



## **World Federation of kickboxing (Constitution)**

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## Part A:

### Article 1- Federation name & office

A sport organization with the name of “World Federation of Kickboxing (WFK)” is establishing.

Hamedan – Iran would be the main center of world federation of kickboxing but the federation would have the choice to establish another offices in the president’s residential region, in order to execute the goals.

### Article 2- Federation language

WFK main languages are Persian and English. But WFK provides this possibility for it’s members to speak Persian, English , Arabic and Russian during the meetings.

### Article 3- Federation symbols

WFK owns the mark, flag and anthem and these symbols are especial for WFK and they are approved by WFK board and congresses.

### Article 4- Federation work

WFK main work is to develop & spread kickboxing sport in two parts; Ring sports and Tatami sports. Light contact and semi contact in Tatami styles, full contact and low kick in ring styles could be mentioned and also the other styles might be added in the future.

### Article 5- Federation colleagues

WFK cooperates with the international organizations and national federations who support kickboxing sport towards achieving its goals and the national Olympic committee of any country, the sport ministry of the countries, national federations and NOCs are considered as WFK main colleagues.

### Article 6- Federation aims & goals

- World Federation of kickboxing (WFK) is the sign of sports’ freedom and for its voluntarily nature, the sport society and the members and the fighters are not obliged to choose one way of the competition styles to fight. They can choose one voluntarily.
- Promote kickboxing games at national and international levels and have essential steps towards this goal.
- Show its members’ interests to the authorities of the federations of other sports, media and the society, at national and international levels.
- Sport promotion and connection among all the federations of several nations, kickboxing fighters and the events organization.

- Control and ensure that all the standard rules are obeyed in order to develop kickboxing sport in all around the world.
- Unify all different associations and organizations of kickboxing and guide them towards WFK, as the only amateur pioneer of kickboxing sport and also present the records and documents to GAISF, IOC and OCA to introduce this sport at Olympic games.
- Introduce kickboxing sport as a scientific sport with the essential standards and develop and spread it in all sport societies.
- Support and guide it toward the continental games such as Asian games and Pan-American Games.
- Fight against doping and prevent to use the prohibited power materials, according to WFK rules & regulations.

#### Article 7- The ways of executing in federation

- a) By supervise and control the national federations under its supervision and also connect to the same organizations.
- b) By the organization of different kickboxing events that Asian, world and inter – continental championships are on the base of rules and regulations like the world cups.
- c) By having continuous mutual cooperation with the other international associations, organizations and federations all of which have the same benefits about to hold sport events.
- d) By execute and research on scientific and technical fields and generally on all the cases related to kickboxing and athletics. And also by establishing the schools for the referees, judges, fighters and seminars for the coaches.

#### Article 8- Federation members

1. There are two kinds of members in WFK.
  - A) Governmental members  
Governmental members are the main members of general assembly. Governmental members are the ones whose government has introduced them to WFK or one of the continental federations under cover of WFK, from the ministry sport or national Olympic committee of their country in an official letter, and the constitution of the national federation of their country is codified according to WFK constitution.
  - B) Non-governmental members  
Non-governmental members are the ones whose national federations are not known officially from their government. There members can participate in the general assemblies of world federation but they don't have the right to vote.
    - 1-1- WFK members are all national sport federations that develop and spread kickboxing sport.
    - 1-2- Any national sport federation who would like to be a member of WFK and a part of this powerful federation, should deliver an application from with the following documents:
2. Membership conditions in a A ( Governmental members in WFK )
  - 2-1- A legal confirmation from the archives of the country who certifies that this is a known organization under the national rules.
  - 2-2- An official copy of the constitution and also an official copy of any rules of the internal part.

- 2-3- A written declaration of each national federation that clearly shows the constitution and WFK & board council decisions have been confirmed.
- 2-4- A list of their board members.
- 3. Membership conditions in B (Non- Governmental members in WFK)
  - 3-1- An official copy of the constitution and also official copy of any rules of the internal part.
  - 3-2- A written declaration of each national federation that clearly shows the constitution and WFK & board council decisions have been confirmed.
  - 3-3- A list of their board members.
  - 3-4- Whenever a national federation changes its constitution or board, it is obliged to inform WFK of this change during 20 days.

#### Article 9- Exclusion of the members in federation

- 1. a- In order to exclude a sport organization from the members list, when is a member of WFK, it needs to send an official suggestion to the general assembly from to send an official suggestion to the general assembly from the board and 4/7 of members should make the final decision. The above mentioned organization only owns the verbal rights.
- 2. For the following reasons the organization would be excluded:
  - a) When it is not allowed to participate in any WFK events for 1 year.
  - b) When WFK receives a written document from the organization in which the organization informs his exclusion without any reason.
  - c) When WFK receives any document of the administrative, financial and technical infringement of its member.
  - d) When WFK receives any document of disobeying the WFK eminent values and in reality when its member disgrace WFK at national or international levels.

## Part B

#### Article 10- Federation budgets

Federation budgets are included as follow:

- a) National Olympic Committee (NOC) sponsorships of the countries or sport ministry of member countries.
- b) Different sponsorships, cooperation's, donations, inheritance and the companies' sponsorship.
- c) Annually membership cost for its members.

Note: The board determines the annually membership cost for its members, their financial cases and their different under takings and they would be confirmed in general assemblies. The federation is allowed to make financial contracts with real or legal persons (or for charitable aims) under the supervision of WFK board and also any use of WFK name and mark in financial or commercial works is seriously forbidden.

- d) The incomes of the events that WFK organizes.



- e) The incomes of issuing the certificates and licenses.

## Article 11- Federation's decisions making

General all decision making are divided in 4 parts:

- i. Enormous decisions
  - ii. Small and partial decisions
  - iii. Emergency and essential decisions
  - iv. Private decisions
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- 1- Enormous decisions of WFK are the ones that can completely change the movement process of the federation or change the basic structure of federation in some way. These decisions should be presented to all the federations and representatives 6 months before holding the general assembly and during the general assembly all the members have the right to vote that 2/3 of member should confirm it and the representatives should sanction it.
  - 2- Small and partial decisions that are made just by the administrative committee and the president of the federation, include the changing at the time of holding the events or the representatives' suggestions to the administrative committee and they are often investigated by the president and the administrative committee of WFK.
  - 3- Emergency and essential decisions are made by the board and the technical committee and the recognizing committee of the events, in the board members meeting. 4/7 of the members should confirm it and then all the members should finally confirm it.
  - 4- Private decisions are made by the president and the secretary general of WFK and they are often made regarding the members acting process and their control.

## Article 12- Federations' facilities

The federation presidents the following services:

- a) A book for registering the members
- b) A written report of the meetings and the congresses
- c) A written report of the board meetings
- d) Incomes – Expenses
- e) The world internet website
- f) International magazine
- g) Possessions licenses
- h) Registrations
- i) Annually multi media

## Part C:

### Article 13- agents

- 1) WFK agents are included as follow:
  - a) General assembly (regularly or extraordinarily)
  - b) Executive board

- c) Referees & technical committee
- d) Organization committee
- e) Department committee
- f) Reserve members

At the time of elections, the general assembly always elects two persons as reserve members at the executive board but they would not be allowed to interfere in decisions making until their responsibilities are determined.

- 2) WFK meetings
  - a) General assembly
  - b) Executive board meeting
  - c) Judgment technical seminar
  - d) Committees meetings

#### Article 14- General assembly

- 1) General assembly is the highest part of WFK and it has the right to make decision about the important subjects such as changing the constitution, supervising the agents, confirming the financial report and the budget of the federation and also supervising the department committee. The member's board makes decision about the un predictable subjects which are not mentioned in the constitution and lead the federation towards keeping the members' profits.  
Moreover, the general assembly certifies the general and minor rules and by this way, the federation carries out everything that is essential for promoting the kickboxing and any thing else.  
In order to complete the above mentioned rules and regulations, the international rules act as the reference. The members are obliged to obey these rules.  
Any change in the constitution should be confirmed by the majority verdict of (2/3 of) representatives of national federations - WFK members who attend at an especial general assembly but at least half of the national federations should attend at this general assembly-.
- 2) A general assembly is always held by the invitation of championship and executive board at the same time of world or continental championship and it is unavoidable that WFK general assembly is held 1-3 times annually.
- 3) Administrative board confirms the following subjects during its meetings:
  - a) A report of the executive board about the activities already done.
  - b) Financial budget and the calendar of the previous years and the ones of the next year.
  - c) A report which is made by organization committee for any change in the constitution or internal changes.
- 4) An extraordinary assembly would be held according to the request of 2/5 of WFK members or after the administrative council decision – making. The members who have the right to vote at general assemblies, would have the right to vote at extraordinary assemblies too, up to the end of the year calendar.

- 5) a – The organizations are obliged to inform WFK of their representatives' attendance and they should do this one month before the permanent assembly and 10 days before the extraordinary assemblies. The executive board, by its own judgment, has the right to improve and review its representatives. This improvement is confirmed just via a written official document from the council.
- b – Any WFK member can have only one representative at general assembly and this assembly is determined by a member of representative board and decision – making of the administrative council of any national federation.  
WFK members have the right to vote only and only one vote at general assembly.
- c – The members elected as the members representatives for the permanent meetings, are elected as the responsible representatives at extraordinary meetings too, other wise; another especial persons are elected who have the right to do any work.

## Article 15- The executive board

### A.

The executive board of the federation is elected at the time of world championship for a period of 4 years. The executive board introduce the federation officially among its elect members and before all the international officials.

1. After a logical explanation, when the executive board diagnoses a problem in the committee or that a new board should be made, it can hold elections. And this decision should be made by the majority of 4/7 of the executive board. Anyhow, if the executive board is not able to do his tasks, the newly made executive board should finish the rest of the previous board's work.
2. The exact number of elect members are included as follow. The president, vice-president, general secretary, the president of technical committee, five continental vice-presidents, general secretary, treasurer and the responsible of judicial committee who are totally 11 persons. In cases such as sudden death, exclusion or the declining of any previous elect members, tow additional members are elected, in addition to the fixed members, to act as the substitute.
3. WFK board members are elected by its members representatives and under the limitations existed in this constitution.
4. 1/3 of WFK executive board are included of the persons who are not the members representatives of the national federations.
5. WFK administrative members elect the president, 6 vice-presidents, general secretary, treasurer and the members of the other committees not openly at its first assembly.
6. Making any contract indoor to do different work, commission or any financial payment with the administrative council or any financial payment with the administrative council members, children, couples or fosters (brother or sister) or even with any company which is related to the mentioned people, it forbidden for the executive board. Any infringement of these actions lead to exclude the executive board members. The executive board members are allowed to

sponsor the federation in emergency cases. A member position is honorary and doesn't necessitate to receive any salary. When the administrative council members travel to the abroad or a place far from their home, WFK is obliged to pay their expenses such as transportation, accommodation and food.

B.

1. The president controls and investigate the WFK executive board at least 4 times a year and also in emergency cases, it should do this or when at least 5 members of the administrative council present a written application from with mentioning their reasons and the president should confirm their reason.
2. The executive board is made when at least 4/7 of its members are present. The decisions are made openly and by the majority verdict. When it comes to the personal matters or 3 members request officially, the voting would not be openly. In cases the voting ends in a draw, the president's vote counts as two. Briefly speaking, the administrative council negotiations should be signed and confirmed exactly.
3. If any of the members absents from the meetings more than three times and without any acceptable reason, the majority of administrative council members make the decision to exclude him/her of his/her position.

C.

1. The president introduces the WFK administrative council in all its connections with third persons and also announces the legal or administrative internal incomes or any other official and before any organization, bank or legal reference.
2. The president of the federation as the meeting president and the general secretary of the federation as the general secretary of the meeting, determine the arguable cases during the meetings.
3. The president signs the proceedings of the executive board meeting and also all the papers and document sent from the federation, with the general secretary.
4. He also signs all the receipts relating to the payments and incomes such as all the checks or all legal records and documents relating to the payments, with the general secretary and the treasurer.
5. He number and signs all WFK books with the general secretary and also is the responsible for informing the general secretary in order to hold the new administrative council elections.
6. After an official decision-making by the administrative council, any of the 5 vice-presidents in the above mentioned positions can be the substitute of WFK president.
7. In cases such as sudden death, exclusion or declining of one or more members, if the total number of members comes to 7 and there isn't any legal substitute, the president and general secretary have the right to act and arrange an extraordinary general assembly in order to make the new administrative council.

D.

In cases that the WFK executive board is excluded for any reason or the number of its members decrease to 2/3, the work period and the



conditions come to a suspension or an extraordinary assembly would be mad in order to recognize the federation again. The executive board and the committees under its cover, would be finish automatically.

- 1) In order to elect the committees under the cover of the executive board, there would be a voting in a separated official declaration in which the names of all the candidates are mentioned in alphabet letters order.
- 2) Each member is allowed to elect at the maximum 11 persons for the executive board, 4 person for the technical committee, 1 person for the disciplinary committee and 1 person for the organization committee.
- 3) Substitutes or assistants are the people who, I comparison with the 9 elect members, have gained less votes and their numbers are totally 2.
- 4) In a case the voting ends in a draw, the organization committee would draw lots.
- 5) The organization committee holds the election. Moreover, the organizations committee would be the responsible to hold all the WFK kickboxing events.
- 6) Next the executive board will elect the president of the technical committee. And all the technical committee members will work as the assistant under the supervision of the president of technical committee.

#### Article 16- The technical committee

1. The technical committee are include as 4 members and one president. Of course, there are 4 main members of the elections at the general assembly and then the president of technical committee would be elected from the executive board at the executive board meeting.
2. As it is clear from its name, the technical committee is the responsible of technical affairs of the federation. The technical and the judgment committee of the federation is obliged to present annually the latest technical and judgment changes to the representatives as a book (with English language) at the end of the year.
3. The technical committee has a president and 4 members and any of the members are the responsible for developing, spreading and controlling one style. If another style is added to the WFK styles, the technical committee would add a member for any added style.
4. The technical committee members are honorary and they do not have any occupational salary and profits. But the president of technical committee who is the most important technical member of the federation in all around the world and is elected from the executive board, necessitates the occupational profits which is paid him/her in the written contracts with the executive board.
5. The occupational salary and profits of the technical committee president are provided from the technical seminars incomes.

#### Article 17- The administrative committee

The administrative committee: WFK administrative committee is elected by the president and the general secretary of the federation. The administrative committee member are not honorary and necessitate the occupational salary and profit as the federation clerks and they work 8 hours at the federation office every day.

The administrative committee members are included as follow:

- i. The president

- ii. The international communication manager
- iii. The Information manager
- iv. The advertisement & arrangement manager

All the occupational salary and profits of the administrative committee members are provided from the federations incomes & budgets which is mentioned in article 8 of the constitution.

Whenever the federation has a financial problem, the administrative committee members can be decreased from 4 to 2.

### Article 18- The organization committee

The organization committee: The organization committee is elected at the same time of the executive board and technical & judgment committees elections. This committee who is the responsible for doing the executive board and technical & administrative committees' plans, holds its meetings at the same time of the other meetings and general assemblies.

This committee is composed of a president and 5 members. One person would be elected as the executive committee member from each continent.

The executive committee considers the event process before holding and then holds meeting after correspondences and announces the result to the executive board officially. The executive committee is composed of a president and 5 vice-presidents. But it needs at least 2/5 of the members to hold the meetings of executive committee. The executive committee can hold meetings with 2/5 of the members and 4/5 of the attendants must agree to make the final decision and it is obligatory.

The executive committee, the president, treasurer and the general secretary hold especial meetings with the name of event meetings' and then certify the result at the executive board.

## Part Z

### General agreements

#### Article 19

1. Only the sportsmen of the national federations who are WFK members are allowed to participate in kickboxing events (mentioned in article 1) organized by WFK.
2. All sport ceremonies relating to kickboxing sport are controlled and arranged only from the WFK executive board, like the other sport events.
3. Any informal sport man's attendance at WFK events would be announced to the executive board by the organization committee and then the executive committee will make the final decisions.

#### Article 20

All the national federations -WFK members- without any exception, are agreed to solve the disagreements and the differences which might be met relating to the WFK constitution & regulations such as sport events declarations. Any only the WFK executive board and committees mentioned above should do that but they can't enforce them before the civil court declaration.

## Article 21

WFK executive board attends at an extraordinary general assembly composed of at least 2/3 of WFK governmental members who have the right to vote and 4/7 of the national federations introduced legally, would make the final decision.

## Article 22

WFK owns a round seal with the name of world federation of kickboxing on it.

Whenever the executive board diagnoses, the shape and kind of the seal can be changed and this change should be confirmed at a general assembly.

## Article 23

WFK owns an official paper. At the top of this paper the name of world federation of kickboxing is written in four languages; Persian, English, Russian and Arabic. On the right there are the names of executive board members. And at the bottom there is the address of WFK central office.

## Article 24

This constitution is composed of 24 articles and has been certified by the proficient experts of kickboxing sport in two languages (Persian & English) in December 2003, at the same time of holding the establishment congress, in Tehran, Iran and it was decided that it should be sent to the all national Olympic committees of the countries.

Any copy and illegal or commercial use of this constitution, without arrangement with the world federation of kickboxing, is regarded against the international rules and regulations and leads to the legal investigation.