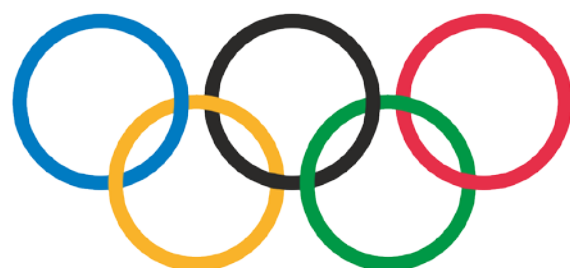


# STATUTE

OF THE

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### *1. CHAPTER 1 - Preamble*

- 1.1** The National Olympic Committee and Sports of the Republic of Moldova (NOSC), previously known as the National Olympic Committee, was founded on 29.01.1991, recognized provisionally by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in 1991 and receiving final recognition in 1993. The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the Republic of Moldova (NOSC) is a social organization of national interest, unique on the territory of the Republic of Moldova, a legal entity, Non-Government Organization, non-commercial, autonomous and independent from public authorities, of public utility, not-for-profit, apolitical, without a lucrative purpose, established according to the law of the Republic of Moldova. NOSC belongs to the Olympic Movement, being organized and operating on the basis of its own Statute developed in accordance with the Olympic Charter and provisions of the national legislation.
- 1.2** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM keeps the same symbols, emblem and flag as the ones approved by the IOC Executive Board and registered by the Ministry of Justice and State Agency for Intellectual Property (AGEPI) according to the national legislation in force.
- 1.3** The Headquarter of the Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM is based in Chisinau municipality, on 11 Puskin St.
- 1.4 Fundamental Principles of Olympism**
- 1.4.1** Olympism is a philosophy of life, exalting and combining in a balanced whole the qualities of body, will and mind. Blending sport with culture and education, Olympism seeks to create a way of life based on the joy of effort, the educational value of good example, social responsibility and respect for universal fundamental ethical principles.
- 1.4.2** The goal of Olympism is to place sport at the service of the harmonious development of humankind, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity.
- 1.4.3** The Olympic Movement is the concerted, organised, universal and permanent action, carried out under the supreme authority of the IOC, of all individuals and entities who are inspired by the values of Olympism. It covers the five continents. It reaches its peak with the bringing together of the world's athletes



at the great sports festival, the Olympic Games. Its symbol is five interlaced rings.

- 1.4.4** The practice of sport is a human right. Every individual must have the possibility of practising sport, without discrimination of any kind and in the Olympic spirit, which requires mutual understanding with a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play.
- 1.4.5** Recognising that sport occurs within the framework of society, sports organisations within the Olympic Movement shall have the rights and obligations of autonomy, which include freely establishing and controlling the rules of sport, determining the structure and governance of their organisations, enjoying the right of elections free from any outside influence and the responsibility for ensuring that principles of good governance be applied.
- 1.4.6** Any form of discrimination with regard to a country or a person on grounds of race, religion, politics, gender or otherwise is incompatible with belonging to the Olympic Movement.
- 1.4.7** Belonging to the Olympic Movement requires compliance with the Olympic Charter and recognition by the IOC.

## **2. CHAPTER 2 – NOSC Goal**

- 2.1** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM supports and contributes to the development of the Moldovan sport and National Olympic Movement, according to the Olympic Charter; promotes Olympism through training and educational programs; supports the activity of institutions providing Olympic education and cultural programs in relation with the Olympic Movement; Acts against all forms of discrimination and violence in sports, as well as against using substances and procedures prohibited by the World Anti-Doping Code; ensures compliance with the Olympic Charter, defining in accordance with it the ethical rules in sports and supervises their implementation.
- 2.2** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM promotes unity of sports movement on the national arena, whose components are national sports federations, other sports structures and their legitimate athletes; represents the sports movement in relation to the institutions/organizations that contribute directly or indirectly to sports development or harnessing of the recognized social functions; facilitates the conflict resolution in the sports movement by reconciliation, mediation or arbitrage; files a lawsuit, if necessary, against third parties, public or private institutions, authorities, to defend the collective interests of the Olympic and Sports Movement.



- 2.3** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM carries out, in cooperation of the national sports federation, respecting their autonomy and prerogatives, all activities of common interest able to encourage the development of high-level sports, as well as sports for everyone, in particular those aimed at promoting sports in the social area as a factor contributing to education, health and social cohesion; initial and ongoing education of managers, staff and technicians in the area; research, design, documentation and communication in sports.
- 2.4** Fulfilling its goal, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM takes actions to maintain relations of cooperation with central and local public authorities, positioning itself as a partner for discussions and representing the non-government sports organizations in their relations with public authorities and institutions. At the same time, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM shall maintain its autonomy and resist any pressures, of any types, including, but not limited to legal, political, religious or economic pressures that could prevent it from complying with the Olympic Charter.

### **3. CHAPTER 3 – NOCS Duties**

- 3.1** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM ensures application and observance in the Republic of Moldova of the Olympic Charter, decisions of the International Olympic Committee and international sports federations, World Anti-Doping Code, and other provisions and regulations of the national legislation on sports activity. According to its goal and role at the national level, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM supports and encourages initiatives promoting peace, sports ethics, fight against doping, environment protection; Commits itself to apply a nondiscriminatory behavior in the area, regardless of the race, religion, politics, gender or other criteria and takes actions against violation of moral values and against manifestation of violence in sports; promotes and supports the social integration of athletes and promotes women in sports. The National Olympic and Sports Committee controls the activity of its members through its governing bodies in order to assure the respect of the provisions of the present statutes, the Olympic Charter, the values and tasks of the Olympic Movement.

### **4. CHAPTER 4 - NOSC Role**

- 4.1** The NOSC has the role to promote the fundamental principles of Olympism at the national level through training and educational programs in physical education and sports, in schools and universities, supporting the activity of specialized organizations and institutions. Besides, the National and Sports Committee of the RM supports the establishment and activity of institutions involved in Olympic education, physical culture and sport.



- 4.2** The National and Sports Committee of the RM is obliged to participate in the Games of the Olympiad by sending athletes.
- 4.3** The National and Sports Committee of the RM constitutes, organizes and leads the Moldovan delegations to the Olympic Games and other international competitions under the patronage of the IOC; it is responsible for the behaviour of the members of its delegations to these competitions.
- 4.4** The National and Sports Committee of the RM has the exclusive authority for the representation of the Republic of Moldova at the Olympic Games and the regional, continental and world multi-sport competitions and activities organized under the patronage of IOC, as well as of EOC or other NOCs.
- 4.5** The National and Sports Committee of the RM has the exclusive authority to select and designate the city which may apply to organize competitions, activities and programs under the patronage of the IOC.
- 4.6** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM is the only holder on the territory of the Republic of Moldova of the rights to use the insignia and all symbols, flags, motto and anthem, according to this Statute, Olympic Charter and other regulatory documents of the Olympic movement.
- 4.7** Individuals or legal entities from the territory of the Republic of Moldova or from abroad can not use the insignia or emblem of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM and other NOSC intellectual property rights without the consent of NOSC.
- 4.8** The litigations generated by the unauthorized use of the Olympic insignia and other rights mentioned above, shall be settled in accordance with the Statute, legal provisions and Olympic Charter.
- 4.9** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM organizes and coordinates the activity of the RM Olympic Academy, which is in its subordination, does not have legal personality, and is tasked with the development and promotion of the fundamental principles of Olympism. The Olympic Academy shall operate in the frame of its Statute and Regulations, approved by the Executive Board of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, according to its Statute and Olympic Charter.
- 4.10** With the view of achieving its statutory objective, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM cooperates with Government and Non-Government institutions and other public or private organizations, develops cultural programs related to Olympic Movement and supports the Olympic Museum.



- 4.11** The NOSC supports financially, whenever possible, on the basis of contracts or funding programs, the activity of national Olympic centers that provide Olympic training. According to its strategy, it provides organizational, technical and material-financial support to National Sports Federations, scholarships to athletes, coaches and other sports professionals, prioritizing programs focused on training, qualification and participation of athletes in Olympic Games and other programs and activities organized under the patronage of IOC, as well as at world and European championships, and other international sports events.
- 4.12** The NOSC recognizes only one National Sports Federation for each sport, recognized by the State Central Public Authority Administration for Sport of the RM (SCPAA) and the relevant International Sports Federations or similar international sports organizations, as applicable.
- 4.13** The NOSC supports training and ongoing education programs for professionals in physical education and sports, as well as scientific researches in this area and in sports medicine. NOSC will adopt and implement the World Anti-Doping Code to make sure that policies and regulations are aligned to it, will ensure the membership and/or funding requirements and results management procedures, respecting all the roles and responsibilities assigned to national Olympic committees listed in the World Anti-Doping Code.
- 4.14** The NOSC fights against using prohibited substances and methods, as defined in the World Anti-Doping Code or by International Sports Federations, intervening at competent national forums for medical check-ups to be conducted in the best conditions.
- 4.15** The NOSC encourages and supports promotion of ethics in sports, good governance in sports, as well as education of young people through sports, and invests efforts to make sure that fair-play dominates and violence is prohibited in sports;
- 4.16** The NOSC encourages and supports the development and coordination of Olympism and sports competitions, of the sports for all;
- 4.17** The NOSC cooperates with the competent public or private organizations and authorities, on local and international level, to put Olympism and sport at the service of humanity and peace-promotion;
- 4.18** The NOSC acts to strengthen the unity and protect the independence of the Olympic Movement; and to preserve the sports autonomy;
- 4.19** The NOSC opposes any forms of discrimination affecting the Olympic and Sports Movement in the RM;



- 4.20** The NOSC encourages and supports promoting women in sports, at all levels and in all structures, with the purpose to apply the gender equality principle;
- 4.21** The NOSC encourages and supports measures aimed at protecting the health of athletes and opposes the abusive use of sports and athletes for political or commercial purposes;
- 4.22** The NOSC encourages and supports the efforts of sports organizations and public authorities to ensure the social and professional future of athletes and former athletes;
- 4.23** The NOSC organizes annually the Olympic Day and Week;
- 4.24** The NOSC encourages the development of the national performance sports and sports for all, practices in the Olympic spirit;
- 4.25** The NOSC supports, together with National Sports Federations, the State Central Public Authority Administration for Sport of the RM (SCPAA) , other sports organizations, in order to select and prepare athletes for the Olympic Games and other competitions activities and programs under the patronage of IOC;
- 4.26** The NOSC promotes recommendations of any kind to IOC, including recommendations with direct reference to the Olympic Charter, Olympic Movement in general;
- 4.27** The NOSC organizes and carries out, via the Olympic Academy and other institutions, scientific conferences and workshops on topics of interest for NOSC;
- 4.28** The NOSC establishes and supports charity foundations and organizations for the benefit of sports for all and performance sports;
- 4.29** The NOSC defend the interests of athletes, coaches, referees, other professionals, veterans of physical culture and sports, on national and international levels;
- 4.30** The NOSC implements the Olympic Solidarity Programs;
- 4.31** The NOSC participates actively in environment protection;
- 4.32** The NOSC ensures compliance with the Olympic Charter in the Republic of Moldova.

## **5. CHAPTER 5 – NOSC rights**

### **5.1 In its international relations with the International Olympic Committee, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has the right:**

- 5.1.1 to formulate recommendations to IOC on the content of the Olympic Charter, the issue of Olympic Movement in general, including organization and conduct of the Olympic Games;
- 5.1.2 to participate, at the IOC request, via its elected or appointed representatives, in the activities of IOC or its commissions, as well as in specialized commissions of the continental associations of national Olympic committees;
- 5.1.3 to cooperate for the preparation of Olympic congresses and other international activities under the patronage of IOC;
- 5.1.4 to represent the collective interests of its members in other international bodies;
- 5.1.5 to send competitors, representatives and other team members to the Olympic Games, according to the provisions of the Olympic Charter;
- 5.1.6 to benefit of assistance from the Olympic Solidarity;
- 5.1.7 to use certain Olympic properties as authorised by the IOC and in compliance with the Olympic Charter;
- 5.1.8 to participate in the activities conducted or supported by IOC, including regional games;
- 5.1.9 to be part of the association of National Olympic committees, recognized by IOC, to express its opinion regarding the candidate for the organization of the Olympic Games;
- 5.1.10 to participate in the implementation of Olympic Solidarity Programs;
- 5.1.11 to raise funds compatible with the fundamental principles of Olympism;
- 5.1.12 to exercise any other rights and missions assigned by the Olympic Charter or IOC.

### **5.2 At the national level, the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has the following competences and duties:**

- 5.2.1 cooperates with the State Central Public Authority Administration for Sport of the RM (SCPAA) for the implementation of programs aimed at preparing





and ensuring the participation of Moldovan athletes in Olympic Games, as well as at promoting the educational aspects of Olympism;

- 5.2.2** Cooperates via its local structures or members with Local Public Authorities, organize together with them sports activities and competitions, attended by professional athletes and promote the Olympic Movement, ideals and values of the Olympism;
- 5.2.3** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, together with the national sports federations and SCPAA monitors the implementations of athletes preparation programs and achievement of performance objectives at official international competitions.
- 5.2.4** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM initiates proposals and participates in the development of Government policies on sports and physical education.
- 5.2.5** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM develops jointly with SCPAA, on the basis of recommendations from National Sports Federations and other sports structures, the draft National Program on the Preparation and Participation in Olympic Games.
- 5.2.6** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM develops jointly with the SCPAA recommendations on the distributions of the state budget allocations for sports and Olympic activities.
- 5.2.7** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM and the SCPAA develop and support the National Anti-Doping Program, based on the provisions of World Anti-Doping Code, the Antidoping Convention of the Council of Europe in order to prevent and eliminate doping from the sports activity.
- 5.2.8** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM cooperates, on a contractual basis, with National Olympic Federations with the view of preparing and ensuring the participation of athletes in the Olympic Games.
- 5.2.9** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has in its subordination Olympic Training Centers and specialized organizations that ensure the preparation of the Olympic reserves and national Olympic teams.
- 5.2.10** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM supports financially, whenever possible, the activity of Olympic Training Centers.

- 5.2.11** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may benefit of financial support from the state budget to implement the Statute provisions and legislation in force.
- 5.2.12** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM and its sports structures may benefit of allocations from the state budget and local budgets to fund sports programs. These amounts will be provided on the basis of the contracts concluded between the respective structures and central and local public authorities, as appropriate.
- 5.2.13** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may carry out economic activities organized in own units, with or without legal personality, to obtain obtain revenue that can be used to fulfill their authorized objectives.
- 5.2.14** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may receive in ownership real estate, sports buildings and facilities from the public property of the state on the basis of a special law.
- 5.3 The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, as non-governmental organization, has the right:**
- 5.3.1** to disseminate freely information about its activity;
- 5.3.2** to set up its own media outlets;
- 5.3.3** to carry out publishing activity;
- 5.3.4** to represent and defend the legitimate interests of its members in the state-owned bodies and organizations;
- 5.3.5** to take disciplinary actions via its commissions;
- 5.3.6** to obtain from public authorities the necessary information for its authorized activity, with the omissions regulated by the law;
- 5.3.7** to establish, depending on its needs and on its own account, local structural units;
- 5.3.8** to carry out economic activities resulting directly from the goals stipulated in the Statute, including with the help of some trade companies and cooperatives, established for this purpose;
- 5.3.9** to participate in national and international competitions in order to obtain social orders and grants from the Government, as well as to obtain grants and scholarships from other countries, as well as from national, foreign and international foundations and organizations, and private persons;



- 5.3.10 to conclude with individuals and legal entities bilateral and multilateral agreements or technical-scientific, economic and financial cooperation, as well as for production, works and service provision purposes in order to fulfill the statutory goals and duties;
- 5.3.11 to conclude with individuals and legal entities contracts on the use of intellectual property objects, which are owned by them exclusively;
- 5.3.12 to carry out scientific researches and design, social expert review of projects and programs of social importance, to participate in the joint commissions when such projects are considered, provided that such activities are included in the Statute and its regulations;
- 5.3.13 to have its own name and symbols;
- 5.3.14 to carry out fully its duties, provided that they do not violate the legislation on social associations;
- 5.3.15 to organize, as requested by the law, meetings and other public actions;
- 5.3.16 other rights provided for in this Statute and Moldovan legislation.

## **6. CHAPTER 6 - NOSC DUTIES**

### **NOSC carries out the following duties:**

- 6.1 NOSC constitutes, organises and leads their respective delegations at the Olympic Games and at the regional, continental or world multi-sports competitions patronised by the IOC. They decide upon the entry of athletes proposed by their respective national federations. Such selection shall be based not only on the sports performance of an athlete but also on his ability to serve as an example to the sporting youth of his country. NOSC must ensure that the entries proposed by the national federations comply in all respects with the provisions of the Olympic Charter;
- 6.2 The NOSC provides the equipment, transport and accommodation of the members of their delegations. The NOSC contracts for the latter's benefit adequate insurance covering the risks of death, disability, illness, medical and pharmaceutical expenses and third party liability. The NOSC is responsible for the behaviour of the members of their delegations;
- 6.3 The NOSC has the sole and exclusive authority to prescribe and determine the clothing and uniforms to be worn, and the equipment to be used, by the members of their delegations on the occasion of the Olympic Games and in connection with all sports competitions and ceremonies related thereto. This

exclusive authority does not extend to specialised equipment used by athletes of their delegations during the sports competitions. Any publicity in respect of any such specialised equipment must be submitted to the NOSC concerned for approval if there is any reference, express or implied, to the Olympic Games.

- 6.4** The NOSC assists the IOC in respect to the protection of Olympic properties in the territory of the RM.
- 6.5** For the fulfilment of its tasks, the NOSC, besides its governing, control, disciplinary and other bodies, disposes also of staff for administrative, executive, financial, accounting areas.

## **7. CHAPTER 7 - Members**

- 7.1** Members of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM (NOSC) are individuals (citizens of RM) and legal entities that are affiliated to NOSC, adhere to this Statute and understand to respect the Olympic Charter provisions. NOSC, as a social organisation, is established and operates on the basis of volunteering, self-management and equality of members' rights. NOSC is free to establish its internal structures and components, goals, forms and methods of activity. The number of NOSC members is approved and established at the proposal of the Executive Board by the NOSC General Assembly and is constant in order to respect at all times the voting majority of 50 % +1 of the votes expressed by the National Sports Federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games or their representatives.
- 7.2** Categories of Members of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM:
- a) The National Federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games, through their representatives.
  - b) The National Sports Federations affiliated to the International Federations, recognized by IOC, the sports of which are not in the programme of the Olympic Games, through their representatives.
  - c) Local Olympic Agencies through their representatives;
  - d) Individuals – Olympic athletes elected by the NOSC Athletes Commission established as per the IOC guidelines, maximum 3 persons.
  - e) Woman and Sports Association represented by 5 persons;
  - f) National Olympic Athletes Association represented by 3 persons;

- g) Olympic champions of the RM and Olympic medalists who represented RM at the OG, maximum 15 persons;
- h) IOC members from the RM, if any. Such members have the right to vote in the NOSC general assemblies. In addition, the above-mentioned IOC members from the RM are ex officio members of the NOSC Executive Board, within which they have the right to vote;
- i) Other organizations that contributed to the NOSC strengthening, or provided outstanding services to promote the cause of sports and Olympism, whose activity coincides with the NOSC duties and goals. Individual NOSC members and representatives of legal entities must be citizens of the Republic of Moldova.

- 7.3** NOSC membership means unconditional acceptance, according to the law, of this Statute, any amendments to it, and the decisions of the NOSC General Meeting Executive Board and Olympic Charter and other IOC regulations.
- 7.4** NOSC members carry out their obligations voluntarily, except for the persons who manage the NOSC.
- 7.5** NOSC members do not bear personal liability for the NOSC obligations and liabilities and, respectively, NOSC does not bear any liability for the liabilities and obligations of its members.
- 7.6** NOSC members, legal entities, may be represented at the General Meeting only by a single representative who will be accepted as such by the decision of the Executive Board based on the criteria established by the NOSC General Assembly. This quality will be subject to subsequent approval by the NOSC General Assembly on the proposal of the Executive Board.
- 7.7** National Federations may delegate their representatives for a period from 1 to 4 year, based on an official letter, accompanied if necessary by a letter of attorney or minutes of the competent management body. Besides, based on the decision of their management body, the representative may be replaced for another. The delegation of another person shall be communicated in writing to NOSC at least 30 days before the opening of the next ordinary or special session of the General Assembly.
- 7.8** The rayons, municipalities and towns of the Republic of Moldova shall be represented in the NOSC via the Local Olympic Agencies. Representatives will be elected in the local sports organizations on the basis of their merits in the Olympic and Sports Movement in the Republic of Moldova, principles stipulated in the relevant regulations. The activity of the Local Olympic Agencies shall be based on a sample Statute, approved and recommended by

the NOSC.

**7.9 Membership can be acquired in the following conditions:**

**7.9.1** To be eligible, individual members of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM shall be aged between 18 and 70 years. Any NOSC member shall give up on his/her membership at the end of the calendar year when he/she turned 70 years old; if a member turns this age during his/her mandate of President, Deputy President, or Executive Board member of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, he/she will give up on the membership during the next General Meeting;

**7.9.2** According to the Olympic Charter, Government bodies or other public authorities shall not designate any members of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM. NOSC Executive Board may assign some representatives of these authorities to participate as special guests at the General Meeting, but without the right to vote. NOSC or its governing bodies members may activate within the legislation framework, in the State Government bodies, with the condition that this activity will not cause any damage toward NOSC.

**7.9.3** An IOC member, a honorary member or an excluded honorary member of IOC cannot be a NOSC member.

**7.9.4** An individual or legal entitie who meets and complies with the provisions of this Statute, other NOSC acts and regulations may apply for NOSC membership by submitting an application and a set of documents established by the General Assembly or the NOSC Executive Board. After checking the application by the NOSC Executive Board, if the candidate has fulfilled all the criteria established, it may be proposed to the General Meeting to become an affiliated member of NOSC. The candidate may be questioned in connection with its application for membership by the General Assembly or the NOSC Executive Board.

**7.10 Membership of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM is lost in cases of:**

**7.10.1** Dismissal, resignation or death;

**7.10.2** Renunciation on the RM citizenship;

**7.10.3** Exclusion by the General Meeting for justified reasons related to the failure to comply with the NOSC Statute, Codes, regulations or Olympic Charter, including the cases of termination or lack of activity for more than one year in the field of the Olympic Movement and sport.



- 7.10.4** Legal dissolution of the National Sports Federation or of the organization the member represents, other similar situations covered by the legislation in force of the Republic of Moldova;
- 7.10.5** Exclusion, loss of membership, acceptance of disaffiliation, withdrawal, and dismissal is done on the basis of a Decision of the NOSC General Assembly.
- 7.10.6** An individual NOSC member shall be regarded as disaffiliated or shall lose his/her membership, without any declaration from the latter, if he/she changes his/her citizenship or transfers his/her domicile to another country. This provision is also valid in the case when he/she does not participate in the General Assemblies and does not participate in the NOSC works during a two-year period.
- 7.10.7** The decision to exclude a NOSC member or a NOSC honor or honorary member is taken with a majority of 2/3 of votes cast by the voting members present at the session of the General Assembly after having given an opportunity to the member concerned to be heard.
- 7.11 Suspension of membership:**
- 7.11.1** Severe infringement of the Olympic Charter, the IOC Code of Ethics and/or this Statute, codes, regulations, directives and decisions of NOSC and its bodies may result in suspension of NOSC membership for a determined or undetermined period of time, as decided by the General Assembly after having given an opportunity to the member concerned to be heard.
- 7.11.2** The General Assembly of NOSC adopts the decision to suspend the NOSC membership, at the recommendation of the Executive Board. During the period between General Assemblies, the Executive Board may decide on its own to resume temporarily the decision on membership suspension with an immediate effect, including in the cases of withdrawal or termination of activity. In all such cases the suspension will be in force until the next General Assembly and shall be confirmed by the latter. This does not refer to the cases when the suspension expired or was lifted by the Executive Board before the date of the next General Assembly.
- 7.11.3** The suspension shall be validated by the next General Assembly with at least 50%+1 of votes, expressed by the members and representatives with a voting right attending the Assembly. If the suspension was not validated, it shall be regarded as annulled automatically, without any consequences.
- 7.11.4** The suspended member is deprived of all membership rights. Other affiliated members cannot maintain any contacts of sports nature with the suspended member.

**7.11.5** Suspension leads to the canceling of the right to participate in the competitions systems of NOSC during the suspension period, deprivation of the suspended member and his/her representatives of the right to attend the General Assemblies, to elect and be elected on NOSC bodies during the punishment period.

**7.11.6** The General Assembly may decide to continue, extend or terminate the suspension. If necessary, the General Assembly may decide to exclude the suspended members.

## **7.12 Members with the right to vote**

**7.12.1** Each individual NOSC member or representative of a legal entity has the right to vote at the General Assembly. As a rule, the representative of a legal entity, member of NOSC, shall be its leader, however under certain circumstances, the NOSC affiliated member may delegate another person within its governing bodies to attend the NOSC General Assembly. The composition and the nominal value of the vote of each NOSC member from the Republic of Moldova during the voting process is made according to the following weight:

- a) The National Federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games, which athletes are Olympic medals holders, via their representatives – 4 votes each.
- b) The National Federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games, which athletes are Olympic participants, via their representatives – 3 votes each.
- c) The National Federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games, which athletes are not Olympic participants, via their representatives – 2 votes each.
- d) The National Sports Federations affiliated to the International Federations, recognized by IOC, the sports of which are not in the programme of the Olympic Games depending on the performances obtained in international competitions, on the basis of criteria established by the NOSC Executive Board, - 1 vote each.
- e) Local Olympic Agencies through their representatives – 1 vote each;
- f) Individuals – elected representatives of athletes, maximum 3 persons. Those representatives must have taken part in the Olympic Games. They must retire from their posts the end of the third Olympiad after the last Olympic Games in which they took part – 1 vote each.





- g) Woman and Sports Association represented by 5 persons – 1 vote each;
- h) National Olympic Athletes Association represented by 3 persons – 1 vote each;
- i) Olympic champions of the RM and holders of silver and bronze medals who represented RM at OG, maximum 15 persons – 1 vote each;
- j) IOC members from the RM, if any – 1 vote each.
- k) Other organizations that contributed to the NOSC strengthening, or provided outstanding services to promote the cause of sports and Olympism, whose activity coincides with the NOSC duties and goals – 1 vote each.

**7.12.2** The majority of votes of the General Assembly is composed of the votes of the representatives of National Federations affiliated to International Federations governing sports included in the Olympic Games.

## **8. CHAPTER 8 - Honor President, Honor Members and Honorary Members**

- 8.1** At the recommendation of the NOSC Executive Board, the General Meeting may elect, with the status of honor President, a former NOSC President for exceptional merits; the honor President has the right to expose his opinion during the General Assemblies concerning problems included in its agenda.
- 8.2** Honor President, Honor Members and Honorary Members only have an advisory right.
- 8.3** The honorary members may be: former Presidents, Deputy Presidents of NOSC, members of the NOSC Executive Board and Commissions, remarkable personalities of the sports, social, cultural, scientific, economic or political life, who encourage and support the NOSC activity. At the recommendation of the NOSC Executive Board, the General Meeting may elect, with the status of honor members, high personalities from outside NOSC, who brought special services.
- 8.4** Any NOSC member who retires after serving the NOSC for at least ten years and having rendered exceptional services to it may, upon the proposal of the NOSC Executive Board, be elected by the General Assembly as honorary member.

## **9. CHAPTER 9 - Rights and obligations of members**

- 9.1** Members of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM must exercise their rights and obligations, provided for in this Statute with good faith and in the interest of NOSC.
- 9.2** NOSC members have the following rights:
- a) To be elected in the management, administration or control bodies of NOSC, according to this Statute;
  - b) To carry out the competences provided for by the Statute, regulations and decisions of NOSC, as well as the right to vote in the NOSC bodies they belong to;
  - c) To submit to the Executive Board proposals related to the competences offered by the membership to NOSC General Assembly;
  - d) To formulate proposals regarding amendments and/or addenda to the NOSC Statute;
  - e) To participate in the activities organized by NOSC;
  - f) To express freely and in good faith their opinions in NOSC;
  - g) To participate in the NOSC General Assemblies and to propose within prescribed terms proposals concerning its agenda.
  - h) To benefit of NOSC support and other rights according to this Statute and legislation of the Republic of Moldova.
- 9.3** NOSC members have the following obligations:
- a) To comply with the Statute, regulations, Code of Ethics and decisions of NOSC bodies, as well as with the Olympic Charter, IOC Codes and the World Anti-Doping Code, to fight against doping in sports.
  - b) To participate in the works of the NOSC General Assemblies and of the bodies where they were elected;
  - c) To contribute to the strengthening and increase in the prestige of NOSC and Olympic Movement;
  - d) Not to carry out actions that, due to their character, may affect the interests and professional reputation of NOSC;



- e) To contribute to the implementation of the programs of the specialized commissions they belong to;
- f) To follow and support the development of Olympic Movement and sports activity at the national and/or local level, as appropriate, by implementing the relevant programs adopted by NOSC;
- g) To cooperate for the preparation of the activities organized by NOSC, contributing to the fulfillment of the statutory objectives, enforcement of the decisions of the General Assembly, Executive Board and specialized commissions.
- h) To have a decent civil behavior, support and promote Olympism and sports in the communities where they live and in the professional environment where they work.
- i) The NOSC members, except for the professional sports managers, shall not accept any compensation or reward for the services performed or functions fulfilled. They may be reimbursed the transportation and accommodation expenditures, as well as the justified expenditures related to the fulfillment of their functions.
- j) To inform regularly in writing the NOSC management (President, Deputy Presidents or Executive Board) at the end of the year about the personal activity in the Olympic Movement,
- k) To inform, without delays, the President about any events that may prevent the implementation of the Olympic Charter or affect in any way the Olympic Movement in the RM or in the organization they belong to;
- l) To carry out other duties assigned by the General Assembly, Executive Board, President, Deputy President or other competent NOSC bodies.

## **10. CHAPTER 10 - Management bodies**

### **10.1 The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has the following management, administration, control and disciplinary bodies:**

- a) General Assembly;
- b) Executive Board formed by the President, First Deputy President, 2 Deputy Presidents, Secretary General, and members;
- c) Supervisory Council;
- d) Revision Commission;

e) Ethics Commission.

## **10.2 General Assembly**

**10.2.1** The General Assembly is the supreme management body of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM. It consists of all categories of members stipulated in the present Statute.

**10.2.2** The General Assembly is led by the NOSC President or by another person empowered by him/her, who will stay in front of the Assembly, in the Presidium, together with members of the NOSC Executive Board.

### **10.2.3 Duties of the General Assembly:**

- a) approve the strategy and general objectives of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, approve its annual or four years plan;
- b) approve the budget ,the audited financial statements of the preceding year, the amount of the annual NOSC membership fee;
- c) approve the Activity Report of the Executive Board;
- d) approve the election and dismissal of members of the Revision Commission and Supervisory Council;
- e) approve the Annual Control Report of the Revision Commission or the Audit Report;
- f) approve amendments to the Statute with the vote of 2/3 of the members with the right to vote, present at the General Meeting;
- g) elect, affiliate, suspend and exclude members;
- h) elect and dismiss the President, First Deputy President, Deputy Presidents and Executive Board members;
- i) approve the honor president, honorary members and honor members;
- j) Decide on the reorganization, liquidation, closure or termination of NOSC with the vote of 3/4 of affiliated members.

**10.2.4** The General Meeting has a quorum if attended by 2/3 of members with the right to vote, affiliated to the NOSC.

**10.2.5** The ordinary General Assembly is convened once a year, validates the Activity Report of the Executive Board and report of the Revision (Audit) Commission and Supervisory Council, approves the annual plan and budget



of revenue and expenses of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM.

- 10.2.6** The ordinary General Assembly is convened in writing by the Executive Board, at least 30 days before its planned date, and then communicated to all members by registered mail, e-mail and published on the NOSC website.
- 10.2.7** The invitation contains the date, time, and venue. The agenda of the General Assembly will be communicated to the NOSC members at latest 10 days before the General Assembly.
- 10.2.8** If the agenda contains new proposals to amend/complement the Statute and/or other documents, which shall be adopted by the General Assembly, their whole text shall be submitted to all members or placed on the NOSC website at least 4 days in advance.
- 10.2.9** The agenda for an ordinary, reporting or election General Assembly is established by the NOSC Executive Board and approved by the General Assembly.
- 10.2.10** The agenda proposed by the Executive Board may be changed during the General Assembly, only with respect to the issues proposed within the set terms by the NOSC members. The issues not included in the agenda by the NOSC Executive Board may be included with the vote of 2/3 of the members with the right to vote present at the General Assembly.
- 10.2.11** The proposals to the agenda shall be presented to the Executive Board through the NOSC secretariat at least 20 days before the date of the General Assembly. The proposals presented later may not be taken into consideration by the Executive Board.
- 10.2.12** The issues that were not included in the agenda may not be debated and voted during the General Meeting.
- 10.2.13** Access to the General Meeting of NOSC is based on invitations.
- 10.2.14** The decisions of the General Assembly are taken with the absolute majority (50 % +1) of the votes cast by the voting members present at the General Assembly, with the exceptions foreseen in the present Statute. As a rule the voting is open. The General Assembly may decide for a vote by secret ballot especially for the elections, in the case when the majority (50 % +1) of the votes cast by the voting members present at the General Assembly will take this decision.



- 10.2.15** If the General Assembly does not have a quorum, a new General Assembly is convened within 15 days. In this situation the General Assembly has a quorum, regardless of the number of members with the right to vote present.
- 10.2.16** In a repeated General Assembly conducted as prescribed in Article 10.2.15, a valid decision can be taken only if voted by the unanim vote of the present members with the right to vote.
- 10.2.17** When dealing with questions relating to the Olympic Games, the decision within the General Assembly or the NOSC Executive Board will be taken only by the votes cast by the national federations affiliated to the IFs governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games.
- 10.2.18** The decisions taken by the General Assembly, within the limits of the law, this Statute and the Olympic Charter, are binding for the members who did not attend the meeting or voted against.
- 10.2.19** The General Assembly has the right to dismiss or suspend for a definite or indefinite period of time one or more members of the NOSC bodies. The Executive Board may include the issue concerning the dismissal or suspension of a member or a body in the General Assembly agenda. The Executive Board, during the time between the General Assemblies may also suspend one or more members of the NOSC governing or control bodies for a provisional period, with the exception of the NOSC President. The initiative for dismissal or suspension shall be justified. The initiative for dismissal or suspension shall be sent in written form by the President or the Secretary of the Executive Board, along with the agenda of the General Assembly to the affiliated members or members of the Executive Board, as appropriate. The respective person or body has the right to defend his/its position in front of the General Assembly or Executive Board, according to the situation. If the initiative for dismissal or suspension is supported, the General Assembly or the Executive Board will take the appropriate decision by voting. To be approved, the motion should be sustained by a majority of 2/3 of NOSC members' votes present at the General Assembly or Executive Board meeting. The person or body is dismissed or suspended from the moment of the adoption of the respective decision.
- 10.2.20** In the period between the General Assemblies, the NOSC activity is conducted by the NOSC Executive Board, President, first deputy President, deputy Presidents and Secretary General in accordance with the provisions of the present Statute.

### **10.3 Procedure of convening the Election General Assembly**

- 10.3.1** The Election General Meeting is convened every fourth year, as a rule the following year after the summer Olympic Games. It is convened 60 days before its conduct. For the category of members as legal entities, the NOSC Secretariat submits a written request to relevant organizations, 60 days before the set date of the General Assembly, to propose their representatives in the delegation to the General Assembly of NOSC via a letter, Power of Attorney and/or minutes, if necessary. The respective organizations shall send the reply notifications within at least 30 days before the set date of the Election General Assembly. The organizations should reconfirm or assign new representatives following the above procedure at the Election General Assembly, every fourth year or every year, at its decision, taking into consideration the delegation validity.
- 10.3.2** For individual members, the NOSC Secretariat will notify directly the respective persons, complying with the same deadlines and procedures as in the previous paragraph.
- 10.3.3** The other categories of members, such as honor President, honorary and honor members may be invited to the General Meeting 7 days before its conduct.
- 10.3.4** The voting is done by open or secret voting, as provided by this Statute and the Regulations and Conduct on the Organization of General Assemblies.
- 10.3.5** The distribution, counting and validation of the ballots is done by the validation-counting commission established especially by the election General Assembly.
- 10.3.6** The NOSC General Assembly may create an Electoral Commission for managing the elections within the NOSC governing bodies, at the proposal of the NOSC President. This commission will deal with the registration of candidates, receiving necessary documents to achieve other formalities relating to elections. The Commission will act on the basis of its own rules approved by the General Assembly of NOSC.
- 10.3.7** The election results shall be confirmed by the validation-counting commission and shall be documented in the minutes of the General Assembly, prepared by a secretary elected by the General Assembly. The minutes and decisions of the General Assembly shall be communicated to the IOC.
- 10.3.8** Any vacant post for the position of the President, First Vice President, Vice President or other member of the Executive Board shall be filled by election for the particular NOSC vacancy during the next General Assembly in accordance with the provisions of this Statute.



## **10.4 The extraordinary General Assembly**

- 10.4.1** The extraordinary General Assembly may be convened at the request of the President, of 2/3 of Executive Board members or at the written request of 2/3 NOSC members with the right to vote.
- 10.4.2** The extraordinary General Assembly shall take place in at least 30 days since it was convened or in 60 days at most since the submittal of the request with the respect of the provisions of the present Statute.
- 10.4.3** The agenda of the extraordinary General Meeting shall be communicated when it is convened and cannot be revised.
- 10.4.4** The procedure, documents and supplementary conditions concerning the organization of elections within the NOSC during ordinary and extraordinary General Assemblies will be presented in the Regulations on the Organization and Conduct of NOC General Assemblies.

## **11. CHAPTER 11 - The Executive Board of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM**

- 11.1** The Executive Board members consists of NOSC members, elected by the NOSC General Meeting for a period of 4 years, according to the provisions of this Statute. The majority of voters (50%+ 1) of the Executive Board shall be composed of representatives of national sports federations affiliated to the International Federations recognized by the IOC, governing sports, included in the program of the Olympic Games.

The Executive Board consists of the following members with the right to vote:

- President; First Deputy President; two Deputy Presidents;
- seven ordinary members elected by the General Meeting, of whom one is appointed as the General Secretary; the IOC members in the RM, if any, are ex-officio Executive Board members.

- 11.2** The Executive Board members are elected by the General Assembly, at the proposal of the NOSC President, from among NOSC members or their representatives, in case of legal entities, via open vote of the majority NOSC members and their representatives present at the General Assembly. They could be re-elected. The NOSC Executive Board meets at the request of the President, at least once in 3 months or whenever necessary. Its meetings are deliberative if attended by at least 50% +1 of members. In case of a tie, the



vote of the President shall be decisive. The Secretariat shall communicate to the Executive Board members, at least 7 days before the meeting, the date and agenda of the meeting.

**11.3 The NOSC Executive Board has the following duties:**

- 11.3.1** Presents to the General Assembly the Activity Report for the previous period, report on the implementation of the budget of revenue and expenses, audited financial statements, budget for the next year and draft NOSC programs;
- 11.3.2** Approves or take note, as appropriate, of legal papers on behalf and account of NOSC, signed by the President, First Deputy President, Deputy Presidents, or another empowered person;
- 11.3.3** Develops the Human Resources Strategy, approves the organizational chart and staffing policy for the NOSC management, on the basis of the proposals made by the President, First Deputy President or Deputy Presidents;
- 11.3.4** Approves the membership, regulations, codes and annual programs of the standing commissions and ad-hoc working groups of the NOSC;
- 11.3.5** Approves and offers diplomas, distinctions, honors, merit orders and other motivational, appreciation and courtesy;
- 11.3.6** Decides on the proposal to the General Assembly on the issues of membership, suspension or expulsion of members within NOSC.
- 11.3.7** Arranges the implementation of the decisions taken by the General Assembly;
- 11.3.8** Prepares the agenda; sets the date and venue of the NOSC General Assembly;
- 11.3.9** Considers and adopts decisions related to the preparation and participation of athletes of the Republic of Moldova to the Olympic Games and other competitions under the patronage of IOC;
- 11.3.10** Approves the activity programs for the NOSC commissions;
- 11.3.11** Makes proposals to encourage and sanction NOSC members; proposes and approves the directors of Territorial Olympic Agencies.
- 11.3.12** Carries out other measures that are not assigned expressly to the NOSC General Assembly.
- 11.3.13** Based on its decision, the Executive Board may delegate some of its duties to the NOSC President.



- 11.3.14** The Executive Board decisions may be annulled only by the General Assembly of NOSC with the vote of 2/3 of NOSC affiliated members. Only decisions approved during the period of last mandate of the respective NOSC Executive Board can be annulled.
- 11.3.15** The Executive Board meetings may be convened also at the request of 2/3 of its members.
- 11.4** General eligibility procedure in the Executive Board and for the positions of First Deputy President and Deputy Presidents
- 11.4.1** Eligible members of the Executive Board for a period of four years are: the First Deputy President, Deputy Presidents, the Secretary General and other members of the Executive Board, NOSC members or their representatives with the right to vote, proposed by the President from among the candidates submitted by NOSC members, which agree with this position.
- 11.4.2** The First Deputy President and NOSC Deputy Presidents are elected, at NOSC President's proposal, from among the Executive Board members, already elected by the General Assembly.

## **12. CHAPTER 12 - NOSC President**

- 12.1** The President of the NOSC of the RM is elected by the Report and Election General Assembly, according to the provisions of this Statute and the Regulation on the Organization and Conduct of the General Assembly of NOSC. The Report and Election General Assembly will decide the way the NOSC President election: by secret or open vote.
- 12.2** The NOSC President is elected for a four-year period from among NOSC members or their representatives. Each NOSC member has the right to apply for the position of President in accordance with the provisions of this Statute and the Regulation on the Organization and Conduct of the General Assembly of NOSC. The candidate for the position of President is voted after the candidates are discussed at the special session of the General Assembly. The candidate who accumulated more than 50% of votes is declared to be elected. If none of the candidates accumulated the necessary number of votes, repeated voting shall be organized for the first two candidates who accumulated most of the votes during the first tour. The candidate who accumulated most of the votes will be declared President.
- 12.3** The President may be re-elected for successive four-year periods.
- 12.4** At the proposal of the President, the special session of the Reporting and Election General Assembly elects by open voting the Revision Commission, Supervisory Council and Election Commission whose activity period,

together with the President's, ends at the next special Reporting and Election General Assembly in 4 years.

**12.5** As an exception to the point 12.4 of this Statute, regardless of the time they were elected, the mandates of the NOC President, NOSC Executive Body members, First Deputy President and Deputy Presidents of NOSC, members of the Supervisory Council, the Revision Commission maintain the valability till the election of new members of management bodies and of the NOSC commissions and councils.

**12.6 Conditions to apply for the position of NOSC:**

**12.6.1** To apply for the position of President of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, the candidates must meet the following conditions:

- a) have the citizenship of RM;
- b) have a diploma of high education;
- c) be a remarkable personality on the national or international arena;
- d) have an undeniable moral profile;
- e) not having penal antecedents,
- f) have experience in sports and Olympic management for at least 4 years;
- g) speak two languages of international circulation, including one official IOC language;
- h) be a NOSC member;
- i) be presented to this position by the decision and minutes of at least 15 NOSC members, 8 of which being National Federations affiliated to the IFs recognized by the IOC governing sports included in the programme of the Olympic Games;
- j) Not to exceed the age of 70 years.

**12.6.2** The candidates for the position of President shall submit personally at the NOSC Secretariat, at least 30 days before the planned date of the Report and Election General Assembly, the following:

- a) Curriculum Vitae
- b) Letter of Intent

- c) An Activity Program or his/her own Strategy for NOSC Development during the current Olympic cycle and further (summary), which will be disseminated to NOSC members before the Election General Assembly or placed on the NOSC website.
- d) The procedure and other additional documents required will be provided in detail in the Regulation on the Organization and Conduct of the General Meeting of NOSC;

### **12.7 NOSC President has the following duties:**

- a) represents NOSC in relations with third parties, during official national and international events,
- b) convenes the Executive Board and chairs its meetings,
- c) may convene the General Assembly and chairs its meeting,
- d) exercises his/her entire authority and competence to ensure fulfillment of NOSC goals,
- e) ensures the management of the current activity of NOSC;
- f) acts on behalf of NOSC without special mandate and represent its interests in all circumstances in front of national, international or private bodies and institutions, conclude contracts, conventions and other acts needed at this level;
- g) ensures implementation of the decisions of the General Meeting and Executive Board; ensures the regular and efficient operation of NOSC bodies to allow the achievement of the objectives specified in this Statute;
- h) Proposes candidates for vacancies, new positions created, Commissions and sub-structures, when necessary;
- i) controls the activity of the NOSC management and staff; Olympic Academy, Olympic Muzeum and other sub-structures of the NOSC,
- j) represents the NOSC without special mandate in its relations with IOC, Government bodies and other organizations;
- k) in his/her position of authorized spender of the NOSC funds, signs accounting documents, contracts and other documents that do not violate the current legislation of the Republic of Moldova, this Statute and the Olympic Charter;

- l)** has the right to delegate his/her signature to the First Deputy President, one of the NOSC Deputy Presidents or one Executive Board member;
  - m)** verify the application and compliance with the Statute and regulations;
  - n)** employ, conclude various contracts and other documents to carry out the NOSC activity and fulfill the statutory or decisional objectives;
  - o)** ensure the legality of NOC activity according to the requirements of this Statute;
  - p)** direct the implementation of NOC activity programs;
  - q)** approve the structure and staffing schemes, payment terms of NOC staff.
  - r)** assume a part of the competences of the Executive Board, according to the decision approved by the latter;
  - s)** the administrative power in all the NOSC area of activity is represented by the President in accordance with the present Statute
  - t)** other duties provided for in this Statute, decisions of the General Assembly and current legislation of the RM.
- 12.6.** The President may delegate some of his/her powers to other persons, besides the members of NOSC governing bodies, according to this Statute and the current legislation of the RM.
- 12.7.** The NOSC President has only one vote during the Executive Board meetings. But, in the event of a tie, his/her vote is decisive.
- 12.8.** In the absence of the NOSC President, his duties are carried out by the First Deputy President, whose role is to help the President in his activity, if the latter is absent - one of the Deputy Presidents, and if he/she is absent - one of the Executive Board members, who was duly entrusted this right by the President or Executive Board.
- 12.9.** If the NOSC President is temporarily unable to carry out one or more duties, he/she may delegate the respective duty/duties to the First Deputy President or another Deputy President.
- 12.10.** The First Deputy President of NOSC keeps records of NOSC members by recording their quality in a special register.
- 12.11.** If the position of NOSC President becomes vacant before the established terms, an extraordinary Election General Assembly shall be convened to elect

a new President within a period of up to four months. If the position of NOSC President becomes vacant less than four months until the next ordinary reporting and election Congress, the new President will be elected during it, according to this Statute. During this period, the duties of the NOSC President will be carried out by the First Deputy President.

- 12.12.** NOSC President may be dismissed only by the General Assembly, at the request of at least 50%+ 1 of the NOSC members with the right to vote, who will present the motion of no confidence and this decision should be approved by the vote of at least 2/3 of NOSC members with the right to vote. If the motion of no confidence is not supported by at least 50 %+ 1 NOSC members with the right to vote, this issue is not discussed and not submitted to voting at the General Assembly.

### **13. CHAPTER 13 - General Secretary of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM**

- 13.1** At the proposal of the President, the General Secretary shall be elected by the Executive Board from its members, during the first meeting after the special Report and Election General Assembly.

#### **The General Secretary has the following functions:**

- a) Reviews the annual report of the NOSC Executive Board; represents NOSC in various institutions, together with the President;
- b) prepares the necessary acts for the sessions of the General Meeting and Executive Board;
- c) together with the President, signs the minutes of the Executive Board meetings;
- d) carries out the secretarial functions at the Executive Board meetings and co-signs the minutes of General Assemblies;
- e) prepares the NOSC activity programs, Olympic and sports program and other activities at the request of NOSC governing bodies;
- f) issues other regulatory acts within his/her competence.

### **14. CHAPTER 14. Supervisory Council**

- 14.1** The NOSC Supervisory Council is a unit that operates on a voluntary basis or against payment and has the goal to supervise, at least once a year, the activity of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM in terms of its compliance with the statutory interests, objectives, functions and

obligations, as well as the statute of public utility of the association.

- 14.2** Members of the NOSC Supervisory Council are elected for a period of one to four years by the General Meeting at the proposal of the President. The General Assembly has the power to dismiss them according to the statutory or legal norms of the RM.
- 14.3** The Supervisory Council consists of 3 individuals. They shall avoid conflict of interests and cannot be simultaneously members of the NOSC Executive Board.
- 14.4** The Council shall operate on the basis of its own regulation approved by the NOSC General Assembly.

## **15. CHAPTER 15. Commissions of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM:**

- 15.1** The Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, via the Executive Board, establishes specialized commissions, permanent or for a determined period, as working and consultative forums, with the role to:
- a) develop strategies for the development of the area they are responsible for;
  - b) draft programs and implementation norms, as well as special programs or projects;
  - c) evaluate periodically the progress and efficiency of execution of programs;
  - d) develop programs, make qualified recommendations to the NOSC Executive Board;
  - e) apply disciplinary sanctions, not included in the competence of other NOSC governing bodies;
  - f) other duties foreseen in their activity regulations.
- 15.2** The NOSC Commissions consist of members of the General Assembly or specialists and experts, independent or affiliated to NOSC, with knowledge in various areas: sports, case laws, economy, medicine, teachers' science, psychology, etc. These commissions are led, as a rule, by a member of the Executive Board.
- 15.3** NOSC Commissions operate according to their own regulations. The mandate duration of the commission members correspond with the mandate of the Executive Board. Commission presidents have the right to involve subject-matter experts in order to find the most optimal solution for the discussed

situations. These experts do not have the right to vote and can provide services during the mandate of the commission president.

**15.4** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM can establish the following specialized commissions, if necessary:

- a) Athletes Commission established as per IOC guidelines and the provisions of the Olympic Charter;
- b) Olympic Technical Specialized Commission and High Performance Sports Commission;
- c) Finance, Marketing, Economy and Investments Commission;
- d) Education, Science, Promotion and Development Commission;
- e) Medical and Anti-Doping Commission;
- f) Non-Olympic Sports Commission;
- g) Sports for All Commission;
- h) Media and fair play, statistics;
- i) School and University Sports Commission;
- j) Legal and conciliation.

**15.5** In specialized situations and for well defined topics, the Executive Board may decide to establish ad-hoc working groups or commissions for a determined period of time.

**15.6** The nominal membership of specialized commissions and their own regulations regarding their organization and operation are approved by the NOSC Executive Board.

## ***16. CHAPTER 16. Ethics Commission***

**16.1** The Ethics Commission of NOSC is established in order to promote and defend the principles stipulated in the Olympic Charter, as well as the recognized national and European life style and behavioral norms. It operates on the basis of its own regulations on organization and operation, approved by the NOSC General Assembly. The members of the Ethics Commission are proposed by the NOSC President and approved by the General Assembly.

**16.2** The Ethics Commission is competent to investigate the complaints related to the unawareness of the ethics principles, including the cases involving the



violation of the Ethics Code, Regulations and other NOSC documents. It applies disciplinary sanctions according and other measures to the provisions of the Statute, Regulations and Codes of the NOSC.

## **17. CHAPTER 17. Revision Commission**

- 17.1** The Revision Commission is elected at the proposal of NOSC President by open voting by the General Assembly of NOSC from the list of candidates proposed by the NOSC members. The Revision Commission consists of 3 persons, most of whom have the right to vote and at least one reviser should be an authorized accountant or accounting expert under the law. Revisers cannot be NOSC Executive Board members.
- 17.2** The revisers are elected by the General Assembly for a 4-year period and ensure the internal financial control of NOSC.
- 17.3** The Revision Commission has the following duties:
- a) verify the financial-accounting activity of NOSC, as well as how it manages the property;
  - b) prepare and submit reports to the General Assembly;
  - c) may participate, via the President, to the meetings of the Executive Board with a consultative vote;
  - d) carry out any other duties set by the General Assembly;
- 17.4** If the General Assembly decides otherwise, the NOSC activity may be checked by a specialized audit company, rather than by the Revision Commission. The audit company will be appointed by the NOSC General Assembly, at the proposal of the NOSC President.
- 17.5** The financial statement will be approved and validated by the NOSC General Assembly, only after the verification of the NOSC accountant and approval of the NOSC President.

## **18. CHAPTER 18 - Financing of the NOSC activity**

- 18.1** The financing of the NOSC activity is stipulated in its annual budget of revenue and expenses.
- 18.2** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has the following main annual sources of revenue:
- a) Specific NOSC activities of non-patrimonial nature (fees, taxes, licenses, etc.);

- b) Sponsorships, donations and grants;
- c) Economic activities organized in economic units founded by NOSC, with or without the status of legal entity, according to the current legislation of the RM and NOSC Statute;
- d) Revenues obtained by assigning the right to use the NOSC emblem and other NOSC's intellectual property;
- e) Receipts from the organization of public courses, exhibitions, lotteries, auctions, sports and other types of activities;
- f) Revenue from internal and external economic activity;
- g) Revenue from the economic activity;
- h) Material and financial means provided by sponsors and philanthropists in accordance with the RM Law on Philanthropy and Sponsorship;
- i) Other sources that do not violate the current legislation of the Republic of Moldova, the NOSC Statutes and the Olympic Charter.

**18.3** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may obtain the following types of revenue from specific activities according to the provision of the special national legislation, such as the legislation on physical culture and sports, subject to the Olympic Charter:

- a) Allocations from the state budget;
- b) Olympic stamp, from the value of tickets to sports events, according to the provision of the legislation of the RM;
- c) Revenue from the National Lottery of Moldova, determined according to the special law;
- d) financial contributions from the International Olympic Committee and Olympic Solidarity Programs;
- d) Unused amounts from the previous financial years.

**18.4** The property and the revenue obtained by NOSC from economic activity shall be used exclusively for the fulfillment of statutory objectives and cannot be distributed to members, neither in case of reorganization or liquidation. It is allowed to use the revenue for philanthropic purposes.

**18.5** By Executive Board Decision, NOSC may establish trade companies, under the law. The dividends paid by these trade companies, unless reinvested in the same companies, shall be used for the fulfillment of NOSC statutory objectives.

**18.6** NOSC must reject any donation provided in conditions that contravene its objectives, the provisions of this Statute, the Olympic Charter or the current legislation of the RM.

**18.7** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM has goals related to public utility activities, the NOSC property and revenue are not distributed

among its members and founders, including in case of liquidation or reorganization, they shall be used only for the statutory purposes.

## **19. CHAPTER 19. The technical and material base**

- 19.1** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may own, lease or use real estate, sports facilities and equipment of national interest, part of the property of the Government and local public authorities or may refurbish/built real estate from its own revenue (its office, sports facilities and sports venues).
- 19.2** The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM may establish, organize and subsidize regional or local associations, organizations, sports complexes and training facilities, as subordinated units, under the law.

## **20. CHAPTER 20. Reorganization and liquidation of NOSC**

- 20.1** **The National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM ceases its activity in cases of:**

- a) Reorganization via merger, separation or transformation;
- b) Dissolution.

The procedure of the terminating the NOSC activity is established by the General Assembly and is stipulated in this Statute and legislation in force.

- 20.2** Reorganization

NOSC is reorganized by the decision of the General Assembly with the vote of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of its members. In case of NOSC reorganization, its property is transmitted to the newly-established legal entities in the manner prescribed by the Civil Code of the RM, with prior consultation and coordination of the process with the IOC.

- 20.3** **Dissolution**

- 20.3.1** NOSC is closed by a Decision of the General Assembly voted by  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the NOSC members with the right to vote or by a court judgment.
- 20.3.2** The assets remained after the NOSC closure the payment of creditors' claims are used to fulfill the statutory goals and duties, or are used to fulfill the goals and duties, established in the Closure Decision adopted by the General Assembly of NOSC members or by the court judgment, with prior consultation and coordination with the IOC.
- 20.3.3** The assets and funds remained after the closure of NOSC with the status of public utility, after the payment of claims shall be transferred at the decision

of the body that manages the closure process, another social association of public utility with similar purposes with the ones dissolved of NOSC.

## **21. CHAPTER 21. Flag, Emblem and Anthem of an NOSC**

- 21.1** The flag, the emblem and the anthem adopted by an NOSC for use in relation to its activities, including at the Olympic Games, shall be subject to the approval of the IOC Executive Board.
- 21.2** NOSC may have its own anthem, flag, insignia, letterhead and seal, which are registered legally by the National Agency for Intellectual Property Protection.
- 21.3** The NOSC symbols are approved by the Executive Board and registered by the Ministry of Justice of the RM.

## **22. CHAPTER 22. Olympic Games**

- 22.1** The Olympic Games are celebrated during the first year of the Olympiad, and the winter Olympic Games - during the third year.
- 22.2** The honor and responsibility to house the Olympic Games are entrusted by the IOC to a city that is selected to host the Olympic Games.
- 22.3** The date of the Olympic Games is set by the IOC Executive Board.
- 22.4** The members of the NOSC delegation, who participate in the Olympic Games, assume the responsibility to comply with the Olympic Charter and its Amendments, as well as other IOC Regulations or the Institutions and Organizations accredited by the later.

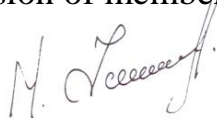
## **23. CHAPTER 23. Transitory and Final provisions**

- 23.1** On the basis of the Olympic Charter, the new version of the Statute of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM shall be approved by IOC. The eventual omissions or failure to understand the provisions of this Statute shall be interpreted according to the Olympic Charter, the latter having priority.
- 23.2** In case of unresolved litigations on issues related to national Olympic and non-Olympic sports activity, the competent authorities are: the General Assembly or the Executive Board, the Ethics Commission, the specialized Court Arbitrage and Mediation for Sports of the Republic of Moldova, Court of Arbitration for Sport of Lausanne - Switzerland. The decisions of NOSC Commissions, including those of the NOSC Ethics Commission may be

contested within 7 days from the day they were pronounced by the NOSC Executive Board, whose decision is final and irrevocable.

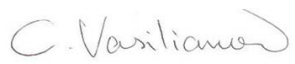
- 23.3** In the case of unresolved disputes at national or international level, the responsible authority will be the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne - Switzerland, the deadline for appealing CAS is 21 days from the receipt of the decision to be contested.
- 23.4** The Executive Board will develop and submit to the General Assembly for approval a Regulation on the Organization and Conduct of the NOSC General Assembly, which will regulate in detail all of the organizational, procedural, election-related and other aspects, not stated in this Statute.
- 23.5** Any issues that are not stated in this Statute or the force majeure cases are solved by the NOSC Executive Board or the NOSC General Assembly according to law and justice, the present Statute and the Olympic Charter.
- 23.6** The competence of interpreting the clauses of this Statute belongs to the General Assembly or Executive Board, in compliance with the provisions of the Olympic Charter.
- 23.7** The official language of NOSC is the state language of the Republic of Moldova. The official documents and texts will be drafted in this language. The working languages of NOSC are the state language of the Republic of Moldova, Russian language and English language. In case of any divergences in the interpretation of texts in different languages, the text written in the state language of the Republic of Moldova shall have priority, provided that, as far as the IOC is concerned, the English version of these Statutes will prevail. In the case when the text is translated from the Olympic Charter, the text written in the official language of IOC will have priority.
- 23.8** This Statute was approved in new version by the General Assembly of the National Olympic and Sports Committee of the RM, on the date of **April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014** and enter into force since the date of approval. The management bodies continue to exercise their mandate until the expiry of the period for which they were elected or until the election of new management bodies. After the approval of this Statute, membership of NOSC will be determined by the NOSC Executive Board, and subsequently by the General Meeting in case of affiliation or exclusion of members.

**President**



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