



IOF Structure

Agenda

- Who or what is IOF?
- IOF structure
 - Council
 - Committees, groups, commissions, etc
 - Secretariat

Goal of the session: to know the responsibilities of IOF bodies

Abbreviations and acronyms

- IOF – Interenational Orienteering Federation
- FOC – Foot Orienteering Commission
- RC – Rules Commission
- MC – Map Commission
- CR – IOF Competition Rules
- EA – Event Adviser
- SEA – Event Adviser
- WOC – World Orienteering Championships
- JWOC – Junior World Orienteering Championships
- WMOC – World Master Orienteering Championships
- WCup – World Cup
- WRE – World Ranking Event

Who or what is IOF?

Name, Role and Constitution

- The IOF is made up of the national orienteering federations which have been admitted to membership
- Amongst its members, the IOF is the supreme authority on all matters relating to international orienteering
- The IOF is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- Since 1997, the IOF has been registered in Helsinki, Finland

Who or what is IOF?

Aims and Tasks

- The aim of the IOF shall be
 - To spread orienteering and to promote its development
 - To conform with and to respect the Olympic Charter
 - To create and maintain a world event programme
- The tasks of the IOF shall be
 - To commission and supervise World Championships and other IOF events in recognised disciplines of orienteering
 - To commission and supervise other IOF international competitions
 - To draw up universal rules and guidelines for orienteering and to supervise their proper application, partly via the IOF advisers
 - To maintain cordial relation with other international sports organisation and to represent the interests of orienteering in its dealing with these

Who or what is IOF?

Members

- The IOF recognises two categories of member
 - Full members: 50 federations (status June 2010)
 - Associate member: 21 federations (status June 2010)
- Rights of full members
 - Active participation in IOF general assembly
 - Participation in IOF events
 - Organisation of IOF major events
- Rights of associate members
 - Non-voting participation in IOF General Assembly
 - Participation in IOF events other than WOC and WCup
 - Organisation of IOF events other than WOC and WCup
- Membership fees depend on financial strength of the country

IOF Structure

- General Assembly
 - Supreme IOF organisation, 3 delegates for full members
 - Meets bi-annually ▶ 2000 Leibnitz (AUT), 2002 Fontainebleau (FRA), 2004 Västerås (SWE), 2006 Aarhus (DEN), 2008 Olomouc (CZE), 2010 Trondheim (NOR)
 - Agenda given by IOF statutes
- Council
- Discipline commissions
- Support commissions
- Secretariat
- Presidents' conference
 - Meets bi-annually ▶ 2001 Tampere (FIN), 2003 Rapperswil (SUI), 2005 Aichi (JPN), 2007 Kiev (UKR), 2009 Miskolc (HUN)
 - No formal decision power but information platform

IOF Council

- The IOF Council shall lead the IOF between General Assemblies
- Members are elected by the IOF General Assembly
 - President, senior vice president, 2 vice presidents, total 11 members



- Election period 2 years (2008 – 2010)
- Political and strategic lead of IOF
 - All decisions must be published by Council
 - Commissions can only propose/recommend to Council

Discipline Commissions

Foot-O, Ski-O, Trail-O, MTB-O

- Members are appointed by Council
- Period 2 years
- Commissions are responsible for the development of their discipline
 - To commission and supervise World Championships and other IOF international competitions
 - Schedule of events, assessment and appointment of organisers
 - Coaching of organisers and IOF advisers
 - To draw up guidelines for organisers, advisers, applicants, etc
 - To co-operate with Rules Commission in preparing rules
 - Clinics, training, organisation of contacts
 - Support development of media work

Interdisciplinary Commissions

Map, Rules, Environment, ITC

- Map Commission (MC)
 - All map related issues
- Rules Commission (RC)
 - IOF competition rules, special rules
 - Harmonisation across all disciplines
 - Basic education of IOF event advisers
 - Appointment of EAs
- Environmental Commission (EC)
 - Support for and co-ordination among respective bodies in IOF federations
- IT Commission (ITC)
 - Timing, electronic punching, web-casting projects
 - Support in arena production project
- Medical commission (MedC)
 - Antidoping
 - Both permanent tasks and projects

IOF Secretariat

- Legal location of IOF
- Support for Council and all commission
- IOF finances and controlling
- Connecting link between the IOF, its members, Council members, commission and outside organisations
- Relations with other international sports organisation

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