## **BY-LAW**

## **Athletes Committee**



# 1) Introduction

The Athletes Committee is established by the Federation of International Bandy (FIB) according to FIB Statutes and the International Olympic Committee's guidelines applicable to International Federations.

According to FIB Statutes Article 23.1 j), the Executive Committee (EC) shall issue By-Laws.

According to FIB Statutes Article 32.2, the Athletes Committee members shall be elected by the Athletes according to the By-Law approved by the FIB EC.

# 2) Mission

The fundamental mission of the Athletes Committee is to represent Athletes in FIB's governance, support them to succeed on and off the field, during and after their active career.

## 3) Composition and election

3.1 The composition shall be:

- five (5) members,
- one (1) member per country,
- min. two (2) members from both genders.

3.2 The members shall:

- be min. 18 years of age,
- be active Athletes (participated in FIB sanctioned events max. four (4) years prior their election),
- never have committed any Anti-Doping Rule Violation under the World Anti-Doping Code and the FIB Anti-Doping Rules.

### 3.3 Election of members

Members of the Athletes Committee shall be elected by the Athletes by secret ballot at the FIB World Championships held in the year when FIB EC elections are held.

Each Athlete participating at the FIB World Championships shall have a vote to elect the members.

The five (5) nominees receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected provided that the gender balance and country representation balance as per Article 3.1 are complied with.

3.4 Election of the Chair

The Chair shall be elected among the members of the Athletes Committee by the members of the Athletes Committee.

The Athletes Committee may also elect a Vice Chair.

### 4) Representation

The Chair represent the Athletes Committee and is an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee with full rights, including voting right.

In case the Chair is not available, the Vice Chair may represent the Athletes Committee, without voting right at the Executive Committee meeting.

## 5) Term

The term of the elected members and Chair is four (4) years.

The Chair and the members are eligible for re-election if they meet the conditions in Article 3.2.

#### 6) Interim rules

6.1 Since no FIB World Championships was held in 2024, it was not possible to organise the Athletes Committee election as planned.

In order to achieve FIB's objective and to have an Athlete representative at the FIB EC as soon as possible, FIB EC decided to create an interim FIB Athletes Committee until Athletes can elect the members at the next FIB World Championships.

6.2 The FIB EC shall appoint the members of the FIB Athletes Committee, based on the nominations received from the Member Associations (in consultation with their Athletes Committees or Athletes) on 7 June 2024.

The FIB Congress shall ratify the members of the Athletes Committee on 8 June 2024. The Athletes Committee shall elect its Chair by 15 July 2024.

6.3 The term of the interim Athletes Committee members and Chair applies until the Athlete Committee members are elected by the Athletes.

#### 7) Adoption and enforcement

The present By-Law was adopted by the FIB Executive Committee on 3 June 2024 and comes into force immediately.