



INTERNATIONAL HAPKIDO COUNCIL – IHC

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STATUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL HAPKIDO COUNCIL (IHC)

CHAPTER I: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1: Name and Nature

1. The organization is called "International Hapkido Council" (IHC), hereinafter referred to as "IHC."
2. The IHC is an international non-profit sports organization dedicated to the promotion, development, and regulation of Hapkido worldwide.
3. The IHC seeks recognition by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and is committed to complying with the Olympic Charter and the principles of the Olympic Movement.
4. The IHC aligns itself with the World Anti-Doping Code of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and adopts its principles in the fight against doping in sports.

Article 2: Headquarters and Scope of Action

1. The central headquarters of the IHC will be established where the president or legal representative resides.
2. The Council carries out its activities in all countries where there are affiliated national organizations.

Article 3: Institutional Evolution

The International Hapkido Council (IHC), in the exercise of its statutory powers and with the purpose of strengthening the development of Hapkido in the sporting and competitive sphere, recognizes and formalizes the creation of the World Federation for Sport Hapkido (WFSH) as a result of its process of institutional evolution.

The World Federation for Sport Hapkido (WFSH) is constituted as the international federative structure specialized in Sport Hapkido, responsible for the regulation, organization, and development of Sport Hapkido in the international competitive arena.

The International Hapkido Council (IHC) retains its legal personality, institutional identity, and role as the founding body, maintaining its own statutory functions, independent of and complementary to those of the WFSH.

Article 4: Institutional Relationship with the WFSH

The relationship between the International Hapkido Council (IHC) and the World Federation for Sport Hapkido (WFSH) shall be governed by the principles of cooperation, institutional coordination, and mutual respect of competencies.

The IHC recognizes the WFSH as the competent international federative entity for the field of competitive Sport Hapkido, without this implying the dissolution, replacement, or absorption of the International Hapkido Council.



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The mechanisms of coordination, representation, and collaboration between both entities may be established through internal regulations, institutional agreements, or supplementary provisions approved by the competent bodies.

Article 5: Objectives

1. To promote and develop the practice of Hapkido worldwide.
2. To promote the Olympic values of excellence, respect, and friendship in the practice of Hapkido.
3. To regulate and supervise international Hapkido competitions.
4. To ensure fairness, transparency, and good governance in all its activities.
5. To cooperate with the IOC and other international sports organizations for the recognition of Hapkido as an Olympic sport.
6. To combat doping and any form of discrimination in sports.

CHAPTER II: ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Article 6: Governing Bodies the IHC consists of the following bodies:

1. **General Assembly:** The supreme decision-making body, composed of representatives from affiliated national federations.
2. **Executive Council:** The body responsible for the management and administration of the IHC.
3. **Presidency:** Represents the IHC and executes the decisions of the Executive Council.
4. **Technical, Refereeing, and Disciplinary Committees:** Responsible for the technical regulation of Hapkido, competition regulations, and compliance with ethical and disciplinary standards.

Article 7: Executive Council

1. The Executive Council will be composed of the President, the Secretary-General, the Treasurer, and the Auditor.
2. Its members will be elected by the General Assembly for a term of **four (4) years**, with the possibility of indefinite re-election.
3. The Executive Council will make all strategic and administrative decisions of the IHC.

Article 8: Functions of the President

1. To legally and institutionally represent the IHC in all areas.
2. To preside over meetings of the Executive Council and the General Assembly.
3. To execute and enforce the decisions of the Executive Council and the General Assembly.



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4. To sign agreements and contracts on behalf of the IHC.
5. To oversee compliance with the statutes and regulations of the IHC.

Article 8A: Functions of the Vice President

1. Collaborate closely with the President in the execution of the decisions made by the Executive Council and the General Assembly.
2. Substitute the President in case of temporary absence, incapacity, or by express delegation, temporarily assuming their functions.
3. Support the coordination of administrative, technical, and strategic activities of the IHC.
4. Oversee and assist the work of technical, judging, and disciplinary commissions, as delegated by the President.
5. Promote the institutional strengthening of the IHC in assigned regions or zones.
6. Participate with voice and vote in the meetings of the Executive Council.

Article 9: Functions of the Executive Council

1. To develop and approve strategies for the international development of Hapkido.
2. To manage the financial and operational resources of the IHC.
3. To approve annual financial and operational reports.
4. To coordinate with national federations and international organizations.
5. To approve the affiliation of new national federations.
6. To appoint committees and delegations as needed.

Article 10: Functions of the Executive Council Members

1. **Secretary-General:** Responsible for administrative management, documentation, and official communications of the IHC.
2. **Treasurer:** Responsible for financial management, budgets, and supervision of IHC resources.
3. **Auditor:** Oversees financial transparency and compliance with IHC accounting regulations.

Article 11: Transition of the Supreme Decision-Making Body

Until the IHC has **60 sports-developed countries** affiliated as federations or associations, the **Executive Council will be the supreme decision-making body**. Once this goal is achieved, the **General Assembly will assume this role as the supreme decision-making body**, ensuring a more representative and democratic structure.



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CHAPTER III: AFFILIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

Article 12: Affiliation Requirements

1. National Hapkido federations recognized in their respective countries may affiliate with the IHC.
2. Affiliation requests will be evaluated by the Executive Council and approved by it.

Article 13: Rights and Duties of Members

1. To participate in the General Assembly and in IHC activities.
2. To comply with the statutes and regulations of the IHC.
3. To contribute to the global development of Hapkido.

Article 14: Membership Fee The membership fee for each country to the IHC will only be established when Hapkido is included in an Olympic cycle, such as the Continental Sports Games, the World Games, or the Olympic Games.

CHAPTER IV: RECOGNITION AND RELATIONSHIP WITH THE IOC

Article 15: Compliance with the Olympic Charter

1. The IHC is committed to respecting and promoting the principles of the Olympic Charter.
2. Measures will be adopted to promote inclusion, gender equity, and integrity in sports.

Article 16: Cooperation with the IOC and International Organizations

1. The IHC will work together with the IOC and other sports organizations for the inclusion of Hapkido in the Olympic program.
2. Relations will be promoted with international federations and national committees to strengthen the recognition of Hapkido.

CHAPTER V: DISCIPLINARY REGIME AND ETHICS

Article 17: Code of Ethics and Sanctions

1. A Code of Ethics will be established to govern the conduct of all IHC members.
2. Any violation of ethical or sports principles will be sanctioned by the IHC Disciplinary Committee.

CHAPTER VI: FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 18: Amendment of Statutes

1. Any amendment to these statutes must be approved by a majority vote in the General Assembly.



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Article 19: Dissolution of the IHC

1. In the event of the dissolution of the IHC, its assets will be allocated to the promotion of sports and Hapkido in non-profit institutions.

Article 20: Sole Transitional Provision – Foundational Recognition

It is expressly stated that the World Federation for Sport Hapkido (WFSH) was founded by the International Hapkido Council (IHC) as part of its process of institutional evolution.

Until the corresponding administrative, communicational, and regulatory processes are completed, the International Hapkido Council shall continue to use its current name, structure, and statutes, without prejudice to the institutional recognition of the WFSH.

Provision approved on 25/03/2025 by the Executive Council of the International Hapkido Council.

Articles 3, 4, and 20 are attached in accordance with the record of approval of the statutory amendment approved on January 4, 2026.