

**ASIA DRAUGHTS CONFEDERATION (ADC)
RULES OF CONSTITUTION
OF ADC**

1. NAME

The Confederation shall be known as the ASIA DRAUGHTS CONFEDERATION, hereinafter referred to as the Confederation.

2. REGISTERED ADDRESS

The place of business shall be at:

38-77, 13 HOROOLOL, BAYANZURKH, ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA

or at other place or places as the Confederation may decide from time to time by the Executive Committee (i.e. the President and/ or the Secretary General).

3. EMBLEM

The official emblem of the ASIA DRAUGHTS CONFEDERATION shall be a yin and yang as the Asian peoples' peace symbol on a draughts piece.

4. PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTS

The principles and objects of the Confederation are:

- 4.1 To develop and safeguard the interests of draughts sports in Asia;
- 4.2 To promote and manage Draughts Tournaments in Asia; excluding National Championships, and to make regulations thereof;
- 4.3 To uphold the Laws of Draughts as adopted by the World Draught Federation (FMJD) and to make recommendations for such alterations and additions thereto as may appear necessary or desirable;
- 4.4 To manage the funds of the Confederation in such manner as shall be deemed expedient;
- 4.5 To strengthen the bonds of friendship between the National and Regional Draughts Organizations in Asia, and to encourage the formation of new National and Regional Organizations;
- 4.6 To uphold the principles on which the Confederation is founded; to take such measures as may appear expedient for advancing the interests of Draughts as a whole.

5. MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of the Confederation shall consist of affiliated National/Regional Draughts Organizations or Associations of countries in Asia which are signatory or which adhere to the

Rules and Constitution of the Confederation. Such Associations and Organizations are hereinafter referred to as “National Organizations” and/ or “Member Associations”

The Executive Committee (i.e. the President and/or the Secretary General) of the Confederation shall have powers to recognize such frontiers as those politically recognized as defining the territory governed by a National Organization, and also to allow the combination of neighboring non-independent territories with each other, or a neighboring country possessing an independent Constitution.

Members of the Confederation shall not be permitted to bring before a Court of Justice disputes with the Constitution until and unless decision had been made by the arbitration tribunal and membership of the Confederation shall involve members in renouncing the right to take a dispute before the Courts. Any such dispute shall be referred to an arbitration tribunal appointed by common consent.

6. LANGUAGE

The official language of the Confederation shall be English and Russian for the time being.

7. ADMINISTRATION

The Confederation shall be governed by a General Meeting to which delegates from all the Member Associations have the right to attend.

The Executive Committee (EXCO) Members, comprising:

A President

Two (3) Vice Presidents

A Secretary General (as Treasurer too)

Members

Shall be entitled to attend every General Meeting but, except for the President and Secretary General (who each have one (1) vote each), other members of the EXCO shall have no vote there in their capacity as office bearers.

7.1 (a) The President shall serve a term to as long as he or she holds the position until personal resignation or deem unfit for duty for at least six (6) months consecutively due to health reasons. He or she shall assume office immediately once appointed.

Any acting President with automatically resume the position as full fledge President of the Confederation after holding on to six consecutive months in office in an acting position.

The President shall suggest the three Vice Presidents, the Secretary General and the Honorary Treasurer to the General Meeting. The General Meeting elects all EXCO members with a majority of voting.

(b) Honorary Life Vice Presidents

Honorary Life Vice Presidents who have served the Confederation with distinction, shall be appointed by the EXCO of the Confederation on the recommendation of any of the EXCO members or any Member Associations.

Honorary Life Presidents may participate at General Meetings and EXCO Meetings but will not have voting rights.

7.2 In the Biennial General Meeting, the President shall appoint Chairmen of various Standing Committees (can be from existing or newly created Committees) as may be deemed necessary to promote the objectives of the Confederation. Co-option to the committees from outside the General Meeting shall be permitted. The members to the various Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Executive Committee in consultation with the Chairman of that Committee.

7.3 The Standing Committees and their duties shall be as decided by the EXCO for any of the existing Committee(s) or newly created Committee(s), after any discussion in the EXCO meeting(s). Decisions of and for the Committee(s) will be informed to all Member Associations at the Biennial General Meeting.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee with full administrative powers to carry on the work of the Confederation throughout their term of service as stated in 7.1(a). The Executive Committee shall consist of :-

The President

The Three Vice Presidents

The Secretary General (as The Honorary Treasurer too)

The Members

The ordinary Committee Members comprising of Chairmen of Standing Committees (all appointed by the President of the Confederation during the Biennial General Meeting).

The President shall preside at all Executive Committee Meetings. In his absence one of the Vice Presidents shall take the Chair; and if neither the President nor the Vice Presidents are present, the Secretary general shall take the Chair; and if neither the President, the Vice Presidents nor the Secretary General are present meeting shall elect their own Chairman on the spot.

At the Executive Committee Meetings every member present shall have one vote. The Chairman, in case of a tie, shall have a casting vote.

TWO shall form a quorum for an Executive Committee Meeting.

The Executive Committee shall meet at least ONCE every two years. The Committee shall meet within THREE days of each General Meeting.

Notice of every Executive Committee Meeting shall be sent to each member at least TEN days before the meeting and such notice shall state the date, time and place of such meeting.

Without the permission of the Chairman no matter shall be considered if due notice of THIRTY days has not been given.

A copy of the Minutes of every Meeting shall be circulated to each member as soon as practicable after the meeting concerned.

The President shall fill any casual vacancy occurring in the Executive Committee.

If a member of the Executive Committee passes away the President will have the full right to appoint a new member for the particular vacant position or the President can hold the position himself/ herself for as long as it deem necessary. The existing member of the Executive Committee can hold two positions at the same time.

Members of the Confederation shall have the right to attend Executive Committee Meetings with the permission of the Chairman unless otherwise qualified, they shall have no vote thereat.

In view of any unsolved dispute or arguments to any matters pertaining matters of the Executive Committee and the Confederation as a whole, the President has the final rights to decide on the matter.

9. AFFILIATION

Affiliation in the Confederation must be obtained first before the Confederation submit for their affiliation to the World Draughts Federation (FMJD). ADC hold the rights by the virtual of the General Meeting to accept or reject any request, recommendation and/ or submission for affiliation to the Confederation and/ or FMJD.

10. DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL MEETING

10.1 Each National Organisation shall be entitled to appoint a maximum of TWO delegates to the General Meeting.

10.2 The name and address of each delegate shall be sent in writing by the Secretary of the National Organisation/ Member Association to the Secretary General of the Confederation.

10.3 No delegate shall be permitted to cast a vote by proxy on behalf of any National Organisation/ Member Association.

10.4 In case of the two nominated delegates should be unable to attend a General Meeting an alternate for such delegate may be nominated by the National Organisation concerned, not later than FOURTEEN (14) days before the date of the meeting.

11. PATRONS

The Executive Committee shall have powers to invite such person or persons, as it thinks fit, to become a Patron or Patrons of the Confederation, such person being a person of high social standing or who has contributed towards the promotion of Draught in Asia. The Patron shall not have a voting right and no executive power.

12. ACCOUNTS

The financial year of the Confederation shall close on the 31st day of December and an Annual Statement of Accounts shall be audited and made available for circulation amongst Affiliates.

13. MEETINGS OF THE CONFEDERATION

13.1 Biennial General Meeting

A General Meeting of the Confederation shall be held once every two (2) year at a venue to be decided at the preceding Annual General Meeting or by the decision of the Executive Committee at any time

The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be :-

13.1.1 To confirm the Minutes of the last General Meeting and of any Extraordinary General Meeting held since the last General Meeting.

13.1.2 To receive and approve the Annual Report of the Confederation and pass the Accounts, duly audited, for the preceding period.

13.1.3 To consider any application for affiliation and resignations if any.

13.1.4 To consider and deal with any resolution of which due notice has been given.

13.1.7 The President to appoint the Chairmen of the various Standing Committees.

13.1.8 To appoint an Auditor or Auditors.

13.1.9 To consider any other business that may be deemed necessary.

13.2 Extraordinary General Meeting

An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time by the Executive Committee, or requisition in writing by no less than six (6) National Organisations/ Member Associations. The Secretary General must convene the Extraordinary General Meeting on a date within SIXTY (60) days of the receipt of such notice. Every such requisition and the convening notice shall specify the business, for which the meeting is to be convened, and no other business shall be transacted as such meetings.

13.3 At all **General Meetings** of the Confederation, TEN (10) shall form a quorum and TWO must be Office Bearers. Shall the quorum is not fulfilled, the General Meeting will be deems cancelled and will proceed to the next scheduled Biennial General Meeting.

The President shall be the Chairman. In his absence the Chairman shall be elected from amongst the Vice Presidents in the first instance and in the absence of the Vice Presidents, the Meeting shall elect a Chairman from amongst the other members present.

13.4 Members of the Confederation shall have the right to attend Executive Committee Meetings with the permission of the Chairman unless otherwise qualified, they shall have no vote thereat.

13.5 The Chairman shall conduct the Meeting in conformity with these rules and his decision upon all points of order and matters of procedure shall be final.

13.6 All questions of matters, except on the position(s) of the Office Bearers, shall be decided by a simple majority of the votes cast in respect of same. The Chairman shall have a casting vote in case of an equal division of votes.

14. NOTICE OF PROPOSAL

14.1 Notice in writing of any proposal to be presented at a General Meeting must reach the Secretary General of the Confederation not less than THIRTY days before the date fixed for that meeting.

14.2 A proposal of which due notice has not been given, except on the position(s) of the Office Bearers (who is decided and appointed by and of full responsibility of the President), and which does not in any way affect these rules may be discussed at any General Meeting, but no vote shall be taken thereon unless the Meeting, by two-thirds majority of the votes cast, shall deem the matter to be sufficient urgency. Subject thereof, a vote may be taken and if the proposal is carried out by the appropriate majority the resolution shall be adopted temporarily until the next General Meeting.

15. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice of Meetings stating the date, time and place thereof, and the business to be transacted thereat, in the case of any General Meeting it shall be inclusive of agenda, reports and an audited account for the previous year shall be sent by the quickest postal service possible to the Secretary of each National Organization, and to the members of the Executive Committee at least SIXTY days before the date of meeting. The Secretary of each National Organization shall acknowledge receipt of such notice to the Secretary-General of the Confederation but non-receipt of such notice by any National Organization, or any individual, shall not invalidated the proceedings of any General Meeting.

16. TRAVELLING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

16.1 The President, and the Secretary General shall be entitled to reasonable traveling, hotel and subsistence claims when engaged on the business of the Confederation, subject to the availability of funds. In the case of the other Executive Committee Members, the Hon. Treasurer (or the President, if required) shall be authorized to reimburse a total sum in settlement or part settlement of their expenses incurred in attending meetings of the Executive Committee and its Committees but this shall not apply in the case of any meetings held within three days of the General Meeting held in the same city.

The Honorary Treasurer may hold a petty cash advance not exceeding US\$ 1,000.00 at any one time. All money in excess of this sum shall be deposited in a bank of the Confederation decided by the President himself.

16.2 No claims shall be permissible if the expenses would have otherwise been payable by the member himself. Members whose expenses are met by their National Organisations or by their Governments etc shall not be entitled to any claim.

17. CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATIVE

The Confederation shall elect a person from among the members of the Confederation as Continental Representative in the World Draught Federation (FMJD) meetings, if required.

18. TERMINATIONS

Any National Organization/ Member Association wishing to retire from the Confederation must give notice in writing to the Secretary General of the Confederation on or before the 31st day of December in any year.

The membership of any National Organization/ Member Association may be terminated by the General Body of the Confederation at the General Meeting if three fourths of the members present so decide. However, the concerned National Organization should be given an opportunity to present its case before the General Body. The Secretary General shall thereafter duly notify the decision of the General Body to the concerned National Organization/ Member Association to that effect and it shall cease forthwith to be a Member of the Confederation.

19. ALTERATIONS OF RULES

Any alteration(s) to the rules shall be made by the Executive Committee and to be informed to all members either by general communication or in the Biennial General Meeting; whichever method the Committee deemed fit best.

20. DISSOLUTION

The Confederation shall not be dissolved except at an Executive Committee Meeting specially convened for the purpose and by at least with the favour and consent vote from the President, at least one (1) Vice-President and the Secretary General. Then only the matter shall be brought to the General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting (specially convened for the purpose) and with only with at least THREE-THIRD majority from all affiliates (where each affiliate has one vote), shall the Confederation is to be dissolved.

In the event of dissolution of the Confederation:-

20.1 Once the Confederation is dissolved, shall appoint a Liquidator;

20.2 All assets after settlement of all liabilities will be divided equally between National Organization/ Member Association remaining in the Confederation.

23. DUTIES OF OFFICE BEARERS

23.1 The President shall preside at all General Meetings of the Committee and shall be responsible for the proper conduct of all such meetings. He shall have the casting vote and shall sign the Minutes of each Meeting at the time they are approved. He shall, in conjunction with the Secretary General or the Treasurer, sign all cheques on behalf of Confederation.

23.2 The President will nominate one of the Vice Presidents to deputize for the President during the latter's absence.

23.3 The Secretary shall conduct the business of the Confederation in accordance with the rules and shall carry out the instructions of the General Meeting, of the Committee and/ or the President. He shall be responsible for conducting all correspondence and keeping all books, documents and paper. He shall attend all meetings, and record the proceedings. He shall maintain a proper membership register of the members consisting of details such as name, identity card number, date/place of birth, occupation, name/address of employer and residential address. In conjunction with the President and/ or the Treasurer he shall sign all cheques on behalf of the Confederation.

23.4 The Treasurer shall be responsible for the finances of the Confederation. He shall keep accounts of all its financial transactions. He shall, in conjunction with the President and/ or the Secretary sign all cheques on behalf of the Confederation.

23.5 The other Committee Members shall carry out such duty as directed by the President.

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