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Statutes of the UAE Football Association

After reviewing:

- 1- Ministerial Decree No. (17) of 1972 dated 16/12/1972 concerning the establishment of the UAE Football Association.
- 2- FIFA Circular No. (985) dated 12/8/2005 on the National Law and the Basic Laws of Member Associations.
- 3- The Form prepared by FIFA and circulated to all associations.
- 4- Report of the meeting of the General Assembly on the adoption of the Statute, dated 17/9/2007.
- 5- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 17/12/2008.
- 6- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 29/3/2009.
- 7- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 30/7/2011.
- 8- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 07/02/2012.
- 9- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 6/7/2013.
- 10- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 17/7/2014.
- 11- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 30/06/2015.
- 12- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 28/08/2016.
- 13- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 10/06/2017.
- 14- Minutes of the meeting of the General Assembly on 26/06/2018.
- 15- Minutes of the meeting of the Extraordinary General Assembly on 12/09/2018.
- 16- Minutes of the meeting of the Regular General Assembly on 23/05/2019.
- 17- Minutes of the meeting of the Extraordinary General Assembly on 12/01/2020.

The General Assembly adopted the statute of the Emirates Football Association.



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Definitions

Article 1:

For the purpose of implementing these Regulations, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings assigned to each, unless the context otherwise requires.

Country:	United Arab Emirates
FIFA:	International Federation of Association Football
Asian Association:	Asian Football Association
FA:	United Arab Emirates Football Association
Arab Association:	Arab Football Association
Association:	An organization of the FA
Clubs:	Clubs that are members of the UAE FA
Football Companies:	Football companies that are members of the UAE FA
UAE Professional Association:	A member association of the FA, which is responsible for organizing, managing and marketing its competitions
Officials:	All board members, committee members, trainers, governors, governors' assistants, technical, medical and financial issues in FIFA, Asian Association, UAE FA, associations, clubs and football companies
Player:	A soccer player who is registered with a club member of the FA
General Assembly:	The General Assembly of the UAE FA represented by its members
Electoral List:	A 12-candidate list that includes candidates for Chairman, members and female component.
Board of Directors:	The Board of Directors of the UAE FA



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Secretariat:	Secretariat of the UAE FA
Judiciary:	The sports judiciary of UAE FA, which deals with all cases in accordance with the relevant regulations of the Association
Member of the FA:	Any natural or legal personality accepted as a member of the FA
Organized football:	Football game organized by FIFA according to the rules of the game
EFAB:	International Football Council
Courts:	State courts that adjudicate public and private legal disputes
Arbitration members:	Sports arbitration members comprising the Chamber for Dispute Resolution and the Arbitration Board
CAS:	The Court of Arbitration of Sports, which is located in Lausanne, Switzerland
Emergency:	Inability to comply with the regulations during crises and disturbances resulting from the resignations of members or the dissolution of the FA by the General Assembly, etc.

The reference to natural persons includes both sexes, as does the reference to the individual to addition and vice versa

Part One

The FA and its objectives

Chapter I.

FA - its headquarters and legal form

Article 2:



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The FA is the only sports organization in the country, which is permanently responsible for the management of the sport of football. The AFC and any other associations have decided to join.

Article 3:

The headquarters of the FA in the capital Abu Dhabi and the address Zayed Sports City, and may establish other sections inside or outside the State in accordance with the requirements of public interest and a decision of the General Assembly.

Article 4:

In view of the national role that lies with the Association at the level of society and the state, the flag of the Association is of red, white, green and black colors and symbolizes the state as it symbolizes the game of football.

Article 5:

The official language of the FA and the General Assembly is Arabic.

Chapter2

Objectives of the FA

Article 6:

The FA aims to achieve the following objectives:

- 1- Contributing to the deepening of national belonging and national identity among the UAE nationals through the sport of football and its successes at the national and international levels.
- 2- Upgrading, organizing and controlling the sport of football at the level of the State in accordance with the rules and principles of fair competition and sports, educational and human values.
- 3- Organizing football and competitions in all forms at the national level.
- 4- Consolidate and develop international relations through the game of football at all levels in a manner that contributes to achieve the optimal external representation of the State at the sports level and in the light of the regulations, rules and decisions of FIFA and the law of the game.



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- 5- The FA also urged the clubs to take care of the players' training, the protection of the national teams and the promotion of them.
- 6- Increasing awareness and sporting responsibility and its relevance to environmental issues.
- 7- Prohibit any form of discrimination and work to prevent violence and racism.
- 8- Ensure that all members of the FA respect the statutes, regulations, orders and decisions.
- 9- Monitor and supervise all matches within the scope of the Association's activities.
- 10- Protecting the interests of its members.
- 11- Prevent and take appropriate action against game safety, competition and game abuse.
- 12- Contribute to the building of the individual and the community sports and care and build young people through the preparation of youth development programs in the field of football.
- 13- Respect the laws, regulations and regulations of the State in cooperation with all sports institutions and concerned members.
- 14- Combating doping, drugs and internationally banned substances.
- 15- Take all measures to combat bribery and corruption.

Article 7:

In order to achieve the objectives set out in Article VI above, the FA shall, in particular:

- 1- Preparing regulations, decisions and provisions related to football sport.
- 2- Representing the State in all matters relating to football issues before FIFA, the Asian Football Association and other associations as a representative of the State in international competitions.
- 3- Organizing and supervising all matches held within its competence.
- 4- Managing sports relations with sports associations.
- 5- Hosting competitions and matches at the international and other levels.

Chapter 3

General Rules

Article 8:



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- The FA shall promote friendly relations between its members, officials, players, associations and society and achieve the desired humanitarian goals.
- Everyone who participates in football adheres to the rules, regulations, fair play rules, loyalty, integrity and sportsmanship.
- The FA shall provide the necessary legal means to resolve any internal dispute that may arise between members, clubs, associations, referees, officials and players of the Association.
- The FA shall have exclusive jurisdiction to legislate rules of discipline, arbitration, registration of players and shall take all appropriate means to ensure their respect.
- All clubs, football affiliates and their member associations are subject to the FA and must be recognized in advance, with the statute defining the framework, authority, rights and duties of these clubs and associations, and its regulations and regulations relating to the football game subject to the approval of the FA's board of directors.

Article 9:

The Board of Directors shall establish the explanatory provisions and circulars relating to the positions, transfers, registration and protection of players in accordance with the FIFA Player Status and Transfer Regulations and the relevant regulations of the Association.

Article10:

The FA and its entire clubs are committed to playing football organized in accordance with the rules of the game issued by IFAP, which has the exclusive right to enact and amend the rules of the game.

Article11:

Officials and members of the FA shall abide by the statutes, regulations, directives, decisions and disciplinary regulations issued by the Association, FIFA and the Asian Association.

Article12:



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Discrimination between persons in all its forms on the basis of origin, race, sex, language, religion, religious or political doctrine or any other cause shall be prohibited and punished according to the relevant disciplinary procedures.

Part two

Membership of the FA

Chapter One

General Rules

Article13:

The membership of the FA shall be for the applicant who has fulfilled the requirements and requirements of the FA, unless the General Assembly decides otherwise. All clubs and related associations shall be members of the FA.

Article 14:

Clubs and associations belonging to the UAE FA shall make their decisions regarding their membership independently of any third party.

Article15:

Clubs, their football companies and member associations shall establish their statutes defining the scope of their powers, rights and duties, and shall be effective after their approval by the Board of Directors.

Article16:

No natural or legal person may control, share, contribute and manage in any way in more than one club.

Article17:

The General Assembly has the right to accept, suspend or dismiss a member of the FA.

Chapter 2

Acceptance, Termination & Termination of Membership, and Withdrawal of Members

First Section



Acceptance of Membership

First: Eligibility for membership and conditions of the FA:

Article18:

Membership may be granted to any club or association wishing to be a member of the FA after all the requirements of the FA has been fulfilled.

Article19:

Members of the FA are:

- 1- Clubs and their football companies.
- 2- UAE Professional League Association.
- 3- Association of referees upon incorporation.
- 4- Association of trainers upon establishment.
- 5- Association of players upon incorporation.

Article20:

The applicant must attach the following documents when applying for membership:

- 1- A copy of the statutes of the applicant for membership and valid regulations.
- 2- Provide evidence that it is registered in accordance with applicable national laws and is within the scope of the State.
- 3- A list of officials authorized to sign, and those entitled to negotiate and sign binding agreements with other parties.
- 4- A copy of the last minutes of the General Assembly meeting of the applicant or its founding meeting.
- 5- A declaration containing the following:
 - a) Commitment of the applicant to the laws, regulations and decisions issued by the Association, FIFA and the Asian Association and to ensure respect for these laws and regulations by its members and administrative and tricks and all its members.
 - b) Abide by the rules of the game
 - c) Accept and implement the decisions and judgments issued by the Arbitration Court of Lausanne (CAS).
 - d) The statute of the applicant ensures that it makes decisions independently of any external influences.
 - e) Obtaining the prior approval of the Association to participate in or organize any matches



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- f) A special declaration for the member clubs to play all official matches.

Second: Application for Membership & Procedures

Article 21

The procedures for admission to the FA shall be regulated in accordance with the Special Regulations.

Article 22

The Board of Directors recommends to the Association to accept or reject the application for membership.

The applicant whose application has been rejected shall have the right to appeal to the General Assembly.

Article 23

The member shall have full rights and shall be bound by all duties and his representatives shall be eligible to vote and be elected upon accepting his membership.

Second Section

Suspension of Membership

Article 24

The Board of Directors shall have the right to suspend the membership of any member of the Association in violation of its obligations or duties. The Board of Directors should call an extraordinary general assembly in accordance with the terms stipulated in this system or wait for the Meeting of the AGM which is any closer to the decision to suspend the suspension will be effective by a two-thirds majority of votes.

Article 25

The suspended member loses his membership after the General Assembly approves the suspension of membership rights and abstains, the rest of the members make any sports contact with him until the suspension expires.

Article 26



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A member who does not participate in the activities of the FA shall lose two consecutive terms of voting in the General Assembly and shall not be entitled to elect or appoint its representatives until the performance of his duties unless the General Assembly decides otherwise.

Third Section

Termination of Membership

Article 27

The General Assembly shall have the right to terminate the membership of any of the members if it does not fulfill its financial obligations towards the Association or if it violates the statutes, regulations, directives or decisions of the Association, FIFA or the Asian Association.

Article 28

The decision to terminate the membership requires the presence of (50% + 1) of the members who are eligible to vote until the decision is valid.

Article 29

The decision to terminate membership must be made with the approval of three quarters of the valid votes.

Fourth Section

Withdrawal

Article 30

A Member may withdraw from the FA one year after its membership by an official letter addressed to the General Secretariat two months before the date of the Ordinary General Assembly, stating the reasons for his withdrawal.

Article 31



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Withdrawal shall not be effective until the Member wishing to withdraw shall perform all its financial obligations to the FA and to the other Members of the FA.

Chapter3

Rights and Duties of members of the FA

First Section

Rights of Members

Article 32

Members of the FA shall have the following rights:

- 1- Participate in the meetings of the General Assembly of the FA and exercise their right to vote
- 2- Submitting any proposals for inclusion in the agenda of the General Assembly.
- 3- Nominating candidates to the Association's members.
- 4- Informing them about the Association's activities through the official channels.
- 5- Participation of clubs in competitions organized by the Association
- 6- Exercise all other rights guaranteed to them by the Statute and the Association's regulations.

Second Section

Duties of Members

Article 33

The members of the FA are committed to the following duties:

- 1- Fully abide by the statutes, laws, regulations, directives and decisions of the Association, FIFA and AFC and ensure compliance by players, administrators, coaches, officials, referees and others.
- 2- Ensure the election of its executive organs.
- 3- Participate in official matches, competitions and activities organized by the Association.



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- 4- Refrain from participating in matches, competitions, outdoor activities and any activity of an international character except with the approval of the Association in accordance with the procedures followed in this regard.
- 5- Payment of membership fees.
- 6- Respect the rules of the game established by (IFAP) and ensure the respect of its texts by its members and include their statutes.
- 7- Refrain from resorting to courts in sports disputes relating to laws, regulations, directives and decisions of FIFA, the Asian Association and the Association.
- 8- Provide the Association with any amendments relating to the regulations and rules of clubs, companies and associations, and lists of officials authorized to sign it and who has the right of binding agreement with third parties.
- 9- Not to engage in any relations of a sporting nature with any prohibited or unrecognized entity or suspended or expelled clubs.
- 10- Respect the principles of loyalty, honesty and good sporting behavior as an expression of fair play and include them in the rules and regulations.
- 11- Prepare and manage a special register of the members of each club or association to be updated periodically.

Chapter 3

The FA Commission

Article 34



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The members of the FA shall be elected or appointed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Law, namely:

- 1- The General Assembly, which is the supreme and legislative authority of the Association (the legislature).
- 2- The Board of Directors is the executive authority of the Association.
- 3- The Permanent and Temporary Committees of the FA assist the Board of Directors in the performance of its duties.
- 4- The General Secretariat is the administrative authority of the Association (the administrative member).

Article 35

Judicial and Arbitral Members:

- A. The judiciary is the judicial authority of the Association and consists of disciplinary, appellate and honor committees.
- B. The arbitral tribunal shall consist of the Dispute Settlement Chamber and the arbitral tribunal.

Chapter One

General Assembly

(Conference)

First Section

Composition and terms of reference of the General Assembly

First: Forming the General Assembly

Article 36

The General Assembly is a meeting of all members of the FA, which is held periodically or exceptionally and is the supreme legislative authority in the FA and has the power to take decisions.

Article 37

The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall preside over the work of the General Assembly without having the right to vote.



Article 38

The General Assembly has the right to grant the title of honorary president or honorary member to any person who has provided great services to the sport of football or was a member of one of the members of the International Association or the Asian Association.

Article 39

The General Assembly shall have the right to appoint observers to participate in its meetings and shall have the right to participate in the debate without the right to vote.

Article 40

The General Assembly consists of member clubs, and each of them shall have one representative with one vote.

In addition, each of the following associations shall, after obtaining the FA membership, have one representative and have the right to participate and discuss at the General Assembly meeting without the right to vote, and they are:

- UAE Professional Association
- Referee Association (upon establishment)
- Coach Association (upon establishment)
- Footballer Association (upon establishment)

Any other association to be established in the future.

Article 41

Each representative of a member of the General Assembly is required to be a member of a club or association provided that he is appointed or elected by the competent member in any of them.

Article 42

Members present shall have the right to vote. No other member may vote by proxy or by proxy or by letter.



Article 43

The Chairman, members of the Board of Directors and the General Secretary shall have the right to participate in the General Assembly without the right to vote.

Article 44

Second: Terms of reference of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly shall have the following powers:

- 1- Adopting and amending the Statute and the regulations governing the application of the Statute and the permanent resolutions of the General Assembly.
- 2- Appoint two members to approve credentials.
- 3- Appointment of three members to review the minutes and ratify the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 4- Election of the list that includes the Chairman and members of the Board of Directors.
- 5- Accreditation of the chairman and members of the judicial committees and arbitral members annually.
- 6- Appointment of independent auditors.
- 7- Certification of financial statements.
- 8- Approving the budget.
- 9- Certifying the activity report of the Board of Directors.
- 10- Select membership subscriptions.
- 11- The decision to grant the honorary presidency or honorary membership of the FA upon the nomination of a member of the General Assembly or the Board of Directors.
- 12- Accept, suspend and Termination membership.
- 13- Issuing decisions requested by members in accordance with the Statute.
- 14- The General Assembly may delegate some of its powers to the President of the General Assembly and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the FA.
- 15- Dissolution of the FA.

Section Two

Meetings and resolutions of the General Assembly and election



First: General Assembly Meetings:

Article 45

General Assembly meetings shall be legal upon the presence of two-thirds of the members who have the right to vote.

If the quorum is not achieved, the following General Assembly shall be held an hour after the first meeting, and the second meeting shall be legal upon the presence of a majority (50% + 1) of the members who have the right to vote, on the same agenda, unless it includes:

- Amendment of the article of association
- Election of the Chairman and members of the Board of Directors.
- Termination of a member or a number of members.
- Dissolution of the FA by the General Assembly

If the quorum is not achieved at the second meeting, the following General Assembly shall be held a week after the date of its first meeting, and the meeting shall be legal in any attendance percentage, unless its agenda does not include any of the items indicated above.

Second: Resolutions of the General Assembly:

Article 46

Voting on the resolutions of the General Assembly shall be valid by a majority of (50% + 1) of the members present and entitled to vote, unless otherwise provided for in this Law.

Article 47

The club member of the General Assembly of the Association shall be deprived of the right to vote if he does not participate in at least two competitions of the Sunni stages approved by the Association during any of the two seasons preceding the meeting of the General Assembly, pending the fulfillment of his obligations in this regard. Article 48

- 1- Subject to the provisions of Article 45 of this Statute, the resolutions of the General Assembly shall be voted on (agree - Disagree - Abstaining).
- 2- Subject to the percentages required for voting in the provisions of this Statute, the abstention sheet shall not be counted in the voting rates.

Third: Election



Article 49

The Board of Directors, the Election Committee, and the Appeal Committee shall be elected as per the resolutions of the Election Committee under a separate regulation under the name of the FA's electoral regulation.

Article 50

Chairman and members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the electoral list system, and for any candidate to be included in the electoral list, it is required that such candidate shall be nominated by only one club, except those who were nominated by the candidate for Chairman.

Article 51

Elections must be held by secret ballot.

Article 52

1. Only clubs that are members of the FA shall have the right to provide their nominations for Chairman or members of the Board of Directors.
2. Each member club shall have the right to provide one nomination only.
3. The candidate for Chairman shall provide an electoral list that includes club candidates as stipulated in the electoral regulation.
4. The candidate for Chairman shall have the right to nominate three competent members for the membership of the Board.

Except for emergency cases, the General Secretariat shall be notified in writing of the electoral lists, at least 60 days prior to the date of the electoral General Assembly.

Election of the electoral list:

Article 53

Voting on the electoral list shall be carried out by the General Assembly, and the term of office of the elected Board begins immediately after the end of the election meeting of the General Assembly, for four years that ends by the end of the sports season in the fourth year. The list and/or one of the members thereof may be re-elected for one following period.

Article 54



1. In the event that there is one electoral list until the end of nomination period, the list shall deem elected by acclamation.
2. In the event that there are only two electoral lists, the list that has a simple majority of attendees (50%+1) shall deem suffice to win. In event of equal votes, the voting round shall be repeated until one of the two lists gains the majority of valid votes.
3. In the event that there are more than two electoral lists, whoever gain two-thirds of the votes from the valid votes of the attendees shall deem suffice to win.
4. In the event that no electoral list gains the percentage of two-thirds of the votes, the lists that have the lowest number of valid attendance votes shall be excluded, and the top two lists with the highest votes shall be retained for a second voting round. Voting shall be repeated between the two lists until one of them gains the simple majority of the attendees (50%+1).
5. In the event that two or more electoral lists are equal in the number of valid votes, voting shall be repeated between them until two lists gain the highest votes, and the list or lists with the lowest number of votes shall be excluded. Voting shall continue on the two lists with the highest votes until one of them gains a simple majority (50%+1).

Article 55

With the exception of emergency cases, the General Secretariat shall notify the member clubs of the electoral lists containing the names of the candidates for membership of the Board of Directors, at least 30 days prior to the date of the electoral General Assembly.

Section Three

Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assembly

First: Ordinary General Assembly

Article 56

The Ordinary General Assembly shall be held annually.

Article 57

The Board of Directors shall determine the place and date of the general assembly, provided that the members shall be notified in writing at least 30 days before the date of the meeting.



Article 58

The General Assembly shall be invited to attend the general assembly meeting at least 20 days prior to its convening by an official notification containing the agenda, the president's report of activities and financial statements, the auditors' report and any other relevant documents.

Second: Agenda of the Ordinary General Assembly:

Article 59

The Secretariat shall draw up the agenda based on the proposals of the Governing Council and the members. The member wishing to submit a proposal to add or amend the agenda shall send a letter to the Secretariat with a summary of the proposal at least 15 days in advance from the date of the General Assembly

Article 60

The agenda of the Ordinary General Assembly includes the following:

1. A statement indicating the convening and composition of the General Assembly of the FA's Statute.
2. Adoption of the Agenda.
3. Word of the President.
4. Appointment of three members to review the minutes.
5. Appointment of electoral card examiners.
6. Suspend or Termination membership.
7. Approving the previous minutes of the General Assembly.
8. Activity reports.
9. View the final budget, review and statement of profit and loss account.
10. Certification of financial statements.
11. Budget Approval.
12. Membership Acceptance.
13. Vote on proposals to amend the statutes and the regulations governing the application of the statutes and the permanent resolutions of the General Assembly.
14. Discuss the proposals submitted by the members and the Board of Directors.



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15. Appointment of three independent auditors on the proposal of the Board of Directors.
16. Election of the Chairman, Deputy and Directors.
17. Grant an honorary presidency or honorary membership when there is a proposal.
18. Additional matters proposed by the members or the Board of Directors other than the amendment of the Articles of Association and the applicable regulations.

Article 61

The agenda of the Ordinary General Assembly shall be amended with the approval of two thirds of the members present and voting.

Article 62

The General Assembly may not issue any resolution on any issue outside the agenda.

Third: Extraordinary General Assembly

Article 63

The Board of Directors may convene the Extraordinary General Assembly at any time.

Article 64

The Board of Directors is obliged to hold the Extraordinary General Assembly within six weeks if the absolute majority (50% + 1) of the members of the Association submit a written request specifying the issues to be put on the agenda. Utmost need.

Article 65

Members shall be informed of the place and time of the General Assembly and the agenda 7 days prior to the date of the meeting.

Article 66

The Board of Directors shall set up the work of the General Assembly if so requested.

In the event of an extraordinary general meeting convened at the request of the members, the agenda shall include the issues raised by the callers.



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In all cases, no amendment may be added to the agenda items.

Article 66 repeated

The minutes of the ordinary and extraordinary general assembly meeting shall be reviewed and sent to the members within fifteen days of the meeting.

Section Four

Amend the statutes and regulations governing the application of the statute and the permanent resolutions of the General Assembly and the time of its coming into force

Article 67

The General Assembly is the only member competent to amend the regulations and rules governing the application of the Statute, taking into account paragraph 6 of Article 87.

First: Amending the Statute:

Article 68

Acceptance of proposals for amendment of the Statute shall be in writing with an explanatory summary of the amendment proposal addressed by the members or the Board of Directors to the General Secretariat. The proposal shall be submitted by at least ten members.

Article 69

The validity of the vote on the amendment of the Statute shall require the presence of two thirds of the members entitled to vote.

Article 70

The adoption of the amendment to the Statute shall require the approval of three quarters of the members present and voting.

Second: Amending the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statute:

Article 71



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A proposal to amend the Regulations Governing the Application of the Statute and the Permanent Resolutions of the Assembly shall require the Secretariat to be in writing with a brief explanation of the contents of the amendment.

Article 72

Proposals for the amendment of the regulations governing the application of the Statute and the permanent resolutions of the General Assembly shall be adopted with the simple majority of the members present and voting. Third: Effectiveness of Decisions:

Article 73

Resolutions issued by the General Assembly shall take effect 30 days from the date of their issuance unless the General Assembly sets a different date.

Chapter Two

Board of Directors

First section

Composition, meetings, competencies and decisions of the Board of Directors

First: Formation of the Board of Directors

Article 74

The Board of Directors shall consist of 13 members, including the Chairman and two deputies, provided that at least one of the members shall be a female.

Article 75

The term of the Chairman, the two deputies and members of the Board of Directors shall be four years that ends by the end of the sports season in the fourth year, and the same may be re-elected for one following period.

Article 76

The President of the UAE Professional Association shall be the First Deputy Chairman of the FA.

Article 77



A member of the Board of Directors shall:

- 1. He must be a citizen of the State.**
- 2. Not more than 70 years old and not less than 25 years old.**
- 3. To be an active player in football.**
- 4. Not to have committed a criminal offense or has already been convicted of a crime involving dishonesty and honor.**
- 5. He shall not have any administrative or technical job in any of the member clubs or acquire the status of president / vice president or member of any of the sports councils / boards of clubs / football companies affiliated to them except the Olympic Committee in accordance with its statutes.**
- 6. Not to engage in any business or financial interests / Commercial (and the like) with the Association or the party nominating it and must submit a written undertaking to stop such acts or interests, if any, until the end of its electoral period.**
- 7. Must have an appropriate academic qualification with a minimum high school diploma and be recognized for competence and mathematical experience.**

Article 78

A member of the Board of Directors shall not be entitled to be a member of the judicial member of the FA.

Article 79

- 1. If one or more positions of the Board of Directors are vacant, the Board shall continue its work with no less than seven members. In the event that the number of members is less than seven, the Board shall continue until the nearest General Assembly shall be held within no more than 3 months. Otherwise, an extraordinary General Assembly shall be called to elect a new Board of Directors.**
- 2. Membership of the Board member, who is absent of four consecutive meetings or five separate meetings without an excuse accepted by the Board, shall be terminated.**

Second: Board meetings

Article 80



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The Board of Directors shall hold a maximum monthly meeting of at least four meetings per year. Article 81

1. As an exception to the provisions of Article 82, the meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held in the following cases:
 - At the request of the Chairman.
 - At the request of (50%) of the members of the Board of Directors.
2. In accordance with the exception provided for in this Article, the meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held within a maximum of 21 days from the date of the request.

Article 82

The General Secretariat shall set the agenda under the supervision of the President. .

Article 83

The Secretary-General or his representative, in his absence, and with the consent of the Chairman, shall participate in meetings of the Governing Council in an advisory capacity without the right to vote.

Article 84

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be confidential. The Board of Directors shall have the right to invite those who see it without having the right to vote.

Third: Terms of reference of the Board of Directors

Article 85

The Board of Directors shall exercise the following powers:

- 1- Issuing decisions and judgments in all matters that do not fall within the powers of the General Assembly or within the scope of other members.
- 2- Preparing and holding the ordinary and extraordinary general assembly of the association.
- 3- Appointment of a Second Deputy Chairman from the Board members at the first meeting following the electoral General Assembly, provided that he is a club candidate.
- 4- Appointing the Chairman and members of the Standing Committees.



- 5- Nominating the Chairman and members of the Judicial Committees and the Arbitral Members.
- 6- Establishing temporary committees as required.
- 7- The establishment of a standing committee called the Committee for the development and revision of the regulations composed of five members with legal qualifications and mathematical experience, whose task is to revise the regulations and study all the decisions of the judicial committees and arbitral tribunals.
- 8- Setting the regulations governing the work of the permanent and temporary committees.
- 9- Appointment and termination of the Secretary-General's attacks on the proposal of the President
- 10- . Propose independent auditors to the General Assembly.
- 11- Coordinating and organizing meetings of teams participating in the competitions of the Association.
- 12- Appointing the coaches of the teams representing the Association and some technical staff.
- 13- Issue of provisions for financial remuneration in relation to Board members, permanent and temporary committees and the rapporteurs thereof.
- 14- Issuing judgments concerning the status, transfers and registration of players in accordance with the FIFA Regulation on the Status and Transfer of Players, and any other provisions relating to the Regulation of Officials.
- 15- Issuing arbitration regulations.
- 16- Issuing regulations governing the various official competitions
- 17- . Approval of fixtures for all competitions.
- 18- Approving the rules for organizing official national championships and any other tournaments organized by the Association, including in particular the rules concerning the number of clubs participating in them and the mechanism of promotion and relegation.
- 19- Ratify the Association's bylaws.
- 20- Suspend the membership of any Board member if it violates the Articles of Association, the Association's regulations or the Code of Conduct and Ethics.



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- 21- Suspend or temporarily suspend the membership of any of the members of the UAE Association until the next General Assembly, in violation of the provisions of this Law.
- 22- Delegate some of the functions that fall within its competence To other members of the FA.
- 23- The Board of Directors may delegate some of its powers to the Chairman of the Board.
- 24- The Board of Directors has the right to authorize some of its members to jointly sign some important work in the Association.

Fourth: Decisions of the Board of Directors

Article 86

The convening of the council is valid only in the presence of (50% + 1) of its members.

Article 87

The Board of Directors shall make its decisions by a simple majority of the members present.

Article 88

The Chairman of the Board of Directors may exempt and in urgent cases only to request the members of the Board of Directors to vote on a draft resolution by passage.

Article 89

A member of the Board of Directors shall withdraw from the discussion or decision-making in matters relating to a person.

Article 90

Decisions taken shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board meetings.

Article 91

Decisions of the Board of Directors shall have the force of immediate effect unless it decides otherwise. Fifth: dismissal of a person or member of the FA

Article 92



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The General Assembly shall have the right to dismiss the members of the Board of Directors elected by it or to terminate the membership of a member of the FA. The Board of Directors may temporarily dismiss persons or terminate the membership of a member of the FA until the General Assembly. The Board of Directors shall include the decision of dismissal or termination of membership in the agenda of the General Assembly for a final decision.

Article 93

The person dismissing the authority concerned with the decision to Termination its membership has the right to appeal to the General Assembly.

Article 94

The dismissal or cancellation decision shall be approved by secret ballot and by two thirds of the valid votes.

Section 2

President of the Association

Article 95

The President of the Association is the legal representative of the Association.

Article 96

Authorities and powers of the President of the Association.

1. Implement the resolutions issued by the General Assembly and the Board of Directors through the General Secretariat.
2. Ensure the effectiveness of the FA members and their achievement of the objectives set forth in this Law.
3. Supervising the work of the General Secretariat.
4. Strengthening relations between the FA, FIFA, the Asian Association, political bodies and other organizations.
5. Propose the appointment or termination of the General Secretary's services to the Board of Directors.



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6. Presides over the meetings of the General Assembly, the Board of Directors, the Executive Office and the committees to which he is the Chairman.
7. The President shall have the right to delegate some of his powers to the Vice-President, without prejudice to any of the provisions of this Law.

Article 97

The Chairman shall have one vote in the meetings of the Board of Directors

Article 98

In the event of the absence of the Chairman, the First Deputy Chairman shall act on his behalf, and shall have the same powers and authorities.

Article 99

In the event that the Chairman is terminated or suspended from practicing his official duties, temporarily or permanently, the First Deputy Chairman shall replace the Chairman, and shall have all the powers invested in the Chairman, until the nearest General Assembly shall be held within no more than 3 months. Otherwise, an extraordinary General Assembly shall be called to elect a new Board of Directors.

Article 100

Representation and signature

- a. The President of the Association shall have the right to sign on behalf of the Association.
- b. The President of the Association shall have the right to authorize the General Secretary to sign all or some of the contracts and agreements concluded by the Association on his behalf.

Section3

Permanent Committees, their composition and their competences

General Provisions

Article 101

Formation of standing committees



- The permanent committees shall be formed by a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a number of members in accordance with Article (105). The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee shall be members of the Board of Directors, unless otherwise provided for in these Articles of Association.
- The Board of Directors may designate the Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee from outside its members in accordance with the requirements of work and the public interest.
- The term of the Chairman and members of the Standing Committees shall be one year renewable at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
- 1- A member of the Board of Directors may not be a member of more than two standing committees.
- 2- The Board of Directors has the right to freeze or merge some committees when needed.
- 3- The Board of Directors has the right to delegate the terms of reference of some committees to other members under a special agreement and without prejudice to FIFA regulations.
- 4- The Chairman of the Standing Committee shall represent and manage the Committee in accordance with the regulations set by the Board of Directors.
- 5- The members of the Standing Committees are appointed by the Board of Directors upon nominations from the Chairman of the Committee and from the members of the Association (clubs and associations).
- 6- The Standing Committee may propose to the Board any amendments to its Rules of Procedure.
- 7- The members of the Board of Directors of other sports associations shall not be members of the committees of the Association.
- 8- No club or association shall be represented by more than one member of a permanent or temporary committee.
- 9- The rapporteurs of the committees shall be entrusted to the staff of the General Secretariat and may be invited to the meetings of the committees for advice without the right to vote.
- 10- The members of the committee shall be experienced and competent in the field of his committee.
- 11- The age of the committee member should not be less than 21 years.
- 12- The members of the committees shall be UAE nationals.



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13- All recommendations of the committees other than judicial and ones shall be subject to the approval of the Chairman.

Article 102

The Standing Committees of the FA are:

- 1- Finance Committee.
- 2- Internal Audit Committee.
- 3- Technical and Elections Committee.
- 4- Competitions Committee.
- 5- Referees Committee.
- 6- Legal Committee.
- 7- Women's Football Committee.
- 8- Hall Football Committee.
- 9- Sports Medicine Committee.
- 10- Players Status and Transfer Committee.
- 11- Strategy and Investment Committee
- 12- Club Affairs Committee
- 13- Liaison and Community Affairs Committee.

Powers & Composition of Standing Committees:

Article 103

The functions of the committees shall be as follows:

1- Finance Committee:

It shall supervise the financial management of the FA and shall advise the Board of Directors on financial matters and asset management.

2- Internal Audit Committee

It is responsible for ensuring the completeness and credibility of the financial accounts and reviewing the report of the external auditors at the request of the Board of Directors. It is composed of a President and four non-Council members.

3- National Teams and Technical Affairs Committee

It specializes in National Team affairs, analyzes and develops the performance of the administrative and technical elements of football.



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It consists of a president and six members.

4- Competitions Committee:

Competent to organize competitions of the FA in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations governing and applicable to the competitions of the FA. It consists of a Chairman and four members.

5- Referees Committee

It is concerned with the application of the rules of the game, the appointment of referees for matches in the competitions organized by the Association, the organization of their affairs in cooperation with the administration of the Association and the monitoring of their training and education. It is composed of a Chairman and six members.

6- Legal Committee:

It is concerned with analyzing the basic legal issues related to football and evaluating the laws and regulations of the Association and its members. It shall consist of a Chairman and four members with legal qualifications.

7- Women's Football Committee

Specializes in organizing women's football competitions and deals with issues related to them.

It consists of a Chairman and four members.

The Chairman of the Committee may designate an exception from outside the members of the Governing Council.

8- The Football Committee:

It is concerned with organizing the competitions of the hall football and dealing with matters related thereto. It consists of a Chairman and four members.

9- Sports Medicine Committee

Specializes in the medical aspects of football. It is composed of a Chairman and four members and may be selected from outside the Board of Directors.



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10- Committee on the Status and Transfer of Players:

The committee responsible for monitoring compliance with the player status and transfer regulations in accordance with FIFA regulations relating to the status and transfer of players and the national regulation on the status and transfer of players and determining their status in various competitions of the Association. It may propose special regulations specifying its powers and competence. It consists of a Chairman and four members.

11- Liaison and Marketing Committee

Specializes in organizing major events and offers advice on hosting any international football event. It consists of a Chairman and four members.

12- Clubs Affairs Committee

Means the relationship between the Association and the member clubs and work to strengthen their participation in the development of football and consists of a president and four members.

13- Committee of Community Affairs:

It is responsible for supervising the affairs related to social responsibility and its development and achieving its goals and work to strengthen and activate the role of the FA in the work of local, regional and international community, and consists of a president and four members.

14- Temporary Committees:

Article 104

- 1- The Board of Directors has the right to form temporary committees for special tasks and for a limited period.
- 2- The Chairman and members of these committees shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.
- 3- The functions and functions of these committees are defined in temporary special regulations.
- 4- The Interim Committee shall submit its report to the Board of Directors.

Section 4



UAE Professional Association

Article 105

- 1- The UAE Professionals Association shall be a member of the Association in accordance with Article 18 of this Law.
- 2- The Association shall be composed of professional clubs, which meet the conditions of membership according to the Association's Articles of Association.
- 3- The President of the Association of Professionals shall be a Vice-President of the Association.
- 4- The Association shall have a statute and regulations governing its operation in accordance with the statutes of the Association, the Asian Football Association and FIFA.
- 5- The Professional League consists of (14) clubs / companies.

Article 106

The Association of Professionals shall enjoy an independent legal personality in accordance with its decision to declare it.

Article 107

The League shall replace the Professional League Committee with respect to its competencies and responsibilities towards the Association of Football and Clubs. All its fixed and movable assets, financial and contractual rights and obligations shall be vested in it. The League shall be the legal successor of the Professional League Committee.

Article 108

Powers of the UAE Professional Association:

The Association of Professionals shall abide by the statutes, regulations and decisions of the Association in accordance with its statutes.



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The President's Cup Competition God save him

Article 109

All clubs participating in the Professional League are obliged to participate in the "HH the President's Cup" in accordance with the regulations of the competition issued by the Association.

Chapter3

General Secretariat

First: The General Secretariat:

Article 110

The General Secretariat shall carry out all administrative work in the Association as directed by the General Secretary. The staff of the General Secretariat shall abide by the internal regulations of the FA and perform the tasks entrusted to them in the best way.

Article 111

- 1- The General Secretariat is responsible for recording the minutes of the General Assembly meetings and presenting them to the members
- 2- Performs the functions of the secretariat of the work of all committees and members.

Second: The General Secretary :

Article 112

The Secretary-General shall be the Chief Executive of the Secretariat and shall be appointed on the basis of a convention governed by private law, provided that he has the necessary professional qualifications. The duties and duties of the General Secretary shall be as follows:

- 1- Prepare the agenda of the meetings of the General Assembly, the Board of Directors and the Executive Office.
- 2- Implement the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors in accordance with the directives of the President of the FA.
- 3- Prepare the minutes of the meetings of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors.
- 4- Attend the meetings of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors.



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- 5- Organize the meetings of the General Assembly and the meetings of the Board of Directors and other members.
- 6- Manage FA accounts well and maintain.
- 7- Prepare and sign correspondence of the Association.
- 8- Organize relationships with members, committees, FIFA and AFC.
- 9- Organization of the General Secretariat.
- 10- Appoint and terminate the services of the employees working in the General Secretariat and determine their salaries and financial allocations with the approval of the President of the Association.
- 11- Referring all cases received to the Association duly to the judicial and arbitral members.

Article 113

The Secretary-General shall not be a delegate of the General Assembly or a member of any of the organs of the FA.



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The fourth chapter

Judicial members and disciplinary procedures

First section

Judicial Committees

Article 114

First: General Provisions

- A. The judicial organs of the FA, namely:
- Discipline Committee.
 - Appeal Committee.
 - Committee of the Code of Honor
- b- The responsibilities and duties of these members should be clarified in the Association's disciplinary system, which must be consistent with FIFA's disciplinary system.
- c- The powers of the judicial organs shall not affect the powers of other committees in taking their decisions.
- d- The members of the Judicial Committees shall not be members of the Board of Directors, permanent or temporary committees or any other organs of the FA.

Article 115



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The disciplinary and appellate committees and the code of ethics are composed of a chairman and a vice president with legal qualifications and a number of members. Each committee shall operate in accordance with its own regulations.

Article 116

The powers and functions of these committees shall be determined by the provisions of the regulations governing their work. The Committee shall issue its decisions in the presence of three members, including the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman.

Article 117

Second: Discipline Committee:

The disciplinary committee may impose penalties set out in the disciplinary rules of the Association on administrative members (clubs and associations), players, their agents, officials and matches in accordance with the discipline regulation.

Article 118

The provisions relating to the suspension and expulsion of members shall be subject to the disciplinary powers of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors.

Article 119

Third: Appeal Committee:

The Appeals Committee shall be responsible for considering appeals against decisions of the non-final disciplinary committee in accordance with the Appeals Regulations and the decisions of the Code of Ethics Committee and the Referees Committee.

Section 2

Disciplinary procedures

Article 120

Disciplinary measures signed by:

- 1) Natural or legal person
 - a) Warning
 - b) Reprimand
 - c) the fine



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- d) Retrieve prizes
- 2) Natural person:
- a) Warning
 - b) Expulsion.
 - c) Suspension of a match or number of matches.
 - d) Denial of access to the changing room.
 - e) . Deprivation of sitting in reserve seats.
 - f) Denial of entry to the stadium.
 - g) . Denial of participation in any football-related activities.
- 3) Legal person:
- a) Deprivation of the transfer of new players to him.
 - b) Play the game without an audience.
 - c) Play the game on neutral ground.
 - d) Deprivation of playing in certain stadiums.
 - e) Write off the results of his matches or some of them.
 - f) Match loss (0/3) Deduction of points.
 - g) Reduction to a lower level

Article 121

The competent authority may inflict one or more of the penalties prescribed in Article (122) on violators.

Section 3

Arbitral Members

Article 122

First: Internal Dispute Resolution Chamber:

1. A Dispute Settlement Chamber shall be established in accordance with the principles of the FIFA Dispute Resolution Chamber, which shall be competent to deal with all internal national disputes between clubs and players arising from employment contracts, training compensation and solidarity contributions between clubs affiliated to the Association.
2. It shall be composed of a president and a deputy from the legal jurisdiction, three members representing the clubs and three members representing the players.



Second: Arbitration Board:

The Board of Directors shall nominate an arbitral tribunal and shall establish its own rules of procedure, as well as a list of arbitrators with legal and technical qualifications relevant to the game of football

Section 4

Jurisdiction

Article 123

The FA, its members, players, agents or administrators may not submit any dispute to the ordinary courts unless specifically provided for in this Statute or FIFA Regulations and any dispute shall be referred to the jurisdiction of the FA, FIFA or the Asian Association, each in accordance with its competence.

Article 124

The FA shall have jurisdiction in internal national disputes arising between the Parties belonging to the FA. FIFA or the Asian Association shall have jurisdiction in international disputes of emerging between the parties belonging to different associations of states or various confederations.

Section 5

Sports Arbitration Court (CAS)

Article 125

In accordance with Article 58 of the FIFA laws, any appeal against a final and binding decision by FIFA is considered by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland, but the CAS cannot hear appeals for violations of the rules of the game and suspensions for up to 4 matches or until Three months or decisions by an independent arbitral tribunal duly constituted by an association or confederation.

Article 126

Clubs have the right to resort to the Sports Arbitration Court (CAS) after the exhaustion of the methods of appeal provided for in the regulations of the Association, starting from the sports season 2017/2018 and until the exercise of the Arbitration Center.



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It is not permissible to resort to the CAS in the previous cases that have been decided by the judicial and arbitral members in the Association.

Article 127

The Association shall ensure and ensure the commitment of its members, players, officials and mediators to:

- A- Final decisions of any FIFA member.
- B- Final decisions issued by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) and duly certified in the light of Article 64 of the FIFA Disciplinary Regulations unless the decision required to be implemented is not received by official methods, either from FIFA or the CAS directly to the Association

Section 4

Miscellaneous provisions

Chapter One

FA Finance

Article 128

Financial period:

The financial period of the FA shall be a year starting from the first of January and ending at the end of December of each year. The annual revenues of the FA shall cover expenditures during the financial period while securing the expenses of the tasks of the FA.

Article 129

A quarter of the FA's expenses are managed through the establishment of a reserve fund.

Article 130

The General Secretary shall be responsible for the establishment of the FA's annual consolidated accounts with its affiliates throughout the financial period.

Article 131



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Sources and Revenues of the FA:

The sources and revenues of the FA shall be through the following:

- A- Government support.
- B- Annual subscriptions of members.
- C- Imports of marketing rights entrusted to the Association.
- D- Fines imposed by the competent authorities.
- E- Contributions and other revenues consistent with the objectives of the FA.
- F- Revenue from any investments of the FA's funds approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 132

Expenses:

The FA shall bear the following expenses:

- A- Budget expenditures.
- B- Other expenses approved by the General Assembly and expenses authorized by the Board of Directors within the scope of its powers.
- C- All other expenses that correspond to the objectives of the FA.

Article 133

Independent auditors:

The independent auditors appointed by the General Assembly resolution shall audit the accounts approved by the Finance Committee in accordance with appropriate accounting principles and report to the Assembly.

The auditors are appointed for a period of four years, extendable for further periods.

Membership fee:

Article 134

Membership fees are due on January 1 and new members' contributions for the year must be paid within 30 days of the end of the general assembly meeting.

Article 135



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The general assembly shall determine the annual subscription amount for the members based on the recommendations of the board of directors.

Article 136

Reconciliation of accounts:

The Association may fulfill its rights towards members from their assets account.

Article 137

Seventh: Fees:

The Association may request its members to pay fees for holding matches.

Chapter 2

Competitions

Article 138

Official Competitions:

The Association shall determine and coordinate its official competitions as follows:

1. Cup of His Highness the President of the State "may God protect him".
2. First division.
3. Professional League organized by the UAE Professional Association.
4. Any other competitions decided by the Association's Board of Directors in coordination with the UAE Professionals Association in relation to professional clubs.

Article 139

The Board of Directors may issue regulations for its competitions.

Article 140

Club Licensing:

The Board of Directors shall set the regulations for the clubs licensing and participation system in the precedents organized by the Association. The UAE



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Professionals Association sets regulations for the Club Licensing and Participation System in competitions.

Article 141

International matches and competitions:

FIFA shall have the authority to organize international matches and competitions between the Association teams or clubs.

Competitions or matches may not be held without prior authorization from the FIFA Executive Committee, unless it requires further authorization from the relevant confederation in accordance with FIFA regulations.

Article 142

The Association is committed to the calendar of the matches prepared by FIFA

Article 143

Meetings

The Association may not organize matches or meet with any other association that is not a member of FIFA or with temporary members of the confederation until the approval of FIFA.

Article 144

Approval:

The clubs or any of the affiliated groups shall not belong to any other association or participate in competitions in the territory of another association without their permission.

By the Association and the other Association and FIFA except in exceptional circumstances.

Chapter 3

Marketing

Marketing Rights:

Article 145



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The FA and its members exclusively own all rights arising from competitions and activities under their authority without limitation, whether in relation to the content, time, place and law.

Article 146

Marketing rights are represented in all types of financial, audiovisual, radio, broadcast, reproduction, multimedia, marketing, promotion and moral rights related to logos and rights arising under the publishing law.

The Board of Directors shall decide on the extent and extent of the exploitation of these rights and establish special regulations in this regard.

Article 147

The Board of Directors may determine the rights that are exploited exclusively, jointly, with third parties or by third parties in full.

Authorization:

Article 148

The Association and its members shall be responsible for authorizing and distributing picture, sound and data carriers for football matches and events within their jurisdiction without limitation with respect to content, time, place and legal aspects.

The fourth chapter

The Transitional Committee, emergency conditions and the dissolution of the FA

Transition Committee

Article 149

In the event of the resignation of a majority or all the members of the Board of Directors, a transitional committee shall be formed according to the following procedures:



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1. The General Secretariat shall convene the Extraordinary General Assembly to form the Transitional Committee within seven days from the date of the last resignation submitted.
2. The Extraordinary General Assembly shall be chaired by the oldest member of the representatives present. His task shall be confined to the management of the meeting and shall not be entitled to vote except when the votes are equal.
3. The General Assembly shall appoint representatives from the members, provided that no more than (11) members and not less than (7) members shall be appointed to become members of the transitional committee to run the work of the Association.
4. The Committee shall exercise its functions during the period specified in this Law.
5. The Transitional Committee shall conduct the work of the FA in accordance with these Regulations to ensure the public interest.

Article 150

The Transitional Committee shall convene an extraordinary general assembly to elect the members of the new Board of Directors within 90 days of its formation, which may be extended for a similar period.

Unexpected emergency events and force majeure:

Article 151

The Board of Directors shall have the final decision on any matters not provided for in this Law or in cases of force majeure.

Dissolution of the FA:

Article 152

The decision to dissolve the FA requires the approval of a two-thirds majority of the members of the Assembly.

Article 153

In the event of the dissolution of the Association, its assets shall be transferred to the General Authority for Youth and Sports Welfare for the sake of the Secretariat



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until a new FA is established. The General Assembly may, with the approval of two thirds of the members, appoint a judicial guard.

Access

Article 154

Approved by the extraordinary Assembly of the FA No. (01) The new amendments to the Statute dated 12/01/2020 and are effective as of 12/01/2020

Article 155

Any text that conflicts with this system shall not prevail.

Secretary General

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