



# WORLD MARTIAL ARTS COMMITTEE

## Guidelines

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### GUIDELINES OF WMAC



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## **Introduction:**

*These Guidelines replace all previously issued. These guidelines rules are valid for all members.  
Consideration can be given to local legal requirements and obligations if required.  
The official language of the IRC is English. These Guidelines can be translated into other languages  
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Dear Reader,

We are very pleased to release the 1.0 version of Regulations governing the World Martial Arts Committee. This is definitely the most comprehensive Mixed Martial Arts Guideline available today, and we are proud to make it available for your use. It was only made possible by the hard work and dedication of individuals from around the globe. In particular we would like to thank all individuals for their special contributions to this addition.

All regulations contained within this document are intended for use at WMAC sanctioned events. In this case, they must not be deviated from, except in extraordinary circumstances and with the written permission of the IRC or Chief Referee (Supervisor) of the tournament. The Chief Referee's interpretation of these guidelines will be the only interpretation accepted in the event of a query/complaint regarding correct implementation of any rule (IRC).

The World Martial Arts Regulations may also be used for non-sanctioned events. In this instance, we would ask that the promoter or user of these Regulations include the following line in their promotion "This tournament will be governed by the current Regulations of the World Martial Arts Committee."

The World Martial Arts Committee Movement is constantly evolving. And as we continue to grow our membership and expand our events, our need to revise Regulations will continue. Please check back with us periodically to ensure that you have an up to date copy of our Regulations.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Harald Folladori". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Harald Folladori  
WMAC World President

# **GUIDELINES OF WORLD MARTIAL ARTS COMMITTEE**

**( WMAC )**

## **1. Formation of WMAC**

### ***History***

The WMAC is growing up by the WMAGC = World Martial Arts Games Committee. These open, free (no Federation, no Community Structure) Committee was leaded by Kenneth Marchtaler (CAN). Founded in 2005 as a new platform for all Martial Arts Sports.

In 2013 Kenneth Marchtaler cancels the WMAGC and tell all Members that they should come to TAFISA. At the same year Harald Folladori (AUT) appoint to the new president of WMAGC, because Ken was nominated as a Commissioner in TAFISA. This should not be a conflict of Interest.

The new president wants to receive the community of the members and show them at the world meeting a new concept. It should bring all a new structure for the future. So he founded the WMAC as a new federation and not only a community for one tournament.

The present nations agreed the new concept and told their readiness for a membership in the WMAC. Except Canada would be only member of TAFISA. The cancel of WMAGC as a community and member of TAFISA, cancel also the membership of it. So they agreed that the new WMAC should also be member in the family of TAFISA. The members take part in the 1st TAFISA World Games 2014 to support it. After this games in Richmond, WMAC sent out a new application form - to be a new member of TAFISA.

## **2. Structure of WMAC**

### ***Association legalizations***

WMAC is a section of Martial Arts in the Austrian Organization NMAC Austria ( Legalization Number 116240499 ). It is built up for a worldwide support and community in Martial Arts . It is a free voted Committee in this section.

### ***Trademark***

The Trademark of WMAC / Word and Logo - is saved in the German Patent Office under the number ..... denominated to Harald Folladori - President of WMAC. The address of the headquarter of WMAC is the same address as the NMAC Austria, ACHGASSE 25 C in 6900 Bregenz / Austria.

### ***Memberships and their policies in WMAC***

All institutes (Clubs, Associations, Juristic Persons, Companies, Persons and others ) can fill out the membership application , which is free on the Homepage of WMAC , and send it to us.

After our Secretary General will check the application and send out the answer from WMAC.

So the membership fees must be paid and the new member should send us some documents from them (Persons of contact, Addresses, Photos and others).

The Membership entitled to participate in all Events which are organized or sanctioned from WMAC. ( World Games , Seminars , World Championships and tournaments from sanctioned Martial Art Bodies a.o ) The Membership of WMAC bellows to the sporty exercise and the interests of the disciplines in Martial Arts which are accredited of WMAC.

### ***Disciplines of WMAC ( Martial Arts )***

All disciplines witch are approved by WMAC are at our Homepage. These disciplines , except they have enough athletes - will be held at all WMAC tournaments. If they are not minimum 3athletes inside of a weight division / category, they must put them in the next higher division.

Collected of new Martial Arts Sports ( it is only possible if a Member application )

If a new Martial Art Sport wants to be a part of the World Games, the WMAC Rules Committee ( IRC ) have to check this carefully. If the check is positive and they agreed they must find 3 Nations which bring also 3 Athletes to make a competition. ATTENTION this is only possible if after the check from IRC the Head of WMAC gives his vote = so it can be NOT by themselves.

### **3. Position Description in the WMAC**

#### ***Rules committee / at least 3 independent Referees***

These Referees should have every year one meeting at the World Martial Art Games and organize Referee seminars. They have also the observe and exercise of the Rules

#### ***Treasurer / Finances***

This Position observes the membership fees /payments and the correct setting for the WMAC. All amounts which are higher than 300€ can only paid together with President and Treasurer. All WMAC Board of Directors Members can have a look at the bank documents by a simple Application.

The Treasurer has the responsibility of all payments and the money of WMAC. He handles it very carefully only for the Interest of WMAC.

#### ***Sports Manager / Administration of the recognized Martial Arts WMAC Sports in WMAC***

The Sports Manager is responsible for the administration of the Sports in WMAC. He is also the contact person in Sport and the Head of the examination commission. (Certificates, Graduation , Diplomas , Pass boards and else). This position is the highest authority to give out DAN and HONOUR Diplomas. He appoints national examiners to control the Guideline of the Systems / Sports in the WMAC.

#### ***Event Manager / Organizing committee of WMAC (Tournaments , Seminars and else )***

The Event manager is responsible for the organization of all WMAC Events- Specifically the World Martial Art Games. He checks the Situation in the local places, Infrastructure, cubature and also the traffic network. After he orders the concept of the venue and brings it in to the WMAC Board of Directors. So they can vote about the next place for the Games. The Event manager makes the Invitations and Organization, checklists direct with the organizer in the country. He is personally at the event and host together with the from him appointed Tournament director the Event. The Tournament director should be from the local Team because he coordinated all volunteers and activities.

#### ***Secretary General***

The Secretary General is the leading arm of WMAC. He has the full power of representation like the President and also his transferred rights and obligations. He represents the WMAC to third and is authorized to issue. The

SG is the 2nd highest instant of WMAC. He is in all Events of WMAC present and manages the meetings of the board of directors and the member representatives. Also the documents of these meetings are done by SG.

#### ***Chairman of Members / Representatives***

This Position responsible the Information and recruit point in the WMAC .The Chairman makes the connection from the Members and the WMAC Board of Directors. He supervised all members and is looking for new Members to bring it in the WMAC. The Chairman prepares together with the SG the member meetings and give all information from WMAC out to the members. The chairman is voted directly from the members. He is not bound by instructions and the directly contact person in this part.

#### ***Vice-President***

The Vice-President direct the Public Relation part and considers the President when he is not present. He presents the WMAC at public events and safe the interests of WMAC against thirds.The Vice-President has no authorityof the BOD and are not part of the management of the WMAC. He is he second Face of the WMAC, speaks with important persons, members, and supports medal ceremonies, signs up documents and other administrative papers like Diplomas or Certificates.

#### ***President***

The President is the highest Authority in the WMAC and directed it together with the BOD. He is in all Sections of WMAC transfer required (except Finance and Rules committee).

The President leads the WMAC by their democratic policy.

This means he is the face of WMAC and has the responsibility of all parts of WMAC. He is he highest representative and works for the benefit of the sports development. The Vice-President and / or the Secretary General have the official delegating to present him.

#### **4. Guidelines of WMAC**

Member status = see application form ( [www.wmac-world.com](http://www.wmac-world.com) )

The WMAC has 3 different Arts of Member shipments.

1. Supported Member ( a 80€ )
2. National Member ( a 100€ )
3. International Member ( a 150€ )

All Members became their Memberships (have a look of Structure / Member) after the check of their documents and the payment / Fees. The Payment must be done at 31.1. of the following year.

It is a Right of all National & International Members to be a part in all WMAC Events. Also to use the name and the logo, Rules and pass ports of the World Martial Arts Committee. They can use it also for Certificates /International Recognized and take part of our medial platforms.

Further they can receive WMAC Pro Title / Belts for a lot of divisions. So the promoter and Representative have the possibility to get paid sport events (Gala) in their Organization.

*Supported Member can use also our medial platforms (website, facebook , Event inscription and else ) but not the Sports exercises.*

ATTENTION: the membership in WMAC is always of one year limited, it gives the members not a right of the Membership. These depend of the activity, loyalty and the compliance of our Structure. The BOD has the right to cancel the membership (Voting) instant outlet - if they have reasons to do it. If the Membership is canceled the

member cannot use anymore the community of the WMAC. These can be focused of a person not of the hole Organization (example Representative)

### **WMAC Board of Directors / Election Proposal**

Every national or International Member has the right and the chance to work in the BOD. These Members exercise a function in the WMAC.

The President of WMAC can also use a Member (except supported Members) and co – opt this member in the BOD. In this situation the WMAC must vote in the next World Meeting for this new Member and his work for the WMAC.

### **Election process / voting right**

*The WMAC is an Organization which is leaded by democratic principle and structure. All elections need a simple decisive majority. All Members of BOD have ONE voice (except Rules committee, Representatives) here can only the chairman use one voice. The voting works with show of hands, open for all, or secret - with ballot paper. The chairman in this WMAC - Voting are the President .In his absence the Secretary General and in his absence the vice-president.*

### **The BOD consists of**

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Secretary General
4. Chairman of Members/Representatives
5. Chairman of Rules committee
6. Sports Manager
7. Event Manager
8. Treasurer

*The BOD of WMAC can make a DECISION / have the voting right - if more than 50% of WMAC Members (BOD Members) are at the meeting.*

### **Veto right / convening a Board of Directors meeting / introduction of applications in WMAC**

*The President has in contentious decisions a VETO RIGHT. This means that votings can go back to the BOD to think (Time period) about again. This time period is from 24h to 3 months. In this period the BOD Members have the chance to make a new decision or let it like it was before. So the President can bring in a brain time – to think about but he can NOT cancel the voting of the BOD. After this time the voting is right and the majority cannot be over ruled. This veto right can used only once per decision.*

*All WMAC Members have the right to bring applications in the World meetings. These applications must be brought in 2 weeks before per mail or letter to the WMAC headquarter. (headquarter@wmac-world.com)*

*To convening a not properly BOD Meeting, the BOD need a simple majority of the members of BOD. This application is also bring in writing form to the WMAC Headquarter.*

***Election periods in WMAC***

BOD Members all 5 Years

Rules Committee every year

***Communication Levels in WMAC***

*All communications in WMAC BOD are ONLY for the Members of BOD. These mail / post cannot used for third and it is prohibited. It needs the EXPRESS TOGETHERNESS of the board of Directors for the communication with others.*

*The communication with the members / representatives must be send in copy to the chairmen ( email cc ) or to send it out by him.*

***Official contact person in WMAC***

*All for the official exits = Media, Homepage, Certificates and else can used ONLY over the official WMAC persons and their competence.*

<i>Public Relations</i>	<i>Secretary General / Vice-President</i>
<i>Events</i>	<i>Secretary General / Vice-President</i>
<i>Referees/ Rules</i>	<i>Rules Committee / President</i>
<i>Diplomas / pass boards</i>	<i>Sports manager</i>
<i>Members</i>	<i>Chairman of Members/Representatives / President</i>
<i>Finance</i>	<i>Treasurer/ President</i>
<i>Documents</i>	<i>President / Secretary General</i>