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## STATUTES OF THE POLISH CHESS FEDERATION

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### Chapter 1

#### General Provisions

##### § 1

1. The Polish Chess Federation, hereinafter referred to as the "Federation" or "PCF" for short, is a Polish sports federation uniting chess associations, clubs and organisations.
2. In international contacts, PCF can use the following names: "Fédération Polonaise des Echecs" or "Polish Chess Federation."

##### § 2

1. PCF operates in the territory of the Republic of Poland and its registered office is located in Warsaw.
2. For the purpose of pursuing its goals, PCF operates beyond the territory of the Republic of Poland as well.

##### § 3

1. PCF is a member of the World Chess Federation (FIDE) and the European Chess Union (ECU).
2. PCF can be a member of other international organisations with a similar activity profile.

##### § 4

PCF operates in accordance with the effective provisions of law, notably the provisions of the Sports Act, the Public Benefit and Volunteer Work Act and the Association Law, the provisions of these Statutes and the international regulations of FIDE and ECU.

##### § 5

PCF possesses a logo and organisation badges and uses a stamp.

##### § 6

PCF possesses legal personality and is entered in the National Court Register.

##### § 7

PCF carries out public benefit work for the society as a whole.

##### § 8

PCF is a non-profit organisation and allocates any and all income to the performance of statutory tasks and public benefit work.

## Chapter 2

### Statutory Objectives and Activities

#### § 9

1. The objective of the Federation is to develop and promote chess, to organise and hold sports competitions, to coordinate activities of the Voivodeship Chess Federations, notably in relation to sports feats in direct game, resolution of chess puzzles, games by correspondence and chess compositions, as well as to set and enforce sports, organisational and disciplinary rules in sports competitions in chess. Moreover, the objective of the Federation is to carry out public benefit work, notably supporting and promoting physical culture, and to carry out activities leading to the promotion of culture, the historical knowledge of chess in particular.

2. PCF pursues the objectives specified in Clause 9(1) above first and foremost in the following manner:

- (a) authorising the Voivodeship Chess Federations to operate within one voivodeship,
- (b) organising, holding and supervising sports competition, notably events of individual and team Polish championships,
- (c) planning, running and organising trainings for players, coaches, instructors, arbiters and activists,
- (d) integrating the chess environment,
- (e) running education and promotion activities in the scope of chess culture,
- (f) preparing the national team for participation in international sports competitions,
- (g) representing chess in international chess organisations and organising participation in international sports competitions,
- (h) organising leisure time for children and young people during chess camps,
- (i) promoting and organising volunteer work during the organised chess events and tournaments,
- (j) publishing books and journals concerning chess, publishing chess content on the Internet, radio and television,
- (k) supporting the dissemination of chess in circles of people with disabilities,
- (l) promoting mental fitness and organising campaigns counteracting pathologies in this area,
- (m) setting and financing periodical scholarships for players.

#### § 10

In order to supplement the funds allocated to the performance of the statutory objectives, PCF can pursue business activity in accordance with the effective provisions of law in this respect.



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### Chapter 3

#### Members of Federation

##### § 11

The members of the Federation are classified as:

1. ordinary,
2. supporting.

##### § 12

1. Ordinary members of PCF include sports clubs, sports federations and other legal persons whose founding act, articles of association or partnership agreement provide for the conduction of business activity in chess.

2. Members of PCF are appointed by way of a resolution of the Management Board of PCF adopted at the request of the applying party. The Management Board of PCF adopts a resolution on the request of the applying party within 30 days from the day when the request is submitted to PCF. Refusal to appoint the applying party a member of PCF must be made in writing and requires a substantiation. The party denied PCF membership can appeal against the decision of the Management Board of PCF to the closest General Assembly of Delegates, which will make the final decision as to the party's membership. The procedure specified in this Clause applies to the members specified in Clause 13 of the Statutes.

##### § 13

1. The supporting members of the Federation can be other organisations pursuing activity in chess or interested in the performance of the statutory objectives of the Federation.

2. (deleted)

##### § 14

1. Natural persons who have rendered particular service to PCF can be conferred the title of honorary members.

2. The title of a honorary member is conferred by the General Assembly of Delegates at the request of the Management Board of PCF.

##### § 15

1. Ordinary members can:

- (a) participate in sports competitions,
- (b) submit demands and requests to the management of PCF,
- (c) give the casting vote at the General Assembly of Delegates in accordance with the election ordinance.

2. Supporting members enjoy all rights of ordinary members except for the right to the casting vote at the General Assembly of Delegates.

##### § 16

1. Members of PCF are obliged to:



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- (a) act for the development of chess sports and culture and take care of due image of chess and PCF,
- (b) observe the provisions of the Statutes, rules and resolutions of the statutory bodies of PCF,
- (c) pay the membership fee.

2. Natural persons with the title of honorary members are subject to reliefs in the fees in accordance with the Organisational and Financial Announcement of PCF.

#### § 17

1. Ordinary or supporting membership is cancelled in the following situations:

- (a) a request submitted to the Management Board of PCF in writing,
- (b) dissolution of an association, club or another legal person being a member of PCF,
- (c) exclusion by way of a resolution of the Management Board of PCF for breach of the provisions of the Statutes or rules/resolutions of PCF if despite a request for stopping the breach and removing its consequences, a member of PCF fails to satisfy the request.

2. Arrears in the payment of the fees for two years or the payment of other financial liabilities to PCF despite a request to pay them sent by registered mail to the address provided during registration allow the Management Board to exclude a member of PCF.

3. A member of PCF can be suspended in its membership rights by the Management Board of PCF if it is in breach of the provisions of the Statutes or rules/resolutions of PCF. Suspension in membership rights consists in a periodical deprivation of the statutory rights.

4. The relevant party can appeal against a resolution of the Management Board of PCF on suspension in membership rights or exclusion from the list of members of the Federation to the General Assembly of Delegates within 30 days.

### Chapter 4

#### Management of PCF, its Election, Competence and Structure

#### § 18

The management of PCF consists of:

- (a) the General Assembly of Delegates,
- (b) the Management Board,
- (c) the Auditing Committee.

#### § 19

1. The term of office of the Management Board and the Auditing Committee of PCF is four years and the boards are elected in a voting by poll during the annual or extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates.

2. The function of the President of the Management Board of PCF can be performed by one person for not more than two consecutive terms of office.





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## § 20

1. The Management Board and the Auditing Committee of PCF can include new members in their composition in place of the members who resigned or were dismissed by the General Assembly of Delegates.
2. On the adoption day of an inclusion resolution, the number of the included members of the given body cannot exceed 1/3 of the overall number of elected members, taking into account the members who resigned or were dismissed.
3. If more than a half of the members of the Management Board or the Auditing Committee as elected during the General Assembly of Delegates resign their office, the Management Board will be obliged to convene the General Assembly of Delegates within 3 months in order to carry out new election for the given body, which will not shorten the term of office of that body.

## § 21

### **General Assembly of Delegates**

1. The highest power in PCF is held by the General Assembly of Delegates.
2. The delegates elected by the voivodship meetings of members of PCF in accordance with the election ordinance participate in the General Assembly of Delegates by means of the casting vote.
3. The following parties can participate in the General Assembly of Delegates:
  - (a) honorary members,
  - (b) members of the Management Board and the Auditing Committee of PCF who were not elected delegates,
  - (c) natural persons specifically invited by the Management Board of PCF,
  - (d) candidates for the Management Board and the Auditing Committee of PCF if their candidature is backed by two Voivodeship Federations and the agenda of the assembly involves an election.They possess all rights of the delegates except for the casting vote.
4. If it has been convened duly, the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF is final and valid if it is attended by the delegates from at least 50% of the Voivodeship Chess Federations.
  - (a) at least 50% of the eligible delegates on the first convention date,
  - (b) regardless of the number of the present delegates on the second convention date.
5. Unless the Statutes provide otherwise, resolutions of the General Assembly of Delegates are adopted by ordinary majority of votes and require that at least 50% of the persons eligible for voting attend the given General Assembly of Delegates.
6. The dismissal of the President or members of the Management board or the Auditing Committee require the majority of 2/3 of the votes cast during the given General Assembly of Delegates.
7. Amendments to the Statutes require the majority of 2/3 of the votes cast by the delegates eligible for voting during the given General Assembly of Delegates.

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8. The Management Board of PCF is obliged to notify the ordinary members of the date, place and agenda of the session of the General Assembly of Delegates at least 30 days before the convention date via the website of PCF and electronic mails sent to the e-mail addresses of such members.

9. The General Assembly of Delegates can be annual or extraordinary.

10. The annual General Assembly of Delegates is convened by the Management Board of PCF once a year: as reporting and elective once every four years and reporting in other three years.

11. The extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates can be convened:

- (a) on initiative of the Management Board,
- (b) at the request of the Auditing Committee,
- (c) at the request of at least 50% of the Voivodeship Chess Federations,
- (d) under a resolution of the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF .

12. The extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates of PCF is convened by the Management Board within the non-extendible time limit of three months from the receipt of the relevant request and can adopt resolutions only in matters covered in the request for its convention.

13. If a request for the convention of the extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates is followed by other such requests, the Management Board can convene one extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates which will include all such requests. In such a case, the time limit for convention is counted from the date of the first request and all other requests must be submitted at least one month before the date set for the extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates.

14. If the extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates is convened to amend the Statutes of PCF, detailed suggestions in this respect must be published on the website of PCF at least two weeks before the date set for the extraordinary General Assembly of Delegates.

## § 22

The duties and competences of the annual General Assembly of Delegates are as follows:

- (a) adoption of general directions of activity of PCF,
- (b) examination of reports submitted by the management of PCF,
- (c) acknowledgement of fulfilment of duties of the resigning Management Board, as a whole or for each member of the Management Board individually, at the request of the Auditing Committee,
- (d) election of the President, the Management Board and the Auditing Committee on separate voting,
- (e) conferment of the title of honorary members,
- (f) adoption of a resolution on the dissolution of PCF and the estimation and purpose of its assets,
- (g) adoption of resolutions on the dismissal of the President, the Management Board and the Auditing Committee,

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- (h) examination of appeals against resolutions of the Management Board of PCF on exclusion or suspension of membership rights,
- (i) adoption of the Statutes and its amendments,
- (j) examination of requests submitted by the delegates and the management of PCF,
- (k) adoption of the Disciplinary Rules of PCF,
- (l) approval of the financial statements of the PCF, which must be audited by a registered auditor previously.

§ 23

**Participation in General Assembly of Delegates  
Voting Procedure**

1. The terms of participation in the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF are specified by the Election Ordinance. The terms of proceeding on matters are specified by the Rules of Sessions as approved by the General Assembly of Delegates.
2. Elections for the management of PCF are held by poll among the delegates only.
3. The General Assembly of Delegates elects the President of PCF, the other members of the Management Board and the Auditing Committee.
4. The General Assembly of Delegates elects the President of PCF from among the candidates put forward by written request to the Office of the Federation at least 21 days before the date of the General Assembly of Delegates. The request must be signed by at least one delegate, contain the consent of the candidate and programme assumptions and be published on the website of PCF at least 14 days before the date of the General Assembly of Delegates.
5. All other candidates are put forward in unlimited numbers to the Election Board and entered in the election list after their consent is obtained. After the preliminary list of candidates is closed, the Election Board determines election lists and prepares voting cards containing surnames of the candidates in alphabetical order.
6. Votes are cast by striking out all surnames in the list but the ones the delegate votes for. A vote is regarded as invalid if:
  - (a) the number of candidates not stricken out is higher than allowed, or than the maximum number of members of the given body elected by poll. The chair of the General Assembly of Delegates is obliged to inform the delegates about how many members of bodies are elected.
  - (b) a voting card is crossed through, damaged or destroyed.
7. A voting card on which a delegate struck out all surnames is a valid vote cast against all candidates.
8. A surname of a candidate added in a voting card by a delegate is not taken into consideration.





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9. The candidate winning more than a half of votes cast is elected the President of PCF in the first round of election.

10. If the election do not determine the President, the chair of the session orders the second round of election for two candidates who won the highest number of votes in the first round of election. The candidate winning a higher number of votes cast is elected the President in the second round even if he/she does not win a half of the votes cast.

11. Before moving to the election of the members of the Management Board, the newly-elected President can determine the number of the remaining elected members of the Management within the range of 8-10.

12. The candidates who won the highest number of votes are elected members of the Management Board in the number not higher than the one specified by the President. However, the said number of votes cannot be less than a half of votes cast.

13. If the number of members of the Management Board thus elected equals the number of members suggested by the President, the elections are finished; otherwise, the chair of the session orders supplementary election.

14. The candidates in the supplementary election are the people who won the highest number of votes in the basic election but were not elected. The number of candidates in such election is limited to double the number of seats remaining to be filled to complement the composition of the Management Board. The candidates are elected members of the Management Board who won the highest number of votes, which does not have to be higher than a half of the votes cast.

15. The Auditing Committee consists of the candidates who won the highest number of votes.

16. The constitution of the Management Board and the Auditing Committee and the Board must take place within 14 days after the General Assembly of Delegates. The Management Board immediately notifies the competent court and the competent public authority responsible for cooperation with sports federations of the results of the assembly. The Management Board publishes the composition of the Management Board and the Auditing Committee and the division of the functions on the website of PCF and notifies the Voivodeship Chess Federations.

17. Until the General Assembly of Delegates approves or modifies the Rules of Sessions, the said rules are effective in the form approved by the previous General Assembly of Delegates.

18. A member of the Management Board of PCF cannot:

- (a) combine that function with a function in the Auditing Committee,
- (b) be a person conducting business activity linked with the performance of the statutory activities of PCF,
- (c) be a person sentenced by a final and valid judgment for a deliberate indictable offence or a fiscal offence,
- (d) perform a function, hold a position or remain in any relations the pursuit of which or the combination of which with the function of a member of the Management Board of PCF is excluded by the provisions of law or violate any other requirements which a member of the Management Board of PCF is obliged to fulfil under provisions of law.

19. A member of the Auditing Committee of PCF cannot:

- (a) combine that function with a function in the Management Board,



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(b) be a person being a spouse of a member of the Management Board or a person remaining in cohabitation with, a relationship by consanguinity or affinity with or professional subordination to a member of the Management Board,

(c) be a person sentenced by a final and valid judgment for a deliberate indictable offence or a fiscal offence,

(d) perform a function, hold a position or remain in any relations the pursuit of which or the combination of which with the function of a member of the Management Board of PCF is excluded by the provisions of law or violate any other requirements which a member of the Auditing Committee of PCF is obliged to fulfil under provisions of law.

## § 24

### **Voivodeship Chess Federations. Election Ordinance**

1. Voivodeship Chess Federations, hereinafter also referred to as the Voivodeship Federations, are obliged to carry out all tasks arising from the content of the authorisation of PCF to act within one voivodeship, notably:

(a) to organise the election of delegates to the General Assembly of Delegates,

(b) to perform tasks of classification and documentation in the scope relevant to the Voivodeship Federations,

(c) issue disciplinary rulings in the given area,

(d) provide subject-matter supervision over proper activity of members based in the given voivodeship, by authority of PCF.

2. The Voivodeship Chess Federation elects delegates to the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF in the following manner:

(a) each Voivodeship Federation has one delegate seat,

(b) each started ten of ordinary members of PCF based in the given voivodeship allows one additional seat. The number of ordinary members of PCF specified in the previous sentence is determined on the basis of the documentation of PCF as at the last day of the month preceding the convention date of the assembly.

3. The term of office of delegates to the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF is two years unless the statutes of the Voivodeship Federation provide otherwise. If the end of the term of office of a delegate falls on a date within the period from the beginning of a calendar year to the date of the annual General Assembly of Delegates in the given year, the delegate mandate allowing representation of the Voivodeship Chess Federation at the annual General Assembly of Delegates will expire only on the date of that annual General Assembly of Delegates unless the statutes of the given Voivodeship Chess Federation provide otherwise or the Voivodeship Chess Federation elects delegates for the next term of office before the General Assembly of Delegates.

4. The delegate mandate expires automatically in the following cases:

(a) resignation of the delegate,

(b) death of the delegate.





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5. The voivodeship meetings electing delegates to the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF are obliged to determine the mode of procedure in case of expiration of a delegate mandate or a change in the number of delegates resulting from a change in the number of clubs during the given term of office unless the statutes of the Voivodeship Federation provides for such a mode.

6. The election meeting for the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF organised by the Voivodeship Federation can be attended, with the casting vote, by representatives of the entities being regular members PCF based in the area of the given Voivodeship Federation, where each representative has at least one vote.

7. The detailed organisation and mode of election of the delegates is determined by the management board of the given Voivodeship Federation and the rules of sessions for the election meeting are determined by the participants of such a meeting.

8. The election meeting is convened by the management board of the given Voivodeship Federation, notifying the interested parties in a manner provided for in the statutes of the given Voivodeship Federation for extraordinary meetings. Voivodeship election meetings can be organised as part of the General Assembly of the Voivodeship Chess Federation or as one of its agenda items.

9. An ordinary member of PCF can participate in the election meeting organised by the Voivodeship Federation for the General Assembly of Delegates of PCF only in the area of the voivodeship proper for its registered office.

## § 25

### Management Board of PCF

1. The Management Board is the highest authority of PCF in periods between General Assemblies of Delegates.

2. The Management Board of PCF is composed of 9-11 members, including the President, Vice-presidents and the Treasurer. If the composition of the Management Board is reduced to less than 5 members within a term of office, the Management Board will retain its authority to act as a body of PCF and will perform its functions (rights and duties) in the reduced composition on terms effective thus far, but the Management Board should take action to complement its composition in accordance with Clause 20(2) of the Statutes or put election in the agenda of the upcoming General Assembly of Delegates.

3. The sessions of the Management Board of PCF are organised at least once a quarter.

4. In periods between its sessions, the Management Board can adopt resolutions in the mode provided for in the Rules of Electronic Vote.

5. Resolutions of the Management Board are adopted by a simple majority of votes in the presence of at least a half of all its members. In the event of a tied vote, the deciding vote belongs to the chair of the session.

6. Absence of a member of the Management Board from three consecutive sessions without any excuse allows the Management Board to suspend such a member of the Management Board in his or her rights and to request the General Assembly of Delegates to dismiss such a member.

7. Members of the Management Board of PCF can receive remuneration for the activities performed in connection with their function. Detailed terms of payment of remuneration to a member of the Management Board are provided for in the contract entered into between a member of the Management Board and PCF, represented by an attorney appointed by a resolution of the General Assembly of Delegates or by a member of the Auditing



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Committee specified in a resolution of that body provided that the remuneration due to the member of the Management Board is to be determined on commercial terms and paid out in accordance with the effective provisions of law.

## § 26

The Management Board of PCF is authorised to:

1. execute resolutions adopted by the General Assembly of Delegates,
2. represent PCF and act on its behalf,
3. interpret the Statutes, rules and internal regulations,
4. adopt resolutions on appointment or dismissal of ordinary and supporting members,
5. appoint the Board and other organisational bodies of PCF,
6. adopt rules of organisational bodies of PCF,
7. approve the rules of ordinary committee meetings of PCF,
8. adopt the mode of provision and cancellation of licence to players, clubs, trainers, coaches and arbiters participating in sports competition,
9. determine the membership fees and other fees related to playing chess,
10. adopt and execute work, training and financial plans,
11. prepare annual financial statements of PCF,
12. appoint authorised signatories for signing financial documents,
13. request award of departmental and national distinctions,
14. adopt the rules of chess in Poland, including:
  - (a) the rules of sports competition and tournaments as part of Polish championships,
  - (b) the rules of selection of the national team,
  - (c) the rules of club affiliation,
  - (d) the rights and obligations of players,
  - (e) federation regulations on medical examinations,
  - (f) federation anti-doping regulations.
15. appoint the national team and squad,
16. appoint coaches of the national team and squad,
17. appoint and dismiss the head of the office of PCF and determine the scope of his or her rights and duties,
18. represent the chess environment in relations with the national authorities.

The Management Board determines the mode of pursuit of its authority in the Rules of the Management Board of PCF.



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##### **President of PCF**

1. The President of PCF or the acting Vice-president runs the activities of the Management Board of PCF, represents the Federation outside, convenes and chairs the sessions of the Management Board, enforces observance of the Statutes, regulations, rules and resolutions of the Federation.
2. In periods between the sessions of the Management Board, the President of PCF or the acting Vice-president/Secretary General can order an electronic vote in accordance with the Rules of Electronic Vote approved by the Management Board as well as to make decisions on urgent matters.
3. The President of PCF or the acting Vice-president represents the employer for the employees of the Office of the Federation.
4. If the President dies, develops a disease which prevents him or her from running the Federation or resigns from the function or other circumstances emerge which result in the suspension of his or her function, until the election of a new President the duties of the former one will be taken over by the Vice-president of the Management Board indicated by the Management Board. The election of the President must be carried out within 3 months from an event resulting in the need for such election.

#### § 28

##### **Auditing Committee**

1. The Auditing Committee is composed of five members, including the chair, the vice-chair and the secretary.
2. At least once a year the Auditing Committee inspects the general activities of PCF, focusing on the financial management, in order to determine whether the activities are appropriate, reliable and economical. An inspection report should be published on the website of PCF.
3. The Auditing Committee provides the General Assembly of Delegates with the report and enjoys the exclusive right of moving for acknowledgement of fulfilment of duties of the Management Board.
4. The Auditing Committee submits minutes of the carried out inspections to the Management Board of PCF.
5. The Auditing Committee can submit requests to the Management Board which result from the findings of the inspections and demand repair of any irregularities.
6. Members of the Auditing Committee can participate in the sessions of all bodies of PCF in the advisory capacity.
7. The Auditing Committee operates under the rules adopted by itself.

#### § 29

##### **Performance of Statutory Activities**

1. To perform its statutory activities, PCF can vest a part of its rights in the Voivodeship Chess Federations. Rights are vested under a contract entered into between the parties.



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2. The structure of PCF can include ordinary and autonomous committees and permanent or periodical teams with opining and advisory capacity for the benefit of the Management Board of PCF.

3. Ordinary committees include (but are not limited to):

- (a) the Sports Committee,
- (b) the Records, Classification and Ranking Committee,
- (c) the Youth Committee,
- (d) the Disabled Chess Players Committee,
- (e) the Competition Committee,
- (f) the Electronic Doping Committee,
- (g) the Promotion Committee,
- (h) the Chess at School Committee,
- (i) the Chess by Correspondence Committee,
- (j) the Chess Composition Committee,
- (k) the Chess Puzzle Resolution Committee,
- (l) the History Committee,
- (m) the Distinction and Discipline Committee,

4. Autonomous committees include (but are not limited to):

- (a) the College of Arbiters,
- (b) the College of Coaches,
- (c) the Presidents' Board.

5. The Management Board approves the operating rules of ordinary committees.

6. The General Assembly of Delegates of PCF approves the operating rules of autonomous committees.

7. The Management Board of PCF can appoint any ordinary committees necessary for the performance of the statutory tasks.

## Chapter 5

### Awards and Distinctions

#### § 30

1. The Polish Chess Federation can award and distinguish the institutions, organisations, clubs, players, coaches, instructors, judges and activities who have rendered particular service to PCF.

2. the Distinction and Discipline Committee is the body competent for examining applications for awards and distinctions of PCF.



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3. The types of awards and distinctions as well as their granting terms are determined by the rules of the Federation.

4. The Management Board of the Federation can apply for granting national and ministerial awards to natural and legal persons provided for in Clause 30(1) as well as grant other awards necessary to build the good image of chess.

## Chapter 6

### Disciplinary Liability

#### § 31

1. Disciplinary rulings of PCF apply to members of the Federation as well as players, coaches, instructors, judges and activists for the violation of relevant regulations during or in connection with chess games organised by the Federation, taking into account the regulations of international organisations of which the Federation is a member.

2. Disciplinary rulings include two instances.

3. By way of rules adopted by the General Assembly of Delegates, the Federation determines:

(a) the disciplinary bodies of the Federation authorised to issue rulings as well as their competence, in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes in this scope,

(b) the mode of disciplinary procedure,

(c) the type of imposed penalties.

4. The final disciplinary or rules-based rulings issued by the bodies of the Federation can be appealed against by the Polish Chess Federation to the Arbitral Tribunal for Sport by the Polish Olympic Committee within the scope of the competence of the Arbitral Tribunal.

5. The Distinction and Discipline Committee can authorise other committees of PCF to decide as the first instance for matters for which the given committee is competent.

6. The body competent for expressing its opinion on the rules of the game is the College of Arbiters of PCF.

7. If pharmacological, genetic or physiological doping (substances and prohibited methods) is suspected, the rules arising from the generally applicable provisions of law apply.

8. If electronic doping (prohibited assistance using means of communication and a computer) is suspected, such cases are adjudicated by the Electronic Doping Committee in the first instance and the Management Board of PCF in the second instance.

9. In order to adjudicate civil disputes for property rights, the Management Board of the Federation can appoint a permanent Arbitration Court as per the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure, determining – by way of its rules – the scope of its activities, notably the competence of the chair and the ruling team, the mode of procedure and measures ensuring enforcement of the rulings of the said Court.

## Chapter 7

### Property and Funds of PCF

#### § 32



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1. The property of PCF involves funds, movables and real property as well as intangible assets. Funds of PCF are made:

- (a) from proceeds from the tournaments organised by PCF,
- (b) from public subsidies for performance of tasks,
- (c) from membership fees, licence fees and other fees connected with PCF exercising its rights, achieving its objectives and performing tasks based on the Statutes,
- (d) from donations,
- (e) from sponsors,
- (f) from other proceeds obtained through the activities of PCF.

2. The level of membership fees and licence fees are determined by the Management Board of the Federation by way of the Organisational and Financial Announcement of PCF.

#### § 33

For the declarations of will concerning the property rights and duties of PCF to be valid, subject to contracts entered into between PCF and the relevant member of the Management Board, joint acts of two individuals are required: one approves such declarations on subject-matter terms (the President or the Vice-president) and the other approves them on financial terms (the Secretary General, the Head of the Office, the Treasurer or the Chief Accountant). In the case of contracts entered into with members of the Management Board, joint acts of two individuals are required: one approves such declarations on subject-matter terms (the Attorney appointed by the General Assembly of Delegates or a person appointed by the Auditing Committee) and the other approves them on financial terms (the Secretary General, the Head of the Office or the Chief Accountant).

#### § 34

The individuals acting on behalf of PCF are prohibited from:

- (a) granting loans or securing liabilities with the property of PCF in relation to its members, members of bodies or employees and the individuals being spouses of, in cohabitation with, in a relationship by direct consanguinity or affinity or in a relationship by secondary consanguinity or affinity up to the second degree with or related by adoption, care or custody to the said members, members of bodies or employees, hereinafter referred to as the "relatives,"
- (b) handing over the property of PCF for the benefit of members, members of bodies or employees as well as their relatives on terms other than the terms applied to third parties, notably when the property is handed over free of charge or on preferential terms,
- (c) using the property of PCF for the benefit of members, members of bodies or employees as well as their relatives on terms other than the terms applied to third parties unless such a use results from a statutory objective directly,
- (d) purchasing products or services from the entities in which members of PCF, members of its bodies or employees as well as their relatives are involved, on terms other than the terms applied to third parties or contrary to the arm's length principle.

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## Chapter 8


### Dissolution of PCF

#### § 35

1. A resolution on the dissolution of PCF is adopted by the General Assembly of Delegates by a majority of 2/3 votes in the presence of at least a half of the delegates attending the General assembly of Delegates.
2. The resolution on the dissolution of PCF determines the manner of liquidation, the purpose to which the property of PCF will allocated as well as the liquidator.

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