

ORDER FOR PUNISHMENT

of the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
by resolution of Congress of Delegates in Luxembourg
on the 9th of July, 2010

Proposition of the commission

§ 1

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

- (1) The Disciplinary Board is composed of:
 - a) one chairman
 - b) two assessors
 - c) two reserve assessors
- (2) The members of the board must come from different national member countries and cannot be members of the IVV Presidium or of the Arbitration Court. They must be at least 21 years of age.
- (3) The Disciplinary Board is an independent organ of IVV.
- (4) He takes the decisions respecting the statutes, the by-laws and the IVV rules.
- (5) Every decision must be taken by the board composed of three members.
- (6) A member of the board can not take part in a session where he/she or someone of his/her family or federation is involved in the proceeding.
- (7) The members of the Disciplinary Board, even if they are dismissed as members, must keep silent on the affairs treated by the board.

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JURISDICTION OF DISCIPLINARY BOARD

- (1) The proceeding will start after sending a written motion to the IVV Head Office. Three copies of the motion must be sent to each concerned party. Anonymous motions are not valid.
- (2) The motion must enclose:
 - a) Denomination of the parties, federations and persons
 - b) A brief description of the case
 - c) The concrete demands and requirements
 - d) The facts and witnesses
- (3) Have the right to complain:
 - a) The IVV Presidium
 - b) The IVV Congress of Delegates
 - c) The national member countries and single member clubs

- d) The elected officials
- e) The Honorary Presidents

- (4) Prior to every decision of the Disciplinary Board legal hearing must be guaranteed. If this right is not exercised, the decision can be taken based on the motions and documents.
- (5) Decisions of the Disciplinary Board can be taken without verbal hearing, except if a party asks for it or the chairman so decides.
- (6) The chairman, or an assessor appointed by him, can make investigations for instance ask other information or documents. The involved parties have to carry out such demands.
- (7) For a verbal hearing, the citation delay is two weeks. If a party is not attending the hearing despite the citation, the decision can be made “in absentia”.
- (8) To clarify the case, witnesses can be heard in writing or by verbal questioning.
- (9) The deliberations of the Disciplinary Board are secret.
- (10) If one party has credible and important arguments for missing a certain deadline for unavoidable events and made a written demand, the previous state can be restored. The Disciplinary Board takes the decision upon demand.

§ 3

PROCEEDINGS

- (1) The Disciplinary Board is the first instance competent for disputes and non-respecting IVV rules.
- (2) Members of the IVV Presidium, the Congress of Delegates, the national member countries, the single member clubs (if they are not member of a federation) and participants of popular sport events (if they can't be related to a national member country) can be punished according to the following rules in case of being wilfully or grossly negligent by:
 - a) disregard of Statutes, Guidelines, Routine Orders, decisions and orders of the IVV and its organs
 - b) action contrary to sportive fair play
 - c) damaging the reputation of IVV and its organs
 - d) false statement, declarations and information about IVV.

§ 4

PUNITIVE MEASURES

- (1) The following punishments are admissible:
 - a) Warnings
 - b) Reprimands
 - c) Pecuniary penalties from € 250.- up to € 1,500.-
 - d) Stoppage of events of direct member clubs up to three years
 - e) Suspension of functions up to three years

- f) Ban on participation in IVV popular sport events
- g) Motion for expulsion of national member countries, filed with the Congress of Delegates.

(2) In case that several regulations have been violated by the same action, several punitive measures can be taken.

(3) For the punishment, the whole situation has to be considered, as for persons, the complete personality has to be respected. The punishment must be in relation with the violation of the rules. In choosing the punitive measures the following points have to be considered especially:

- a) previous behaviour and impact
- b) dimension of impact
- c) behaviour following the offense
- d) consequences in the public

(4) The Disciplinary Board can stop a case if the culpability is low and the consequences are minor.

§ 5

DECISIONS OF THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD

(1) Each decision of the Disciplinary Board must be expressed in writing, except if the action is dismissed according to §4 (4).

(2) The decision has to be signed by the three members of the Disciplinary Board.

(3) The Disciplinary Board has to justify its decision which will be delivered in writing to the concerned subject including the information of right to appeal.

(4) It can be objected to the decision of the Disciplinary Board, within one month after delivery, at the IVV Arbitration Court.

§ 6

PROCEEDINGS EXPENSES

(1) The proceeding is free of costs.

(2) The participants of the proceeding are responsible for their own costs.

(3) This also applies for witnesses and evidence, including copying and mailing fees. In no case will expenses be reimbursed.

§ 7

EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY

The IVV, members of its organs and especially the members of the Disciplinary Board are not liable for damages caused by work of the Disciplinary Board, especially not for adverse affects of a judgment on the concerned subject.

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LIMITATION OF TIME

Offences which occurred more than one year since being known are fully statute-barred.

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CONCLUDING CLAUSE

(1) The Order for Punishment which is part of the statutes will come into force after the acceptance by the Congress of Delegates.

(2) Proceedings started before change of the Order for Punishment, will be settled according to the Order for Punishment formerly valid.