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Chapter I

General Provisions

Article 1 Name and Seat

The International Federation of Sports Chiropractic is a non-profit association under Article 60 of the Swiss Civil Code (**CCS**), composed of autonomous and independent international sports chiropractic councils/federations/members and other international organisations contributing to sport in various fields.

- 1. The name of this corporation shall be the Fédération Internationale de Chiropratique du Sport (hereinafter called **FICS**).
- 2. The official languages of FICS shall be English and French.
- 3. FICS is politically and constitutionally neutral and abides by the rules of Swiss law, as well as the rules against discrimination as adopted by the International Olympic Committee (**IOC**).
- 4. The FICS logo and name are the exclusive property of FICS and, without the prior written approval of the Executive Council (**ExCo**), shall not be used for any purposes other than those related to the ongoing administration and activities of FICS.
- 5. The General Assembly determines the location of the headquarters of FICS, currently located in Lausanne, Switzerland.
- 6. Members of FICS who shall be volunteers, compensated only for their out-of pocket costs, in accordance with **Chapter IV Article 11 (clause 11.4**).
- 7. In case of dissolution of the association, any remaining assets will be assigned to a Swiss tax exempt charitable (but d'utilité ou service public) institution or service, or to a Canton or to the Swiss confederation or to a municipality or to their affiliated entities in accordance with Chapter V Article 16.

Article 2 Goals

The goals of FICS include, but are not limited to:

- 1. ensure that all athletes in all sports have access, when needed, to the specialized skills of chiropractors as part of their sport health care;
- 2. promote excellence in postgraduate education and practice in sports chiropractic around the world;
- 3. promote research in sports science and sports chiropractic;
- 4. represent the chiropractic profession in sport internationally;
- 5. support the establishment of national chiropractic sports councils (NCSC) and regional chiropractic sports council (RCSC) throughout the world;
- 6. establish and maintain relationships with international sports organizations throughout the world; and
- 7. ensure that the highest levels of professionalism are displayed by its members.

Chapter II

Membership

Article 3 Categories of Members

FICS shall be composed of ordinary, associate and honorary members as follows and with these voting rights:

1. **Ordinary Members:** National Chiropractic Sports Councils or Associations (NCSCs) and Regional Chiropractic Sports Councils (RCSCs). Each NCSC/RCSC shall appoint one vote-carrying delegate to attend the General Assembly. This delegate shall have voting rights according to the following classification:

Base Votes

•	NCSC/RCSC 1-50 members	5 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 51-100 members	8 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 101-150 members	10 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 151-200 members	12 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 201-250 members	14 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 251-300 members	18 votes
•	NCSC/RCSC 301+ members	20 votes

Conversion Bonus structure

Starting threshold – Greater than or equal to 35 members.

Percentage bands reflect the ratio of NCSC/RCSC members to the total number of chiropractors in the Country.

•	0.01% - 2.00%	1 vote
•	2.01% - 4.00%	2 votes
•	4.01% - 8.00%	3 votes
•	8.01% - 12.00%	4 votes
•	12.01% +	5 votes

Note:

An NCSC is a recognised organisation established within a FICS recognised country, **Chapter II, Article 4 (Clause 4.1)** that has a reciprocal membership agreement with FICS.

An RCSC is a FICS established sports council within a FICS recognised country, or group of countries **Chapter II**, **Article 4** (**Clause 4.1**), where a recognised NCSC cannot be established or there is not an existing recognised FICS member. An RCSC committee nominated from the RCSC's members has operational control over the running of the RCSC while all financial and administrative functions are provided by FICS. An NCSC/RCSC must have a minimum of three (3) members to be established.

Ordinary members receive all the benefits of FICS and are entitled to hold Leadership, Executive and Commission positions within the organisation.

The total number of Chiropractors per country will be updated every two (2) years prior to the General Assembly with country-specific data from credible sources and verified by each NCSC/RCSC.

- 2. **Associate Members:** any association, organisation, institution or individual that supports the goals of FICS. These may include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Voting members:

• National Associations of Chiropractors that represent a country that is not in conflict with Chapter II, Article 4 (clause 4.1).	2 votes
Chiropractic teaching institutions.	2 votes
• Student chiropractic sports councils (from non-member Teaching Institutions with a Chiropractic Program).	1 vote
Non victing members:	

- b. Non-voting members:
 - Other associations, organisations and institutions.
 - Individual members.

Note:

Associate Member Organisations members are not entitled to FICS discounted products and services or to serve on FICS commissions unless they become an Associate Chiropractic Member at the Associate Members discounted rate.

3. **Honorary Members:** Any individual who has worked in the interest of public health, particularly in sports chiropractic, may be approved as an honorary member by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the **ExCo**. Honorary members may participate in the activities of FICS, are exempt from having to pay annual membership dues and shall have no vote.

Article 4 Matters relative to Membership

4.1 Application:

Applications for admission to ordinary membership shall be submitted in writing, at least three (3) months prior to the commencement date of the next General Assembly if the application is to be considered at that Assembly and shall be accompanied by a complete list of the applicant's members.

There is only one (1) ordinary member per country. In such cases where a membership application is received from a territory of an existing member country, the **ExCo** may consider it for inclusion into the FICS membership list if there is alignment with the IOC's recognition of the country (territory) in question and the current member country supports the application.

The **ExCo** shall review and make proposals to the General Assembly concerning applications for Membership, but final admission to Membership shall be approved by the General Assembly.

4.2 Members' Obligations

The obligations of members shall include:

- 1. punctual payment of annual dues;
- 2. remain as a member in good standing;
- 3. to comply with, and ensure that their members comply with, the Statutes, codes of ethics and conduct, and all other policies adopted by FICS;
- 4. to promote knowledge of and active interest in the goals and activities of FICS, including the dissemination of information about FICS' activities to their membership;
- 5. to inform FICS of any events or developments in the member's country that may be of significance to FICS; and
- 6. to reply to all communications from FICS in a timely manner.

Note:

A Member in Good Standing means a Member who is not in arrears with their membership fees, payments or debts due from the Member to FICS, is not subject to any legal action, adheres to the FICS policies and complies with FICS ethical standards.

4.3 Resignation, Discipline or Exclusion

- 1. Notice of resignation from Membership shall be given in writing at least one (1) month prior to the General Assembly. It can only be accepted if the resigning member has fulfilled all its financial obligations.
- 2. Any member whose conduct has been determined by the **ExCo** to be unprofessional or detrimental to the interests of FICS or sports chiropractic or the chiropractic profession, or who has committed a breach of the Statutes or the FICS Code of Ethics, may:
 - i. be reprimanded by the **ExCo**;
 - ii. have membership suspended for an indeterminate or determinate term by the **ExCo** with conditions for reinstatement. The member shall be responsible for making good all outstanding financial obligations; and
 - iii. be deregistered and excluded as a member by the General Assembly on two thirds (2/3) or more majority vote of those in attendance conducted by secret ballot. A member so deregistered and excluded shall still be responsible for outstanding financial obligations.

The member shall be notified of the charge or complaint and be given an opportunity to be heard prior to disciplinary action being taken.

Chapter III

Administration

Article 5 Terms:

The administrative year shall commence at the close of the General Assembly. The financial year shall commence on the first (1^{st}) day of January and end on the thirty-first (31^{st}) day of December.

Article 6 Structure:

FICS consists of the following groups:

- 1. The General Assembly of Members, shall have final authority on all matters.
- 2. The **ExCo** (referred to as the **Board of Directors** or **Board**), shall be responsible for the overall governance, management and strategic direction of FICS in accordance with its goals and objectives.
- 3. The Executive Management Team (referred to as the **EMT**), shall provide day to day management and administration of the daily affairs of FICS under the direction of the Board.
- 4. The Administration, which shall provide administration under the direction of the **EMT**.

Article 7 General Assembly

7.1 Definition:

A General Assembly is a meeting open to attendance by all the members of FICS, and only a regularly convened General Assembly has the authority to exercise its powers.

- 1. A General Assembly may be Ordinary or Extraordinary.
- 2. A General Assembly may delegate such authority as it deems fit to the **ExCo**.

7.2 Powers of the General Assembly

The powers of the General Assembly shall include:

- 1. adopting or amending the Statues, regulations and directives of FICS;
- 2. approving the minutes of the previous meeting;
- 3. all matters related to Membership, including admitting and excluding members;
- 4. approving an independent auditor recommended by the **ExCo**;
- 5. approving membership dues, financial statements and activity reports;
- 6. approving the reports of NCSC/RCSCs;
- 7. any other functions mutually agreed; and/or
- 8. appointing the location and time for the next Ordinary General Assembly.

7.3 Voting

Each member who is a member in good standing and has satisfied all its financial obligations towards FICS, including any true up for the year prior to the General Assembly, and who is granted voting rights by **Chapter II**, **Article 3** is entitled to vote on the following basis:

- 1. Subject to the proxy rights (in accordance with the notification of voting instructions) given in **paragraphs 2 and 3** below, a delegate may not represent more than one (1) member.
- Ordinary members have voting rights as defined in Chapter II, Article 3 (clause 3.1) together with the right to carry and exercise proxy votes for up to two (2) other ordinary or associate members only.
- Associate members have voting rights as defined in Chapter II, Article 3 (clause 3.2) together with the right to carry and exercise proxy votes for up to two (2) other associate members only.

Voting may be performed by show of hand, by electronic ballot, or in extraordinary circumstances a method approved by the **ExCo** and shall be open unless the statutes require, or the General Assembly agrees, otherwise. All decisions shall be made by a simple majority of votes cast unless otherwise required by these Statutes.

7.4 Ordinary General Assembly

The **ExCo** shall ensure that an Ordinary General Assembly is convened at least once every two (2) years. The activities of the General Assembly may be held in person or virtually using an electronic platform.

- 1. Notice of the meeting shall be sent to all members at least sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting.
- 2. Any modifications to the Statutes or other agenda items suggested by a member shall be made by a formal written proposal received at least ninety (90) days prior to the meeting unless otherwise agreed by the **ExCo**.
- 3. Other than in exceptional circumstances, no substantive item shall be dealt with which does not appear on the agenda.
- 4. Emergency business (business that requires immediate attention because it threatens the health, safety, or well-being of people, or could result in significant financial loss or legal risk) not included in the call to the annual meeting may be considered if submitted by the **EMT**, **ExCo**, or the Chairperson of a standing commission of FICS and approved by a majority vote of the General Assembly.
- 5. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order, or such other parliamentary procedures deemed appropriate by the General Assembly.
- 6. The presiding officer of the General Assembly shall be the President or, in the absence of the President, the First Vice-President. In the event neither are available, the person elected under **Chapter III**, **Article 7** (**clause 7.7**) of these Statutes.
- 7. A quorum at a general assembly will be one-third $(\frac{1}{3})$ of all votes held by voting members present.

7.5 Agenda for Ordinary General Assembly

The agenda shall contain the following suggested items:

- 1. Opening of the meeting
- 2. List of voting members present, special guests present and apologies of members
- 3. Adoption of the agenda
- 4. Appointment of two (2) scrutineers
- 5. President's address
- 6. Secretary General report
- 7. Head of Operations Report
- 8. Membership reports
- 9. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting
- 10. Financial reports and approval of auditor;
- 11. Statutes modifications (if applicable);
- 12. Elections (if applicable);
- 13. Proposals validly submitted by members (if applicable)
- 14. Date and place of the next meeting

7.6 Extraordinary General Assembly

An Extraordinary General Assembly may be summoned at the written request of a majority of the of the voting members on two (2) months' notice, or at any time under exceptional circumstances by the \mathbf{ExCo} , and:

- 1. Any such meeting-shall not replace the Ordinary General Assembly;
- 2. The notice of the meeting shall detail the reasons for convening an Extraordinary General Assembly; and
- 3. No business other than that specified in the notice shall be conducted at the meeting.

7.7 Conduct of Meetings

The President shall preside over each General Assembly, whether ordinary or extraordinary, unless he or she is absent, unable or unwilling to preside, in which case the 1^{st} Vice President will preside over the meetings. Should neither be available the **ExCo** shall elect one of the members of the **ExCo** to preside as Chairperson.

Article 8 The Executive Council and Officers

8.1 Composition

- 1. The **ExCo** shall be comprised of ten (10) Regional Representatives of NCSC/RCSC ordinary members in good standing elected by and representing world geographical areas, and a President, as follows:
 - President
 - Africa one (1)
 - Asia one (1)
 - Eastern Mediterranean one (1)
 - Europe three (3)
 - Latin America one (1)
 - North America two (2)
 - Pacific one (1)

There can only be one geographical area Regional Representative from each individual country serving on the **ExCo**.

At its first meeting after a General Assembly, the **ExCo** shall elect from its number a President, a 1st Vice President and a 2nd Vice President of FICS in accordance with Chapter III, Article 8 (Clause 8.2).

Once the President is elected from the **ExCo** members their duly elected Secondary Representative for that region will take up the position of Regional Representative on the **ExCo**.

The representing NCSC/RCSC ordinary members and world regions may be extended depending on the needs of FICS via a General Assembly or Extraordinary General Assembly in accordance with **Chapter III**, Article 7 (clause 7.4 & clause 7.6).

The Company Secretary will sit on the **ExCo** as a non-voting member.

- 2. The FICS **EMT** will comprise the following core positions:
 - President (President of **ExCo**)
 - First Vice President (1st Vice President of **ExCo**)
 - Secretary General
 - Head of Operations
 - Head of Finances/Treasurer
 - Head of Communications
 - Head of Sporting Events

All **EMT** vacancies, other than nominated **ExCo** positions, will be appointed via a recruitment process, **Chapter III, Article 8 (clause 8.7)**. The process to fill a pending vacant non-**ExCo** member of the **EMT**, shall commence at least six (6) months before the term is due to expire.

The **ExCo** shall review and approve the appointments of the **EMT**.

8.2 Eligibility and Term

- 1. To be eligible to serve on the **ExCo** as a Regional Representative, a candidate must be a member in good standing of an NCSC/RCSC ordinary member. The following are the recommended candidate selection criteria:
 - i. The candidate has served as a member of FICS **EMT** for at least one (1) year; or
 - ii. The candidate has served as a FICS Commission Chair for at least two (2) years or a Commission Member for at least three (3) years; or
 - iii. The candidate has served as an active member of their NCSC/RCSC for at least three (3) years.

The corresponding region shall elect their Primary Regional Representative and a Secondary Regional Representative before the General Assembly.

- 2. The selection of the Regional Representatives is the responsibility of the NCSC/RCSC's within the FICS designated geographical area. Each NCSC/RCSC may choose their Regional Representatives in accordance with the NCSC/RCSC's own internal procedures and if there is more than one NCSC/RCSC for that geographical area then the NCSC/RCSC's will agree on one Primary and one Secondary Regional Representative from their collective nominated individuals.
- 3. **ExCo** elections are staggered with 50% of the Regional Representatives being changed during an election year to provide stability and retention of corporate knowledge. An election is held every two (2) years corresponding to the termination of terms and will comprise the following regions:

Rotation 1

- a. 1 x Africa
- b. 2 x Europe
- c. 1 x North America
- d. 1 x Pacific

Rotation 2

- a. 1 x Asia
- b. 1 x Eastern Mediterranean
- c. 1 x Latin America
- d. 1 x Europe
- e. 1 x North America

- 4. If an **ExCo** member resigns or is terminated from the position out of cycle then the Secondary Regional Representative for that geographical area will step in and complete the term of the outgoing **ExCo** member.
- 5. Each **ExCo** Member is elected for a four (4) year term and are eligible for reelection.
- 6. A member is eligible to be elected for three (3) consecutive terms. Members who have served on the **ExCo** and served three (3) consecutive terms will not be eligible for election until after a four (4) year absence from the **ExCo**. Where a member has already served up to and including two (2) terms as an **ExCo** and are voted in as the President, 1st Vice President or 2nd Vice President they will be allowed to serve out the full terms of the Second Vice President, 1st Vice President roles if required.
- 7. Members of the **ExCo** must be members in good standing within their NCSC/RCSC. Following the General Assembly, the **ExCo** will hold an election to select a President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President (Leadership Positions) from among its members to fill any vacancies. To ensure continuity of leadership the outgoing President will be replaced by the 1st Vice President and the 1st Vice President will be replaced by the 2nd Vice President. This will only require the election of a new 2nd Vice President unless one of the other leadership positions resigns or declines to take up the position above them. Members holding these leadership positions will serve a maximum of two (2) four (4) year terms in any one leadership position. When a member is elected to the leadership position will be filled by the Secondary Regional Representative from the FICS designated geographical area in accordance with **Chapter III, Article 8 (Clause 8.1**).
- 8. The composition of the EMT is in accordance with Chapter III, Article 8 (clause 8.1.2). The ExCo members serving on the EMT will complete their term as outlined in Chapter III, Article 8 (clause 8.2.3 to clause 8.2.6). Members of the EMT, other than ExCo appointed positions, are appointed for a four (4) year term. These members are eligible for re-election. To be eligible to serve as a member of the EMT, other than the President and 1st Vice President positions, it is highly desireable that the candidate have previous experience in serving FICS or have the necessary industry experience to discharge the duties effectively. Where a member of the EMT is under contract they will serve out the duration of their contractual obligations and extensions.

8.3 Meetings and Quorum

The **ExCo** shall hold a minimum of four (4) meetings annually, with a minimum of one meeting in person every two years at the call of the President and shall meet at such times in such manner as the President deems necessary. A quorum shall be at least six (6) members

8.4 Duties

The duties of the **ExCo**, and the **EMT** acting on its behalf, shall include:

- 1. Realising the Strategic Plan and goals of FICS.
- 2. Managing the affairs and activities of FICS in good faith in accordance with these Statutes, Strategic Plan, established policies, and the directions provided by the members in General Assembly.
- 3. Proposing and acting in accordance with an annual budget. This is a volunteer position for the benefit of Sports Chiropractic members globally.
- 4. Retaining the services of external **EMT** positions, who may or may not be a member of an NCSC/RCSC ordinary member of FICS, on such terms of employment as may be deemed appropriate by the **ExCo**. **Non ExCo EMT** positions shall not have a vote at Executive Council meetings.
- 5. Setting Membership fees, symposium registration fees, allowable expense rates and consultants fees. The **EMT** will propose the amendments to the **ExCo** for endorsement.
- 6. The President and one other **ExCo** member shall be the two (2) persons with signing authority for FICS, unless decided otherwise by the **ExCo**.

8.5 Voting Rights

Only directors in attendance at meetings of the **ExCo** may vote, and proxies shall not be accepted.

8.6 Vacancies and Resignations

If a vacancy occurs on the **ExCo** due to death, resignation, unfitness to serve, or any other reason, the corresponding vacancy of the Regional Representative position will be filled by the elected Secondary Regional Representative of that region, **Chapter III, Article 8** (**Clause 8.2**).

If the Secondary Regional Representative within that region is already serving on the **ExCo** or unavailable, the region will nominate a temporary representative to stand until the next election cycle, **Chapter III**, **Article 8** (**Clause 8.2**).

The newly elected Regional Representative will fill the position for the remainder of the term.

- 1. Vacancy of the office of President is filled by the 1st Vice President who serves the vacated term, and the term originally elected to fulfil.
- 2. Vacancy of the office of 1st Vice President is filled by the 2nd Vice President, who serves the vacated term, and the term originally elected to fulfil.
- 3. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the 2nd Vice President, the **ExCo** shall appoint a replacement from within its number.

8.7 Indemnification

Each director (**ExCo** member), and his/her estate, executors and administrators shall, at all times, be indemnified by FICS for any and all costs that may arise from or be related to any proceedings for actions or claim made against him or her for actions taken or not taken in the execution of the duties of his/her office except those occasioned by his/her own wilful neglect or fraud.

8.8 Duties of Officers

- 1. The President shall:
 - Convene Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assemblies;
 - Preside as Chair at meetings of the **ExCo**, **EMT** and members in General Assembly; and
 - In accordance with **Chapter III**, **Article 6**, be responsible for the general management and supervision of the activities of FICS.
- 2. The 1st Vice-President and the 2nd Vice-President shall:
 - perform all specific duties assigned by the President or, should the President so decide, the **ExCo**;
 - fulfil the duties of the President as may be occasioned by temporary absences of the President.

8.9 Commissions

The **ExCo** may establish such commissions and other bodies as may be necessary and appropriate to carry out the work of FICS. The **EMT**, shall appoint the members of such commissions and other bodies in accordance with standard operating procedures.

Article 9 Notice

In all matters in which these Statutes require notice to be given to members such notice shall be deemed to be duly given when sent by electronic mail, fax or traditional mail to the last addresses given in writing to FICS by members.

Chapter I V

Finances

Article 10 Membership Dues

Members shall pay annual membership dues as recommended by the **ExCo** and approved by the **General Assembly**. The **ExCo** has the authority to vary the membership dues by no more than twenty (20) percent outside of the General Assembly and notice of any proposed change communicated to voting members at least sixty (60) days before the change in dues is effected. Majority agreement of the voting members is required before the new fees are implemented and the new membership fees are then ratified by the members at the next General Assembly. A failure for the General Assembly to ratify the change in membership fees will result in a reversion to the previous fee structure.

The **ExCo** has the authority to provide a reduction or waiver of membership dues based on special circumstances.

A failure to pay all annual membership dues when due may result in the withdrawal of all member benefits until the membership fees are paid.

Article 11 Finances and Liability

- 1. FICS shall be financially bound, within the limits of the approved budget, by the joint signatories.
- 2. Ordinary members and Associate members shall only be legally and financially liable towards FICS, and towards third parties making a claim against them with respect to the activities of FICS, up to the limit of their annual membership dues.
- 3. The deposit of funds will follow the following requirements:
 - All monies belonging to FICS shall be deposited in such bank or other financial institution as the **EMT** may recommend to the **ExCo**.
 - All monies belonging to FICS that, in the opinion of the **EMT**, are surplus funds not required for the day-to-day administration of FICS may be invested with such financial institutions, with the approval of the **ExCo**, as it deems reasonable. The members of the **EMT** shall not be responsible for any loss or damage that may be occasioned by reason of such investments made by them in good faith and without wilful neglect.
- 4. Members serving on the FICS **ExCo**, **EMT** and Commissions as the nominated representatives of the organisation work on a voluntary or contracted basis, not that of an employee or agent, and are entitled to reasonable compensation for expenses incurred in discharging their duties.
 - i. Any expenses incurred for approved budgeted activities, such as travel, accommodation and other services provided for FICS, are subject to reimbursement of actual expenses only.
 - ii. Volunteers are responsible for their own personal assets, and FICS will not reimburse for expenses related to phone and internet use unless stipulated in their agreement.

- iii. Members are solely responsible for remitting such amounts as required by law from any remuneration received from FICS under this clause. All claims concerning such remittances are a reimbursement of approved expenses only.
- iv All claims must be submitted on the approved FICS reimbursement form within sixty (60) days of incurring the expense.

Article 12 Audit

A duly qualified auditor, approved by FICS, will audit the accounts and be present at each Ordinary General Assembly to report to the Membership on the organisation's financial status.

The ExCo shall recommend a duly qualified auditor to each Ordinary General Assembly for approval

Chapter V Final Provisions

Article 13 Dispute Resolution

- 1. In all agreements concluded between FICS and third parties relating to sports events and other activities the **ExCo** shall endeavour to include a provision referring all disputes to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Switzerland, unless the **ExCo** deems this inappropriate for special reasons in any case.
- 2. Any dispute arising from, or related to, the Statutes, regulations, directives and decisions of FICS and for which there is no competent internal decision-making body, will be submitted exclusively to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, applying its own procedural rules. Its decisions shall be final.
- 3. Any appeal against a final and binding decision from any FICS decision making body shall be submitted only to the CAS, to the exclusion of any ordinary court of any country or other tribunal.

Article 14 Interpretation

- 1. In construing these Statutes all necessary changes of gender and number shall be made as required by each case, and references to individuals or persons shall include organisations and corporations and vice versa.
- 2. The **ExCo** shall have the authority to settle any dispute concerning the interpretation and meaning of these Statutes and, at its discretion, may decide to seek the advice of the General Assembly before taking the final decision.

Article 15 Modification of the Statutes

- 1. These Statutes may only be modified by an Ordinary General Assembly or by an Extraordinary General Assembly convened especially for that purpose.
- 2. Any amendment to the Statutes shall require a majority vote of two thirds (2/3) of the votes cast by voting members present at the meeting.

Article 16 Dissolution

- 1. The dissolution of FICS shall not be pronounced as long as there are ten (10) ordinary members committed to ensuring its continuation.
- 2. Any assets/assets remaining after dissolution shall, after satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, be applied to the furtherance of any FICS goals as determined by the General Assembly at or before the dissolution through another similar sports chiropractic organisation.
- 3. If the effect cannot be given to the foregoing provisions, FICS archives and any remaining assets shall be given to a Swiss institution exempt from tax on account of its charitable or public service purpose that is agreed on by the General Assembly at the time of dissolution.
- 4. In the event of dissolution/departure abroad, any remaining contingent assets/archives will be remitted to a Swiss institution exempt from tax on account of its charitable or public service purpose that is agreed on by the General Assembly at the time of dissolution.

- 5. Under no circumstances shall any assets/archives be paid to or distributed amongst any of the members.
- 6. The intended dissolution of FICS shall require an Extraordinary General Assembly at which the proposed dissolution shall be the sole item on the agenda.
- 7. Dissolution shall require two-thirds $(\frac{2}{3})$ of the votes cast by voting members in attendance.

Article 17 Waiver of Time Limits

All time limits set forth in these Statutes may be waived by the **ExCo** or General Assembly where either of them deems this appropriate because of special circumstances, provided that this right of waiver shall not apply to any term limit for **EMT** members and **ExCo** members.

Article 18 Enforcement

- 1. These Statutes supersede all previous Statutes. They shall take effect from the end of the General Assembly at which they are passed.
- 2. The French and English versions represent the true legal Statutes of FICS.

Martin Isaksson President 12 May 2025