



International Ski Mountaineering Federation

Coaches Commission

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PART 1 The Coaches' Commission

Article 1. Purpose of the Commission and its Membership

The purpose of the committee is:

- to develop and present the ideas of coaches, in order to make proposals to the various bodies of the ISMF, including:

- To the ISMF Council
- At the ISMF Rules Commission
- To the ISMF Medical Commission
- Etc.

- To elect as Commission representatives a coach for Elite athletes and a coach for Youth athletes, who may sit on various committees of the ISMF ...

Article 2. Organisation of the commission

According to the Statutes of the ISMF

Article 3. Roles and objectives of the commission

The Coaches Commission is a working group, and functions to :

- propose amendments to the Rules Committee,
- provide Coaches' perspective in all areas related to ski mountaineering competition,
- provide the Commission's advice to athletes and coaches generally
- receive, interpret and present the advice and/or recommendations made by the ISMF Medical Commission

- receive, interpret and present the advice and/or recommendations made by the ISMF Anti-doping Commission,
- etc.

Article 4. Composition of the commission

The Coaches' Commission is composed of:

- One or more representative Coaches, from an ISMF Member Federation, who have on the list of Coaches at the World Championships the election year.
- 2 elected Coaches, one of whom manages the commission.

PART 2 Representatives

Article 5. Number of Representatives

There are 2 positions :

- One representative of Coaches for Elite athletes,
- One representative of Coaches for Youth athletes,

... Elected at the World Championships of Ski Mountaineering following the election of the ISMF "Council"

Plus 2 alternate positions named from the ordered runners up in the election of the Commission. These may be called upon when the first elected representatives are unavailable or absent.

Article 6. Eligibility

6.1 Selection of representatives:

5-1-1- Timing

The deadline for submission of nominations for the Commission is the day of the opening ceremonies of the World Championships, before 20:00.

Elections will be held at least two days after the close of nominations and before the closing ceremonies of the World Ski Mountaineering Championships.

6-1-2- Nominations

Each full member of the ISMF may propose only one person for each representative position:

- one representative of Coaches for Elite athletes,
- one representative of Coaches for Youth athletes.

As such, there will be two lists of candidates for election.

Nominations should be sent to the Secretary General of the ISMF via e-mail by the Member Federation, or else may be written on the spot by a "Coach" of the relevant national team, or else by the President of the national Member Federation, or by its representative.

6-1-3- Conditions for Eligibility:

The nominated coach must:

- belong to a national federation holding current ISMF membership,
- participate in the World Championship of the election year.

6.2 Election of Representatives:

6-2-1- Election authority.

Elections are held under the authority of the ISMF Council with the help of the previously elected, outgoing representatives.

All voting information will be presented along with the call for nominations (place, date, and time for voting will be specified).

6-2-2- Voting

Election of Coaches Commission Representatives will proceed as follows:

1. The names of all candidates (both lists) will be officially published at the close of nominations. (i.e. on the day of the opening ceremonies of the World Championships, after 8 p.m.)
2. Candidates will have two days to campaign and gather support.
3. Votes will be counted for candidates whose names appear on the ballot only. (i.e. names cannot be written in)
4. Coaches for Elite athletes who participate in the World Championships course may elect the representative of Coaches of Elite Athletes. Votes will be made by putting the appropriate ballot in the ballot box "Coaches for Elite athletes".
5. Coaches for Youth athletes who participate in the World Championships course may elect the representative of Coaches of Youth athletes. Votes will be made by putting the appropriate ballot in the ballot box "Coaches for Youth athletes".
6. Each voter must go to the polling station with his identity card or passport
7. Each voter will register by signing the voters list prepared by the Secretary General or his / her representative (s)
8. Voting by proxy or correspondence will not be allowed.

6-2-3- Election Results.

Eligible candidates receiving the most votes will be elected as representatives to the Coaches Commission. In the event of a tie, preference will be given to the youngest candidate.

The next two candidates following in the voting, a man and/or woman, will be named as alternates for the two elected members.

The President of the ISMF or his/her representative shall announce the result of the election within one hour of the closing of the vote, either with a formal announcement or during the opening race briefing of that day.

6-2-4- Term of Office

a) Start of mandate.

For the 2 winning Representatives their mandate will immediately follow their election. Alternate members will be tasked any time when the first 2 Representatives are absent. They may take up their duties immediately following their election.

b) End of mandate.

All Elected officials leave office (Article 34 of the ISMF STATUTES TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS) on the day of the next vote announcement, during the next World Championships.

The next elections to the Coaches' Commission will take place at the next World Championships.

6.3 By-elections.

In the event that a resignation takes place during the term, a by-election will be held during the first World Championships following the resignation.

6.4 The Rights and duties of Representatives, and their function.

Representatives of ISMF Coaches are the link between active Coaches, and all sectors of the ISMF.

6.4.1 Their duty is:

- To organize and participate in meetings of the Commission of Coaches to collect opinions (at least one per season)
- To inform the ISMF coordinator for the Commission (the Member of the ISMF Council so assigned) of proceedings of their meetings,
- To communicate with the President of the ISMF or his/her representatives,
- To exercise restraint and professional ethics.
- Etc.

6.4.2 They have the right :

- To respond to emails from the ISMF Technical Manager and/or the Commission coordinator.
- To give opinion and recommendations of the Commission on changes to regulations (e.g.) in the shortest time possible,
- To participate in the Rules Commission, with a single vote.
- Etc.

6.4.3 Their function :

As a Commission, the 2 representatives work together, to promote ideas and present the problems of competing Elite and Youth athletes.

Minutes will be kept from each meeting of Commission Representatives, and distributed to all persons concerned by the representatives.

As with all ISMF commissions, Coaches' Commission representatives have no independent regulatory status.

Article 7. Expenses

Expense for travel, transportation, and accommodation while serving as a member of the Coaches' Commission will be the responsibility of the Member Federation to which the Representative belongs.