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# **Statutes of the General Association of Asia Pacific Sports Federations**

(English version)

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## **Chapter I** **Name, Nature, Aims, Headquarter, Mission**

### **Article 1 - Name**

The name in English: “General Association of Asia Pacific Sports Federations” (hereinafter referred to as "GAAPSF"), in Chinese “亞太體育聯合會總會” (hereinafter referred to as "亞太體育總會"), in Portuguese “Associação Geral de Federações de Desportos da Ásia-Pacífica” (hereinafter referred to as "AGFDAP").

### **Article 2 - Nature**

GAAPSF is a non-profit organization, which supports the Olympic spirit. It is an international sports organization that leads the development of individual sports and national sports in the Asia-Pacific region.

### **Article 3 - Aim**

The aim of the association is to:

1. Build an upgraded version of world sports model, taking modern sports as the template, mass sports as the foundation, focusing on traditional sports, taking physical education as the platform, taking sports economy as driving force, taking sports culture as the soul.

2. Unite and lead the Asia-Pacific individual sports federations to promote and popularize sports to all levels of society, unite the national, regional and international sports-loving organizations in the world, specially in the Asia-Pacific regions and sports enthusiasts, and carry out trainings, competitions, and education by organizing comprehensive sports games, trainings, medical affairs and scientific researches, market development, sports development, popularization and other activities, promote sports exchanges and cooperation between countries and regions, and enhance friendship. Abide by laws, regulations and national



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policies, and abide by social and sports ethics. To improve people's health, beautify their lives, and promote peace in the Asia-Pacific region and the world.

3. Build an upgraded version of world sports model, taking modern sports as the template, mass sports as the foundation, focusing on traditional sports, taking physical education as the platform, taking sports economy as driving force, taking sports culture as the soul.

4. Promote and popularize sports at all levels, as a means to contribute to the positive development of society.

5. Promote closer links among international sports lovers and organizers in the world specially in Asia-Pacific regions.

6. Promote sports exchanges and cooperation and friendship between countries and regions by organizing multi-sports games and activities, trainings and competitions, different types of educational, training, medical, researching and marketing activities.

7. Improve people's health and spirit with good morals, complying with the constitution, laws and regulations of the countries, in order to contribute to Asia-Pacific region and world peace.

#### **Article 4 - Head-Office**

4.1 The head-office of the GAAPSF locates at Estrada D. Maria II, Edificio Kin Chit, Loja B, R/C, Macau.

4.2 The head-office of the GAAPSF can be moved to any place, and can set up branch offices in any city and regions.

#### **Article 5 - Mission**

The mission of the GAAPSF is to:

1. Organize different sports outreach activities and single or multi-sports events, trainings, educational, medical, researching, marketing and international exchange activities, according to the Statutes and constitution, laws and regulations of the host countries.

2. Establish relevant standards and rules in the field of sports.

3. Conduct activities conducive to promote sports ethics and social responsibility.

4. Popularize and promote various forms of mass sports, ethnic sports, economic sports, physical education, sports culture, and sports industry

5. Provide members with a variety of sports activities that support sports ethics and social responsibility.

6. Develop cooperation and exchanges between respective international organizations, organize and carry out different types of the high-level world, international, Asian, national sports activities.



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7. Organize academic researches of sports theory and culture, carry out academic activities such as teaching, lectures, forums, etc.

8. Support and assist members to carry out economic, technical, academic, talent and management experience exchanges between them, and to develop sports industry market, enhance international competitiveness.

9. Carry out other activities, which reflect the aim of the GAAPSF.

## **Chapter II**

### **Membership**

**Article 6** - The members of this GAAPSF are divided into full members and honorary members.

6.1 Full members are divided into: international members, continental members, regional members, national members, district members, club members and individual members.

**International members**: All international sports federations and organizations that recognize the constitution of the GAAPSF can apply to become international member of the GAAPSF.

**Continental members**: All continental sports federations and organizations that recognize the constitution of the GAAPSF can apply to become continental member of the GAAPSF.

**National members**: All national sports federations and organizations that recognize the constitution of the GAAPSF can apply to become national member of the GAAPSF.

**District members**: All district sports federations and organizations that recognize the constitution of the GAAPSF can apply to become district member of the GAAPSF.

**Club members**: All sports clubs that recognize the constitution of the GAAPSF can apply to become club member of the GAAPSF.

**Individual members**: All parties who loves sports and made special contributions to sports, athletes who have achieved excellent results in important international events, outstanding managers in the sports industry, experts and professors who are enthusiastic about sports industry research, etc., and who support the constitution of the GAAPSF, can apply to become individual member of the GAAPSF.

Applicants who meet the above-mentioned requirements can apply to be member of the GAAPSF, and will get the membership after being approved by the executive committee.



6.2 Honorary members: Overseas Chinese and international friends who had contributed to the GAAPSF, can be appointed as honorary advisers, honorary chairmen, honorary vice chairmen or honorary members with the approval of the Executive Committee.

### **Article 7 - Application Procedure for membership**

7.1 Submission of application to the GAAPSF;

7.2 The applicant must be introduced by the legal representative of a corporate member or by two individual members, and a membership registration form should be filled in and approved by the Executive Committee of GAAPSF;

7.3 Membership fee must be paid in due time;

7.4 Member card granted by the Executive Committee of GAAPSF.

### **Article 8 - Members' rights**

Members have the rights to:

1. Elect, to be elected and to vote. International and continental members have the right of 5 votes, national members have the right of 3 votes, district and club members have the right of 1 vote, and individual members have no right to vote;
2. Participate in various activities organized by the GAAPSF;
3. Have the priority of receiving GAAPSF's services;
4. Recommend and supervise the work of the GAAPSF;
5. Join and resign voluntary.

### **Article 9 - Member's obligations**

Members have the obligations to:

1. Comply with the resolutions of different organs of the GAAPSF;
2. Maintain GAAPSF's legitimate rights, interests and reputation;
3. Conclude the work assigned by the GAAPSF;
4. Pay membership fees in due time;
5. Reflect situation to the GAAPSF, and provide relevant information;
6. Other obligations complied with the Statutes of the GAAPSF.

### **Article 10 - Resignation**

Members shall notify the GAAPSF in writing of their resignation and return the member card to the GAAPSF. Members failed to pay membership fee and did not participate in GAAPSF's activities for more than two years will be considered as resignation.

### **Article 11 - Expulsion**

A member shall lose its membership through a resolution passed by the Executive Committee, notably for a serious violation of the Statutes, or actions prejudicial to GAAPSF's reputation or the reputation of sport.

If a member seriously violated the constitution of the GAAPSF, or damaged the reputation of the Association, the membership will be cancelled upon the approval of the Executive Committee or the Standing Executive Committee.

## **Chapter III Organs**

### **Article 12 - Organization Structure**

The organs of the GAAPSF are: Congress, Executive Committee and Fiscal Committee.

### **Article 13 - Term of office**

The term of office of the organs mentioned in the preceding paragraph is of four years and can be re-elected.

### **Article 14 - Election**

14.1 The election of the various organs of GAAPSF is conducted at the Congress Meeting;

14.2 The nomination of candidates should be submitted to the EC, in a full list together with the nomination acceptance statements of all candidates;

14.3 Election should be held at the Congress in the year when the term of office of the organs expires, and the list of candidates must be submitted to the Executive Committee 60 days ahead.

### **Article 15 - Congress**

15.1 The Congress is the supreme organ of the GAAPSF.

15.2 The Chair Bureau of the Congress is elected by the Congress, consisting of a president, several vice presidents and several secretaries, with the term of office of four years, which can be reelected. The duty of the president is to convene and chair the Congress meeting.



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When the president is absent, the chairman of the Executive Committee or one of the vice presidents selected by the Congress will replace the President.

15.3 President must be individual with influence in the field of international sports business;

15.4 The Ordinary Congress Meeting is convened by the Executive Committee once at every two years. In case of special situation, an Extraordinary Congress Meeting may be convened at the request of the Executive Committee and with convocation and agenda of the meeting sent out to the Members at least 2 (two) months in advance;

15.5 In order for the Congress Meeting to be validly convened, over 1/2 of members must be present, otherwise, a second convocation should be carried out at the same location, after 30 minutes, regardless of the number of members presented, the meeting is considered valid.

15.6 Members can entrust another member to represent it to exercise voting rights, the proxy of which must be signed by its president.

15.7 Decisions passed by the Congress shall only be valid if approved by over 1/2 of members present (simple majority of votes), except for revision of the statutes and for dissolution of the GAAPSF.

15.8 Deliberation for revision of statutes can only be adopted with the votes in favor of three-quarters of members presented.

15.9 Deliberation for dissolution of the GAAPSF can only be adopted with the votes in favor of three-quarters of whole members.

15.10 The Chairman of the Congress Meeting has the decisive vote on the deliberations of the Congress.

**Article 16** - The responsibilities of the Congress are to:

1. Adopt and amend the Statutes of the GAAPSF;
2. Elect and dismiss Governing Bodies;
3. Examine and approve the activity report of the EC and financial statements of the GAAPSF;
4. Examine the implementation of the Congress's resolutions, determine GAAPSF's tasks and the matter of the next Congress Meeting;
5. Decide GAAPSF's major changes and dissolution issues;
6. Discuss and approve other significant matters.

**Article 17 - Executive Committee**



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17.1 The Executive Committee is the executive organ of the Congress, directs daily works of GAAPSF during the adjournment of the Congress, and reports directly to the Congress.

17.2 The Executive Committee consists of a Chairman, several Executive Vice Chairmen, several Vice Presidents, a General Secretary, several Deputy Secretaries-General, a Treasurers, several Executive Committee Members.

17.3 The Chairman of EC is the legal representative of the GAAPSF and represents the GAAPSF towards third parties;

17.4 The Chairman must be individual with influence in the field of international sports business;

17.5 If necessary, the Executive Committee may set up functional committees, including but not limited to: Membership and Legal Affairs Committee, Appeal Committee, Doping Control Committee, Social Responsibility and Integrity Committee, Comprehensive Sports Committee, Marketing and Development Committee, Sports Initiative Committee, Esports Committee, etc. The members of these functional committees are appointed by the Chairman of EC, and the term of office is the same as that of the EC.

17.6 The Executive Committee shall meet ordinary once a year. Under special circumstances, an Extraordinary EC Meeting may be convened by the Chairman of EC or at the request of over 1/2 of EC members.

17.7 In order for the EC Meeting to be validly convened, over 1/2 of EC Members must be present.

17.8 Decisions passed by the EC shall only be valid if approved by over 1/2 of the EC Members present (simple majority of votes).

**Article 18** - The main responsibilities of the Executive Committee are to:

1. Implement the resolutions of the Congress;
2. Convene the Congress Meeting;
3. Report activities and financial status to the Congress;
4. Accept members and decide the eligibility of membership;
5. Nominate Honorary Advisers, Honorary Presidents, Honorary Vice Presidents and Honorary Members;
6. Establish GAAPSF's offices, branch offices, representative offices and subsidiary entities or institutions;
7. Direct the works of GAAPSF, including administrative and financial works;
8. Direct the works of different offices and committees under the GAAPSF;
9. Establish internal management system;
10. Manage various funds established by the Association in accordance with the law;



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11. Employ professionals and workers to work for the GAAPSF;
12. Convene extra congress meeting when the EC feels necessary;
13. Decide on other important matters.

### **Article 19 - Standing Executive Committee**

19.1 The Standing Executive Committee is established by GAAPSF. The Standing Executive Committee is elected by the Executive Committee, and exercises the powers stipulated in No. 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Article 18 during the Adjournment of the Executive Committee, and reports to the Executive Committee.

19.2 In order for the Standing Executive Committee to be validly convened, at least 1/2 of Standing EC Members must be present. Decisions passed by the Standing Executive Committee shall only be valid if approved by over 1/2 of the Standing EC Members present (simple majority of votes).

19.3 The Standing Executive Committee shall meet at least once every six months. In exceptional circumstances, the meeting can be convened in form of communication. Under special circumstances, an Extraordinary Standing Executive Committee Meeting may be convened by the Chairman of EC.

### **Article 20 - Fiscal Committee**

20.1 The Fiscal Committee is composed of a director, a secretary and several members. The total number of members of the Fiscal Committee must be an odd number;

20.2 In order for the Fiscal Committee Meeting to be validly convened, over 1/2 of EC Members must be present.

20.3 Decisions passed by the Fiscal Committee shall only be valid if approved by over 1/2 of the members present (simple majority of votes).

### **Article 21 - The responsibilities of the Fiscal Committee are to:**

1. Supervise the implementation of the resolutions of the Congress and the operation of the Executive Committee;
2. Supervise the financial situation and accounts of the GAAPSF;
3. Submit the annual Fiscal Committee opinions and financial audit report to the Congress.

## **Chapter IV**

### **Funds**



**Article 22** - The Fund of GAAPSF comes from:

1. Membership Fees;
2. Donations;
3. Government and/or Corporate Funding;
4. Incomes from authorized activities or services organized by CAAPSF;
5. Bank interests;
6. Other legal incomes.

**Article 23** - GAAPSF collects membership fee in accordance with the Statutes of GAAPSF.

**Article 24** - The fund of GAAPSF must be used within the scope of business and development stipulated in this Statutes, and shall not be distributed among members.

**Article 25** - GAAPSF establishes a standardized financial management system to ensure that financial data are legitimate, true, accurate and complete.

**Article 26** - Financial audit of professional standard should take place prior to the change of Executive Committee or legal representative of GAAPSF, and the financial audit report should be presented to the Congress;

**Article 27** - Embezzlement, dividing or misappropriation of GAAPSF's assets by any organization or individual is prohibited.

## **Chapter V**

### **Supplements**

**Article 28** - The motion for dissolution of the GAAPSF must be approved by the Congress and by over 2/3 of members of the GAAPSF, and reported to the respective competent authority of the country.

**Article 29** – The GAAPSF will be dissolved after approved by the Congress and with the formalities of cancellation of registration of GAAPSF being completed in the registration authority of the country.



**Article 30** - The remaining assets of GAAPSF after dissolution, shall be used for development of business related to the aims of GAAPSF, under the supervision of the governing body and registration authority in accordance with the relevant provisions of the country.

**Article 31** - The right to interpret these Statutes belongs to EC of the GAAPSF.

**Article 32** - The present Statutes comes into force on the date of approval by the Congress.

**Article 33** - The GAAPSF uses the following logos:



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