

# 9- Electoral Rules and Process for the International Pencak Silat Federation (IPSF)

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## I. Introduction

These electoral rules and processes are established to ensure fair, transparent, and democratic elections within the International Pencak Silat Federation (IPSF). The rules outlined here comply with the Olympic Charter and align with best practices for governance in international sporting organizations.

## II. Eligibility for Election

1. **Member Federations** : Only National Pencak Silat Federations that are in good standing with the IPSF and have paid their membership dues are eligible to vote and participate in the election process.
2. **Candidates** : Individuals nominated for election must meet the following criteria:
  - Must be a member of a National Pencak Silat Federation.
  - Must have demonstrated commitment and service to the sport of Pencak Silat.
  - Must not have any outstanding disciplinary actions or sanctions imposed by the IPSF.

## III. Positions and Terms

1. Positions available for election shall include:
  - President
  - Vice Presidents (number determined by the Central Board)
  - Secretary General
  - Treasurer
  - Executive Members (as determined by the IPSF Constitution)
2. Terms of office for elected officials shall be four years, with the possibility of re-election.

## IV. Nomination Process

1. **Nominations** :
  - Nominations for candidates must be submitted in writing to the IPSF Central Board at least three months prior to the election date.
  - Each nomination must include the consent of the nominee and an endorsement from at least two National Pencak Silat Federations.

## **2. Verification :**

- The Central Board shall verify the eligibility of all candidates and publish a list of qualified candidates two months before the election.

## **V. Voting Process**

### **1. Voting Method :**

- Voting shall be conducted through secret ballot.
- Optionally, electronic voting may be implemented to facilitate participation from member federations across different time zones.

### **2. Voting Rights :**

- Each National Pencak Silat Federation shall have one vote.
- In the case of a tie, the current President shall cast the deciding vote.

### **3. Voting Period :**

- Voting shall be open for a period of one month leading up to the annual general assembly (or designated election meeting).

## **VI. Oversight and Monitoring**

### **1. Election Committee :**

- An independent Election Committee, composed of representatives from various Nationals Federations, shall be appointed by the Central Board to oversee the elections.
- The Election Committee shall not have any candidates running for positions in the current election.

### **2. Responsibilities of the Election Committee :**

- Ensure compliance with all electoral rules and procedures.
- Monitor the nomination and voting processes.
- Address any disputes or irregularities that arise during the election process.

### **3. Transparency :**

- The Election Committee shall publish a report summarizing the election process, outcomes, and any issues encountered, which will be made available to all member federations.

## **VII. Appeals Process**

### **1. Dispute Resolution :**

- Any member federation may submit a written appeal regarding the electoral process or outcomes to the Election Committee within two weeks of the election results being announced.

- The Election Committee will review the appeal and provide a written decision within one month.

## **2. Final Authority :**

- The final authority on all electoral matters rests with the IPSF Central Board, which shall ensure that any decisions made by the Election Committee align with the IPSF Constitution.

## **VIII. Compliance with the Olympic Charter**

All electoral rules and processes established here will be reviewed periodically to ensure compliance with the Olympic Charter. The IPSF is committed to upholding the principles of fair play, transparency, and integrity in all elections.

These rules establish a framework for conducting elections within the International Pencak Silat Federation, ensuring that the process is democratic, equitable, and aligned with international standards.