

STATUTES



PREAMBLE

The Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation (FCKK) declares that it complies with the provisions of the Olympic Charter, the World Anti-Doping Code and the IOC and ANOCA Code of Ethics.

In order to achieve its objectives in the Central African Republic, the General Assembly, the supreme body of the FCKK and Paddle Sports, adopts the provisions of these statutes.

CHAPTER I: CREATION AND NAME, NATURE, DURATION, HEADQUARTERS, AFFILIATION, AIMS, ROLE AND COMPOSITION.

Article 1 : Creation and Name:

In accordance with the provisions of Law No. 61.233 of May 27, 1961 and the Regulations governing sports associations in the CAR, a non-profit sports association called the "Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation" abbreviated to FCKK is hereby created, affiliated to the CNOSCA and the Confederation of African Canoeing (CAC) and ICF (International Canoe Federation).

Article 2 : Of Nature:

The Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is a legal entity which may possess, either in enjoyment or in ownership, movable and immovable property necessary for the accomplishment of its mission.

It is apolitical, secular and opposed to all forms of discrimination.

Article 3 : Duration:

The duration of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is unlimited.

Article 4 : Headquarters:

The Central African Federation of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports has its headquarters in Bangui. The headquarters may be transferred to any other place in the national territory by decision of the General Assembly by a majority of 2/3 of its members.

Article 5 : Affiliation:

The Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is affiliated with the International Canoe Federation (ICF) and the Confederation of African Canoeing (CAC), to the regional and sub-regional groups of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports and to the Central African National Olympic and Sports Committee (CNOSCA).

Article 6 : The Purpose

The Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation aims to:

- Organize, develop, direct, energize and popularize the practice of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports throughout the Central African territory;

- Guide and control the activities of all associations or groups of associations affiliated to it and which practice Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports
- Encourage the practice of Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports, among both boys and girls;
- Organize competitions at national and international level;
- Represent the Central African Republic in all activities of this discipline both nationally and internationally;
- Fight against doping;
- To work to promote peace, tolerance and fair play;
- Promote a healthy environment for the practice of Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports;
- Promote the spirit of friendship and solidarity.

To fulfill this mission, the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation may cooperate with governmental or non-governmental organizations. However, the Association is apolitical, it prohibits itself from any discussions or demonstrations of a political, ethnic and religious nature.

Article 7 : Role

The role of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is to:

- Promote the development of Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports;
- Ensure compliance with the Laws, Rules and Regulations governing the practice of Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports;
- Organize competitions at national, regional and international level;
- Participate in international events;
- Organize and lead national and regional teams.

Article 8 : Composition

The Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is made up of:

- Sports groups : Leagues and Clubs regularly constituted and having adhered to these statutes and regulations. They must provide proof of their sporting activities by participating in competitions and implementing athlete training programs;
- Honorary Member : Title conferred by the Federal Bureau and approved by the General Assembly to individuals or legal entities who have rendered distinguished and recognized services to the cause of Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports;
- Benefactor Member : Title conferred by the Federal Office and approved by the General Assembly to individuals who have made donations or bequests to the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation;
- Representatives of athletes ;
- Presidents of the specialized commissions of the Central African Federation of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports.

CHAPTER II: RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

Article 09 : Rights of Members.

Any member of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation has the right to

- Express yourself freely in all Assemblies;
- Elect or be elected to various positions of responsibility.

Article 10 : Duties of Members

Any member of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation must:

- Respect the Statutes and Internal Regulations and apply the decisions regularly adopted within it;
- Pay your contributions regularly;
- Actively participate in the life of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation;

Article 11 : The voting members of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation are:

- Duly mandated representatives of the leagues;
- Representatives of the clubs, members of the Bangui League duly mandated.

Article 12 : The votes attributed to voting members are:

- Leagues and Clubs: Two (2) delegates and one vote per entity;
- Voting members must first fulfill the conditions of participation.

CHAPTER III: ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

Article 13 : Of the Organization:

The structure of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is as follows:

1. the General Assembly;
3. The Federal Office;
4. Regional leagues.

Article 14 : Of the General Assembly.

- The supreme authority of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation is the General Assembly. It is composed of the members referred to in Article 08 of these statutes.

- The Ordinary General Meeting meets once a year, at the places and dates decided by the last General Meeting. It examines and approves the following points:

- The President's moral report;
- The activity report of the Secretary General;
- The financial report of the General Treasurer;
- All questions on the agenda;
- Admissions
- The suspensions
- The resignations

- The development, modification and application of the statutes and the Internal Regulations;
- An Extraordinary General Meeting could be held if necessary, either at the request of the President of the Federation or at the request of 2/3 of the voting members with an item on the agenda.
 - The Elective General Meeting is convened at the end of each mandate:
 - She examines the President's moral report,
 - It examines and approves the activity report
 - It examines and approves the financial report
 - She hears the report of the Auditors
 - She individually discharges each member of the outgoing office.
 - It proceeds to the election of the President and each member of the new Federal Bureau.
 - The minutes of the General Meetings co-signed by the President and the Secretary General must be sent to the Ministry in charge of Sports, to the CNOSCA, to the Confederation of African Canoeing (CAC) and the ICF.
 - During General Meetings, decisions are taken in the first round by absolute majority and, in subsequent rounds by relative majority of members present and voting.
 - The procedures for holding the General Assemblies of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation are specified in the internal regulations.

Article 15 : Of the Federal Office

- The Federation is administered by a Federal Office composed of:
 - Members of the Federal Office;
 - The Technical Director;
 - The Presidents of the specialized committees;
 - Athletes' Representatives (Boys and Girls)
- The Federal Bureau may propose to the General Meeting the possibility of modifying the number, names and method of organization of the Directorates according to needs.
- The Federal Bureau meets at least once a month and as many times as it is convened by its President or 2/3 of the members.
- The presence of 2/3 of the members of the Executive Committee is necessary for the validation of the deliberations. Minutes of the meeting are kept.
- Decisions are taken by a majority of the votes of the members present; in the event of an equal division of votes, the President's vote is decisive.
- The Federal Bureau may delegate its powers to specialized technical commissions, particularly when it comes to Competition rules.
- The President of the Federal Bureau chairs the meetings. He is the authorising officer of the Federation's budget after consulting the members of the Bureau.

- The prerogatives and operating methods of the Federal Office are set out in the internal regulations of the Federation.
- The members of the Federal Bureau cannot be remunerated because of the functions entrusted to them.

Article 16 : Composition of the Federal Bureau

- The Federal Bureau is the executive body of the Federation. It is composed of 7 members elected by the General Assembly to occupy the following functions:
 - one (1) President
 - two (2) Vice-Presidents
 - one (1) Secretary General
 - one (1) Deputy Secretary General
 - one (1) General Treasurer
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- The members of the Federal Bureau are elected for a term of four (4) years renewable among:
 - Members of the former Federal Bureau having obtained discharge from the General Assembly;
 - Members of the Specialized Commissions of Regional and International Bodies,
 - Leaders of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports leagues, clubs, schools and training centers who have served for at least one term of four (4) years.
- The renewal of the Federal Bureau is done in the presence of a polling station composed of five (5) members including: a President; a rapporteur and two assessors co-opted by the General Assembly.
- The President of the Federal Bureau chairs all Assemblies and meetings. He represents the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation in all acts of civil life. He ensures the application of the Statutes and Internal Regulations
- The federal office has a National Technical Directorate;
- The National Technical Director is appointed by the President of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation.
- The prerogatives and operating methods of this department are set out in the internal regulations.
- The National Technical Director participates in all meetings of the federation with an advisory vote.
- The Federal Office may delegate part of its prerogatives to specialized committees. The specialized committees are the working bodies set up to ensure specific activities of the Federal Office. The attributions of these committees are specified in the Internal Regulations.
- The other means of action of the Federation are the tests and competitions that it institutes between its associations:
 - Championships, cups, tournaments, international meetings and festivals;
 - Awareness and talent detection campaigns;
 - Organization of recreational evenings;
 - Distribution of prizes and rewards to its members;

- Publication and development of sports programs and projects;
- Edition and transfer of technical brochures relating to Canoeing, Kayaking and Paddle Sports

Article 17 : Leagues

- The leagues are decentralized bodies of the federation responsible for administering, managing, and controlling the practice of Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports in their respective localities. Affiliated to the Federation, they must send their activity reports to the Federal Office each year. The leagues act by delegation of power from the federal office and they are autonomous in the organization of their activity. They bring together all regularly constituted clubs.
- The territorial delimitation of the league is the same as that of the Central African political administration for the Prefectures. There are, at most, as many leagues as there are Prefectures in Central Africa.
- Exceptionally, the City of Bangui constitutes in itself a special league.
- The composition of the leagues and their mode of operation are set by their statutes and internal regulations. The statutes and internal regulations of the leagues must comply with the statutes and internal regulations of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation.
- The renewal of the league's governing body must be done in the presence of a duly mandated representative of the Ministry in charge of Sports, of the locality and of a representative of the federal office.
- The leagues participate in the General Assembly of the Federation with deliberative voice.

CHAPTER IV: RESOURCES OF THE FEDERATION

Article 18 : Resources

The resources of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation are composed as follows:

- Subsidies from the State, public authorities, establishments, national and international private organizations;
- Sports aid funds;
- Membership rights of its members;
- Annual contributions from the Leagues;
- Contributions from members of the Executive Committee;
- Contributions and subscriptions of its members. The amounts of the contributions are proposed by the Federal Office at its annual General Meeting;
- Products from licenses and sporting events;
- Income from the organization of competitions, festivals and contests;
- Revenue from advertising panels;
- Grants and financial assistance from CNOSCA;
- ICF Grants ;
- Donations, legacies and other income authorized by the State;
- The goods, furniture and real estate necessary for the purpose pursued by the Federation constitute its resources.

CHAPTER V: AMENDMENTS AND DISSOLUTION

Article 19 : Modification of the Statutes

- These statutes may only be amended by an extraordinary General Meeting convened specifically for this purpose on the proposal of the Federal Bureau or at the request of 2/3 of the members.
- Proposals for amendments are submitted to the Federal Bureau three (3) months in advance and notification accompanied by the documents of the General Assembly will be made to all members of the Federation, one (1) month before the date of the meeting.
- To validly deliberate, the presence of at least 2/3 of the members is required. If this quorum is not reached, a second meeting is convened with the same agenda, fifteen (15) days apart, except in cases of force majeure without a quorum requirement.
- Any subsequent changes to the statutes as approved in their original form will be communicated for information to the Ministry responsible for sports, to the CNOSCA and to the ICF.

Article 20 : Dissolution

- The dissolution of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation can only be pronounced by an extraordinary General Meeting convened specifically for this purpose and comprising only one item on the agenda.
- The notice must reach the members thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting.
- The General Assembly convened to decide on the dissolution of the Federation must include 2/3 of its members. If this proportion is not reached, a second meeting is convened fifteen (15) days later without a quorum requirement.
- In all cases, dissolution can only be pronounced by an absolute majority of the votes of the voting members of the Federation.
- In the event of dissolution, the assets of the Federation will be allocated to an organization pursuing a similar goal.

CHAPTER VI: FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 21 : The operation of the organs of the Federation is governed by Internal Regulations adopted by the General Assembly.

Article 22 : The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), a specialized and autonomous body of the CNOSCA, is responsible for settling all disputes that may arise between sports organizations, athletes, members of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation and their partners, outside of any intervention by ordinary courts and after having exhausted all internal appeals within the Federation. The right of defense and contradiction will be granted during the appearance. The decisions of the CAS are binding on all members of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation and may be appealed exclusively to the CAS in Lausanne (Switzerland).

Article 23 : Cases not provided for in these statutes are regulated either by the provisions of the Internal Regulations or by the General Assembly and outside the General Assembly by the texts of the ICF

Article 24 : The statutes of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation must at all times be consistent with the texts of the International Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation and the International Olympic Committee (IOC). In the event of a difference of interpretation, the texts of the International Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation and the IOC shall prevail over those of the Central African Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation.

Article 25 : These statutes are adopted by the General Assembly of June 14, 2024.

THE Secretary General

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