

ISMF BYLAWS

Bylaw to Article 4

Purposes

The ISMF also looks after all other matters concerning the sport of ski mountaineering competition as they arise and affect our sport.

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Competitions

Events

The ISMF organizes the World Championship, the Youth World Championship, the World Cup, the International events, senior and youth, and the Continental Championships and Cups where a Continental Council is not in existence. The ISMF is also responsible for the technical organization when competition ski mountaineering is participating in multi-sport events.

Calendar

The coordination of dates is mandatory and shall be achieved through recommendations of the Management Committee, in consultation with the Technical Commission for the vote of the Plenary Assembly.

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Gender Equality

The ISMF is committed to gender equality at all levels within its competitions and management, allowing women to have the same opportunities as men.

ISMF-approved competitions shall guarantee a balanced participation for Men and Women in all disciplines, including equality in prizes and prize money.

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Environment:

The ISMF is working for "low-impact" competitions and events on the environment.

Bylaw to Article 6

Membership Procedure and Criteria

Eligibility

Membership of ISMF is open to national ski mountaineering organizations, representing ski mountaineering competitions in that country. In addition, the organization must:

1. be organized with by-laws acceptable to ISMF;
2. be open to participation without regard to race, colour, religion, national origin, gender;
3. be controlled by its members according to democratic principles.

As an exception to the above criteria, while encouraging the merging of associations into one entity, the ISMF recognizes as associate members, due to historical reasons, the following federations:

Spain (FEEC and CEC)

Italy (CAI)

France (FFCAM)

Application process

Membership applications should be made through the Secretary General or through the ISMF office.

Applications should include the following:

Compulsory

- Information about the applicant - name, address, email, website, key contacts.
- Copy of the body's constitution or by-laws.
- Latest annual report of activities of the organisation.
- Brief history of the organisation.
- Statement of the legal status of the organisation (e.g. incorporation, non-profit etc).

Preferred

- Organisation website.
- Evidence (e.g. websites, photographs, media clippings, video) of national championships or other major competitive events held.
- Evidence of participation of teams in international competition.
- Evidence of regional reach within the country.
- Newsletter (paper or electronic) or other communications to the membership.

- Plans for development of ski mountaineering competition and its organisation.
- Reference from at least 1 existing member of ISMF.
- Reference from a government agency.

Approval process

Membership applications will be preliminarily approved by the ISMF Management Committee, or the applicant will be informed of what they need to do to gain the Management Committee's approval. Formal approval is given by the ISMF Plenary Assembly on the recommendation of the Management Committee.

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Executive Board members

ISMF Board members are elected in a personal capacity, and not as representative of any member association and are to act independently from these.

No member of the Board shall also be a representative of a member association in the Plenary Assembly.

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Recommendation on appointments are made by the relevant Commission

Bylaw to Article 32

Continental Councils

Statutes and Regulations

The Management Committee approval process will be limited to verify the compliance of the Continental Council Statutes and Regulations with the ISMF Statutes, Bye-laws and Regulations.

Finances

Continental Councils activities are financed by Continental competition fees and a possible annual financial support, included in the annual budget of the ISMF, approved by the Plenary Assembly. To be considered for inclusion in the budget, detailed development and activity plans shall be presented to the Management Committee two months prior to the Plenary Assembly.

Bylaw to Article 33

Technical Commissions

The Management Committee will appoint one of its members as a permanent link with each Technical Commissions. Preferably the link and the Commission President will be different persons.

The ISMF Technical Commission works will be coordinated by the Executive Board, through the Management Committee links and their Directors.

The Technical Commissions have an advisory role to the Executive Board and respond to the Management Committee,

The Technical Commissions will meet all together once a year.

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Source of financing and rights ownership

The ISMF is the sole owner of internet, television and radio rights and of all other commercial rights relating to all events under the jurisdiction of the ISMF. It may rise, within the framework of its non-profit purpose, other funds by assigning or licensing all or part of such rights as well as by concluding any agreements relating to such rights, especially sponsorship or other similar agreement.