

Oman Football Association (OFA)

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Definitions

For the purposes of applying the provisions of this Statutes, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings assigned to each of them:

OFA: The Oman Football Association (OFA).

AFC: The Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

WAFF: The West Asian Football Federation (WAFF).

FIFA: The International Federation of Association (FIFA).

League: An organization/association affiliated with the OFA.

Club: A member of the OFA.

Officials: All members of the OFA's Board of Directors, committee members, referees, assistant referees, coaches, team staff, and others (excluding players and intermediaries) responsible for technical, medical, and administrative matters within the OFA, the League, and the Club, as well as all other persons bound by the FIFA Statutes.

Player: Any player registered in the OFA's records.

Congress: The Congress of the OFA.

Board of Directors: The Board of Directors of the OFA.

General Secretariat: The administrative and operational body representing the OFA's executive branch, comprising all OFA employees according to the organizational structure and divisions approved by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Member: A legal entity whose membership has been accepted in OFA by the Congress.

Delegate: A natural person representing a member of the Congress.

Football: The sport of football, governed and regulated by FIFA, continental federations, or the OFA, in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

Laws of the Game: The rules of football issued by FIFA in accordance with the relevant provisions of the FIFA Statutes.

IFAB: The International Football OFA Board (IFAB).

Ordinary Courts: The state courts that adjudicate general and private legal disputes.

Judicial Committees: The Disciplinary and Ethics Committee and the Appeals Committee.

Dispute Resolution Chamber: The National Dispute Resolution Chamber (NDRC).

Stakeholder: Clubs, players, coaches, and any person, entity, or organization that is not a member of the OFA but has an interest in or is affected by the OFA's activities, actions, objectives, or policies, as well as other stakeholders.

Statutes: The Statutes of the OFA.





Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF): The Court of Arbitration for Football Disputes in the Sultanate of Oman.

Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS): The international Court of Arbitration for Sport, based in Lausanne, Switzerland.

Ministry: The Ministry of Culture, Sports, and Youth.

Note: Terms referring to natural persons include both genders; any term referring to the singular shall apply to the plural and vice versa.





Article (1) Name, Headquarters, Legal Status, and Logo:

1. The OFA is a private sports entity of public benefit, established in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in the Sultanate, for an indefinite duration.
2. The OFA's headquarters is located in the Governorate of Muscat.
3. The OFA is a member of FIFA, the Asian Football Confederation (AFC), and the West Asian Football Federation (WAFF).
4. The OFA shall have its own logo, which displays its symbol and name, as illustrated in Annex (A) of this Statutes.
5. The Oman Football Association shall be referred to by the abbreviation (OFA) in English.
6. The OFA's logo, emblem, and abbreviation are legally registered in the Sultanate of Oman with the Ministry of Commerce, Industry, and Investment Promotion.
7. The OFA is governed by the provisions of the law, this Statutes, and the regulations of FIFA.

Article (2) Objectives:

The OFA aims to:

1. Strengthen relationships among various stakeholders and deepen national identity through football.
2. Continuously develop, support, regulate, and oversee football across the Sultanate in accordance with the principles of fair play and educational, cultural, and humanitarian values, through youth and development programs.
3. Organize all forms of competitions at the national level by clearly defining the scope of authority delegated to various sports entities that constitute the OFA.
4. Establish regulations and rules and ensure their implementation.
5. Protect the interests of its members.
6. Uphold the statutes, regulations, and decisions of FIFA, the AFC, and the OFA, as well as the Laws of the Game, prevent any violations thereof, and ensure compliance by all members.
7. Promote integrity, ethics, and fair play while preventing all forms of misconduct, including corruption, doping, and match-fixing, which could compromise the integrity of matches, competitions, players, officials, and members or lead to the misuse of football, futsal, or beach soccer.
8. Encourage and promote principles and practices of governance at the national level and urge members to adopt their own governance principles.
9. Support the development of women's football and ensure full participation of women at all levels of football governance.
10. Oversee all friendly matches held within the Sultanate.



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11. Monitor and supervise football, futsal, and beach soccer at the national level and oversee all forms of international football matches held in the Sultanate in compliance with the relevant regulations and legislations of FIFA and continental federations.
12. Manage international sports relations related to all forms of football.
13. Host competitions at the international and other levels.
14. Represent the Sultanate in international sports conferences and meetings, as well as in events organized within the Sultanate, in coordination with the Ministry.

Article (3) Human Rights:

The OFA is committed to respecting internationally recognized human rights and shall take appropriate measures to ensure that all its members and affiliates uphold these rights while striving to enhance their protection.

Article (4) Non-Discrimination and Equality :

Any form of discrimination against any country, individual, or group based on race, skin color, religion, language, politics, opinion, wealth, birth, status, or any other reason is strictly prohibited. Where disciplinary actions, including suspension, expulsion, or other sanctions, shall be applied against violators.

Article (5) Neutrality and Independence:

1. The OFA shall remain neutral in political and religious matters.
2. OFA members shall maintain neutrality in political and religious matters and ensure that their members adhere to this principle.
3. The OFA shall maintain its independence and prevent any form of unlawful interference. It shall manage its affairs autonomously and remain free from external influence.

Article (6) Promotion of Friendly Relations:

1. The OFA shall encourage and support friendly relations among its members, affiliates, officials, players, and the community to achieve humanitarian objectives.
2. The OFA shall provide institutional mechanisms for resolving any internal disputes that may arise between members, clubs, officials, or players.

Article (7) Players:

1. The affairs and registration requirements of players shall be regulated by the Board of Directors in accordance with FIFA's Regulations on the Statutes and Transfer of Players.





2. Players shall be registered in compliance with the OFA's regulations.
3. The OFA encourages clubs to train players and works to protect the rights of clubs and players in accordance with national and international rules and regulations.

Article (8) Laws of the Game:

1. The OFA and its members shall implement the Laws of the Game in all forms as issued and amended by the International Football Association Board (IFAB) from time to time.
2. The OFA shall organize futsal matches in accordance with the Futsal Laws of the Game issued by FIFA. Only FIFA has the authority to establish and amend the Futsal Laws of the Game.
3. The OFA and its members shall organize beach soccer matches in accordance with the Beach Soccer Laws of the Game issued by FIFA. Only FIFA has the authority to establish and amend the Beach Soccer Laws of the Game.

Article (9) Conduct of Bodies and Officials:

1. The OFA and its officials shall comply with this Statutes, regulations, decisions, and the codes of ethics of FIFA, the AFC, and the OFA in all matters related to their activities.
2. Any individual or entity involved in football, futsal, or beach soccer in the Sultanate of Oman shall adhere to this Statutes, regulations, decisions, and the codes of ethics of FIFA, the AFC, and the OFA, as well as the principles of fair play, loyalty, integrity, and sportsmanship.

Article (10) Official Languages:

1. Arabic is the official language of the OFA. Official documents and texts shall be drafted in both Arabic and English. In the event of any discrepancy in interpretation between the different languages, the Arabic text shall prevail.
2. Arabic shall be the official language used during the Congress meetings.

Article (11) Membership Admission, Suspension, and Termination:

1. The Congress shall decide on matters regarding membership admission, suspension, or termination.
2. An applicant may be admitted as a member of the OFA if they meet the membership requirements as stipulated in this Statutes.
3. Membership shall end upon withdrawal or termination. In all cases, the loss of membership does not exempt the member from financial obligations towards the OFA or other members. It also results in the loss of all rights from the date of termination, withdrawal, or expulsion.
4. The OFA shall ensure that all relevant stakeholders are represented in the Congress.



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Article (12) Members:

The OFA consists of the following members:

1. Elite League Clubs.
2. First Division Clubs.
3. Second Division Clubs (if applicable).
4. Players' Association (if applicable).
5. Referees' Association (if applicable).
6. Coaches' Association (if applicable).
7. Women's Football Association (if applicable).

Article (13) Membership Admission Requirements:

1. Any legal entity wishing to obtain membership in the OFA shall submit a written application to the OFA's General Secretariat.
2. The application shall be accompanied by the following mandatory documents:
 - a) A copy of its legally valid statutes and regulations.
 - b) A declaration confirming its commitment to always comply with and adhere to this Statutes, as well as the regulations and decisions of the OFA, FIFA, and the AFC, and to ensure that its members, officials, players, and affiliates also respect them.
 - c) A declaration affirming its adherence to the officially recognized Laws of the Game as stipulated in FIFA regulations, including the rules governing beach soccer and futsal as issued by FIFA.
 - d) A declaration agreeing not to resort to ordinary courts for sports-related disputes concerning the interpretation or application of this Statutes, the regulations of FIFA, the AFC, and the OFA, or any decisions and directives issued by them, unless otherwise stated in their respective statutes and regulations.
 - e) A declaration acknowledging the competence of the relevant dispute resolution and sports arbitration bodies as specified in the Statutes, including the as well as the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).
 - f) A declaration acknowledging the competence of the National Dispute Resolution Chamber (NDRC) and the Court of Arbitration for Sport, as defined in this Statutes, in addition to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) as specified in the statutes of FIFA and the AFC, and agreeing to abide by their decisions.
 - g) A declaration confirming that the applicant is legally registered and recognized, with its headquarters located in the Sultanate of Oman.
 - h) A declaration ensuring that the applicant's legal structure guarantees decision-making independence, free from any external interference.

- i) A declaration confirming that the members of its governing bodies have been elected or appointed through procedures that ensure the full independence of the election or appointment process.
- j) A list of officials authorized to sign and enter into legally binding agreements with other parties.
- k) A copy of the minutes from its most recent Congress meeting or its incorporation meeting.
- l) A declaration committing to obtaining prior approval from the OFA before organizing or participating in any competitions or friendly matches.
- m) A declaration committing to hosting all official local matches within the Sultanate.

Article (14) Membership Application and Admission Procedures:

1. The admission procedures shall be regulated by a special regulation approved by the Board of Directors.
2. The Board of Directors shall present the membership application at the Congress meeting for approval or rejection. The applicant may present justifications for its membership request before the Congress.
3. In all cases, a newly admitted member shall acquire the rights and obligations of membership immediately upon acceptance. Its representatives shall become eligible to attend Congress meetings, vote, and participate in elections starting from the subsequent assembly.

Article (15) Members' Rights:

1. Members of the OFA shall enjoy the following rights:
 - a. Participation in the Congress of the OFA, including receiving prior notice of the agenda, being invited to attend the Congress within the specified timeframe, and exercising voting rights.
 - b. Submitting proposals to be included in the agenda of the Congress meeting in accordance with this Statutes.
 - c. Nominating candidates for elections to all OFA bodies.
 - d. Accessing information regarding the OFA's affairs through its official communication channels.
 - e. Participating in competitions (if applicable) and/or other activities organized by the OFA.
 - f. Exercising and obtaining all other rights stipulated in the Statutes and regulations of the OFA.
2. The exercise and limitations of these rights shall be subject to the provisions set forth in this Statutes and the OFA's regulations.

Article (16) Members' Obligations:

Members of the OFA shall be obligated to:





- a. Fully comply at all times with the provisions of this Statutes, the regulations, and the decisions issued by FIFA, AFC, and the OFA, and ensure that their members do the same.
- b. Ensure that their key governing bodies are elected at least once every four years.
- c. Participate in competitions (where applicable) and other sporting activities organized by the OFA.
- d. Pay the prescribed membership fees.
- e. Implement the laws of football in all its forms as issued by the IFAB, as well as the regulations of FIFA for futsal and beach soccer, and ensure that their members respect and apply these laws by including binding provisions.
- f. Adopting legal provisions stating that any sports dispute requiring arbitration pertaining to it or one of its members and related to the statutes, regulations, and decisions of FIFA, the AFC, OFA, one of its branches, or the League shall be referred exclusively to the competent committees for dispute resolution and sports arbitration as defined by these Statutes or to Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF) and/or Court of Arbitration for Sport as defined in these Statutes, and recourse to ordinary courts is prohibited unless otherwise stipulated by the applicable laws in the Sultanate.
- g. Adopt legal provisions stating that any international sports dispute requiring arbitration concerning FIFA or AFC statutes , decisions regulations shall be referred exclusively to Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) as stipulated in these regulations.
- h. Manage their affairs independently and ensure that they are not subject to external influence, in accordance with Article 20 of this Statutes.
- i. Ensure that their governing bodies are elected or appointed through a process guaranteeing full independence in selection.
- j. Notify the OFA of any amendments to their statutes, regulations, and any changes to the list of officials or authorized signatories with the power to enter into legally binding agreements.
- k. Refrain from maintaining any association with any unrecognized sports entities or with members who have been suspended or expelled.
- l. Adopt legal provisions committing to loyalty, integrity, and good sportsmanship as expressions of fair play.
- m. Maintain the mandatory provisions stipulated in Article 13 , clause (2) of this Statutes throughout their membership.
- n. Maintain an up-to-date registry of their members.
- o. Adopt regulations that align with the requirements of this Statutes.
- p. Fully comply with all other obligations arising from the Statutes and the regulations of FIFA, AFC, and the OFA.
- q. Enforce the rulings of the National Dispute Resolution Committee, the Court of Arbitration for Football (CAS), and other judicial bodies outlined in this Statutes.

- r. Take all necessary measures to ensure that their members, players, player agents, coaches, referees, and administrators comply with legal rulings, including suspending or terminating their activities and relationships with them, or taking any other action deemed appropriate by the member's board to enforce the ruling.
 - s. Implement measures to prevent conflicts of interest by including relevant provisions in their statutes and internal regulations.
 - t. Promote the development of women's participation in football, both in playing and governance roles.
 - u. Ensure that matters related to refereeing, disciplinary actions against doping violations, player registration, and other competition-related issues remain under the exclusive jurisdiction of the OFA concerning football affairs.
 - v. Independently make all decisions regarding membership-related issues without external influence, regardless of their legal structure or organizational framework.
 - w. Fulfill any other obligations prescribed by the Congress, provided they do not contradict the laws and regulations of FIFA and the OFA.
2. In case of non-compliance with the above obligations, sanctions shall be imposed as per this Statutes and the relevant regulations issued by the OFA.
 3. Violation of clause "h" above may result in penalties, even if external influence was not due to any fault of the member. Each OFA member shall be responsible for ensuring independent management of its affairs, including actions taken by its governing bodies due to deliberate misconduct or intentional wrongdoing by their members.

Article (17) Suspension of Membership:

1. The Congress may suspend any member upon the request of the Board of Directors. The Board may also temporarily suspend a member with immediate effect without requiring a vote from the Congress if the member has committed a serious or repeated violation of its obligations. This suspension remains in effect until the next Congress meeting unless the Board lifts the suspension beforehand.
2. The suspension of any member by the Congress requires the presence of at least three-quarters of the attending members who are eligible to vote. If the decision to suspend the membership is not confirmed by the required majority, the suspension shall be lifted immediately.
3. The suspension of any member—who has been temporarily suspended by the Board of Directors—shall be voted on by no less than three-quarters of the attending members eligible to vote in the Congress.
4. The Congress has the exclusive authority to lift a suspension based on a request from the Board of Directors. Lifting a member's suspension by the Congress requires the approval of three-quarters of the attending members eligible to vote.
5. A suspended member loses all membership rights, and other members are prohibited from engaging in any sporting interaction with them.

6. A member who fails to participate in the official sporting competitions organized by the OFA for two consecutive sporting seasons, or who fails to pay the membership fees, shall have their right to vote in the Congress immediately suspended. They shall also forfeit their right to nominate candidates in the OFA's elections unless they fulfill their obligations in this regard. A member who is absent from the Congress meeting twice, whether consecutively or intermittently, during the electoral term shall have their right to vote in the upcoming Congress meeting immediately suspended, without the need for a decision from the Congress.
7. In the event of a complete or partial suspension of official competitions in either of the two seasons referred to in clause (6) above for any reason, participation in any competitions held during those two seasons shall be considered valid.

Article (18) Termination of Membership:

1. The Congress has the authority to terminate a member's membership upon the request of the Board of Directors, in accordance with the procedures specified in this Statutes, in the following cases:
 - a. If the member commits serious violations or repeatedly violate the provisions of the Statutes, regulations, and decisions issued by it, and those issued by FIFA, AFC, and the OFA.
 - b. If the member loses its legal capacity, is liquidated, dissolved, or declared bankrupt.
2. The number of members present at the Congress meeting in which a vote to remove any member is conducted shall not be less than three-quarters of the members entitled to vote in the Congress .
3. The termination of any member's membership shall be voted upon by no less than three-quarters of the members present and entitled to vote in the Congress.
4. A member whose membership is terminated is prohibited from applying for membership in the OFA again before the lapse of one year from the date of termination of their membership.
5. A member whose membership is removed is not entitled to claim ownership of any part of the OFA's assets and shall properly and correctly return any documents, records, and attachments to the OFA.

Article (19) Membership Withdrawal :

1. Any member may withdraw their membership from the OFA, and to be effective at the end of the sports season. The withdrawal notice shall be submitted to the OFA's General Secretariat at least two months before the start of the new season.
2. In all cases, the withdrawal of membership shall not be effective until the member wishing to withdraw has fulfilled their financial obligations to the OFA and to the other members of the OFA.

Article (20) Independence of Members and Their Governing Bodies: :

1. Each member shall manage its affairs independently, free from external interference.



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2. The governing bodies of members shall be elected or appointed. The statutes of each member shall specify procedures ensuring the full independence of elections or appointments.
3. The OFA shall not recognize any governing bodies that were not elected or appointed according to Clause 2 above, even if they are formed on an interim or temporary basis.
4. The OFA shall also not recognize decisions issued by governing bodies that were not elected or appointed in accordance with Clause 2 above

Article (21) Status of Clubs, Leagues, and Amateur Associations:

1. All members, whether clubs, associations, or any other amateur associations, shall be affiliated with and recognized by the OFA.
2. This Statutes defines the scope of authority, rights, and duties of the entities mentioned in Clause 1. Their statutes, approved by their respective Congress, and their regulations shall be ratified by the OFA's Board of Directors.
3. Matters related to referees, anti-doping disciplinary actions, player registration, club licensing, and enforcement of disciplinary measures—including ethical violations and actions aimed at maintaining competition integrity—shall remain under the exclusive jurisdiction of the OFA.
4. The entities mentioned in Clause 1 shall make all decisions related to their membership independently, without any external influence, regardless of their legal form or organizational structure.
5. No individual or legal entity (including holding companies or subsidiaries) may, in any way or under any circumstances, control more than one member or a group of clubs in a manner that compromises the integrity of any match or competition

Article (22) Honorary President and Honorary Members :

1. The Congress of the OFA may, by resolution, grant the title of Honorary President or Honorary Member to any individual who has provided or continues to provide outstanding services to football.
2. The nomination for honorary presidency or honorary membership shall be made by the OFA's Board of Directors or proposed by at least (50% +1) of the Congress members.
3. The Honorary President or Honorary Member may participate in Congress meetings and discussions but shall not have voting rights.
4. The membership of the Honorary President and Honorary Members shall end in the following cases:
 - a. In the event of death.
 - b. Upon the completion of the OFA's Board of Directors' electoral term.
5. The membership of the Honorary President or Honorary Member shall be fortified in the following cases:



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- a. By a resolution of the Congress based on a recommendation from the Board of Directors, as specified in the OFA's Statutes.
- b. If they are convicted by a final court ruling in a case involving dishonesty or moral misconduct, unless their legal status is restored in accordance with Omani law.

Article (23) OFA's Bodies and Committees:

The OFA consists of the following bodies and committees:

1. **Congress** – The legislative body of the OFA and the highest authority within its structure.
2. **Board of Directors** – The executive body responsible for setting and overseeing the OFA's strategies.
3. **General Secretariat** – The executive body responsible for the operational and administrative aspects of the OFA.
4. **Standing and Special Committees** – These committees provide advice to the Board of Directors and the General Secretariat and assist them in carrying out their duties.
5. **Club Licensing Bodies** – The entity responsible for the club licensing system within the OFA.
6. **Independent Committees** – These committees perform their functions in accordance with this Statutes and relevant regulations. They include the Audit and Compliance Committee ,The Elections Committees , The Judicial Bodies
7. **Judicial Bodies** – These consist of The Disciplinary and Ethics Committee and The Appeals Committee
8. All bodies and committees shall be elected or appointed by the OFA itself without any external influence, in accordance with the procedures outlined in this Statutes.
9. Members of these bodies and committees shall not have been convicted of crimes involving dishonesty or moral misconduct that would affect their membership.
10. Any member of a OFA body shall withdraw from discussions and abstain from voting on decisions in cases of potential conflicts of interest. In particular, members shall always be aware of the relevant provisions of the Ethics and Conflict of Interest Regulations issued by FIFA and shall perform their duties accordingly (e.g., refraining from duties, notifying the president in cases of conflicts of interest, etc.).

Article (24) Expulsion of a Member or Body:

1. The Congress has the authority to expel any individual or body. The Board of Directors may also temporarily expel an individual or body, except for members of independent committees. Any expulsion decided by the Board of Directors shall be ratified at the next Congress, unless the Board revokes the expulsion beforehand. If the upcoming Congress involves the election of a new Board, the expelled member may run for election (provided they meet the relevant eligibility criteria) unless the Congress ratifies the expulsion decision before the elections.



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2. The expulsion shall be justified, and the reasons for it shall be sent to the members of the Board of Directors and/or the members of the OFA along with the relevant meeting agenda.
3. The affected member or body has the right to defend themselves before the Board of Directors and/or the Congress meeting.
4. The decision to expel will be taken by a secret ballot of the members of the Board of Directors and/or the Congress. For the decision to be valid, it shall be approved by a two-thirds majority of the required valid votes.
5. The expelled member (whether temporarily or permanently) will be immediately relieved of their assigned duties.

Article (25) Definition and Formation of the Congress:

1. The Congress is the meeting where all eligible OFA members regularly convene. It is the highest legislative authority in the OFA, and only a duly convened Congress has the power to make decisions.
2. The Congress shall be constituted and convened following democratic representation principles.
3. The Congress may be either an Ordinary Congress or an Extraordinary Congress.
4. The President of the Board of Directors presides over the Congress meetings in accordance with this Statutes, standing decisions, and relevant regulations.
5. The Board of Directors may appoint observers from among the attendees of the Congress meeting. However, these observers will not have voting rights.
6. Honorary presidents and honorary members may attend the Congress meetings and participate in discussions but are not entitled to vote.
7. In cases of force majeure or exceptional circumstances, the Congress may be held via available remote communication technologies that allow delegates to see and hear other attendees simultaneously. Electronic signatures will be considered valid for virtual Congress meetings. However, the following matters shall be discussed in person:
 - a) Election of Congress members
 - b) Vote of no confidence
 - c) Suspension or expulsion of membership
 - d) Amendments to the Statutes

Article (26) Delegates and Voting:

1. The Congress consists of 44 members as follows:
 - a) One delegate from each club in the Elite League.
 - b) One delegate from each club in the First Division League.





- c) One delegate from each club in the Second Division League (if applicable).
- d) One seat representing the Players' Association (without voting rights, if applicable).
- e) One seat representing the Referees' Association (without voting rights, if applicable).
- f) One seat representing the Coaches' Association (without voting rights, if applicable).
- g) One seat representing the Women's Football Association (without voting rights, if applicable).

The total number of members changes as memberships are accepted, revoked, or withdrawn.

Each delegate shall be affiliated with the member they represent and shall be appointed or elected by that member's governing body. A proof of appointment or election shall be provided upon request. The delegate shall be a member of the Board of Directors of the respective member.

2. Each delegate has one vote in the Congress. Only attending delegates have the right to vote. Delegates are not permitted to authorize proxies or transfer their voting rights in any form, written or otherwise.
3. Members of the Board of Directors and the General Secretariat shall attend Congress meetings without voting rights. Members of the Board of Directors cannot be appointed as delegates to the Congress while serving on the Board.
4. The list of members entitled to attend and vote in the Congress meetings shall be determined at least 60 days before an Ordinary Congress meeting and at least 30 days before an Extraordinary Congress meeting. These timeframes may be shortened in exceptional cases as determined by the Board, provided that invitations and relevant documents are still sent within the required periods stated in these Statutes.
5. A member whose name has been mistakenly omitted from the list of members eligible to attend and vote in the Congress meetings may address the Secretary General with a letter, accompanied by relevant data and documents proving their participation in competitions and fulfillment of the meeting attendance requirements. This shall be done within three (3) days from the date of the announcement of the list mentioned in paragraph (5) above. The Secretary General shall review the list in light of the request within three (3) days from the date of receipt, correct any errors—if any—and issue the necessary invitation.
6. The OFA shall be informed of the delegate's name at least 72 hours before the Congress meeting through an official letter signed by the member's Board President or their representative. The letter shall include the delegate's details and reference the Board meeting that approved their appointment or election. In cases of force majeure, a member may request a delegate replacement. The Board of Directors or the Election Committee, as applicable, shall verify the eligibility of all delegates who are entitled to attend. If a delegate does not meet the required criteria, they will be barred from attending the Congress. No corrections or delegate substitutions are allowed once the meeting has begun. The delegation shall be submitted using the official template prepared by the OFA.**

Article (27) Powers of the Congress:

The Congress shall be responsible for:

1. Approving and amending the OFA's Statutes, as well as the permanent decisions of the Congress.





2. Appointing three members to review and certify the minutes of the previous meeting.
3. Electing the President, Vice President, and members of the Board of Directors.
4. Electing the Presidents, Vice Presidents, and members of the independent committees (Audit and Compliance Committee, Elections Committee, and Judicial Committees) based on nominations from the Board of Directors.
5. Appointing auditors for vote calculation and assisting the Secretary General in distributing voting cards.
6. Approving the audited financial statements, including the consolidated financial statements and the annual report.
7. Approving the OFA's budget.
8. Approving the OFA's activities report since the previous Congress meeting.
9. Appointing an independent external auditor based on a proposal from the Board of Directors.
10. Determining membership subscriptions fees based on a proposal from the Board of Directors.
11. Granting the title of Honorary President or Honorary Member based on a proposal from the Board of Directors.
12. Accepting, suspending, or revoking membership of members.
13. Dismissing any member from the OFA's bodies.
14. Dissolving the OFA.
15. Approving decisions submitted by a member according to these Statutes or any other proposals presented to the Congress.
16. Approving changes to the OFA's official name and logo after notifying the relevant Ministry.*

Article (28) Quorum for the Congress:

The procedures for convening Ordinary and Extraordinary Congress meetings shall be as follows:

1. A majority of more than **50%** of the delegates entitled to attend and vote shall be present.
2. If this quorum is not met in the first session, the meeting is postponed to a second session to be held at least **three (3) hours** after the first session, with the same agenda.
3. The second session does not require a specific quorum unless the agenda includes the election of the president, vice presidents, and members of the Board of Directors, the election of the Presidents, Vice Presidents, and members of independent committees, amendments to the statutes or permanent regulations and the dismissal or suspension of a member or dissolution of the OFA.
4. The quorum remains valid even if delegates leave after the meeting is officially convened as per these Statutes.



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Article (29) Decision-Making in the Congress:

Decisions in both Ordinary and Extraordinary Congress meetings are made as follows:

1. Voting on decisions requiring a vote shall be conducted by raising hands, electronic voting, or any other method deemed appropriate by the Congress. If the result is unclear, a roll-call vote will be conducted in alphabetical order.
2. Unless another article in this Statutes states otherwise, passing a decision in the Congress requires the approval of an absolute majority (more than 50%) of the delegates of members who have the right to attend and vote. Blank or void ballots, electronically manipulated votes of any kind, as well as non-attending votes, shall be excluded from the majority count..

Article (30) Elections:

1. Voting is conducted by secret ballot.
2. Elections are conducted according to the OFA's Election Regulations and are overseen by the Election Committee.
3. Elections for the positions of the Board of Directors shall be conducted according to the respective position, and the elections shall proceed in the order predetermined in paragraph 1 of Article 37 of these Statutes.
4. A candidate shall receive an absolute majority (more than 50%) of valid votes to be elected as OFA's President or Vice President. If there are more than two candidates for President or Vice President, the candidate with the lowest votes shall be eliminated in each round until only two candidates remain.
5. If there is only one candidate for the position of President of the Board, a vote will be conducted, and the candidate shall obtain an absolute majority of the registered and valid votes (i.e., more than 50%) to be elected.
6. In the event of only one candidate for the position of Vice President of the Board of Directors, a vote shall be conducted. The election of the Vice President requires an absolute majority of the registered and valid votes (more than 50%).
7. For the election of the other Board members, candidates who receive the highest number of votes corresponding to the number of vacant seats will be elected. At least one of the seven seats shall be allocated to the female candidate who obtains the highest number of votes. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates for a single seat, the mechanism outlined in paragraph (4) of this article shall apply.*,**
8. Candidates who obtain the majority of votes for the vacant seats shall be elected as presidents and vice -presidents of the independent committees (Audit and Compliances Committee, Elections Committees, and Judicial Committees). The elections shall be conducted in a single round. However, if at least five delegates representing members request a separate vote for a specific candidate, an individual ballot shall be organized.

9. In the event of a tie in votes during the elections for any body, two additional rounds of voting shall be conducted following the procedures outlined in this article. If the tie persists, the position shall remain vacant until a Congress is convened to conduct new elections in accordance with this Statutes.
10. Blank ballots, invalid votes, or any form of manipulation in electronic voting processes, as well as absent votes, shall not be counted when determining the majority.
11. Candidacy applications for any Board of Directors positions shall be submitted to the General Secretariat at least 30 days before the date of the Congress meeting designated for elections. The official list of candidates shall be sent to the OFA members at least 15 days before the Congress meeting in which Board members will be elected. These provisions shall also be applied to elections held during an Extraordinary Congress.
12. Each member with nomination rights is allowed to nominate only one candidate for the Board of Directors elections or to fill vacant positions. Exceptionally, a club may nominate two candidates, provided that one of them is a woman running for the mandatory women's seat. If a club submits more nominations than allowed, all its nominations shall be nullified.
13. The list of candidates for independent committee memberships (e.g., Audit and Compliance Committee, Elections Committees, and Judicial Committees) shall be sent to the Congress members at least 15 days before the Congress meeting.

Article (31) Invitation to Convene the Ordinary Congress Meeting:

1. The Ordinary Congress shall be held once a year within the first three (3) months of the year.
2. The Board of Directors shall determine the location and time, and members shall be notified in writing 45 days prior to the date of the Congress meeting.
3. Any proposal that a member wishes to submit to the Congress meeting shall be sent in writing to the General Secretariat, accompanied by a summary explaining the content of the proposal, at least 30 days before the Congress meeting. The proposal shall also receive written support from four (4) other members.
4. The official invitation to the members shall be sent at least 15 days before the Congress meeting and shall include the agenda, the OFA's activity report, the audited financial statements, the auditors' report, and any other relevant documents as applicable.
5. An announcement about the Congress meeting shall be published in at least one daily local newspaper, coinciding with the date of sending invitations to members.

Article (32) Agenda of the Ordinary Congress:

1. The General Secretariat shall prepare the agenda for the Ordinary Congress based on proposals from the Board of Directors and members.
2. The agenda of the Ordinary Congress shall include the following items:
 - a) Announcement that the Congress is convened and formed in accordance with the OFA's Statutes.



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- b) Approval of the agenda.
 - c) Speech by the President.
 - d) Appointment of three members to review and verify the meeting minutes.
 - e) Appointment of observers.
 - f) Approval of the minutes of the previous Congress meeting.
 - g) Suspension or removal of members (if applicable).
 - h) Adoption of the OFA's activity report (including activities carried out since the last Congress meeting).
 - i) Submitting the audited consolidated balance sheet, profit and loss statements, and the external independent auditor's report.
 - j) Approval of the audited financial statements.
 - k) Approval of the budget.
 - l) Voting on proposed amendments to the Statutes and permanent resolutions of the Congress (if applicable).
 - m) Discussion of proposals submitted by members and the Board of Directors, in accordance with Article 31, Paragraph 3 of this Statutes.
 - n) Appointment of independent auditors (if applicable) based on a proposal from the Board of Directors.
 - o) Dismissal of an individual or body within the OFA (if applicable).
 - p) Election of the President, Vice President, and Board members (if applicable).
 - q) Election of members of the independent committees, including the Audit & Compliance Committee, Elections Committee, and Judicial Bodies (if applicable).
 - r) Approval of membership (if applicable).
3. The Congress shall not make decisions on any matters that are not included in the agenda.
 4. The agenda order may be modified only with the approval of (50% +1) of the attending authorized representatives who are eligible to vote.

Article (33) Extraordinary Congress:

1. The Board of Directors has the right to convene an Extraordinary Congress at any time.
2. The Board of Directors shall convene an Extraordinary Congress upon receiving a written request from one-third of the OFA's members, provided that the request concerns matters within the competence of the Congress. Once submitted, a request cannot be withdrawn by any member. The request shall specify the items to be included in the agenda. The Extraordinary Congress meeting shall be held within 30 days from the date of receiving the last request. If the Board of Directors fails to



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convene the meeting within the specified period, the members who submitted the request have the right to convene the meeting themselves within 15 days after the 30-day period has elapsed. In such a case, they shall coordinate with the General Secretariat of the OFA to notify the members and the Board of Directors about the date, venue, and agenda of the Extraordinary Congress, in accordance with Paragraph 3 below.

3. Members shall be notified of the venue, date, and agenda (including any related documents) at least 15 days before the Extraordinary Congress meeting takes place.
4. If the Extraordinary Congress is convened at the initiative of the Board of Directors, the Board shall determine the agenda. However, if the Extraordinary Congress is convened at the request of the members, the agenda shall include the items proposed by these members.
5. The agenda of an Extraordinary Congress cannot be modified.

Article (34) Amendments to the Statutes and Permanent Resolutions of the Congress:

1. The Congress is responsible for amending the Statutes and the Permanent Resolutions of the Congress.
2. A brief explanation of any proposal to amend the Statutes or Permanent Resolutions shall be submitted in writing to the General Secretariat by any member or the Board of Directors. A proposal submitted by a delegate representing a member shall be considered valid only if it is supported in writing by at least three additional delegates representing other members.
3. A valid vote on amendments requires the presence of more than 50% of the delegates who have the right to vote.
4. A proposal to amend the Statutes or Permanent Resolutions of the Congress shall only be approved if it receives the support of at least three-quarters of the delegates present who are eligible to vote.
5. Any member shall submit their comments on the proposed amendments to the Statutes at least 10 days before the date of the Congress meeting.

Article (35) Meeting Minutes:

The Secretary-General is responsible for writing and recording the minutes of the Congress meeting. The draft minutes shall be reviewed by the members appointed by the Congress.

The minutes shall be formally approved at the next Congress meeting.

The minutes of the Congress meeting shall be signed by the Secretary General and the President of the Board of Directors, or their respective deputies, as applicable.

The Secretary General shall send a signed copy of the meeting minutes to all members within fourteen (14) days from the date of the meeting.



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Article (36) Effective Dates of Decisions:

Decisions made by the Congress shall come into effect upon the conclusion of the Congress meeting, unless otherwise stated in the Statutes or if the Congress sets a different effective date for a specific decision.

Article (37) Formation of the Board:

1. The Board of Directors consists of seven (7) members, as follows:
 - a) President
 - b) Vice President
 - c) Female Member
 - d) Three (3) Members
 - e) One (1) Member to represent the players' seat, elected initially by the Players' Association, subject to confirmation by the Congress, in accordance with the conditions, regulations, and procedures approved by the Congress.*
2. The President, Vice President, and Board Members are elected by the Congress in accordance with Article 30 of this Statutes. They shall undergo an integrity check (as per Annex B), conducted by the Election Committee before the elections or re-elections take place.
3. The term of office for the President, Vice President, and Board Members is four (4) years, starting from the conclusion of the Congress meeting in which they were elected and ending at the conclusion of the Congress meeting that elects their successors. The elections for the new Board of Directors shall be conducted before the end of this term. If elections cannot be held due to exceptional circumstances determined by competent authorities in the country or for any legal reason, the current Board shall remain in office until elections can be conducted after the obstructing reason is resolved.
4. No person may serve as President for more than two (2) terms, whether consecutive or non-consecutive. Similarly, Members of the Board of Directors (including the Vice President) may not serve for more than two (2) terms, whether consecutive or non-consecutive. However, the number of terms served by a candidate for the presidency of the Board of Directors in any other position, except for the position of President, shall not be taken into account when determining the permissible number of terms for that candidate. For the purposes of applying the provisions of this clause, an electoral term is defined as a complete electoral term, and incomplete terms due to removal or resignation shall be counted as complete terms.
5. A Board position shall be deemed vacant in the event of death, resignation, or permanent inability of the member to perform their duties.

Article (38) Eligibility Criteria for Board Membership:

A candidate applying for membership in the Board of Directors shall meet the following conditions:





1. shall be Omani and a resident of the Sultanate.
2. shall have been an active member for at least one (1) year in the club affiliated with the OFA from which they are running, with their membership being valid at the time of nomination. For female candidate for the women's seat shall either be an active member for at least one (1) year in a club affiliated with the OFA, or have previous experience as a player, referee, or coach in the sport, verified by a certificate from the club or OFA. In this case only they are exempt from any club when submitting her candidacy.*
3. shall be at least 25 years old at the time of nomination, verified through an official document.
4. shall not have been convicted of a felony or sentenced to imprisonment for a crime involving dishonor or breach of trust, unless their legal status has been reinstated.
5. shall not be deprived of their civil rights by a court ruling.
6. The candidate for the position of President shall hold a recognized university qualification of at least a Bachelor's degree from the Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research and Innovation in the Sultanate of Oman. The candidate for any other position shall hold a recognized university qualification of at least a Bachelor's degree from the Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research and Innovation in the Sultanate of Oman, or shall have previously been a member of the Board of Directors of the OFA or one of the clubs for at least one term, or have previously represented the first national team, or be a former international referee, or a coach holding a professional training certificate (Pro). **
7. shall not be a member of any independent committees within the OFA or responsible for auditing its accounts at the time of nomination.
8. shall not be subject to an active sanction involving suspension, expulsion, or a ban from any football-related activities by the OFA, the AFC, or FIFA.
9. A candidate who has previously held, or currently holds, any position on the board of directors of any other national sports federation —except for the Oman Football Association (OFA)—for two consecutive or separate terms is not eligible to run. The terms served in any other sports federation, including the Oman Football Association(OFA), will be counted when determining the number of terms allowed under this Statutes.

Article (39) Prohibitions for Board of Directors Members:

The President, Vice President, and all members of the Board of Directors are prohibited from the following:

1. Simultaneously holding a position on the board of directors of any club or sports committee—except for the Oman Olympic Committee. If an elected member holds any of these positions, they shall immediately submit their resignation in writing and shall refrain from performing their duties as a board member until they provide the General Secretary of the OFA with a written statement confirming that their resignation from those positions is effective and valid. If this is not done within seven (7) days from the election date, their membership shall be considered null and void.
2. Holding both the presidency of the OFA and the presidency of the Oman Olympic Committee simultaneously. In the event of a conflict, the elected President of the OFA shall immediately declare their resignation from the Oman Olympic Committee in accordance with Clause (1) above.



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3. Simultaneously be a member of the independent committees(including judicial bodies of the OFA, the Election Committee, the Electoral Appeals Committee, or the Audit and Compliance Committee).
4. Holding an Official position in any club.

Article (40) Filling Vacant Positions:

1. If 50% or fewer of the Board of Directors' positions become vacant—as defined in Clause 5 of Article 37 of this Statutes—the Board shall fill the vacant positions for the remainder of its term, either by opening nominations for these vacancies during the next Ordinary Congress or by holding an Extraordinary Congress within 60 days.
2. If more than 50% of the Board of Directors' positions become vacant—as defined in Clause 5 of Article 37 of this Statutes—for any reason, the Board shall be considered dissolved. The General Secretary–Executive Director shall convene an Extraordinary Congress to elect a new Board of Directors to complete the dissolved Board's electoral term within 45 days.
3. The rules, provisions, and timelines for holding the Electoral Congress stipulated in this Statutes and the Election Regulations shall apply.

Article (41) Meetings of the Board of Directors:

1. The Board shall hold at least four (4) meetings per year. In cases of force majeure or exceptional circumstances, meetings may be held remotely (electronically), and approvals may be confirmed via electronic signature if necessary.
2. The Board meets upon the President's invitation or if 50% of the Board members request a meeting. In such a case, the President shall call for a meeting within twenty-one (21) days. If the President fails to do so within the specified timeframe, the remaining Board members may convene the meeting themselves. However, they shall send the agenda to all Board members at least seven (7) days before the meeting date, in accordance with Clause 3 below.
3. The President, with the assistance of the General Secretary, prepares the meeting agenda. Each Board member has the right to propose items to be included in the agenda. Board members shall submit their proposed agenda items to the General Secretariat at least fourteen (14) days before the meeting. The agenda shall be sent to Board members at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting date.
4. The General Secretary participates in Board meetings. If the General Secretary is unable to attend, they may designate a substitute from among the General Secretariat staff to attend on their behalf, subject to Board approval.
5. Board meetings are not open to the public. However, the Board may invite other parties to attend. These invitees do not have voting rights and may only express opinions with the Board's permission.
6. The President has the right to convene a Board meeting to address any urgent matters between two Board meetings. If the Board members are unable to meet in person, decisions may be approved using modern communication tools (such as Zoom, Microsoft Teams, email, and messaging applications), provided that members can see and hear the broadcast.

7. Any additional responsibilities and duties of the Board shall be regulated within the internal regulations of the OFA.

Article (42) Powers and Responsibilities of the Board of Directors:

The Board shall determine the strategic objectives of the Federation, and for this purpose, it shall have the following powers:

- a. Making decisions on all matters not falling under the jurisdiction of the Congress and not assigned to other bodies under this Statutes.
- b. Preparing and convening both the Ordinary and Extraordinary Congress of the OFA with the assistance of the General Secretariat.
- c. Appointing Presidents, Vice- Presidents, and members of the standing committees.
- d. Making decisions regarding the formation of Ad hoc special committees when necessary at any time.
- e. Establishing regulations governing the work of standing and Ad hoc special committees.
- f. Appointing and dismissing the General Secretary, based on the President's proposal.
- g. Submitting a recommendation to the Congress for the appointment of an independent external auditor.
- h. Appointing replacements to fill vacant seats in independent committees until the next Congress meeting.
- i. Approving and issuing regulations governing the eligibility criteria for participation in various competitions organized by the OFA.
- j. Appointing coaches for representative teams and members of the technical staff.
- k. Approving and issuing the internal regulations of the OFA.
- l. Ensuring the implementation of this Statutes and taking necessary internal measures to enforce it.
- m. Dismissing a member of any body or suspending the membership of OFA member until the next Congress meeting.
- n. Delegating specific tasks and responsibilities of the Board to other bodies.
- o. Appointing observers to attend the Congress meeting without voting rights.
- p. Developing strategies, plans, and programs and overseeing their implementation with the assistance of the General Secretariat.

Article (43) Board of Directors Decisions:

1. The Board of Directors shall not discuss any agenda items unless a quorum is met (more than 50% of members present).
2. The Board of Directors shall make decisions by a majority vote (more than 50%). Delegation voting is not permitted in Board decisions.



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3. Any Member shall refrain from participation and withdraw from discussions in cases where there is a potential conflict of interest.
4. All decisions shall be documented in the meeting minutes.
5. Board of Directors decisions shall take immediate effect unless the Board specifies otherwise.

Article (43) Bis (1) Board Compensation

An annual compensation shall be granted to the President and Board of Directors for their attendance at Board of Directors meetings and technical and subcommittee meetings, in addition to the official travel allowances for approved assignments, subject to the Congress's approval. The Ministry's designated budget shall cover these expenses.*

Article (43) Bis (2) Contracting with a Former Member

The Board of Directors shall not contract with any individual who was previously a Member, unless a period of at least two (2) years has passed since the end of their membership.*

Article (44) The President:

1. The President is primarily responsible for:
 - a) Implementing the decisions issued by the Congress and the Board of Directors through the General Secretariat.
 - b) Ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of the OFA' bodies and committees to achieve the objectives stated in this Statutes.
 - c) Directly supervising the work of the General Secretariat.
 - d) Regulating, organizing, and enhancing relationships between the OFA, its members, FIFA, the AFC, official entities, and other organizations.
2. Only the President has the right to propose the appointment or dismissal of the Secretary General to the Board of Directors.
3. The President presides over the meetings of the Congress, the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, and any committees in which he is appointed as President.
4. The President has an ordinary voting right in the Board of Directors, and in the event of a tie, his vote is decisive.
5. In the absence of the President or if he is unavailable, the Vice President shall assume his duties. If both are unavailable, the eldest board member shall take over.
6. If the President's position becomes vacant according to paragraph 5 of Article 37 of this Statutes, the Vice President shall assume the role until the next Congress meeting, where a new President shall be elected for the remainder of the term.

7. Any additional powers shall be stipulated in the OFA's internal regulations.

Article (45) Representation and Signing:

The President of the OFA manages its affairs and represents it in its relations with others. The Board of Directors shall establish internal regulations regarding the joint signing authority of its members.

Article (46) The General Secretariat:

The General Secretariat is the executive body of the OFA. It carries out all administrative tasks of the OFA under the directives of the Secretary-General. The employees of the General Secretariat shall comply with the OFA's internal regulations and perform their assigned duties optimally.

Article (47) The Secretary General:

1. The Secretary General is the executive director of the OFA.
2. The Secretary General is appointed by the Board of Directors based on a proposal from the President under a contract governed by private law. The Secretary General shall be appointed through a contractual process, hold a university degree of no less than a bachelor's recognized by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research, and Innovation in the Sultanate of Oman, possess appropriate practical experience in administrative and leadership aspects, and be the direct supervisor of the General Secretariat's work. He shall serve as the rapporteur for the Board of Directors' meetings without having the right to vote.*
3. The Secretary General – the Executive Director – shall be responsible for all matters within the jurisdiction of the General Secretariat and its employees, particularly, but not limited to, the following:
 - a. Implementing the decisions made by the Congress and the Board of Directors in accordance with the President's directives.
 - b. Attending meetings of the Congress, the Board of Directors, and the permanent and special committees. If the Secretary General is unable to attend Board of Directors or Congress meetings, he shall delegate a staff member from the General Secretariat to attend on his behalf, provided that approval is obtained from the President of the Board.*
 - c. Organizing the meetings of the Congress, the Board of Directors, and other bodies.
 - d. Preparing the minutes of the meetings of the Congress, the Board of Directors, and the permanent and special committees.
 - e. Managing and maintaining the OFA's accounts in an appropriate and proper manner.
 - f. Handling the OFA's correspondence.
 - g. Managing relationships with members, committees, FIFA, the AFC, and WAFF according to the President's directives.

- h. Organizing the work of the General Secretariat.
 - i. Appointing or dismissing employees working in the General Secretariat.
 - j. Providing logistical and operational support to the Election Committee during election periods.
4. Any additional tasks and responsibilities assigned to the Secretary General shall be included in the OFA's internal regulatory regulations.
 5. The Secretary General shall not be a delegate in the Congress or a member of any other body.
 6. The Secretary General may delegate another person from the OFA's executive management to attend permanent committee meetings (except for independent committees).

Article (48) Board Of Directors' Office:

1. The Board Office is entrusted with considering and taking decisions on all matters that require an immediate settlement between two meetings of the Board Of Directors. The Board Office consists of OFA President, the vice President, and three members who are chosen from among the members of the Board Of Directors and are appointed by the Board for a period of four years.
2. The President convenes the meetings of the Board Office. If the meeting cannot be held within an appropriate period, decisions can be taken by any of the available means of modern communication (e.g. Zoom, WhatsApp, Emails, Microsoft Teams). These decisions have immediate legal effect, and the President shall inform the Board Of Directors of the decisions taken by the Office immediately.
3. The Board Office shall not take any decision except in the presence of at least three of its members, including the President or the Vice President. The Board Office shall take decisions by majority (more than 50%) of valid votes. In case of a tie, the President shall have the casting vote.
4. The Board of Directors shall approve all decisions taken by the Board Office at its next meeting.

Article (49) Standing Committees:

1. The standing committees of the OFA are:
 - a. The Financial Committee.
 - b. The Competitions Committee.
 - c. The Technical Development Committee.
 - d. The Referees Committee.
 - e. The Women's Football Committee.
 - f. The Players' Status and Affairs Committee.
 - g. The Amateurs and Grassroots Committee.



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- h. The Sports Medicine Committee.
 - i. The Stakeholders Committee.
 - j. The Legal Committee.
2. Members of the Board of Directors have the right to be members of the standing committees, except for the Sports Medicine Committee. They may the heads of the standing committees to be from non-members of the Board of Directors, except for the Competitions, Financial, and National Teams Committees. The Board of Directors shall appoint the members of each standing committee from the members of the Board of Directors based on the proposal of the members of the OFA or the President. The Board of Directors shall ensure appropriate representation of women in the standing committees. The president, vice presidents, and members of the standing committees shall be appointed for a four-year term.*
 3. Each president represents the standing committee they chair and performs their duties in accordance with the provisions set forth in the internal regulatory bylaws of the OFA as approved by the Board of Directors.
 4. Each president of a standing committee shall determine the dates of committee meetings in cooperation with the Secretary General and ensure the implementation of all tasks, submitting a report to the Board of Directors.
 5. The Board of Directors and the standing committees (with the approval of the Board of Directors) may, if necessary, form an office or subcommittees to handle urgent matters. The discussions and decisions of the Office or subcommittee shall be reported to the relevant standing committee as soon as possible.
 6. Each standing committee has the right to propose amendments to the Board of Directors regarding the provisions related to it in the internal regulatory bylaws of the OFA.

Article (50) The Financial Committee:

The Financial Committee is responsible for overseeing financial management and advising the Board of Directors on financial matters and asset management. The Committee shall analyze the OFA's budget and financial statements, which are prepared by the Secretary General, and submit them to the Board of Directors for approval. The president and vice-president of the committee shall have expertise in financial affairs. The committee consists of a president, a vice- president, and between three to five members.

Article (51) The Competitions Committee:

The Competitions Committee of the OFA shall be responsible for organizing OFA competitions in football, futsal, and beach soccer at all levels within the Sultanate, in accordance with the provisions of this Statutes and the regulations applicable to the OFA's competitions. The committee consists of a President, a vice-president, and several members appointed in accordance with the OFA 's competition regulations.

Article (52) The Technical Development Committee:



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The Technical Development Committee shall be responsible for analyzing the fundamental aspects of training and technical development of the game. The committee also oversees the OFA's development programs, proposes appropriate strategies, monitors their implementation, analyzes the support and programs provided to OFA members, and advises the Board of Directors on general development aspects. The committee consists of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members.

Article (53) The Referees Committee:

The Referees Committee shall be responsible for enforcing the laws of football, appointing referees for matches organized by the OFA, and managing all referee-related matters in coordination with the OFA's administration. Additionally, the committee oversees the education, qualification, and training of referees. The committee consists of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members, all of whom shall be former referees.

Article (54) The Women's Sports Committee:

The Women's Sports Committee shall be responsible for organizing women's competitions under the OFA and handling all matters related to women's football. The committee shall consist of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members. The president and at least one other member shall be female.

Article (55) The Players' Status and Affairs Committee:

1. The Players' Status and Affairs Committee shall be responsible for establishing regulations to monitor compliance with transfer rules in accordance with FIFA regulations on the status and transfer of players. It also determines player-related matters in various competitions of the Oman Football Association. The Board of Directors may establish or amend specific regulations that define the authorities and jurisdiction of the Players' Status and Affairs Committee. The committee consists of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members.
2. Disputes related to player status, involving the OFA, its members, clubs, players, officials, intermediaries, or licensed match agents, shall be settled by the Football Arbitration Court and/or the Court of Arbitration for Sport, as specified in this statute and in consideration of any applicable local laws.

Article (56) The Amateurs and Grassroots Committee:

The Amateurs and Grassroots Committee handles all matters related to amateur and grassroots football within the OFA and its members. The committee consists of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members.

Article (57) The Sports Medical Committee :





The Sports Medical Committee oversees medical aspects related to football, including but not limited to anti-doping measures. The committee consists of a president, a vice- president, and between three to five members. The president and vice- president shall be , at a minimum, reputable physicians or medical practitioners.

Article (58) The Stakeholders Committee:

The Stakeholders Committee shall responsible for handling all matters related to football stakeholders. It consists of a president, a vice- president, and between three to five members. The committee represents the interests of key stakeholders in football.

Article (59) The Legal Committee:

The Legal Committee provides legal opinions and advice on all legal and regulatory matters. It consists of a president, a vice-president, and between three to five members.

Article (60) Ad Hoc Committees:

The Board of Directors has the right, when necessary, to establish ad hoc committees for specific tasks and for a limited period. The Board appoints the president, vice- president , and an appropriate number of members. The responsibilities and duties of ad hoc committees are defined by special regulations approved by the Board. The Ad Hoc Committees report directly to the Board of Directors.

Article (61) Club Licensing Bodies:

1. The Board of Directors shall designate the competent authority within the OFA responsible for the club licensing system in accordance with the club licensing regulations of the OFA and AFC.
2. The club licensing body consists of a First Instance Licensing Committee and a Licensing Appeals Committee within the OFA. Membership in these bodies cannot be combined with membership in the Board of Directors.
3. Decisions made by the Licensing Appeals Committee may be appealed before the Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF) and/or the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) as specified in this Statutes and in accordance with its provisions.

Article (62) Institutional Independence:

1. The standing committees and their members shall perform their duties and responsibilities with full independence, acting solely in the best interests of the OFA in accordance with this Statutes and applicable laws.

2. The Presidents, Vice Presidents, and members of the Audit and Compliance Committee, the Elections Committee, as well as the Presidents and Vice Presidents of the judicial bodies, shall adhere to the independence criteria as specified in paragraph 3 below.
3. The individuals mentioned above, along with their family members, shall not have held or exercised executive functions within the OFA, any of its members, associations, or clubs (including their companies/institutions) in the past four years. They shall also not have had or engaged in any substantial commercial dealings with the OFA, any of its members, associations, or clubs (including their companies/institutions) in the past four years. The term "direct family member" in the case of natural persons includes the spouse, siblings, parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, children (including adopted children or stepchildren), grandchildren, adopted son, adopted daughter, adoptive father, and adoptive mother. It also includes any other person, whether related by blood or otherwise, who has a family relationship that involves providing financial support to that individual.

Article (63) Audit and Compliance Committee:

1. The Audit and Compliance Committee consists of a President, a Vice President, and one member. The members of the committee shall have expertise and knowledge in financial matters and/or regulatory and legal affairs that may be relevant to any decision affecting the OFA's operations.
2. The Audit and Compliance Committee is responsible for advising and assisting the Board of Directors in overseeing financial matters, compliance, and establishing compliance mechanisms while ensuring adherence to relevant OFA regulations. The committee also supervises the General Secretariat's compliance with financial and regulatory matters. It shall monitor the adequacy and reliability of accounting aspects, review financial statements, consolidated financial reports, and reports from independent external auditors. Additionally, the committee oversees financial and compliance-related issues within the OFA and proposes necessary corrective measures to the relevant bodies based on its oversight activities. With the support of the General Secretariat, the Audit and Compliance Committee implements a compliance program within the OFA.
3. The OFA's internal regulatory bylaws shall include details on the responsibilities and matters handled by the Audit and Compliance Committee.
4. The President, Vice President, and members of the Audit and Compliance Committee shall be elected by the Congress for a four-year term. They can only be removed from their duties by the Congress. They shall not be affiliated with any other body or committee within the OFA and are required to undergo an integrity check, which shall be conducted by the Election Committee before their election or re-election.
5. If the President, Vice President, or any member of the Audit and Compliance Committee permanently ceases to perform their official duties during their term, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement to carry out the responsibilities until the next Congress meeting.

Article (64) Election Committees:

1. The Election Committees are responsible for organizing and supervising the electoral procedures in accordance with the OFA's election regulations. They consist of the Election Committee and the Appeals Committee.





2. The OFA's election regulations determine the composition and responsibilities of the election Committees.

Article (65) Judicial Committees:

1. The OFA's judicial committees consist of:
 - a. The Disciplinary and Ethics Committee.
 - b. The Appeals Committee.
2. The judicial committees are composed of members with the necessary knowledge, capabilities, and specialized expertise to perform their duties effectively. The Presidents and Vice Presidents of the judicial committees shall hold legal qualifications.
3. The membership term for all committee members is four years, and members may be re-elected or removed from their duties at any time, but only by the Congress.
4. The President, Vice President, and other members of the judicial committees shall be elected by the Congress based on a proposal from the Board of Directors. They may not be members of any other body or entity within the OFA.
5. If the President, Vice President, or any member of the judicial committees temporarily ceases to perform their official duties during their term, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement to carry out the responsibilities until the next Congress meeting. The Congress will then elect a new member for the judicial committee concerned to complete the remaining term.
6. The responsibilities and duties of the judicial committees shall be in accordance with the OFA's Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations.

Article (66) Disciplinary and Ethics Committee:

1. The jurisdiction of this committee is defined by the OFA's Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations.
2. The committee may impose the penalties stipulated in this Statutes and the OFA's Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations on members, officials, players, clubs, player agents, and match agents.
3. These provisions shall not affect the powers of the Congress and the Board of Directors regarding the suspension or removal of members.
4. The Board of Directors shall issue the OFA's Disciplinary and Ethics Rules, which should align with the Disciplinary and Ethics Rules of FIFA, incorporating any amendments introduced by FIFA from time to time.

Article (67) Appeals Committee:

1. The jurisdiction of this committee is defined by the OFA's Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations.



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2. The Appeals Committee is responsible for reviewing appeals against decisions issued by the Disciplinary and Ethics Committee that are not considered final under the relevant OFA's regulations.
3. Decisions of the Appeals Committee may only be challenged before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in a manner that does not contradict the provisions of this Statutes.

Article (68) Disciplinary Measures:

Disciplinary measures shall primarily be as follows:

1. For both natural and legal persons:
 - a) Warning.
 - b) Caution.
 - c) Fine.
 - d) Withdrawal of awards.
2. For natural persons:
 - a) Reprimand.
 - b) Expulsion.
 - c) Suspension from matches.
 - d) Ban from entering the dressing room and/or the bench.
 - e) Ban from entering stadiums.
 - f) Suspension from participating in any football-related activity.
3. For legal persons:
 - a) Ban on player and staff transfers to any other club.
 - b) Playing matches without spectators.
 - c) Playing matches on neutral ground.
 - d) Ban from playing at a specific stadium.
 - e) Annulment of match results.
 - f) Expulsion from a competition.
 - g) Loss of membership.
 - h) Deduction of points.
 - i) Relegation to a lower division.
 - j) Replay of a match.

Article (69) National Dispute Resolution Chamber (NDRC):

1. The National Dispute Resolution Chamber consists of a President, a Vice President, and several members. The President and Vice President shall be legally qualified to practice law.
2. The Chamber is responsible for resolving disputes between clubs, coaches, and players related to employment contracts, as well as disputes concerning coaching rights and training compensation between different clubs within the OFA.
3. To achieve this, the Board of Directors shall establish the operational rules for the Chamber, taking into account all relevant agreements and laws, especially those related to labor law and national collective bargaining agreements.

Article (70) Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF):

1. Disputes arising within the OFA, or disputes between OFA members, associations, associations members, clubs, club members, players, and officials, shall ultimately (if not resolved by the OFA's judicial bodies) be referred to the Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF). This court will settle disputes with excluding ordinary courts unless this conflicts with the applicable laws in the Sultanate. The Court of Arbitration for Football is an independent body (outside the OFA's structure) that is recognized by the OFA.
2. Without prejudice to any other provisions in this Statutes and/or the terms referred to in the regulations of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), any decision issued by the Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF) may be appealed before Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS). The ruling issued by Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) shall be final and not subject to appeal.

Article (71) Jurisdiction:

1. The OFA shall have jurisdiction over national internal disputes, meaning disputes occurring between parties affiliated with the OFA.
2. FIFA or the AFC shall have jurisdiction over international disputes, meaning disputes occurring between parties belonging to different national or continental federations, in accordance with the relevant regulations.
3. The OFA shall ensure full compliance—by itself and its affiliated bodies—with any decision issued by FIFA, the AFC, or CAS.
4. International disputes arising from or related to the statutes, regulations, directives, or decisions of FIFA or the AFC shall be referred to the Appeals Division of CAS in accordance with FIFA and AFC regulations.
5. The OFA, its members, players, officials, match agents, or player agents may not refer any dispute to ordinary courts unless explicitly stated in this Statutes and FIFA regulations. Any dispute shall be submitted to the OFA, the Court of Arbitration for Football (CAF), or the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

Article (72): Financial Period

1. The financial year of OFA shall commence on the first of January and end on the thirty-first of December.
2. The revenues and expenditures of OFA shall be managed in a manner that ensures their distribution over the financial period, and the main obligations of OFA shall be secured by maintaining a financial reserve.
3. The General Secretary shall be responsible for preparing the consolidated annual accounts of OFA and its branches as of the thirty-first of December.

Article (73): OFA Resources

The resources of OFA shall consist of:

1. Annual membership subscriptions.
2. Revenues generated from marketing rights owned by OFA.
3. Fines imposed by the competent bodies within OFA.
4. Other revenues that may arise from OFA's activities in pursuit of its objectives.
5. Donations and grants.
6. Investments in OFA's facilities and assets.
7. Any other revenues related to football activities.
8. Funding from FIFA and the AFC.
9. Government support (if any).

Article (74): OFA Expenditures

OFA shall bear the following expenditures:

1. Expenses stipulated in the budget.
2. Other expenses approved by the Congress and those that the Board of Directors is entitled to disburse within its authority.
3. All necessary expenses aimed at achieving OFA's objectives.

Article (75): Independent External Auditor

The independent external auditor, appointed annually by the Congress, shall audit the accounts approved by the Finance Committee in accordance with appropriate accounting principles and submit a report to the



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Congress. The independent external auditor shall be appointed for a period of three years and shall not be reappointed for more than one consecutive term.

Article (76): Membership Subscriptions

1. Membership subscriptions shall be due on January 1st, and new members shall pay the annual subscription within thirty (30) days from the conclusion of the Congress in which they are accepted.
2. The Congress shall determine the amount of the annual subscription every four years based on a recommendation from the Board of Directors, and the subscription amount shall be equal for all members.

Article (77): Settlement

OFA may deduct from any financial allocations available to any member in order to settle any claims against that member.

Article (78): Fees

OFA may require members to pay specific fees for affiliation.

Article (79): Publication of Financial Statements

OFA shall publish the financial documents referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 32 of this Statutes on its official website as soon as these documents are approved by the Congress.

Article (80): Competitions

1. OFA shall organize and coordinate the following official competitions in the Sultanate:
 - (a) The national league competitions across different categories.
 - (b) His Majesty the Sultan's Cup competition.
2. The Board of Directors may delegate its affiliated associations the authority to organize competitions (through a comprehensive and appropriate agreement for the Elite League). However, competitions organized by the associations shall not conflict with those organized by OFA, where priority shall be given to OFA's competitions.
3. The Board of Directors shall have the right to issue regulations governing this matter.

Article (81): Club Licensing





The Board of Directors shall issue the regulations governing the club licensing system, which regulates club participation in OFA and AFC competitions, in accordance with the minimum requirements stipulated in the club licensing regulations issued by AFC and FIFA.

Article (82): Rights

1. OFA and its members are the original owners of all rights arising from competitions and other events within their respective jurisdictions, without any restrictions related to content, time, location, or law. These rights include, among others, all forms of financial rights, television and radio recording and broadcasting rights, reproduction and rebroadcasting rights, multimedia rights, marketing and promotional rights, corporate rights such as trademarks, and all rights arising under copyright law.
2. The Board of Directors shall decide how and to what extent these rights are utilized and shall establish the necessary regulations for this purpose. The Board alone shall determine whether these rights are used exclusively, jointly with another party, or entirely by a third party.**

Article (83): Authorization for Distribution

1. OFA and its members are exclusively responsible for authorizing the distribution of video, audio, and other data transmission factors related to football matches and events under their jurisdiction, without any restrictions regarding content, time, location, technical, or legal aspects.
2. The Board of Directors shall issue the regulations governing this matter.

Article (84): International Matches and Competitions

1. The authority to organize international matches and competitions between national teams of federations, league teams, club teams, or temporary teams rests solely with FIFA and the AFC. No match or competition shall be held without prior authorization from FIFA, the AFC, and/or OFA, in accordance with FIFA regulations on international matches.
2. OFA is obligated to adhere to the annual international match calendar set by FIFA.

Article (85): Communications

OFA is not permitted to organize matches or engage in any communication with non-FIFA member federations or provisional members of any continental federation without obtaining FIFA's approval.

Article (86): Approvals

1. Clubs, associations, or any other group of clubs that are members of OFA shall not join another federation unless with authorization approval from OFA, the other federation, the relevant continental confederations, and FIFA.





2. Clubs, associations, or any other group of clubs that are members of OFA shall not participate in competitions in another federation's jurisdiction without prior approval from OFA, the other federation, FIFA, and the relevant continental confederations, in accordance with FIFA regulations governing international matches.

Article (87): Unforeseen and Force Majeure Cases

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to decide on all force majeure situations, emergencies, and matters not covered in the Statutes. Such decisions shall be made in compliance with the relevant regulations issued by FIFA, the AFC, and any mandatory applicable laws.

Article (88): Publication of Incorporation Documents

OFA shall make the following documents and information available on its official website:

1. The Statutes and permanent decisions of the Congress.
2. The Elections Regulations.
3. The Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations.
4. The Internal Regulations.
5. Key decisions issued by the Board and various committees.
6. OFA's strategy.
7. Agendas of Board of Directors and Congress meetings.
8. Circulars.

Article (89): Dissolution of OFA

1. Any decision regarding the dissolution and liquidation of OFA requires a two-thirds vote and approval of OFA's members in an Extraordinary Congress convened for this purpose.
2. In the event of OFA's dissolution, its assets and rights shall be transferred to the Ministry, which shall hold them in trust in accordance with relevant professional obligations until OFA is re-established. The last Congress may choose another entity to hold these assets, subject to the approval of two-thirds of the members.

Article (90): Scope of Enforcement

These Statutes were approved by the Ordinary Congress on 28/05/2021 and came into effect on 28/05/2021. Accordingly, the previous OFA Statutes are hereby revoked.



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Article (91): Transitional Provisions

1. Members who meet the definition outlined in Article 12 of these Statutes are granted a period of 12 months from the approving date of these Statutes to regularize their status in compliance with the mandatory requirements specified in paragraph 13-2 as well as paragraph 16-1 (f), (g), (n), and (o) of these Statutes. If any member fails to fully comply with all requirements within the extended timeframe mentioned above, they will lose their voting rights in the Congress meeting, and their representative will not be counted towards the quorum calculation. The member will regain their voting rights in the Congress meeting upon full compliance with all the requirements stated in this paragraph.
2. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, members specified under the definition outlined in Article 12 (d) to (g) of these Statutes shall not be entitled to vote in the Congress meeting following the elections. Their voting rights shall take effect only after the Congress adopts these Statutes, provided that those members fulfill the mandatory requirements set out in paragraph 13-2 as well as paragraph 16-1 (f), (g), (n), and (s) of these Statutes. In the first Congress meeting following the elections and after the adoption of these Statutes, the aforementioned members shall not be counted towards the quorum calculation for the meeting.
3. The provisions of paragraph 6 of Article 17 shall take effect starting from the next electoral cycle.
4. The number of electoral terms served by a candidate before the implementation of these Statutes shall be counted when determining the maximum allowed terms for that candidate.
5. The composition of the Board of Directors, as specified in paragraph 1 of Article 37 of these Statutes, shall apply to the Board of Directors elected after the adoption of these Statutes.
6. Upon the adoption of these Statutes, the Board of Directors shall appoint the members of the standing committees as stipulated in Articles 50 to 59 of these Statutes.
7. Within 12 months from the adoption of these Statutes, the Congress shall elect the appropriate members for the independent committees that do not yet exist, as specified in Articles 63 to 67 of these Statutes. During the same period, the Congress shall remove any members of the independent committees who do not meet the independence criteria and shall select a suitable number of members to fill the vacant positions. The Board of Directors shall establish these committees within three months of its election and present them to the Congress at its first meeting.
8. The OFA shall have one year from the adoption of these Statutes to ensure that all regulations are aligned with the provisions of these Statutes.

These Statutes were issued and approved by a decision of the OFA Congress in its meeting held on 28/5/2021 and were amended in the Congress meeting held on 17/7/2024 and the Extraordinary Congress meeting held on 25/01/2025. They shall come into effect from the date of their issuance.

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President of OFA

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Secretary General





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Annex A – Logo, Emblem, and Name of OFA



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Annex B – Integrity Check Questionnaire

Part (1): General Provisions

1. Integrity checks shall be conducted concerning candidates for official positions and incumbents within OFA subject to such checks (“candidates or incumbents”) by the relevant committee in accordance with the provisions of this Statutes and this annex.
2. Candidates or incumbents shall comply with the integrity check process and self-disclosure requirements as outlined in Parts (2) and (3) below. Before the integrity check process, each candidate or incumbent shall provide written consent to the mentioned process using the designated form prepared by the relevant body conducting the integrity check. Failure to provide such written consent shall be considered as a failure to pass the integrity check.
3. Candidates or stakeholders shall act in good faith at all times and fully cooperate in establishing the relevant facts after being granted a reasonable period to do so. If a candidate or incumbent fails to cooperate with the competent body conducting the integrity check, they shall be deemed to have failed the integrity check.
4. A candidate or incumbent shall be deemed to have failed the integrity check if:
 - a) They have been criminally convicted or subjected to disciplinary sanctions by a court of law, particularly if the offense in question is a substantive crime rather than a minor infraction or procedural misconduct.
 - b) They have been convicted and/or sanctioned by the FIFA Ethics Committee or any other sports governing body with a penalty that raises doubts about their ability to perform the duties of the relevant position.
5. Subject to the relevant provisions regarding the disclosure and relevant information and data obtained in the context of integrity checks in accordance with this annex, the entity conducting the relevant integrity check shall treat all such information and data as strictly confidential.

Part (2): Screening Process

1. At the beginning of the applicant screening process, each candidate or current officeholder shall undergo an identity verification check. In this context, the candidate or officeholder shall submit a valid copy of their passport to the committee responsible for conducting the integrity check. The identity verification shall include the following elements:
 - a) Full name and **family name**.
 - b) Residential address.
 - c) Date and place of birth.
 - d) Nationality/Nationalities.
2. Each candidate or current officeholder shall complete the questionnaire provided in Part (3) below.
3. The body responsible for conducting the integrity check may carry out independent research and/or investigations to obtain further relevant information about a candidate or officeholder. This may include information on intermediaries and related parties, authorizations, potential conflicts of interest, significant engagements, as well as civil and criminal proceedings/investigations.



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Part (3): The Questionnaire

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Place of Residence:	
Date and Place of Birth:	
Nationality/Nationalities:	
Occupation:	

1) Have you ever been convicted by a final judgment of any intentional crime or violation related to the Code of Conduct stipulated in Part (2), Section (5) of the FIFA Code of Conduct?

Yes

No

If "Yes," please specify:

2) Have you ever been subjected to any disciplinary action or similar sanction by the relevant sports governing body in the past for acts amounting to a violation of the Code of Conduct stipulated in Part (2), Section (5) of the FIFA Code of Ethics?

Yes

No

If "Yes," please specify:

3) Are you currently subject to any ongoing civil, criminal, or disciplinary proceedings or investigations that have not yet been concluded?

Yes

No

If "Yes," please specify:

4) I fully understand that I am subject to the Disciplinary and Ethics Regulations of the Oman Football Association, as well as the Statutes and other regulations of the Oman Football Association that may address integrity matters, and I am fully committed to complying with these provisions.

5) I currently hold the following positions in football:

6) The following facts and circumstances may constitute a potential conflict of interest for me (please refer specifically to Paragraph 9 of Article 23 of these Statutes):



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7) Are there any comments that may be relevant to the context of the integrity check?

8) I fully understand and consent to making this questionnaire available to the relevant committee members of the Oman Football Association.

9) I fully understand and confirm that I must notify the authority conducting the integrity check of any relevant facts or circumstances that arise after the completion of the integrity check.

10) I fully understand and confirm that I am obliged to cooperate fully in establishing the relevant facts regarding the integrity check I am undergoing. In particular, I will provide any documents, information, or other materials of any kind in my possession. Additionally, I will comply with obtaining and providing documents, information, or any other materials of any kind that I do not possess but have the right to obtain.

11) I fully understand and confirm that the authority conducting the integrity check may also request information regarding possible sanctions (Questions 1 and 2 above) directly from FIFA, the relevant confederation, or other institutions such as the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, or the International Olympic Committee. In this regard, I release the relevant institutions from any confidentiality obligations concerning the relevant information.

12) I fully understand and confirm that the authority conducting the integrity check has the right to collect further information about me in accordance with Paragraph 2 of Part 3 of this annex.

Signature:

Date and Place:





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Signature:

Date and Place:





4. If an appeal is lodged against such an action, the Congress shall make an immediate decision without discussion.

Article (3): Auditors

At the beginning of the Congress meeting, a sufficient number of auditors shall be appointed to count the votes and assist the General Secretary in distributing and tallying the ballots.

Article (4): Discussions

1. Each agenda item shall be preceded by a report or a brief introduction presented by:
 - a) The President or a designated Board Member.
 - b) A representative of the committee appointed by the Board to present such a report or introduction.
 - c) A delegate of the member who requested the inclusion of the item in the agenda.
2. The President shall then open the floor for discussion.

Article (5): Speakers

1. Permission to speak shall be granted in the order in which it is requested. No speaker shall not begin speaking until given permission.
2. No one shall speak a second time on the same agenda item until all other delegates who requested to speak have had their turn.
3. The President may impose a time limit on speakers.

Article (6): Proposals During the Congress



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Annex C – Permanent Resolutions Issued by the Congress of the Oman Football Association

Article (1): Representation and Participation in the Congress

1. The members of the Oman Football Association shall be represented in the Congress by their delegates, as stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 26 of the Statutes of the Oman Football Association.
2. The names of the delegates shall be submitted to the General Secretariat before the commencement of the Congress proceedings.
3. The Oman Football Association shall bear the costs of travel and accommodation for the delegates of the members participating in the Congress. The Board of Directors shall issue the necessary directives in this regard.

Article (2): The President

1. The President of the Oman Football Association shall preside over the Congress. If the President is unable to attend, the Vice President present shall assume the role. If the Vice President is also absent, the eldest member of the Board of Directors shall chair the meeting.
2. The President shall ensure strict adherence to these permanent regulations, open and close the Congress meeting and discussions, and, unless otherwise decided by the Congress, grant delegates permission to speak and conduct discussions.
3. The President shall be responsible for maintaining order during discussions. The President may take the following actions against any delegate who disrupts the discussions:
 - a) Call upon all attendees to adhere to the Statutes.
 - b) Issue a warning.
 - c) Expel the delegate from the Congress.

1. All proposals during the Congress shall be submitted in writing. Proposals that are not relevant to the topic under discussion shall not be accepted.
2. Any amendments to these initial proposals shall be submitted in writing and referred to the President before being introduced for discussion.

Article (7): Procedural Proposals and Conclusion of Deliberations

1. If a procedural proposal is submitted, discussion on the main issue shall be suspended until a vote is taken on the proposal.
2. If a proposal to close the discussion is submitted, it shall be put to an immediate vote without discussion. If the proposal is approved, only members who had already requested to speak before the vote shall be allowed to do so.
3. The President shall close the discussion unless the Congress decides otherwise by a simple majority (50% +1) of the valid votes cast.

Article (8): Voting

1. Decisions requiring a vote shall be made by a show of hands or electronic counting unless the Congress decides otherwise.
2. Before each vote, the President or an appointed representative shall read the proposal aloud and explain the voting procedures (quorum requirements) to the Congress.
3. Voting by roll call may be conducted if requested by at least three (3) delegates representing present and eligible voting members.
4. No one shall be compelled to vote.
5. Proposals submitted during the Congress shall be voted on in the order in which they were submitted. If there are more than two main proposals, they shall be voted on consecutively, and delegates may vote for only one proposal.
6. Amendments shall be voted on before the main proposal is modified, and amendments shall be voted on before the main proposal itself.
7. Proposals that receive no opposing votes shall be considered accepted by the Congress.
8. The President shall verify and announce the results of the vote to the Congress.
9. No one may speak during voting or after the results have been announced.

Article (9): Elections

The elections and electoral processes within the Oman Football Association shall be conducted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Statutes and the Electoral Regulations of the Oman Football Association.

Article (10): Enforcement

These standing orders were adopted at the Congress meeting on 28/05/2021 and came into effect on the same date.



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