shall introduce any regulations that it deems necessary for organizing the Committee's works, particularly the following regulations:

- 1. By-law
- 2. Financial Regulation.

3. Personnel Regulation.

Article (70)

Apart from the administrative and financial records and books the Committee shall keep the following:

- 1. A register of the AGM minutes
- 2. A register of the Board meeting minutes
- 3. A register of the Executive Office meeting minutes
- 4. A register of the Committee meetings minutes
- 5. Membership Register.

The Secretary General shall supervise these registers. The duration for retaining such registers shall not be less than twelve (12) years.

Article (71)

The IOC shall approve the flag, symbol and logo of Oman Olympic Committee for use in the context of its activities and Olympic participations.

Article (72)

The Committee through its Statutes shall at all times comply with the Olympic Charter. If there is any conflict between a special provision in these Statutes and another provision in the Olympic Charter the latter shall prevail. Any subsequent amendments to these Statutes may not be put into force unless the International Olympic Committee approves them.

'Article (73)

The provisions of these Statutes shall be effective from the date of its approval. The current Board of Directors shall continue to exercise its business until end of its term and holding Board elections.