

ROYAL SPANISH ATHLETICS FEDERATION'S CONSTITUTION

TITLE I

Chapter One

NAME, ADDRESS, PURPOSE AND NATURE

Article 1- The Royal Spanish Athletics Federation (R.F.E.A. using its Spanish abbreviation), constituted on 27th March 1920, is a private non-profit-making association whose aim is, through the integration of Autonomous Federations, Athletes, Coaches, Officials, Clubs and other interested groups that are dedicated to the practice of athletics, the promotion, development and organisation of athletics in the Spanish State, in which it holds, exclusively, the representation of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) and the European Athletics Association (EAA), the Ibero-American Athletics Association (AIA) and the Mediterranean Athletics Union and which, in addition to its own powers, exercises public administrative functions, by delegation.

The athletic specialities developed by the RFEA are listed as follows:

- a) Track
- b) Road races
- c) Race walking
- d) Cross country
- e) Trail-running races, foot races in any environment or surface, mountain races, roads, forests, desert, beaches, asphalt if it does not exceed 20% of the route.... and other surfaces.
- f) Beach athletics

As well as all specialities recognised by the International Association of Athletics Federations in the IAAF Competition Rules.

Article 2- The R.F.E.A. is an entity of public utility that has the legal personality and capacity to act for the fulfilment of its own purposes, which is governed by Spanish Law 10/1990 of the 15th October and the provisions established therein, by the present Statutes, the I.A.A.F.'s provisions and agreements validly adopted by its bodies, with the legal provisions corresponding to the total guarantee of the democratic and representative principles being applicable for all that is not regulated.

Article 3- As an Olympic Federation, the R.F.E.A. abides by the rules of the International Olympic Committee and the rules deriving from the Spanish Olympic Committee with regards to its participation in the Olympic Games and as many depending on this body, without prejudice to the technical selection criteria considered applicable due to its competence.

Article 4- The R.F.E.A.'s registered address is located on *Avenida de Valladolid nº 81* in Madrid, which may be transferred within this Autonomous Community by agreement of the General Assembly at the proposal of the RFEA Council.

Article 5- The R.F.E.A.'s territorial organisation will be adjusted to that of the State in Autonomous Communities.

Article 6- The R.F.E.A. will not allow any personal, political, racial, religious or gender discrimination in the fulfilment of its purposes.

Chapter Two

FUNCTIONS

Article 7.-

- 1) The R.F.E.A.'s own main function is promoting, providing, planning, managing and running the practice of athletics in the Spanish State.
- 2) With regards to its members, the R.F.E.A. carries out the functions of guardianship, control, coordination and supervision recognised herein, the I.A.A.F.'s provisions and the legal sports regulations.
- 3) The R.F.E.A. is the only competent body within the Spanish State that regulates, organises, manages and controls official athletics competitions within the State.

Article 8.-

- 1.- In addition to its own powers of governance, administration, management, organisation and regulation of athletics, the R.F.E.A. exercises the following public administrative functions:
 - a) Qualifying and organising national activities and competitions, where necessary. For this purpose, the organisation of said competitions is understood to refer to the regulation of the general framework of the same, as established in the corresponding federal regulations.
 - b) Acting in coordination with Autonomous Federations for the general promotion of athletics in Spain.
 - c) Designing, drawing up and implementing preparative plans for top-level athletes and the annual lists thereof in collaboration with Autonomous Federations, where appropriate.
 - d) Collaborating with the State and Autonomous Community governments in the training of coaches.
 - e) Organising or supervising official international competitions held within Spain.
 - g) Exercising disciplinary authority in sports under the legal, regulatory and statutory terms established.
 - h) Exercising control over the subsidies allocated to the components of the various athletic bodies under the conditions established by the Higher Sports Council.

- i) Executing, where appropriate, the resolutions of the Spanish Committee for Sports Discipline.
 - j) Any other functions attributed to the R.F.A.E by the legislation in force.
- 2.- Acts carried out by the R.F.E.A. in the exercise of public administrative functions are subject to appeal before the Higher Sports Council, whose decisions exhaust the administrative process.

Chapter Three

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

Article 9.-

- 1.- The R.F.E.A. represents Spain in official international athletics activities and competitions held outside and inside Spain. For this purpose, the R.F.E.A. will be responsible for choosing the athletes who will make up the national teams.
- 2.- In order to organise, request or commit to these types of activities or competitions, the R.F.E.A. must obtain authorisation from the Higher Sports Council, with the rules for the management of International Sports Activities and Representations being standardised.

TITLE II

INTEGRATION, REPRESENTATION AND COMPETENCE OF AUTONOMOUS FEDERATIONS

Chapter One

INTEGRATION AND REPRESENTATION OF AUTONOMOUS FEDERATIONS

Article 10.-

1.- In order for their members to participate in national or international activities or competitions, Autonomous Federations must join the R.F.E.A. by means of a written request indicating their desire to do so, accompanied by a copy of their Statutes where they recognise and obey, as part of its legal order, the R.F.E.A. Statutes and Regulations respecting the following rules:

- a) Autonomous Federations will keep their legal personality, their own and differentiated assets, budget and their own legal regime.
- b) The Presidents of the Autonomous Federations will be part of the R.F.E.A. General Assembly and will represent them.
- c) When dealing with official national competitions, the sports disciplinary regime will be, in any case, that established in the R.F.E.A. Statutes and Regulations, independently from the sports disciplinary regime contained in the current provisions in the corresponding autonomous communities.
- d) Autonomous Federations integrated in the R.F.E.A. will hold the exclusive representation of the latter in the respective Autonomous Community.

There can be no territorial delegation of the R.F.E.A. in the Autonomous Community when the Autonomous Federation is integrated thereto.

- e) The Autonomous Federations will inform the R.F.E.A. of registrations and cancellations of their affiliated Clubs, Athletes, Officials, Coaches and other Groups.
 - f) The Autonomous Federations integrated in the R.F.E.A. must pay the quotas established by its Assembly for the participation in national competitions and for the issuance of national licenses.
 - g) The integration system will consist of the formalisation, by each of the Autonomous Federations involved, of an agreement in this sense, adopted by the corresponding body and according to its Statutes, which will be submitted to the R.F.E.A. with an express declaration that they are subject to the determinations, rules and regulations adopted in the exercise of the federative competences, as contemplated herein.
- 2.- When there is no Athletics Federation in an Autonomous Community, or it has not been integrated in the R.F.E.A., the latter may establish in that Community a territorial unit or delegation in coordination with its Sports Administration, respecting, in any case, the autonomous organisation of the State.

The representatives of these units or delegations will be elected in said Community according to democratic and representative criteria. Said criteria must be included in the corresponding election regulations, following a report from the Autonomous Community's Sports Management.

Article 11- The territorial scope of the Autonomous Federations will coincide with that of the Autonomous Communities that make up the Spanish State, whether they are recognised as legal entities by the corresponding regional legislation or not.

Article 12- Autonomous Federations with their own legal personality will adjust their Statutes to the rules dictated by the corresponding Autonomous Communities. They must recognise and abide by the Statutes of the R.F.E.A. and the competence of the latter in official competitions outside of their territory.

Article 13- Autonomous Delegations without their own legal personality will be Delegation of the R.F.E.A. and will be governed entirely by the present Statutes.

Article 14- Autonomous Federations must provide the R.F.E.A. with the necessary information so that it can be aware of the programming and development of its activities and its budget at all times, in order to carry out the coordination function corresponding to it.

Article 15- Without prejudice to patrimonial independence and the autonomy of economic management that the Autonomous Federations may have, the beneficiaries of subsidies distributed by the R.F.E.A. will be obliged to justify expenditure in the way established.

Chapter Two

LICENCES

Article 16.-

1.- In order to participate in official national athletic activities or competitions you must hold a licence issued by the R.F.E.A., according to the following minimum conditions:

- a) Uniformity of economic conditions, in a similar status and category, the amount of which shall be decided by the Assembly. The revenue from these concepts will be directed primarily to finance the structure and functioning of the Federation.
- b) Uniformity of content and data expressed based on the different sporting categories.
- c) The R.F.E.A. will issue the requested licences within 15 days following the application, once it has verified that the sport requirements established for their issuance in its Statutes or Regulations have been met.

Failure to issue licences within the indicated time period without justification will entail the corresponding disciplinary responsibility for the Spanish Federation, in accordance with the provisions of the legal sports regime.

- 2.- Licences issued by the Autonomous Federations will qualify for said participation when they are integrated in the R.F.E.A., are issued within the minimum economic and formal conditions established by the latter and communicate their issuance to the latter. For this purpose, the qualification will take place once the Autonomous Federation pays the corresponding economic quota to the Spanish Federation, under the terms established in the corresponding regulations.

The licences issued by the Autonomous Community Federations, which, in accordance with the provisions established in previous paragraphs, authorise participation in official national sports activities or competitions and will include the corresponding data at least in the official Spanish language of the State.

Licences will reflect three economic concepts:

- a) Compulsory insurance as referred to in Article 59.2 of the Sports Law.
 - b) Quota corresponding to the Spanish Federation, established by the General Assembly.
 - c) Quota for the Autonomous Federation.
- 3.- All the members of the different Bodies (Athletes, Clubs, Coaches, Officials and other Groups) that form the General Assembly must have the corresponding license issued by the RFEA.
 - 4.- The license is the link to integrate each one of the members of the different Bodies to the RFEA. This link is made upon request through the Autonomous Federation that corresponds to you depending on your geographical location and legal domicile.

5.- Subscription and integration in the RFEA through the subscription or renewal of the federative licence or by legal or regulatory disposition constitutes the legal basis for the treatment of personal data and implies the acceptance or free, specific, informed and unequivocal consent of the federated (data subjects) regarding the following:

- a) In accordance with the provisions of "Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and Council, dated on 27th April 2016, on the protection of individuals with regards to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of said data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC", the data provided by the legal federative classes will be incorporated and processed in the various files held by the RFEA, on which the RFEA applies: 1. the appropriate technical and organisational measures designed to apply data protection principles effectively and to incorporate the necessary safeguards in data processing in order to meet the requirements of the aforementioned European Regulation and to protect the rights of the data subjects; 2. the appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure that, by default, personal data is only processed if it is necessary for the specific purposes of processing and 3. the appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk represented by processing for the rights and freedoms of the data subjects.
- b) The Data Controller for said data processing is the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation (RFEA) located at Avda. de Valladolid nº 81, esc. dcha., 1st floor, C.P. 28008 Madrid, tel. 915482423 and email address rfea@rfea.es.

- c) If the RFEA has a Data Protection Processor, the data subjects will be informed of their contact details by publishing this information on the RFEA website (www.rfea.es) through RFEA Circular Letter.
- d) The purpose of the collection and processing of data is to process and manage sports licences and to enable the exercise of the functions attributed to the RFEA herein and by the applicable legislation contained in Spanish Law 10/1990 on Sport, in Spanish Royal Decree 1835/1991 on Spanish Sports Federations, in Spanish Royal Decree 1591/1992 on sports discipline, in the IAAF Rules and in the provisions and regulations governing electoral procedures, among other regulations, to the extent that said data processing is necessary for this purpose. This data will only be given and transferred to third parties in the sports sector in order to fulfil the purposes exclusively deriving from the exercise of the R.F.E.A. functions and obligations.
- e) The data subjects accept and comply with Article 30 of the IAAF Rules (Scope of the Anti-Doping Regulation). Moreover, they undertake to comply with all the provisions of the IAAF Rules particularly the power conferred on the RFEA by Articles 38 to 41 of the IAAF Rules (Disciplinary Procedures) to communicate the following information to the IAAF: athlete's name, date of submission to doping controls, the adverse analytical result of said controls, and the content of the resolution of administrative sanctioning and judicial proceedings initiated as a result of said results.
- f) Both the list of participation in competitions and the list of results will be public, in which the data of the data subjects will appear referring to the name, two surnames, licence number, date of birth or age, gender, nationality, Autonomous Community of origin, city of origin, city of birth, club of membership and sports results.
- g) International data transfers may occur which do not have an adequacy decision or adequate guarantees to host countries of international athletics competitions that do not have data protection legislation comparable to Spanish or European legislation. The purpose of this communication is to comply with the requirements demanded by the organising entity or the governmental or legislative authority of the corresponding country to participate in such competitions. Data subjects are aware of, accept and consent to the possible risks that said data transfers may involve, including the following: 1. that the entity receiving the data does not have appropriate technical and organisational measures in place designed to effectively apply data protection principles and integrate the necessary guarantees in data processing in terms comparable to Spanish or European legislation; 2. That the entity receiving the data does not have appropriate technical and organisational measures designed to guarantee the data protection rights of the data subjects in terms comparable to Spanish or European law, 3. that the entity receiving the data does not have the appropriate technical and organisational measures designed to ensure that, by default, only personal data that is necessary for the specific purposes of the processing are processed, and 4. that the entity receiving the data does not have the appropriate technical and organisational measures designed to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk that the processing entails for the rights and freedoms of the data subjects, 5. that the country in which the entity receiving the data is located does not have a supervisory data protection authority.

- h) The personal data will be held for as long as necessary to fulfil the aforementioned purposes, and as long as there is no revocation or withdrawal of the data subjects' consent regarding the treatment of their data. However, this conservation period will be affected and may be altered by other elements such as: the statute of limitations for doping offences and infringements and the expiry of procedures, the statute of limitations for infringements in the sports discipline field and the expiry of procedures, the statute of limitations for actions for the revocation and/or reimbursement of subsidies, the statute of limitations for the processing of procedures for the revocation and/or reimbursement of subsidies, the statute of limitations for the processing of subsequent administrative appeals and legal proceedings, and the obligation to store data in order to make them available to public administrations, judges and courts, for the purpose of dealing with any liabilities arising from processing, for the duration of the statute of limitations.
- i) Data subjects have the right to withdraw or revoke consent with regards to data processing (said withdrawal of consent will not affect the lawfulness of the processing prior to such withdrawal, nor will it entail deletion of the data due to a legal obligation to keep them at the disposal of public authorities, judges and courts, for the purpose of meeting any responsibilities arising from the processing for their duration). Moreover, data subjects have the right: 1. To access to their personal data, 2. to rectify their personal data, 3. to delete their personal data, 4. to limit the processing of their personal data, 4. to oppose to the processing of their personal data 5. to the portability of their data and 6. to file a complaint with the Control Authority (Spanish Data Protection Agency), all under the terms established in Regulation EU 2016/679 of the European Parliament and Council of the 27th April 2016. The exercise of these rights will be carried out in good faith and without fraudulent intent. The exercise of some of these rights may result in the extermination of the federative legal relationship of the data subjects with the RFEA and the rights and duties arising from such relationship; however, this will not prevent the initiation or continuation of any administrative, arbitration and/or legal proceedings in which the data subjects may be involved, nor the use of personal data in such proceedings.
- j) **Transfer of image, voice and name rights:** In accordance with the provisions of Spanish Organic Law 1/1982, of the 5th May, on the civil protection of the right to honour, to personal and family privacy and to one's own image, with regards to official athletics competitions, the data subjects consent to and authorise the assignment of their rights to their image, voice and name (also including age or date of birth, place of birth, nationality, club membership and other data that may be collected upon their participation in official athletics competitions and which are of general interest), as well as their collection, recording, reproduction, dissemination, broadcast and retransmission using all technical means and media known to this date, particularly written, audiovisual and electronic media, including the Internet and social networks, both those in force and any that may be developed in the future. This material may be used in or for: 1) promotional and/or advertising actions of the sports competition directly by the RFEA or in collaboration with its sponsors, collaborators and media and communication channels: 2) production of audiovisual promotional materials in different formats of the sports competition and other communication/advertising supports owned by the Royal

Spanish Athletics Federation for promotional and commercial campaigns or activities 3) on the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation's website (www.rfea.es) and on the social profiles of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation on social networks (by way of illustration and not exhaustive: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Pinterest and YouTube). All of this with the only exception and limitation of uses that may violate the right to honour under the terms of Spanish Organic Law 1/1982, of the 5th May, on the civil protection of the right to honour, to personal and family privacy and to one's own image. The aforementioned transfer of rights is consented and authorised with free and disinterested character, for an unlimited period of time, with no territorial limit. The RFEA has the power to transfer to third parties.

The personal data obtained with the recording or capturing of image voice and name voice (also including age or date of birth, place of birth, nationality, club membership and other data that could be collected during their intervention in official athletic competitions and are of general interest), will be treated in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5, point a). For the purposes described in the previous paragraph, the data will be stored for an unlimited period of time given the conditions of the transfer of rights. The Data Controller for this data processing is the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation (RFEA) located at Avda. de Valladolid nº 81, esc. dcha., 1st floor, C.P. 28008 Madrid, tel. 915482423 and email address rfea@rfea.es. If the RFEA has a Data Protection Processor, the data subjects will be informed of his or her contact details by publishing this information on the RFEA website (www.rfea.es) through the RFEA newsletter.

The data subjects authorise and consent to the communication of said data to: **1)** the general public; **2)** production, distribution or service providers involved in the recording and dissemination of videos and photographs; **3)** providers of online video and photo hosting services including social networks (some of these third parties may be located in countries that do not have data protection legislation comparable to Spanish or European legislation, the risks of which are referred to in point g) of the present section 5; and **4)** sponsors and collaborators (donors, contributors, etc.) of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation.

The data subjects may exercise the rights set forth in point i) of this section 5, although the compensation for damages referred to in Article 2.3 of Spanish Organic Law 1/1982 will apply if the exercise of said rights is equivalent to revoking the consent referred to in Article 2.2 of the aforementioned Organic Law. The exercise of said rights must be carried out in accordance with the rules of good faith and without committing fraud under the law, and will not prevent the initiation or continuation of any administrative and/or legal proceedings in which the data subjects may be involved, nor the use of personal data or recordings or images in such proceedings.

6.- Athletes and other people from other bodies who have been sanctioned for doping, both regionally, nationally and internationally, will be disqualified from obtaining a national licence while complying with the respective sanction. Similarly, those disqualified as a result of the offences provided for in Spanish Organic Law 3/2013 of the 20th June on the protection of athletes' health and the fight against doping in sport and, where applicable, in current regional regulations, may not obtain a licence.

7.- Athletes seeking a sports licence may be subject to a doping control prior to the granting of said licence.

Chapter Three

OFFICIAL NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

Article 17- For the qualification of official national competitions, the RFEA will take into account, among others, the following criteria:

- a) Technical level of the competition
- b) Importance of the competition in the national athletic context
- c) Capacity and organisational experience of the promoting entity.
- d) Competition tradition
- e) The significance of the results for the purposes of participation in international competitions.

Official national competitions will be open to members of the R.F.E.A., without any kind of discrimination, except for those deriving from the technical sports conditions. All those that appear in the R.F.E.A. calendar will be considered official national competitions.

Participating athletes must hold an R.F.E.A. sports license.

TITLE III

GOVERNING, REPRESENTATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES.

Chapter One

GENERAL RULES

Article 18- The governing and representative bodies of the R.F.E.A. are as follows:

- a) The General Assembly and its Executive Committee
- (b) The President

Article 19- The following list indicates complementary bodies to the R.F.E.A.'s governing and representative bodies:

- a) The RFEA Council
- b) The General Secretary
- c) The Manager

Article 20- The R.F.E.A.'s operating bodies:

- a) The Presidents of Autonomous Federations Committee (whose meetings will be recorded on a medium suitable for sound recording and reproduction)
- b) The Clubs' Committee
- c) The Athletes' Committee
- d) The Coaches' Committee
- e) The Officials' Committee
- f) The Organisers' Committee
- g) The Disciplinary Committee
- h) The Executive Committee
- i) The Technical Committee
- j) The National Officials' Committee, provided for by Spanish Royal Decree 1835/91
- k) The National Master Athletes' Committee
- l) The National Athletic Training Centre

m) Women and Athletics Committee

n) and as many other Commissions and Committees as may be approved by the General Assembly

Article 21- The constitution or dissolution of other Commissions and Committees must be approved by the General Assembly, at the proposal of the RFEA Council.

Article 22- The President, the General Assembly and the Executive Committee shall be elected. The other bodies shall be appointed and revoked freely by the President.

Article 23.-

1. Without prejudice to the legal provisions, the general requirements to be a member of any of the R.F.E.A.'s governing bodies are:

- (a) To be of legal age
- (b) Not having been declared incapacitated by a final court decision
- (c) Not having been convicted by a final criminal judgement which carries an attached principal or accessory penalty of absolute or special disqualification from holding public office.
- d) Not be subject to disciplinary sports correction that leads to disqualification.
- e) Not be involved in any cause of incompatibility established by the law or herein.
- f) To meet the specific requirements of each sports body.

2. Attendance or intervention at the meetings or sessions of governing bodies, complementary bodies of the governing body and operating bodies in which the recording of their sessions or meetings in video and/or audio format is foreseen (General Assembly, Executive Committee, RFEA Council and Committee of Presidents of Autonomous Federations), constitutes the legal basis for personal data processing and implies the acceptance or free, specific, informed and unequivocal consent of the participants and attendees with regards to the following:

- a) In accordance with the provisions of "Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and Council of the 27th April 2016 on the protection of individuals with regards to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of said data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC", data relating to image, voice, first name, surname, position and estate, transferred for the purpose of recording sessions or meetings, will be incorporated and processed into the various files held by the RFEA, on which the RFEA applies: 1. the appropriate technical and organisational measures designed to apply data protection principles effectively and to incorporate the necessary safeguards in data processing in order to meet the requirements of the aforementioned European Regulation and to protect the rights of the data subjects; 2. the appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure that, by default, personal data is only processed if it is necessary for the specific purposes of processing and 3. the appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk represented by processing for the rights and freedoms of the data subjects.

- b) The Data Controller for said data processing is the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation (RFEA) located at Avda. de Valladolid nº 81, esc. dcha., 1st floor, C.P. 28008 Madrid, tel. 915482423 and email address rfea@rfea.es.
- c) If the RFEA has a Data Protection Processor, the data subjects will be informed of their contact details by publishing this information on the RFEA website (www.rfea.es) through the RFEA newsletter.
- d) The purpose of the collection and processing of the data is to assist in the drafting of the minutes corresponding to the sessions and meetings of the bodies referred to in the first paragraph of the present section 2, in order to resolve any objections or claims that may arise at the time of ratifying the aforementioned minutes.
- e) The data subjects' personal data will be held for as long as necessary to fulfil the aforementioned purposes, and as long as there is no revocation or withdrawal of the data subjects' consent regarding the treatment of their data. However, the conservation period will be affected and may be altered by other elements such as: **1.** the periods of limitation, expiration and processing of actions and/or administrative or judicial proceedings and **2.** the obligation to keep the data at the disposal of the public administrations, judges and courts, for the purpose of meeting any responsibilities arising from the processing, during the period of limitation of the latter.
- f) Data subjects have the right to withdraw or revoke consent with regards to data processing (said withdrawal of consent will not affect the lawfulness of the processing prior to such withdrawal, nor will it entail deletion of the data due to a legal obligation to keep them at the disposal of public authorities, judges and courts, for the purpose of meeting any responsibilities arising from the processing for their duration). Moreover, data subjects have the right: **1.** to access to their personal data, **2.** to rectify their personal data, **3.** to delete their personal data, **4.** to limit the processing of their personal data, **4.** to oppose to the processing of their personal data **5.** to the portability of their data and **6.** to file a complaint with the Control Authority (Spanish Data Protection Agency), all under the terms established in Regulation EU 2016/679 of the European Parliament and Council of the 27th April 2016. The exercise of said rights must be carried out in accordance with the rules of good faith and without committing fraud under the law, and will not prevent the initiation or continuation of any administrative and/or legal proceedings in which the data subjects may be involved, nor the use of personal data or recordings or images in said proceedings.

Chapter Two

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1.- The Assembly's Nature, Composition and Rules

Article 24- The General Assembly is the highest governing and representative body of the R.F.E.A. It is composed of the R.F.E.A.'s President, the Presidents of the Autonomous Federations, the representatives of Clubs, Athletes, Coaches, Officials and other Athletic Events Groups.

Representatives of other interested groups that promote, practice or contribute to the development of athletics under the conditions established herein may also be members of the General Assembly. Likewise, those of Spanish nationality who are a member of the I.A.A.F. Council will be part of the Assembly and will have the right to speak but not to vote.

Article 25- The R.F.E.A.'s General Assembly will be composed of 162 members:

1.- The R.F.E.A.'s President, the 19 Presidents of the Autonomous Federations or persons who are reliably appointed, as ex officio members, plus 142 elected members, according to the following distribution:

- a) **66** representatives of Clubs (46.48% in total), to be distributed among regions, in proportion to the number of clubs registered in the census with domicile in each of them. **17** (25.76%) representatives of the Clubs' body will be chosen by and from those who are included in the top 25 of the RFEA's joint absolute category (men and women) of the Clubs' Ranking. Clubs that do not wish to be assigned this quota must expressly notify the R.F.E.A.
- b) **40** representatives of Athletes (28.17% in total), **11** (27.50%) of which will be elected by and from those who hold the status of Top-Level Athletes on the date of approval of the initial census. Top-Level Athletes who do not wish to be assigned this quota must inform the Federation. Failure to do so means that they will be assigned the quota reserved for Top-Level Athletes. If the number or percentage of top-level athletes in the R.F.E.A. does not allow for the vacancies corresponding to this group to be filled, these will be covered by the remaining members of the athlete class.
- c) **22** representatives of Coaches forming a national constituency (15.49% in total), of which **6** (27.27%) will be chosen by and from the coaches who train Top-Level Athletes on the date of approval of the initial census. Coaches of top-level athletes who do not wish to be assigned this quota must notify the Federation. Failure to do so means that they will be assigned the quota reserved for the coaches of Top Level Athletes. If the number or percentage of coaches of top-level athletes in the R.F.E.A. does not allow the vacancies corresponding to this group to be filled, they will be filled by the remaining members of the coaching staff.
- d) **10** representatives of Officials forming a national constituency (7.04% in total).

- e) **4** representatives of other groups, forming a national constituency (**3** representatives for organisers and **1** representative for the athletes' representatives) (2.82% in total).

2.- The outgoing President of the last mandate may also attend the sessions of the General Assembly with the right to speak but not to vote.

3.- The sum of all the aforementioned members will constitute the total and absolute quorum of the R.F.E.A.'s General Assembly.

4.- A change in the membership of any of the groups established in paragraph 1 of this Article shall not entail a change in the composition of the R.F.E.A.'s General Assembly, which shall remain in place until the following elections.

Article 26.-

1.- The members of the General Assembly shall be elected every four years, coinciding with the Summer Olympic Games, by means of free and secret, equal and direct suffrage among and by the members of each athletic body in accordance with the electoral provisions in force.

2.- Vacancies occurring in the General Assembly before the end of the term of office shall be filled through the system to be established in the electoral regulations, pursuant to the relevant applicable legal provisions

Section 2.- General Assembly: Types of Meetings.

Article 27- The General Assembly may meet:

- a) In an Ordinary or Extraordinary Plenary session
- b) In the Executive Committee

Section 3.- Ordinary General Assembly. Competencies.

Article 28.-

1.- The Ordinary General Assembly shall have competence in the following matters:

- a) Approval of the Sports Calendar
- b) Approval of the settlement of the previous year's budget
- c) Approval of the draft budget for the following year
- d) The approval and modification of the R.F.E.A.'s Statutes.
This agreement will require a minimum of two-thirds of the votes present.
- e) Analysis and, where necessary, approval of the proposals presented by the RFEA Council and the members of the General Assembly, presented in the way and under the conditions established in the regulations.

- f) The approval of the encumbrance or disposal of assets belonging to the R.F.E.A. when the amount of the operation is equal to or greater than 10 per cent of its budget or € 300,000. This agreement will require a minimum of two-thirds of the votes present.
 - g) The election and dismissal of the members of the Executive Committee of the General Assembly, as well as the filling of vacancies that occur during the term of office, in the way established in the regulations.
- 2.- The matters listed under paragraphs a), b) and c), must be dealt with obligatorily and inexcusably once a year at an Ordinary General Assembly.
 - 3.- The documentation relating to paragraphs a), b) and c) must be sent to the members of the General Assembly at least seven days prior to the date on which the meeting is to be held.

Section 4.- Extraordinary General Assembly: Competencies.

Article 29- The General Assembly will meet in an Extraordinary session as many times as the R.F.E.A.'s President deems necessary, or the Executive Committee by resolution adopted by the majority, or at the request of a number of members of the General Assembly no less than 30%, under the terms regulated by the regulations.

The competencies of the General Assembly at the Extraordinary session include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Transfer of the R.F.E.A.'s registered office outside the Autonomous Community of Madrid. This agreement will need a minimum of two-thirds of the votes present as it is a modification of the Statutes.
- b) Vote of censure for the President, as regulated herein. This agreement will require the approval of an absolute majority of the members of the General Assembly.
- c) Dissolution and liquidation of the R.F.E.A., under the terms regulated herein.
- d) Election of the R.F.E.A.'s President, under the terms legally and statutorily regulated.
- e) Any other matter that does not fall within the competence of the Ordinary General Assembly or the Executive Committee of the General Assembly.

Section 5.- Executive Committee of the General Assembly: Competencies. A quorum for the adoption of resolutions. Regime.

Article 30.-

- 1.- The Executive Committee of the General Assembly, composed of fifteen members elected from the members of the General Assembly in the proportion of one third between Presidents of Autonomous Federations, another of Clubs and the remaining third formed by two representatives of Athletes, one of Coaches, one of Officials and one of Other Groups, as well as the R.F.E.A.'s President, will meet at least once every four months and will have the following competencies:

- a) Preparation of a report prior to the approval of the budget for the following financial year
 - b) Monitoring of athletic activity and economic management of the R.F.E.A. through the preparation of an annual report on activity reports and the settlement of accounts from the previous year, which is to be submitted to the General Assembly.
 - c) Modification of the athletic calendar
 - d) Modification of the budget
 - e) The approval and modification of the R.F.E.A.'s Regulations.
 - f) Authorise the encumbrance or disposal of the R.F.E.A.'s assets, provided that the amount of the operation is less than 10% of its budget or € 300,000. This agreement will require a minimum of two-thirds of the votes present.
 - g) The General Assembly may expressly entrust the Executive Committee with any other matter that does not fall within its exclusive competence.
 - h) The appointment of members of the Management Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article 73.2 of these Statutes.
- 2.- The proposal on the matters listed under paragraphs c), d) and e) corresponds exclusively to the R.F.E.A.'s President or to two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee.

Article 31.-

- 1.- Attendance at the Executive Committee's meetings cannot be delegated and will be compulsory. If a member of the Executive Committee fails to attend the Committee's meetings, without justification, for three consecutive or five alternate sessions, they will be presented to the Assembly for dismissal and their vacancy will be replaced, where applicable.
- 2.- The vacancies that occur in each body may be replaced annually by and from the members of the General Assembly belonging to the same body in which the dismissal occurred.
- 3.- For the constitution, election, renewal and functioning of the Executive Committee of the General Assembly, the provisions of these Statutes and what is legally and regulatorily determined will be followed.

Section 6.- System for Summons to the General Assembly and the Executive Committee. Constitution of the Meeting.

Article 32.-

- 1.- The General Assembly and the Executive Committee must be summoned at least one month before the date scheduled for the meeting:
 - a) For the Ordinary General Assembly this period of notice is 30 days, and for the Extraordinary General Assembly it is 15 days.

- b) The Assembly's Executive Committee must be summoned at least seven days in advance and all documentation corresponding to the matters to be discussed, according to the meeting's agenda, will be sent along with the summons, whenever possible, and, in any case, pursuant to the provisions of Article 110 of the RFEA's Statutes.
- 2.- If all members of the General Assembly or the Executive Committee meet, even if they are not summoned in advance, they may, by unanimous agreement, constitute a session and, in this case, must first approve the meeting's agenda.
- 3.- The meeting summons must state the items on the meeting's agenda with an indication of the date and the time of each of the two sessions and the place where the meeting is to be held. In any case, the approval of the minutes of the previous meeting and the appointment of two scrutinising delegates must be included in the General Assembly's agenda.
- 4.- The summons will be made by means of a notification sent to the members of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee.

Article 33- The General Assembly meetings, both in ordinary and extraordinary sessions, will be recorded on a medium suitable for the recording and reproduction of images and sound.

The Executive Committee's face-to-face meetings will be recorded on a medium suitable for sound recording and reproduction.

Article 34- The Executive Committee may be summoned, constituted and may adopt agreements by electronic or telematic means. In order to do so, the President may agree to hold ordinary and extraordinary meetings by electronic or telematic means. The members of the Executive Committee will be notified of the President's agreement which will specify:

- a) The electronic or telematic means through which the call and other documentation will be sent.
- b) The way, medium and period of time in which the discussions and deliberations will take place.
- c) The means of casting votes and the period of time during which votes may be cast, indicating the date and time of the opening of the voting period and the date and time of the end of the voting period. The direction of the vote may be changed provided that this is done within said period.

If the telematic or electronic means is email, it shall be understood that a quorum exists in all cases and for all purposes.

In the minutes of the telematic or electronic meeting, the date and time of the adoption of resolutions will be considered to be the date and time at which the voting period ended.

Article 35- In order for the sessions of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee to be validly constituted, at least half of their full members must attend the first session. At the second session, the General Assembly will be constituted regardless of the number of attendees. As for the Executive Committee, at least a third of its members must attend, and at least half an hour later in both cases.

Article 36- Voting in the R.F.E.A.'s General Assembly and the Executive Committee will be carried out in the way and order established by the President, who will decide if they are to be

ordinary, nominal or secret; the latter two methods will be carried out at the request of at least twenty-five per cent of attendees.

In the event of a tie, the President will have the casting vote.

Article 37- Minutes will be taken of all resolutions adopted by the General Assembly and the Executive Committee, specifying the names of those who spoke and any other circumstances deemed appropriate, the content of the resolutions adopted, the result of the vote and, if applicable, any individual votes against the resolution adopted.

Votes against the adopted agreement or justified absences will exempt those who cast them from any responsibilities deriving from said agreements.

Article 38- The resolutions of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee shall be binding and obligatory for all bodies, persons and entities that making up the R.F.E.A. and shall be enforceable from the date of their adoption.

Section 7.- Removal of members of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee

Article 39- The members of the General Assembly and the Executive Committee shall cease to be members for the following reasons:

- a) Death
- b) Dissolution of the entity they represent
- c) Upon expiry of the term for which they were elected
- d) Voluntary resignation or dismissal
- e) For incurring legal or statutory ineligibility or incompatibility.
- f) Disciplinary sanction imposed in accordance with the regulations, involving termination of office

Chapter Three

THE PRESIDENT

Article 40- The R.F.E.A.'s President, who will also be the President of the General Assembly, the Executive Committee and the RFEA Council, is the executive body of the same who assumes its senior management in all matters that require it according to the Statutes and the agreements made by the Governing bodies.

Article 41- The President shall have the following functions and powers:

- a) Legally represent the R.F.E.A. before the members of the Federation, and before all kinds of authorities, bodies, courts, entities, corporations and individuals.

- b) Summon and chair the R.F.E.A.'s governing and representative bodies, with a casting vote in the event of a tie in the adoption of resolutions, and to execute them, assuming the presidency of such bodies.
- c) Stimulate and coordinate the actions of the different federative bodies.
- d) Order payments on behalf of the Federation by signing with the Manager and/or General Secretary or any person expressly appointed by the President to substitute them.
- e) Ensure that the federative bodies adapt their actions to the provisions of these Statutes and the Regulations that develop them.
- f) Confer special or general powers of attorney on lawyers, solicitors or any other appointed person to legally represent them, both in and out of court.
- g) Summon the General Assembly, its Executive Committee, the RFEA Council and the complementary bodies of the governing bodies, which it will chair.
- h) Appoint and dismiss the Secretary General and the Manager
- i) Appoint and dismiss members of the R.F.E.A.'s Council and other non-elective bodies.
- j) Propose to the Executive Committee of the General Assembly:
 - 1.- Modification of the sports calendar
 - 2.- Modification of budgets
 - 3.- Approval and modification of Regulations
- k) In addition, all powers conferred by all the higher governing bodies and those deriving from these Statutes and the Law.

Article 42- The President shall be elected every four years, coinciding with the years of the Summer Olympic Games, by free, equal, direct and secret suffrage by the members of the General Assembly. The maximum number of consecutive mandates of the President of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation will be three.

Candidates, who may not be members of the General Assembly, must be presented by at least 15% of the members of the Assembly.

Exceptionally, in the event that a vacancy occurs in the Presidency before the aforementioned four-year term expires, the General Assembly will hold a new election to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the regular term.

Article 43- The procedure for the election of the President will be pursuant to the provisions of the Election Regulations referred to in Article 74 and the following articles, which make up Title V.

Article 44- The position of President of the Federation may be remunerated, provided that such agreement, as well as the amount of said remuneration, is approved by half plus one of the members present at the General Assembly. Gross remuneration, including legally established social costs, may not be paid from public subsidies received by the Federation.

In this case, the President of the Federation will perform his duties according to the regime of dedication and incompatibilities established by the General Assembly.

The President's remuneration will terminate at the end of their term of office and may not be extended beyond that period.

Article 45- The President will stand down:

- a) For the fulfilment of the term for which they were elected.
- b) Due to death or legally declared physical or mental incapacity
- c) Upon request.
- d) Due to the adoption of a motion of censure by the General Assembly.
- e) For holding a managerial position in a body or club subject to the federative discipline or in a sports association unrelated to athletics.
- g) For other reasons determined by Law.
- f) With the presentation of their candidacy in the event that they hold the Presidency of the Management Committee.

Article 46.-

The presentation of a motion of censure against the R.F.E.A.'s President will be subject to the following criteria:

- a) They may not stand for election during the first six months of their term of office, or when there are six months remaining until the date from which the elections can be held.
- b) The motion of censure must be proposed and presented by at least one-third of the members of the General Assembly and must necessarily include a candidate for the Presidency of the Federation.
- c) The submission of the motion of censure will be addressed to the Federal Electoral Board, who must resolve the matter within two working days.
- d) When the motion of censure is agreed upon, the President of the Federation will summon the General Assembly within a period of no more than forty-eight hours, counting from the time they are notified of the admission. The General Assembly's meeting that will debate the motion of censure must be held within a period of no less than fifteen days and no more than thirty days from the date on which it was summoned.
- e) Once the Extraordinary Assembly has been summoned to debate and vote on the motion of censure, alternative motions may be presented within the first ten days following that summons. The alternative motion of censure may not under any circumstances be subscribed to by those who instigated the initial one.
- f) The voting, which will be by secret ballot, will follow the same parameters as those laid down for the election of the President. In order for the motion of censure to succeed and for the President to automatically stand down, a vote by an absolute majority of the members of the General Assembly will be required.
- g) If the motion of censure is approved, the elected candidate will remain in office until the end of the previous President's term.
- h) If the motion of censure is rejected by the General Assembly, its signatories may not submit another motion until one year after the day on which it was voted and rejected.
- i) The presentation of the motion of censure and the date of the General Assembly's session, as well as the result, will be reported on the Federation's website.

- j) The decisions made by the federative bodies regarding the submission, admission, processing and voting of motions of censure, or alternative motions, may be appealed to the Administrative Sports Court within five working days.

Chapter Four

RFEA COUNCIL

Article 47- The RFEA Council is R.F.E.A.'s collegiate management body, as well as assistance to the President, with its members being designated and revoked freely by the President of the Federation, who will preside it.

Article 48- The R.F.E.A. Council will be composed, at the President's discretion, of a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 21 members, including the President, all of whom will have voice and vote. The General Secretary and the Manager shall attend the RFEA Council with voice only, as well as the member of Spanish nationality who is also a member of the I.A.A.F. Council, with voice and vote.

Article 49- The RFEA Council will be composed of

- a) The R.F.E.A.'s President
- b) One First Vice-President, who will be a member of the General Assembly
- c) Three Vice-Presidents
- d) 7 to 16 Spokespersons
- e) I.A.A.F Council Representative, if applicable If this person is not already an elected member of the Assembly, the number of spokespersons will be a maximum of 15.

Article 50- The members of the RFEA Council who are not members of the General Assembly will have access to the General Assembly's sessions, with the right to speak but not to vote.

Article 51- The President and Vice-Presidents of the RFEA Council may not hold any executive position in sports associations whose objectives include the practice of athletic sports, except for the representation they hold in higher governing bodies. Execution of the position of President or Director will be a cause for incompatibility to occupy managerial positions in another Spanish Sports Federation.

Positions in the RFEA Council, with the exception of the President, will not be remunerated.

Article 52- The RFEA Council's competencies are as follows:

- a) Prepare papers and documents that will serve as a basis for the Assembly's Executive Committee so that it can exercise its corresponding functions.
- b) Prepare papers and documents on which the General Assembly is to be based so that it may exercise its functions.
- c) Resolve the resources that are interposed in light of agreements made by the Councils of Autonomic Federations through which they deny a person or sports association the licence or recognition of access to the R.F.E.A.

- d) Prepare papers and documents for the Executive Committee for the approval of the R.F.E.A.'s Internal Regulations and those related to the Commissions and Committees of Article 20 and their modifications.
- e) Transfer of the R.F.E.A.'s registered office outside the Autonomous Community of Madrid.
- f) Propose to the General Assembly the transfer of the R.F.E.A.'s registered office outside the Autonomous Community of Madrid
- g) Ensure that the components of the various national teams are equipped, transported and housed.
- h) Prepare the R.F.E.A.'s draft budget for presentation to the General Assembly.
- i) Collaborate with the President in the economic, administrative and sports management of the R.F.E.A. and in the execution of the agreements of the other higher collegiate government bodies and representation of the same.
- j) Appointment of members of the Management Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article 73.2 of these Statutes.

Article 53- The Vice-Presidents will collaborate with the President of the Federation in the performance of the tasks they may entrust them with and will substitute them in all cases of absence or illness as ordered by them.

The members of the RFEA Council will cooperate in the management of the matters corresponding to them and will carry out the tasks entrusted to them upon agreement by the Council or its President.

Article 54- Representatives of the federative bodies that do not form part of the same may attend the RFEA Council meetings, if called by its President, with voice but without vote, as well as those whose report may, in their opinion, be convenient, with regards to specific points in the Meeting's Agenda.

Article 55- The RFEA Council will meet at least once every four months. The session, which corresponds to the President, must be notified to its members at least 7 calendar days in advance, except in cases of urgency, along with the Meeting's Agenda.

Meetings called in cases of urgency will always be notified at least 48 hours in advance.

The RFEA Council meetings will be recorded on a medium suitable for sound recording and reproduction.

Article 56- The validity of the RFEA Council meetings will require the attendance of a majority of its members at the first session and a third of them at the second session.

Resolutions will be made by majority vote.

Article 57- Members of the Board of Directors will be removed from office for the following reasons:

- a) Due to death.

- b) Upon request.
- c) Revocation of appointment.
- d) Due to the expiry of the term of office of the R.F.E.A.'s President.
- e) Incurring ineligibility.
- f) Incurring in one of the causes of incompatibility when they do not resign from the incompatible activity or position.
- g) By dissolution of the RFEA Council as a result of the call for elections.

Chapter Five

THE GENERAL SECRETARY

Article 58- The R.F.E.A.'s General Secretary, who is also the Secretary of the General Assembly, the Executive Committee and the RFEA Council, will assist the President of the Federation in all activities corresponding to their position. The General Secretary will be paid and will be subject to current legislation.

Article 59- The General Secretary will be responsible for the functions of attestor and advisor for the Federation, the preparation and material dispatch of the matters as well as the management and organisation of the administrative functions. The General Secretary will assume the position of Staff Manager, without prejudice to the powers of delegation corresponding to them in this respect.

Article 60- The General Secretary, as ex-officio Secretary of the R.F.E.A.'s Bodies, Commissions and Committees, will attend their meetings with voice but with no vote:

- a) Inform orally or in writing, answer consultations made on the matters pending in the Federation's bodies and of which they are a member and of the meetings held by the different Federal Bodies.
- b) Take minutes of all the agreements referred to in the previous paragraph, in the way specified in Article 37, and, once approved, sign them with the approval of the respective Presidents and register them in the corresponding books.
- c) Issue R.F.E.A. certifications
- d) Issue reports upon request
- e) Coordinate the actions of the Federation's different bodies
- f) Any other functions entrusted to them by the Federation's regulations
- g) Custody of the Federation's Minutes and Records books

The General Secretary may delegate the exercise of their functions to other officers in the Federation or among the members of the bodies, commissions and committees, if necessary, or in case of absence or illness.

Chapter Six

THE MANAGER

Article 61- The R.F.E.A.'s Manager is the Federation's managing body and, where applicable, will assist the Federation's President in all activities relating to their position. The Manager will be paid and will be subject to current legislation.

Article 62- The Manager will be in charge of the surveillance of all federative assets, as well as:

- a) Custody of federative funds and updating and monitoring accounts, in accordance with the rules for the adaptation of the Spanish General Accounting Plan to the Sports Federations developed by the Accounting and Audit Institute of the Ministry of Economy and Finance.
- b) Safeguard the books and documents relating to the Federation's accounts, ensuring their accurate keeping.
- c) Ensure that payments ordered by the President correspond to the expenditure authorised in the budget.
- d) Charge amounts and sign the corresponding receipts.
- e) Ensure that the Federation's revenues are paid into the current account held by the Federation.
- f) Inform the RFEA Council of the state of the Federation's accounts and its financial situation, proposing the appropriate measures.
- g) Prepare the preliminary draft budget for its analysis and approval by the RFEA Council and General Assembly and prepare the Balance Sheet with a specification and breakdown of expenses and income.
- h) Exercise the economic inspection of the Federation, proposing disciplinary measures in case of infraction.
- i) Any other functions entrusted to them by the Federation's regulations

Chapter Seven

COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Article 63- Commissions and Committees will be governed by the provisions of these Statutes and their respective regulations, proposed by the members of each one of them, and presented by the R.F.E.A.'s President to the Executive Committee for its approval. These rules will govern both the tasks and operation of the Commission or Committee and the rights and obligations of the members of each body.

Article 64- The Executive Committee will be a consultative body, without executive character, that will meet monthly, where possible, to deal with urgent matters and evaluate the Federation's progress with regards to specific topics.

Composition of the Permanent Commission:

- ✓ R.F.E.A. President
- ✓ R.F.E.A. Vice-Presidents
- ✓ General Secretary
- ✓ Technical Director
- ✓ Manager

For greater effectiveness, the Vice-Presidents will have specific areas of oversight, which will be as indicated below:

- Economic matters
- Competition, including training of young people
- Rules and regulations
- Relations with Autonomous Federations
- Legal matters

Article 65- The Commissions and Committees will be composed of a President and a minimum of four and a maximum of nine members appointed by the President, except for the Disciplinary Committee which will be composed of a President and a minimum of two members, and the Commission of Federations' Presidents which will be composed of nineteen members and will be chaired by the R.F.E.A.'s President or by the Vice-President appointed by the President.

When the different Commissions or Committees so require, the General Assembly, at the proposal of the RFEA Council, may agree to increase the number of members as established in the previous paragraph. This is the case for the Clubs' Commission, which may be extended to a President and a maximum of twelve members, since it is the largest body in the Assembly.

Article 66- The Commissions and Committees will meet on an ordinary basis at least once a year and may meet on an extraordinary basis if summoned by their President or at the proposal of half plus one of their members.

Article 67- The Commissions and Committees will be considered validly constituted if they have been summoned by their President at least 48 hours in advance and half plus one of their members attend.

However, they shall be validly constituted if all their members attend and they unanimously agree to do so, even if the requirements of summoning them have not been met.

Article 68- The Commissions and Committees are the R.F.E.A.'s operating bodies and will inform the RFEA Council of all their agreements.

Likewise, the Commissions and Committees may make proposals to the RFEA Council for consideration by the General Assembly.

Article 69- The forecast of ordinary expenses for the development of its activities shall be part of the R.F.E.A.'s general budget. Extraordinary expenses must be approved by the R.F.E.A.'s Executive Committee, prior to the corresponding reasoned proposal of the respective Commissions and Committees, which will be accompanied by a report from the Federation's Manager.

Chapter Eight

GENERAL OPERATING RULES

Article 70- In all meetings of the R.F.E.A.'s Governing, Representative and Administrative bodies, each member will have the right to speak and vote in the body in which they participate, except in the cases established herein.

As a general rule, resolutions will be adopted by simple majority, except in those cases where a qualified majority is required, in accordance with these Statutes.

All the meetings of the R.F.E.A.'s collegiate bodies will be held behind closed doors, unless the President of the body decides that the presence of guests from outside the corresponding body is considered appropriate, provided that such presence is justified and is related to legitimate and direct interest in the matters to be discussed at said meetings. Guests will not have the right to vote and will only have the right to speak if the President of the body grants them the floor. In any case, voting will take place behind closed doors and without the presence of guests.

Article 71- The decisions of the R.F.E.A.'s bodies will take effect from the day following their notification to the Autonomous Federations, unless otherwise stated.

Article 72- The General Secretary will take minutes of all resolutions made by the Federation's governing bodies, specifying the name of the persons who participated and other circumstances considered appropriate, the content of the resolutions adopted, the result of the vote and, if applicable, the individual votes against the resolution adopted.

Votes against the adopted agreement or justified absences will exempt those who cast them from any responsibilities deriving from said agreements.

All agreements made by the superior collegiate government bodies and the R.F.E.A.'s representation will be public, except when they decide, exceptionally, to the contrary, by a majority of three-quarters of their members.

Title IV

MANAGEMENT BOARD AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Article 73.-

1. MANAGEMENT BOARD: When the position of President becomes vacant before the end of their natural mandate for any of the reasons set out in sections b), c), e) and g) of Article 45 of these Statutes, a Management Board will be constituted, made up of the members of the RFEA Council, in order to exercise the powers of the Presidency on an interim basis and to call elections for the Presidency, following the prescriptions of the Electoral Regulations, within a maximum period of thirty days. The Management Board will appoint a President from its members and its agreements will be reflected in the corresponding Federation Minutes book.

Once the elections have been held, the new President will have a term of office equal to the remaining time of his predecessor, after which new elections must be called.

If the members of the RFEA Council do not wish to take on this task, they must resign from their posts and the members of the Executive Committee must take on this task on behalf of the Management Board.

2. MANAGEMENT COMMISSION: Following new general elections for the General Assembly, the Presidency and the Executive Committee have been summoned, the RFEA Council will be dissolved, with the Management Commission assuming its functions. The Management Commission will be the body in charge of administering and managing the Federation during the electoral process. The Management Commission may not carry out acts that directly or indirectly, mediately or immediately, induce or condition the sense of vote of the electors and must observe the principles of objectivity, transparency of the electoral process and equality among the electoral stakeholders.

These provisions will be applicable to the activity carried out by R.F.E.A. staff and by the other federative bodies during the electoral process.

The composition of the Management Commission, with a total of six members plus the President, will be as follows:

- Three members elected by the Executive Committee as stated below:
 - One member of the Presidents of Autonomous Federations.
 - One member of one of the sports clubs.
 - One member from the other bodies.
- Three members appointed by the RFEA Council; one of them must be the R.F.E.A.'s General Secretary and the other the Manager.

The Executive Committee will appoint 3 replacements to cover possible casualties.

The RFEA Council will appoint 1 replacement to cover the possible termination of membership.

The Presidency of the Management Commission will correspond to the person who presides over the R.F.E.A. or, when the person who holds this condition ceases to hold it for any of the reasons set out in Articles 17.3 of Spanish Royal Decree 1835/1991 on Spanish Sports

Federations and the Register of Sports Associations and 45 of the R.F.E.A Statutes, to the person elected for this function by and from those who make up the Management Commission.

Those who present their candidacy to form part of the governing and representative bodies of the corresponding Federation may not be members of the Management Commission and must cease to be so when the candidacy in question is presented.

If, due to circumstances or incidents arising during the electoral process, its completion is excessively delayed, thus making the ordinary development of the R.F.E.A.'s sports activity difficult, compromising or putting at risk, the Management Commission, with the supervision and authorisation of the Higher Sports Council, may adopt the necessary measures to avoid said situation.

Title V

ELECTIONS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, PRESIDENCY AND THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chapter One

GENERAL RULES

Article 74- The following are elected bodies: the President, the General Assembly and its Executive Committee.

Article 75- Every four years, coinciding with the years of the Summer Olympic Games, the R.F.E.A.'s Council will call for elections for the General Assembly, immediately constituting the Management Board.

Article 76- The Rules of Procedure for elections for the General Assembly, Presidency and the Executive Committee will regulate the following matters:

- a) Electoral districts and the number of representatives of each bodies for each of them.
- b) Electoral calendar
- c) Electoral census
- d) Composition, competencies and functioning of the Central Electoral Board.
- e) Requirements, presentation and proclamation of candidates.
- f) Procedure for the resolution of disputes and complaints.
- g) Location, composition, powers and operation of polling stations.
- h) Possibility of electoral appeals.
- i) Election of the President in accordance with Article 17 of Spanish Royal Decree 1835/1991 of the 20th December 1991 on Spanish Sports Federations.
- j) Composition of the Assembly's Executive Committee.
- k) Voting by mail for the election of the members of the General Assembly. This system cannot be used for the election of the President or the Executive Committee.
- m) System for replacing any dismissals or vacancies that may occur.

Once the Election Regulations have been drawn up, they must be submitted to the Higher Sports Council's Management Committee for approval.

Chapter Two

CONSTITUENCIES AND ELECTORAL ROLLS

Article 77.- Electoral Districts

1.- Club representatives that are among the first 25 in the R.F.E.A. Club Ranking will be elected in state electoral districts, as stated in Article 25.1.a) in the present Statutes.

For the remaining clubs, the electoral district will be autonomous when the distribution of the number of eligible representatives by the club body in proportion to the number of clubs registered in the census with domicile in each autonomous community results in at least one representative. Autonomous Federations that do not reach this minimum of one representative will elect their representatives in a grouped district with headquarters in the R.F.E.A., where the total number of members not assigned to the autonomous districts will be elected.

2.- The constituency to elect the athletes qualified as Top-Level Athletes referred to in Article 25.1.b) herein.

For the rest of the athletes, the electoral district will be autonomous when the distribution of the number of eligible representatives by the body of athletes in proportion to the number of athletes registered in the census with domicile in each autonomous community results in at least one representative. Autonomous Federations that do not reach this minimum of one representative will elect their representatives in a grouped district with headquarters in the R.F.E.A., where the total number of members not assigned to the autonomous districts will be elected.

3.- Coaches' electoral district will be the State.

4.- Officials' electoral district will be the State.

5.- Other groups' electoral district will be the State.

6.- Rounding off must respect general proportionality as much as possible.

Article 78- All clubs registered in the R.F.E.A. which have a licence in force on the date of the call for elections, and which have also signed it at least during the previous season, will make up the Clubs' census with the right to vote and to be elected within their corresponding electoral district, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 1 of Article 77 of the present Statutes, provided that they have participated in the official state-wide competitions on the date of the call for elections and throughout the previous season, as established in the Electoral Regulations.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 25.1.a) and 76.1 of the present Statutes, all clubs with a licence in force on the date of the call for elections and which are in the top 25 of the R.F.E.A.'s joint absolute category (men and women) Club Ranking in the previous season will make up the Top-Level Clubs' Census, having the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Article 79- All athletes who are not under 16 (sixteen) years of age on the date of the vote, with a licence in force on the date of the call for elections, issued in accordance with the provisions of Law 10/1990 on Sport, and who have had it at least during the previous season, provided that they have participated in the official state-wide competitions established in the Electoral Regulations of the R.F.E.A. during said previous season, will make up the Athletes' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the corresponding electoral district (State for Top-Level Athletes and Autonomous for others).

Within the Athletes' census, all athletes included in said census, who are no less than 16 (sixteen) years old on the date of voting, with a license in effect on the date of the call for elections, and who have signed it at least during the previous season and who are considered Top-Level Athletes by the Superior Sports Council on the date of approval of the initial census, will make up the Top-Level Athletes' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the corresponding electoral district.

All athletes over the age of 18 who meet the above conditions are eligible.

Article 80- All Coaches with a licence in force on the date of the call for elections, issued in accordance with that established in Law 10/1990 on Sport, and who have had it at least during the previous season, will make up the Coaches' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Within the coaches' census, all coaches included in said census with a license in effect on the date of the call for elections, and who have signed it at least during the previous season and who are coaching athletes who are considered Top-Level Athletes by the Higher Sports Council on the date of approval of the initial census, will make up the Coaches of Top-Level Athletes' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Article 81- All officials who have a state license in force on the date the elections are called, and who have signed it at least during the previous season (even if it was for another district), provided that they have participated in official state-wide competitions included in the National Calendar of the previous season, will make up the Officials' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Article 82° - All Organisers who, having their proof included in the National Calendar on the date of the call, have organised official state-wide competitions, included in the R.F.E.A.'s Calendar on the date of the call for elections and in the previous season, will make up the Organisers' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Article 83.- All representatives with a valid license at the date of the call for elections issued in accordance with the provisions of the Sports Law 10/1990, and who have signed it at least during the previous season, will make up the Athlete Representatives' Census, with the right to vote and to be elected within the state electoral district.

Chapter Three

THE ELECTORAL BOARD

Article 84.-

- a) The Electoral Board will be composed of three regular members, and three alternate members, who will be proposed by the members of the Executive Committee.

The appointment will be made by the Executive Committee based on objective criteria, from those who have obtained the largest number of proposals. The members of the Electoral Board must be graduates in law or individuals who can demonstrate previous experience or academic specialisation in electoral processes.

- b) From the appointed members, the President will be the oldest and the Secretary the youngest.
- c) The absence of the President will be substituted in the same way as indicated in point 84 (b)
- d) Vacancies among full members of the Electoral Board will be filled by alternate members, in the order in which they have been appointed by the Executive Committee.
- e) Members of the Electoral Board may not appear as candidates for the positions of elected representative of the Assembly and for the R.F.E.A.'s President, nor may they be members of the Management Board constituted for the electoral process, or those who form part of the RFEA Council or the Executive Committee
- f) The Electoral Board may decide to rely on external advice, which will be chosen by the Board. The person or persons providing said advice will not have the right to vote.
- g) Once the Electoral Board has been formed as indicated in the summons and determined in points 84.a) and 84.b), its composition shall be communicated to all Autonomous Federations, a copy of which will be sent to the Electoral Boards constituted in their electoral district.
- h) Challenges against the Electoral Board's resolutions before the Administrative Sports Court will not suspend their effectiveness.
- i) The term of office of the members of the Electoral Board will be four years.

Article 85.- Electoral tables in electoral districts. A State Electoral Board will be constituted in the headquarters of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation, a Main Electoral Board in the Autonomous Federations and, if requested by an Autonomous Federation, an Auxiliary Board in some or all of its Delegations, for the election of the representatives of the different classes. The corresponding Autonomous Federation will notify the Electoral Board of the address of the location, both of the Main Polling Station and, if applicable, of the Auxiliary Polling Stations.

Within the R.F.E.A., a Special Electoral Board will be constituted, elected by the Electoral Board by means of a draw and which will be made up of a maximum of five members, chosen by

voting from those who volunteer to represent the voters (from each of the federative classes), whose members may not be candidates for the General Assembly, with each class electing a regular and a substitute, and the presence of at least three of its members being necessary for its valid constitution. It will be chaired by the oldest member, whose vote will be decisive in the event of a tie, and the youngest member will act as Secretary.

If there are not enough volunteers, they will be appointed by the Electoral Board's vote.

Article 86.- Appeals. Complaints may be made directly to the Electoral Board and appeals against the Board's resolutions may be made to the Administrative Sports Court.

Chapter Four

PRESIDENCY

Article 87- The individual who meets the conditions established in Article 23 of these Statutes may be elected President, with the exception of paragraph f).

Voting will be free, equal, secret and direct (votes by email or delegation to individuals are not permitted).

The Election will take place using the double round system in the event that in a first round no candidate reaches an absolute majority of the votes cast.

Article 88- Once the General Assembly has met and its members have been accredited to the Electoral Board, the latter will constitute the Electoral Board, which will preside over its sessions and will be composed of the member chosen by draw from those present from each of the different represented classes, who are not candidates. The oldest will be President, whose vote will be decisive in the event of a tie in the Electoral Board's decision-making. The youngest member of the Board will act as Secretary.

Chapter Five

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 89- The Executive Committee of the R.F.E.A.'s General Assembly will be composed of 15 members (plus the President of the R.F.E.A.), appointed by and from the members of each of its bodies.

The composition of the Executive Committee will be as follows:

- a) One third (5 in total) corresponding to the Presidents of the Autonomous Federations, appointed by and from the Presidents of the same.
- b) One third (5 in total) corresponding to the Clubs, appointed by and from the same Clubs, without those corresponding to the same Autonomous Community having more than 50% of the representation.
- (c) One third (5 in total) for the other bodies, in proportion to their representation in the General Assembly, that is to say:
 - 2 Athletes
 - 1 Coach
 - 1 Official
 - 1 Other Groups (organisers or athletes' representatives)

Article 90.- The Electoral Census for the election of the Executive Committee of the General Assembly shall be made up of all the members of the General Assembly who have been proclaimed as such by the Electoral Board and the Presidents of the Autonomous Federations

Article 91.- Each one of the elected members of the General Assembly may be a candidate to form part of the Executive Committee of the General Assembly on behalf of their bodies.

Article 92.- The members of the Executive Committee will be those who obtain the highest number of votes for each Body until the corresponding members are completed for each one of them.

No Autonomous Federation will have more than two clubs and one athlete in the Executive Committee.

In the event of a tie vote between two or more candidates of a Body, a new vote will be conducted among the tied candidates and the elected candidate will be named. In the event of a new tie, a draw will be made from the tied candidates and the elected candidate will be named.

Title VI

CLUBS, ATHLETES, COACHES, OFFICIALS AND OTHER GROUPS

Article 93- The clubs, athletes, coaches, officials and other groups, will be integrated, at their own request, in the R.F.E.A., through the Autonomic Federation that corresponds to them due to their geographical situation and their legal domicile, as long as they comply with the legislation in force and agree to comply with the R.F.E.A.'s Statutes and Regulations and to submit themselves to the authority of the federative bodies, with regards to the matters of their competence.

Article 94- With regards to the authorisation or refusal of the integration of other groups in the R.F.E.A., the following criteria will be taken into account:

- a) The group's sporting interest for the practice of athletics
- b) The existence of the corresponding legal recognition of the activity
- c) The approval by the General Assembly at the proposal of the RFEA Council with the quorum required for the modification of the Statutes.

Integration will be carried out, at their own request, with the same criteria and requirements as for the other groups, with the peculiarities that the General Assembly deems them to have or that are established by Law.

Article 95- Integration in the R.F.E.A. will take place through the concession of the corresponding federal licence. This concession will be agreed by the Council of the corresponding Autonomous Federation. Its refusal, which must be justified, may be appealed before the R.F.A.E. Council.

Article 96- All members of the R.F.E.A. have the right to receive the R.F.E.A.'s protection with regards to their legitimate sporting interests, as well as the right to participate in its activities and in the functioning of its bodies, in accordance with these Statutes and the R.F.E.A.'s internal regulations.

In turn, members of the R.F.E.A. must abide by the agreements of its bodies, without prejudice to appeal before the competent federal bodies.

Title VII

ECONOMIC REGIME

Chapter One

ASSETS AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Article 97- The R.F.E.A.'s assets consists of properties and rights belonging to the Federation.

Article 98- The R.F.E.A.'s economic resources will consist of the following income:

- a) Subsidies granted by any public entities.
- b) Grants and donations from other official bodies, entities or individuals.
- c) Inheritances, legacies and donations granted to the R.F.E.A.
- d) Guarantees made effective when their annulment is not appropriate according to the regulations.
- e) Any fees and charges approved by the General Assembly, as well as late charges and fines or any other penalties of a pecuniary nature.
- f) Repayment instalments of advances and loans granted by the Federation from its resources; income from assets and portfolio securities, interest on current accounts and proceeds from the sale of assets acquired with the R.F.E.A.'s own resources.
- g) The results, income and interests of their patrimonial goods.
- (h) Loans or credits granted to the R.F.E.A.
- i) Profits made from sporting events organised by the R.F.E.A.
- j) Profits made by activities carried out by the R.F.E.A.
- k) Any other type of income that does not oppose the very nature of the R.F.E.A. and is authorised by its General Assembly.

Chapter Two

BUDGET

Article 99- The R.F.E.A.'s economic activity will be adjusted to the budget approved by the General Assembly. Budget management will respond to the principle of a single cash flow, with its own income being devoted as a priority to its structural expenditure. For this purpose, the RFEA Council will present the appropriate plan to the Ordinary General Assembly every year. This plan will be accompanied by:

- a) The statement of difference with regards to the current budget and the explanatory report of the same.
- b) The progress of the settlement of the current budget.

Article 100- The proposed budgets will be presented balanced and classified by programmes and concepts. These may be modified by the Executive Committee on a limited basis and may not exceed the same percentage established annually by the Higher Sports Council.

Article 101- Approval of expenses and the ordering of payments will correspond to the President of the Federation.

The President may delegate the approval of expenditure and the authorisation of payments on behalf of the Federation to the Manager and/or the General Secretary or to another person expressly appointed to substitute them.

The acts of disposal of real property, agreement of loans, the commitment of multiannual expenses (according to the percentage and the mandatory authorisation of the Higher Sports Council established in Article 29 of Spanish Royal Decree 1,835/91 of the 20th December), issuance of transferable debt securities and patrimonial share, will require the approval of the Ordinary General Assembly, requiring the favourable vote of two-thirds of the attendees.

Article 102- The financial year's final balance of the settled budgets will appear in the balance sheet and the Assembly will decide on its use.

Chapter Three

BALANCE SHEET AND ACCOUNTING

Article 103- The RFEA Council will present the Balance Sheet for its approval by the Ordinary General Assembly, with sufficient specification of items and within these of specific concepts so as to translate not only the deficit, surplus or balance as a whole, but also that of the various items and concepts.

Article 104- The R.F.E.A. will keep the accounting books applicable to the official accounting system, as well as those of an auxiliary nature that are deemed appropriate, in accordance with the regulations on the adaptation of the General Accounting Plan given to Sports Federations, developed by the Institute of Accounting and Auditing of Accounts of the Ministry of Economy and Finance, so that the statement of accounts may be known at any time.

The accounting books will include assets, rights and obligations, income and expenses, specifying their origin and destination.

Article 105- The funds will necessarily be deposited in a current account in a banking establishment or savings bank, under the Federation's name. However, any sums deemed necessary to meet minor expenses may be kept in cash boxes, within the limit set at the President's discretion.

Drawings on such current accounts must be authorised by two signatures, one of which must be that of the President and the other of the individual authorised by them.

Title VIII

DOCUMENTARY REGIME

Article 106- In addition to the corresponding accounting and auxiliary books referred to in Article 104 of the present Statutes, the R.F.E.A. will keep, at least, the corresponding books of the Registry of Autonomous Federations and Delegations, of the Registry of Clubs and of the Minutes.

Article 107- The Register of Autonomous Federations and Delegations will reflect the names of the Autonomous Federations and Delegations, their registered office, and the names and family names of the representative and governing positions, specifying the dates on which they take office and leave office.

Article 108- The Register of Clubs will contain the names of the Clubs, their registered offices and the names and family names of the Presidents and other members of the RFEA Councils.

Article 109- The Minutes Book will record the meetings held by the General Assembly, the Executive Committee, the RFEA Council and other collegiate bodies, indicating the date, attendees, matters discussed and agreements adopted. The Minutes will always be signed by the President and Secretary.

Article 110.-

- 1.- The federative books will be kept at the R.F.E.A.'s registered address, at the disposal of the members integrated in it, for their examination or consultation. Said books cannot be taken out of the federative headquarters.
- 2.- The members integrated in the R.F.E.A. may request in writing information and/or clarifications regarding its content, indicating the causes and reasons for their request. These may be provided in writing, verbally or by direct examination upon their appearance at the federative headquarters and in the presence of the person appointed by the General Secretary.
- 3.- If, according to the President, the publicity of the requested data may harm the interests of the R.F.E.A., the request may be denied. Their refusal, which must be justified, may be appealed before the General Assembly.

Title IX

DISCIPLINARY REGIME

Article 111- The R.F.E.A.'s sports organisation is made up based on the voluntary affiliation of its members, all of whom recognise the organisation's discipline and are obliged to abide by the decisions of its disciplinary bodies which must act in accordance with the Statutes and Regulations that develop them, being able to challenge them through the legally appropriate appeals.

Article 112- The R.F.E.A.'s disciplinary body is:

- a) The R.F.E.A.'s Sports Discipline Committee.

Article 113- All matters relating to the R.F.E.A.'s disciplinary regime, classification of faults and sanctions, competences of the R.F.E.A.'s disciplinary bodies and rules of procedure will be established by regulations in accordance with the provisions of the laws in force.

Article 114- Faced with acts and agreements of a disciplinary nature or of the R.F.E.A.'s bodies, its members may appeal to the Administrative Sports Court, once the federal appeals have been exhausted. Said Court's decisions exhaust the administrative channel.

TITLE X

EXTRAJUDICIAL CONCILIATION

Article 115- Disputed legal sports questions, that are raised or that may be raised between Athletes, Coaches, Officials, Clubs, other Groups, Federations and other interested parties, may be resolved through the application of specific conciliation or arbitration formulas, under the terms and conditions of the state legislation on the matter

Article 116- The formulas referred to in the previous Article will be aimed at resolving any difference or litigious issue that may arise between the interested parties, regarding the application of sports rules not expressly included in the Sports Law 10/1990 of the 15th October and its development provisions.

Article 117- For this purpose, the R.F.E.A. will establish the conciliation or arbitration system by regulation.

The arbitration agreement will be in writing and will state that the parties have waived the right to legal proceedings and the obligation to comply with the arbitration decision.

Title XI

MODIFICATION OF THE STATUTES

Article 118- The R.F.E.A.'s Statutes may only be modified upon agreement by the General Assembly, after being expressly indicated in the Meeting's Agenda. The text of the amendment will be attached to the summons.

Article 119- The proposal of modification of the Statutes to the General Assembly may be carried out:

- a) By one quarter of the members of the General Assembly
- b) By the Executive Committee
- c) By the RFEA Council
- d) By three-quarters of the members of one of the bodies of the General Assembly, provided that the Articles in question directly affect that body.

Article 120- Once the modification of the Statutes has been approved, it will come into force from the moment it is ratified by the Higher Sports Council, the day after it is published in the Spanish Official State Gazette (B.O.E.).

Title XII

HONOURS

Article 121- In order to reward the relevant merits in the sport order contracted by as many persons, entities and clubs related to the athletic sport, either national or international, the R.F.E.A. may grant honorary rewards that distinguish work in favour of athletics.

The class of rewards, the merits required to achieve them and the application and awarding of such rewards will be established by the Law.

TITLE XIII

DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION OF THE R.F.E.A.

Article 122- The R.F.E.A. will be dissolved:

- a) By agreement of two-thirds of the votes of all the members of the General Assembly, ratified by the Executive Committee of the Higher Sports Council.
- b) By the revocation of its recognition by the Executive Committee of the Higher Sports Council
- c) By final judicial decision
- d) For other reasons determined by law

Article 123- Once the R.F.E.A.'s dissolution has been agreed, its assets will be liquidated.

To this end, the General Assembly will elect a Liquidation Committee consisting of fifteen members, with the same criteria of proportionality and election as the Executive Committee.

This Liquidation Committee will submit the proposal for liquidation to the General Assembly for approval, which will be carried out by a simple majority of its members.

Article 124- In accordance with the provisions of Article 37 of Spanish Law 10/90, of the 15th October, on Sport, as well as for the purposes set out in Articles 16 to 25 of Spanish Law 49/2002, of the 23rd December, on the tax regime for non-profit organisations and tax incentives for patronage, once the dissolution has been agreed and the liquidation has taken place, the Federation's net assets, if any, will be allocated to the Higher Sports Council, who will use them to carry out similar activities in the general interest.

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

FIRST: The current Regulations will remain in force in all that is compatible with the Spanish Sports Law 10/1990 of the 15th October, regulations that develop it and the present Statutes, until their adaptation or the drafting of new Regulations that replace them.

SECOND: All Autonomous Federations are considered to be integrated into the R.F.E.A., unless expressly stated otherwise, until a period ending on the 31st October 1993, during which time they may exercise their right to integrate or not.

Once this term has expired, Federations that have not joined may do so at any time, in the way established in Article 10 of the present Statutes.

FINAL PROVISIONS

FIRST - The R.F.E.A.'s Statutes, approved by the Executive Committee of the Higher Sports Council on 7th March 2014, are hereby repealed.

SECOND - These Statutes will come into force on the day following their publication in the Spanish Official State Gazette.

Drawn up in accordance with the provisions of Spanish Law 10/1990, of the 15th October, on Sport, and Spanish Royal Decree 1835/1991, of the 20th December, on Spanish Sports Federations. Approved at the Extraordinary General Assembly of the Royal Spanish Athletics Federation, in session on 22nd January 2017 and 8th April 2018.