



Statutes of the IOC Ethics Commission

A. COMPOSITION AND ORGANISATION

Article 1

The IOC Ethics Commission is independent; it is composed of nine members, among whom there must be:

- four IOC Members, be they active, honorary, honour or former IOC Members, including a representative of the IOC Athletes' Commission;
- five personalities, independent members, who are not active, honorary, honour or former IOC Members and who have no direct link to the sports movement.

The Chair of the IOC Ethics Commission is one of the personalities who are not IOC Members.

Article 2

The members and the Chair of the IOC Ethics Commission shall be elected by the Session on the proposal of the IOC Executive Board in accordance with paragraph 2 of Rule 22 of the Olympic Charter.



The members and the Chair of the IOC Ethics Commission may be re-elected by the Session at the end of their term of office, subject to the limit of the number of terms provided for in Article 9 below.

Article 3

The IOC Ethics Commission meets when convened by its Chair, at least once a year.

Article 4

The quorum required for a decision of recommendation is reached when at least five members, at least three of whom are independent members, are present. Each member will make every effort to attend the meetings.

Article 5

The administrative organisation of the IOC Ethics Commission, and support to it, are overseen by the IOC Ethics and Compliance Office.

B. TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMISSION

Article 6

In the framework of the competence as defined in Rule 22.1 of the Olympic Charter, the terms of reference of the IOC Ethics Commission are:

- a. to define and update a framework of ethical principles, including a Code of Ethics, based upon the values and principles enshrined in the Olympic Charter, of which the said Code forms an integral part;



- b. to analyse complaints raised in relation to the non-respect of such ethical principles, including breaches of the Code of Ethics and, if necessary, propose sanctions or measures to the IOC Executive Board;
- c. to answer requests for opinions from the IOC President, Executive Board or any IOC commission.

Article 7

The IOC Ethics Commission presents an annual report on its activities to the IOC Session. This report will be published.

C. CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP

Article 8

Members of the IOC Ethics Commission shall not take any measure nor exercise any influence in relation to a matter where any conflict of interests or any other conflict exists or is perceived to exist.



D. TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Article 9

The duration of the term of appointment of an IOC Ethics Commission member is four years. This four years term may be renewed no more than twice.

Upon ceasing to be an IOC member, the term of office of the member of the IOC Ethics Commission as an IOC member shall end.

Article 10

The term of an IOC Ethics Commission member takes effect on the day of his/her election by the IOC Session.

Article 11

In the event of the President of the IOC Ethics Commission being unable to act, his/her duties shall be performed by the senior member of the IOC's independent members, the longest-serving independent member.

In the event of death, resignation or inability of a member to perform his or her functions, the member shall be replaced by a newly elected member following the procedure; thus the IOC Executive Board shall propose a new member to the election by the next IOC Session.



Article 12

In the event of a breach of the present Statutes, an IOC Ethics Commission member may be removed from office only by a specific vote by the IOC Session, and after the approval of two-thirds of the IOC Ethics Commission members, the member concerned being heard by the IOC Executive Board.

E. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Article 13

The present provisions enter into force after their approval by the IOC Executive Board on 9 and 10 July 2017 and presentation to the IOC 131st Session in Lima (Peru), from 13 to 15 September 2017.