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**STATUTE OF THE WORLD
CAPOEIRA FEDERATION**

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Article 1. General provisions

- 1.1. World Capoeira Federation (hereinafter referred as “Federation”) public union is a volunteer non-profit International Organization, which is established by the missions determined in this statute in accordance with international legal norms and laws of a state where it is registered.
- 1.2. The official name of the Federation is World Capoeira Federation.
- 1.3. The location of the Federation is in Tallinn, Estonia.
- 1.4. Federation is a non-political and non-religious organization and it doesn't allow racial, hereditary and gender discrimination within the framework of its activity.
- 1.5. The federation is entitled to award pacts, agreements and contracts which are not contrary to this statute, to get the proprietary and private non-proprietary right, to participate as a claimant and defendant at the court.
- 1.6. Fiscal year of the Federation is from 1st January till 31st December.

Article 2. The mission and the subject of activity of the Federation

- 2.1. The major missions of the Federation are: to promote capoeira as a kind of worldwide sport, to take necessary measures in this direction and to involve people to mass competitions in this sphere, to make friendly and fraternal relations between national capoeira federations, groups and schools by joining them together, as well as to add capoeira in Olympic Movement.
- 2.2. The following is included to the subject of activity of the Federation:
 - to cooperate with the sport organizations, including International Olympic Committee as well as other organizations for the development of capoeira;
 - to popularize capoeira together with national capoeira federations, groups, schools and other capoeira organizations, to unify them on the basis of volunteerism and mutual consent for the development of capoeira;
 - to train highly-qualified sportsmen, trainers, referees, capoeira masters and other specialists;
 - to comply its activity with the requirements of the Olympic Charter, International Conventions, Olympic Movement medical code and World anti-doping code and to follow them strictly;
 - to defend the interests and rights of the sportsmen, trainers, capoeira masters and other specialists, to take care of sportsmen-veterans.

Article 3. Principle rights of the Federation

- 3.1. The Federation is entitled with the following rights:
 - to prepare and realize the development program of capoeira in the world;
 - to allow the national federations meeting the requirements to organize tournaments, competitions, seminars, cord exams (batizado) and other mass sport events;
 - to represent capoeira in international games and events;
 - to manage organizing and holding the seminars and technical (degrees) exams of students, trainers, capoeira masters and other sport specialists, to confer sport degrees and awards on the basis of results of the organized event;
 - to realize holding events on attestation and qualification improvement of trainers, instructors, referees and sportsmen;

- to record the materials with the activity of the trainer on different types of capoeira in the world;
 - to form headquarters, alliances and offices on continents and separate regions, register current organizations of this type;
 - to sign pacts, contracts and other agreements with foreign organizations and firms;
 - to carry out the construction and exploitation of sport facilities;
 - to rent offices, buildings, sport halls, facilities and other places related with the activity of the Federation in the country or abroad;
 - to advertise the products and marks of the sponsors in the competitions within the republic and in the abroad by the legislation;
 - to organize qualified firm shops, café, video shops;
 - to carry out publishing activities, production and release of films and video products complying with the major direction of the activity of the Federation, as well as their realization;
 - to establish all the fields related with sport facilities, inventories, attributes, advertisement and other products, to create condition for their realization and to carry them out;
- 3.2. The other potential means which are not forbidden by law may also be used for the worldwide development of capoeira by the Federation.

Article 4. Rules for the membership to the federation, rights and duties of the members

- 4.1. The membership in the federation is voluntary. Federation has 3 forms of membership: full membership, associate membership and honorary membership.
- 4.2. The national capoeira federations and such organizations equal to them that accept the statute of the Federation, participate in its activities and events and regularly pay the membership fee if the membership fee was determined by the Management Board of the Federation can be full members of the Federation. Federation registers one kind of such organization from each country.
- 4.3. International groups and organizations having the same aims and principals with Federation can be associate members of the Federation. Associate members participate in the General Conference with consultative vote.
- 4.4. The sportsmen, trainers (instructors) and other members of the Federation, as well as scientists, statesmen and public figures who significantly assisted to the development of the Federation can be the honorary members of the Federation.
- 4.5. The members of the Federation has the following rights:
- to choose and to be chosen as provided in this regulation and to participate in its activity;
 - to take part in general planning of the Federation's activity and in discussing of the results;
 - to be informed about the Federation's activity;
 - to appeal to Federation's Management board for supporting their own interests;
 - to object and to complain about corresponding bodies of the Federation, to participate in discussions related to their own rights and duties.
- 4.6. Obligations of members of the Federation are:
- to follow demands of the statute, to assist realization of its aims and duties;
 - to fulfill decisions of the principal bodies of the Federation;
 - to pay membership fee regularly, in case of fixing by Management Board of the Federation;
 - to participate in activities of the Federation actively.
- 4.7. Admittance as a member of the Federation is realized by the President of the Federation according to an application given. The application is reviewed within a month and then corresponding response is given. Members of the Federation and non-members may complain about admittance as a Federation member to discharge from Federation to corresponding bodies.

- 4.8. The day when a member receives the document is considered as the day of delivery. If the document is sent by mail, the date of delivery is the day the letter is issued on the basis of the post stamp.
- 4.9. Each member of the Federation gets a corresponding document approved by the President of the Federation.
- 4.10. A member of the Federation can represent the Federation only when he/she is empowered by corresponding bodies.
- 4.11. Membership in the Federation is terminated in the following situations:
 - voluntary refuse from membership;
 - getting discharge from membership.
- 4.12. A member of the Federation is discharged from membership in the following situations:
 - regularly breach of provisions of the statute;
 - avoidance from helping to realization of aims and duties of the Federation and participation in events of the Federation without any excusable reason;
 - showing indiscipline and committing mistakes that may damage the name, activity and general interests of the Federation;
- 4.13. The decision about extradition from membership of the Federation is made by Management Board with a common majority of votes.

Article 5. Supreme Body of the Federation

- 5.1. Supreme Body of the Federation is its members' General Conference.
- 5.2. General Conference is held at least once a year.
- 5.3. Out-of-turn meetings of the General Conference are held in following situations:
 - with demand of at least 2/3 members;
 - with demand of at least 1/2 members of Management Board of the Federation;
 - when the Federation is liquidated.
- 5.4. Executive bodies of the Federation must provide members of the Federation with information about convening General Conference, its place and time at least 3 months before the meeting.
- 5.5. General Conference can make any decisions connected with the Federation's activity that is not contradicting with demands of this regulation.
- 5.6. Consideration of the following problems and making decisions on these issues are the main authorities of General Conference:
 - adoption of the statute of the Federation, making additions and amendments;
 - identification of the main directions of activity of the Federation;
 - identification of Federation property's formation and usage principles;
 - election of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Federation, members of Management Board, chairmen of Control-inspection Commission, Arbitral Tribunal, Supreme council of capoeira masters and if it is necessary termination of their powers before the time;
 - ratification of annual budget of the Federation;
 - review of annual reports of bodies of the Federation, as well as annual financial reports of the Federation;
 - making decision on reformation and abolition of the Federation.
- 5.7. General conference is considered to be authorized when more than a half of members participate.
- 5.8. Decisions on issues related to main authorities of General Conference shown in this statute are taken when 2/3 members vote in General Conference, but decisions on remained issues are made by a common majority of votes. Each member of General Conference has only one vote. If votes are equal during voting on issues settled by common majority of votes in General conference, a vote of the chairman of the meeting becomes decisive.

Article 6. Management Board of the Federation

- 6.1. Management Board is a head of executive body of the Federation and is one of the principal bodies leading current activity of the Federation during General inter-Conference period. The chairman of the Management Board is considered as the President of the Federation.
- 6.2. Management Board consists of 12 members. Members of Supervisory Commission can't be a member of Management Board.
- 6.3. Management Board is elected for 4 (four) years by General Conference.
- 6.4. Meetings of Management Board are convened by its Chairman or in initiative of 2/3 of members.
- 6.5. Management Board:
 - determines its procedural rules;
 - establishes headquarters, unions and offices on continents and regions, terminates its activities;
 - accepts budget of the Federation and presents it for approval of General Conference;
 - elects chiefs of other bodies during General inter-Conference period in necessity, except chairman of Management Board and Supervisory Commission;
 - realizes general management of departments and sections of the Federation;
 - approves staff list of the Federation;
 - appoints membership fee for members of the Federation when necessary;
 - solves other issues related to it authorities for purposes of the Federation;
- 6.6. Management Board is considered to be authorized when 1/2 of members participate.
- 6.7. Decisions of Management Board are made with the ordinary majority of votes in an open voting manner. Vote of the chairman of Management Board is considered to be decisive when votes are equal.

Article 7. President of the Federation

- 7.1. President and Vice-Presidents of the Federation is elected for 4 (four) years by General Conference.
- 7.2. President manages fulfillment of duties which are coming out from the requirements of this charter and decisions of the principal bodies of the Federation.
- 7.3. President of the Federation:
 - deals with issue related to the appointment of members to the Federation and Supreme council of world capoeira masters;
 - realizes current management of administrative office of the Federation;
 - represents the Federation in relation to the third persons and makes civil agreements with them, concludes contracts and agreements;
 - determines wages according to the staff list of the Federation, appoints employees and dismisses them;
 - conducts meetings of Management Board and organizes General Conference;
 - gives order, instructions within his/her authorities;
 - awards employees financially, concludes contracts and agreements, makes arrangements with property and means of the Federation, carries out operations in banks and other financial-credit institutions, represents interests of the Federation in governmental and other organizations, depending on total of activity of the Federation;
 - certifies administrative documents of the Federation with seal and signature;
 - fulfills other functions coming out of the requirements of the Charter and decisions of the principal bodies;
 - charges Vice-Presidents with part of his/her authorities;

7.4. The Federation has 4 Vice-Presidents: 1st Vice-President, Vice-President on International Relations, Technical Vice-President, Vice-President on Discipline and Culture.

Article 8. Supervisory Commission

8.1. Supervisory Commission is one of the principal bodies which realize control and inspection activity in the Federation and it consists of 5 members and a chairman.

8.2. Members of Supervisory Commission are appointed and dismissed by chairman of the board.

8.3. Member of Supervisory Commission can't be a member of Management Board.

8.4. Supervisory Commission:

- determines its procedural rules;
- realizes control over the financial-economic activity of the Federation, its use according to purposes and duties of the Federation;
- realizes control over activity of the elective bodies, authorized persons and members of the Federation pursuant to the statute;
- carries out control related to its functions and presents own opinion, offers, presentations and projects to appropriate bodies of the Federation.

8.5. Supervisory Commission reviews written applications entered by bodies and members of the Federation within a month and answers appropriately;

8.6. Salary of members of Supervisory Commission is paid according to table certified by the President of the Federation.

8.7. Chairman of Supervisory Commission is elected for 4 (four) years by General Conference.

8.8. Chairman of Supervisory Commission:

- realizes daily management of activity of the Commission;
- convenes and presides over meetings of the Commission;
- represents the Commission, acts and applies on its behalf.

8.9. Supervisory Commission can fulfill other functions charged by General Conference.

Article 9. Supreme council of capoeira masters

9.1. Supreme council of capoeira masters is one of the principal bodies which recognizes capoeira masters in the world, records them, as well as, prepares technical procedural rules of capoeira in Federation.

9.2. Chairman of the Council is elected for 3 (three) years by General Conference of the Federation.

9.3. Master registered by Council is considered as a member of this body.

9.4. Number of members of Council is not limited.

9.5. Meetings of Council can be held under request of half of members, the President of the Federation or half of members of the Management Board.

9.6. Chairman of Council:

- after preparation principle of activity and rules of membership for the Council presents it for approval of Management Board and acts on the basis of these principles;
- presents candidacy of capoeira masters to President of the Federation for their registration;
- elects his/her assistants and presents it to the President of the Federation for approval;
- after determination and preparation of cord system, nomenclature of capoeira movements, as well as referee's, conduction and participation rules of competitions, other technical capoeira rules presents it for approval to the General Conference;
- uses other duties and authorities entrusted by the Management Board.

9.7. In case if the Chairman of the Council is not able to preside in meetings of Council a person appointed by the President of the Federation presides over meetings.

Article 10. Arbitral Tribunal

- 10.1. Arbitral Tribunal is one of the main bodies of the Federation which solves disputable problems between members of the Federation and its decision is obligatory for all members.
- 10.2. Arbitrators of Tribunal are elected for 4 (four) years by Management Board.
- 10.3. Arbitrators are elected among persons with necessary knowledge in the field of salvation of disputes.
- 10.4. A person acting as arbitrator must be fully impartial and independent related to intended conflict. Arbitrator must immediately inform President of the Federation about all cases bringing such doubts.
- 10.5. Each member of the Federation may apply to Arbitral Tribunal with the statement of claim related to disputable issue.
- 10.6. If parties don't agree with review of issue by sole arbitrator, each party elects own arbitrator and the third arbitrator is appointed by the President of the Federation. If parties don't get an agreement in election of arbitrator or chairman in Arbitration Board within two weeks, it is appointed by President of the Federation.
- 10.7. All proceedings and processes carried out by arbitrators are based on rules certified by Management Board.
- 10.8. Cases reviewed in Arbitration Board or with participation of sole arbitrator must be completed within 60 days after presentation of statement of claim. In case of necessity Arbitration Board or sole arbitrator may prolong this period.
- 10.9. Chairman of Arbitral Tribunal:
 - after preparation rules and principle of activity for arbitrators, as well as rules of proceedings and processes carried out by arbitrators presents it for approval of Management Board and acts on the basis of these principles;
 - presents candidacy of arbitrators to Management Board;
 - uses other duties and authorities entrusted by Management Board.

Article 11. Fiscal year, property and financial funds of the Federation

- 11.1. Fiscal year of the Federation coincides with a calendar year.
- 11.2. Any property allowed to be under possession of public unions according the legislation of the law can be the property of the Federation.
- 11.3. Property and financial funds of the Federation is formed from the following sources:
 - from regular or lump sum membership fee of members of the Federation in case if membership fee is appointed in the Federation;
 - funds and other property and donations voluntarily given by foreign legal and individual entities;
 - from organization of competitions, seminars, cord exams (batizado) and other sport events;
 - from sale of goods, rendering of services, incomes in the result of works done;
 - income received in the result of use of own property and its sale;
 - from other property and income not prohibited by law.
- 11.4. The Federation has the right to possess its property, use it and make arrangements on it.
- 11.5. The Federation can use its own property for provision of realization of purposes indicated in its statute, payment for labour and for expenses of management machinery of the Federation.

Article 12. Liquidation of the Federation

12.1. Activity of the Federation is liquidated by the way of its reorganization or liquidation. Liquidation of activity of the Federation is realized in the manner considered under current legislation.

12.2. Liquidation Commission is established according to the decision on liquidation of activity of the Federation. Liquidation Commission prepares liquidation balance. After calculations with budget and cover of creditor's requirements in the course of liquidation of the Federation the remained property is directed to realization of purposes determined under legislation.

Article 13. Final Provisions

13.1 Members of the Federation bear responsibilities for damages inflicted to the Federation for their behavior specified by legislation.

13.2 Matters which are not provided by the statute are regulated in accordance with the International legal norms and other legislation.

13.3 If the provisions of the statute contradict with the legislation in future, provisions of the legislation will be applied.

The Statute has been approved on 27.10.2011 by the Foundation Agreement.