

Pan-American Confederation Petanque Bylaws Adopted December 1, 2018

<u>Article 1</u>

These By-Laws are meant to supplement the Constitution and General Provisions of the Pan-American Confederation Petanque (CPP).

Article 2

The affiliated Federations are the official representatives of the CPP in the nations they represent. Therefore, they commit to comply with and enforce the Articles of Association and Rules and Regulations throughout the territories they control.

Article 3

1. Role of the Executive Committee and of its Members:

The Executive Committee's tasks include:

- a. Ensuring the compliance of all affiliated Federations with the Articles of Association and the Rules and Regulations;
- b. Defining and steering, under the supervision of the Convention, the general policies of the Confederation;
- c. Taking the measures required to ensure the proper operation of the Confederation;
- d. Considering issues of general interest and, if needs be, preparing recommendations for the Convention's use;
- e. Managing the CPP's assets in accordance with the standards set by the Budgets and by the Convention's decisions;

- f. Organizing and successfully carrying out Conventions, Championships and Pan-American Championships, in collaboration with the Organizing Committee in charge thereof;
- g. Supervising the Commissions' activities;
- h. Ensuring the liaison between the Federations affiliated to the CPP and enforcing the decisions of the Convention.

Article 4

The President convenes the Conventions and the Executive Committee. He directs their work and signs all acts and proceedings derived there from and sees to their execution.

Article 5

With the approval of the Executive Committee, the secretary general, the treasury, and Sport Director are proposed by the president and voted on by the Congress.

<u>Article 6</u>

1. President:

The President represents the Confederation in all civil matters and in all official and sporting events but may delegate a member of the Executive Committee to represent him.

- a. He chairs the Executive Committee and General Assemblies;
- b. He authorizes the Confederation's internal expenses;
- c. He may delegate power to a member of the Executive Committee under the conditions established by said Committee;
- d. He defends the interests of the CPP in the event of any litigation, in which case he may be accompanied by a lawyer.
- e. He must report on his travels at the Executive Committee's meeting.

2. Vice-President:

The Vice-President is tasked with replacing the President, in all civil matters and in all official and sporting events, in the absence of the President.

3. Secretary General:

The Secretary General is tasked with:

- a. Performing the Confederation's administrative work;
- b. Preparing the minutes for Executive Committee meetings and of Conventions;
- c. Writing the Policy Report and presenting it to the Convention;
- d. Classifying and maintaining the archives.
- e. At the request of the President of a Commission, he may attend planned meetings, exclusively to draw up the corresponding Minutes.

4. Treasurer:

The Treasurer is tasked with:

- a. Requesting the payment of contributions and registrations from the Federations;
- b. Receiving and making payments and recording them in an account ledger initialed by the President;
- c. Reporting on the financial situation at each meeting of the executive committee;
- d. Drawing up a Financial Report for the previous year, to be submitted to the Convention;
- e. Preparing a Budget Forecast to be submitted to the Convention.

5. Executive Committee:

- a. write a financial report for the previous year, to be submitted to the congress;
- b. Prepare a budget estimate for submission to the Convention.

<u>Article 7</u>

Board members to the Pan-Am Confederation will be made up of representatives from each country. They are either Presidents of their affiliated federation to the Pan-Am or appointed by their Presidents of their federations to serve on the board of the Pan-Am.

Article 8

No expense, other than those called for in the Budget Forecast, may be incurred without the consent of the Executive Committee.

Article 9

Membership fees are \$150.00 Euros per year. Membership fees are to be paid by January 1st of the calendar year. Payments shall be made to the CPP's name and shall be transmitted directly to the address of the Paymaster General no later than January 30th (see annex for information concerning the Bank).

No Federation not in good standing with the CPP may participate in any CPP-regulated Competition.

Article 10

Other Members:

- a. Any Member of the Executive Committee may be called upon to represent the President in a specific event held in his geographical zone.
- b. Some may be appointed President or Recorder of a created Commission or be asked to carry out tasks which the Executive Committee deems useful.
- c. Commissions (as described in Article 33 of the Constitution)

Article 11

They will be constituted by the Executive Committee as needed. At least one member of the Executive Committee must sit on each Commission.

Article 12

On no account shall Commissions have any decision-making authority. Studies carried out shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, which shall decide on the appropriate course of action prior to submitting them, if needs be, to the Convention.

Article 13

Travel and living expenses for Commissions Members shall be charged to the Federations they represent.

Licenses and Registrations (as described in Articles 42 and 43 of the Constitution)

Article 14

A player may only hold one license, which shall be delivered to him by the Federation of his

country of origin in which he holds his passport from.

Article 15

Any registration to another federation made without the authorization of the Federation being left shall be deemed null and void until such consent is obtained and may not play in international competition for three years.

Article 16

Each Federation may, should it so desire, refuse to accept a player. They shall have sole responsibility for drafting their own rules and regulations governing those National Championships and any competition for which they are responsible.

Championships

Article 17

The Championships are governed by the Rules and Regulations for such Competitions as prepared by the CPP, and the Game Rules of the FIPJP.

Article 18

Only the CPP is authorized to label a Competition as being "Pan-American". They are held under the authority of one or more International Referees, who shall be supported by the organizers.

Insurance

Insurance (as described in Articles 38 and 39 of the Constitution)

Article 19

All license holders shall be insured against accidents caused to third parties during official competitions and friendly or training matches through a policy purchased from their Federation.

Article 20

The Federation tasked with organizing the Congress and the Championships shall purchase temporary civil-liability insurance covering those risks which might occur during these events

because of players, leaders, spectators or facilities (stands, soda fountains, food poisoning, spectator protection, etc....).

Any deficiency in this area would render the organizers liable for any damage caused by their negligence. These are the requirements we expect when a club hosts a tournament in our federation.

- 1. The infrastructure and layout of the field must be adequate for this type of competition:
 - a. Size of the courts for an event must be at least 3m x 15m.
 - b. Visibility of the site for Public place and passing
 - c. Sanitary facilities Clean toilets for men and women near the grounds
 - d. Adequate lighting for at least 8 courts
 - e. Sound system Adequate sound system
 - f. Food Restaurant or canteen for drinks and food (excellent income for the club)
 - g. Parking in enough quantity nearby

Article 21

Each Federation shall ask its Insurance Company for extended risk coverage, to cover travel and stays during Championships and European Cups or during continental or international events.

Discipline and Doping (as described in Articles 40 to 43)

Article 22

Disciplinary measures against license holders who have violated the Regulations of the CPP and/or the FIPJP during Championships or European Cups, whether as players, leaders or spectators, shall be taken by the Federation(s) of the offending license holders.

Article 23

The incriminating acts shall be the subject of a detailed report by the Referee (and, if needs be, by the Official Delegate), to which report the statements of witnesses shall be appended.

Article 24

The applicable procedure shall comply with the legal rules of the nation involved, particularly as regards the alleged offender's right of defense.

Article 25

The CPP shall communicate immediately, to all Federations, any suspension due to a serious fault (injuries, assault, rigged balls, etc....) entailing the immediate withdrawal of the license.

Article 26

The affiliated Federations recognize the CPP's jurisdictional competence and therefore waive the right to resort to any State court, including in those countries where such recourse is constitutionally guaranteed. Any challenge to a decision reached will be decided by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (the CAS).

Article 27

The provisions of the World Anti-Doping Agency Code shall apply fully to all persons and all Competitions placed under the CPP's authority. The list of forbidden products may be obtained upon simple request to the General Secretariat of the CPP.

Article 28

Doping tests may be carried out during competitions held under the CPP's authority. As funding becomes available testing will be done on those players that place in the semi-finals and finals as required by the World Anti-Doping Agency.

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