

PART “A”

CONSTITUTION

**FINA General Congress
24 July 2009
Rome, Italy**

FINA GENERAL CONGRESS

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C 14	CONTINENTAL ORGANISATIONS	
C 14.3	IRL Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	Championships/Games FINA Sanction Continental and Regional Organisations must before announcing dates and place for Championships/Games seek sanction by FINA. The FINA sanction shall include the following approvals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dates for the Championships/Games - Competition programmes. - Doping control organization. - Any modifications of the FINA rules and requirements. <p style="color: blue; text-decoration: underline;">Programmes of Continental competitions and modifications of FINA Technical Rules for Continental competitions shall be permitted as long as they do not affect the interest and promotion of FINA</p>
C 15	GENERAL CONGRESS	
<u>C 15.2.2</u> <u>NEW</u>	IRL Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p style="color: blue; text-decoration: underline;">Two (2) duly appointed representatives of the Continental Organisations recognised by FINA, without vote.</p> <p><i>Renumber thereafter</i></p>
C 15.9	Feds: ISL, DEN, FAR, NOR <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	Motions, applications and proposal for alteration of or addition to the Constitution or General Rules of FINA shall be considered only if submitted by a Member, <u>a Continental Organisation recognised by FINA</u> , or by the Bureau. All motions, applications, and proposals to be considered by the General Congress must reach the Honorary Secretary at least eight (8) months prior to the Congress and must appear on the agenda given to the Members in accordance with C 15.4. On a motion of urgency approved by a two thirds majority of those delegates present and voting, the Congress may deal with new proposals not appearing on the agenda.
C 16	TECHNICAL CONGRESS	
C 16.3.2	Feds: ISL, DEN, FAR, NOR <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p style="color: blue; text-decoration: underline;">Two (2) duly appointed representatives of the Continental Organisations recognised by FINA without vote,</p> <p><i>Renumber thereafter</i></p>
C 16.7	SUI Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	Motions, applications, and proposals for alteration of or addition to the Technical Rules shall be considered only if submitted by a Member, <u>a Continental Organisation recognised by FINA</u> or by the Bureau. All motions, applications and proposals to be considered by the Technical Congress must reach the Honorary Secretary at least eight (8) calendar months prior to the Congress and must appear on the agenda given to the Members in accordance with C 16.2. On a motion of urgency approved by a two-thirds majority of those delegates present and voting, the Congress

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C 17	BUREAU	
C 17.3	SUI Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p>The Bureau shall be elected by the General Congress. All the Bureau members, except the Honorary Life President, the Immediate Past President, the Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, and the Immediate Past Honorary Treasurer <u>and the President</u>, shall be of different countries or Sport Countries. Candidates for Bureau membership shall be proposed by the Member from which they come. Persons not actually in attendance may be elected if a written declaration of consent is presented.</p>
C 17.3	NOR Fed. SWE Fed. <i>Bureau recommends as amended:</i>	<p>The Bureau shall be elected by the General Congress. All the Bureau members, except the Honorary Life President, the Immediate Past President, the Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, and the Immediate Past Honorary Treasurer, shall be of different countries or Sport Countries. Candidates for Bureau membership shall be proposed by the Member from which they come. Persons not actually in attendance may be elected if a written declaration of consent is presented.</p> <p><u>Candidates for President shall be nominated in writing to the Executive Director of FINA at the latest three (3) months before the Congress. The Executive Director shall make the candidates for President official at least two (2) months before the Congress.</u></p> <p>The Bureau shall be elected by the General Congress. All the Bureau members, except the Honorary Life President, the Immediate Past President, the Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, and the Immediate Past Honorary Treasurer, shall be of different countries or Sport Countries. Candidates for Bureau membership shall be proposed by the Member from which they come. Persons not actually in attendance may be elected if a written declaration of consent is presented.</p> <p><u>Candidates for President shall be nominated in writing to the Executive Director of FINA at the latest three (3) months before the Congress. The Executive Director should notify on the candidates for President at least two (2) months prior to the Congress.</u></p>
<u>C 17.4</u> <u>NEW</u>	SUI Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p><u>At first, the Congress shall elect the President. Candidates shall announce their candidacy to the acting Honorary Secretary no later than six (6) months before the date of the Congress.</u></p> <p><i>Renumber thereafter</i></p>
C 17.4 <u>(NEW</u> <u>C 17.5)</u>	SUI Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p><u>C 17.5</u> The Congress shall elect on the basis of geographical representation fifteen (15) members as follows:</p> <p>C 17.4.1 <u>three (3) from Africa,</u></p> <p>C 17.4.2 <u>four (4) from America,</u></p> <p>C 17.4.3 <u>three (3) from Asia,</u></p> <p>C 17.4.4 <u>four (4) from Europe,</u></p> <p>C 17.4.5 <u>one (1) from Oceania.</u></p> <p><u>C 17.5.1 The Presidents of the five (5) Continental Organisations</u></p>

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		<p><u>recognised by FINA</u></p> <p><u>C 17.5.2 two (2) from Africa,</u></p> <p><u>C 17.5.3 three (3) from America,</u></p> <p><u>C 17.5.4 two (2) from Asia,</u></p> <p><u>C 17.5.5 three (3) from Europe.</u></p> <p>For this election, only the Members of the respective continent may nominate and vote on their candidates. Another seven (7) members shall be elected from the world at-large, not exceeding one (1) from Africa, one (1) from Asia, one (1) from Oceania, two (2) from the Americas and two (2) from Europe.</p>
C 17.5 <u>(NEW</u> <u>C 17.6)</u>	SUI Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p><u>C 17.6</u> The Congress shall elect from among those twenty two (22) Bureau Members <u>elected according to C 17.5.1 to C 17.5.5</u></p> <p>C 17.5.1 the President,</p> <p><u>C 17.6.1</u> five (5) Vice-Presidents who shall be elected on the basis of continental representation, one for each of the continents of Africa, America, Asia, Europe, and Oceania. At the election of the Vice-Presidents only the members of respective continents may nominate and vote on their candidates.</p> <p><u>C 17.6.2</u> the Honorary Secretary, and</p> <p><u>C 17.6.3</u> the Honorary Treasurer.</p> <p><i>Renumber thereafter</i></p>
C 17.8	CUB Fed. <i>Bureau recommends</i>	<p>The members of the outgoing Bureau, will be eligible as candidates for any position within the incoming Bureau. The President, the Honorary Secretary, and the Honorary Treasurer of the outgoing Bureau, if not re-elected to such posts, or not elected to other posts, shall remain as members of the incoming Bureau, only without votes, as Immediate Past President, Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, and Immediate Past Honorary Treasurer.</p> <p><u>The members of the outgoing Bureau, will be eligible as candidates for any position within the incoming Bureau except for the President, the Honorary Secretary, and the Honorary Treasurer who can be elected only for a maximum of two terms in the same post. If the President, the Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer are not elected for a second period in their previous post or not elected for other posts, they shall remain as members of the incoming Bureau, only without vote, as immediate Past President, immediate Past Honorary Secretary and immediate Past Honorary Treasurer.</u></p>
C 17.8	Feds: ISL, DEN, FAR, NOR, SWE	<p>The members of the outgoing Bureau will be eligible as candidates for any position within the incoming Bureau, <u>except the President who can only be elected for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms. The President shall remain in the Bureau as Immediate Past President for the next term, if not re-elected after one (1) term, or after the end</u></p>

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	<i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<p><u>of the second term, only without any votes.</u> The President, The Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer of the outgoing Bureau, if not elected to such posts, or not elected to other posts, shall remain as members of the incoming Bureau, only without any votes, as Immediate Past President, Immediate Past Honorary Secretary, and Immediate Past Honorary Treasurer.</p>
C 18	STANDING COMMITTEES	
<u>C 18.1.8</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>Athletes' Committee</u>
<u>C 18.1.9</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>Coaches' Committee</u>

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C 19	POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES	
<u>C 19.1.6</u> <u>NEW</u>	Feds: ISL, DEN, FAR, NOR, SWE <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>To propose Technical Officials (Judges and/or Referees) to act at the Olympic Games or World Championships from the current FINA Officials Lists according to nominations received from the Member Federations for approval by the FINA Bureau or FINA Executive.</u> <i>Renumber thereafter</i>
<u>C 24</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>ATHLETES' COMMITTEE</u> <i>Renumber thereafter</i>
<u>C 24.1</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>The Athletes' Committee will be consist of 12 members composed of, and elected by such FINA athletes with equal representation of the four FINA disciplines. The athletes' committee' purpose is to ensure communication between fina and such athletes, and to serve as a source of opinion and advice to the bureau. Each standing committee will have a liaison assigned from the athletes' committee,</u>
<u>C 25</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>COACHES' COMMITTEE</u> <i>Renumber thereafter</i>
<u>C 25.1</u> <u>NEW</u>	USA Fed. <i>Bureau does not recommend</i>	<u>The Coaches' Committee will be composed of 12 members from different member federations with equal representation of the four FINA disciplines and will be appointed by the Bureau. This Commission will serve as a source of opinion and advice to the Bureau. Each standing Committee will have a liaison assigned from the Coaches' Committee,</u>