

BY-LAWS OF THE WORLD JORKYBALL GAME FEDERATION (WJGF)

These By-Laws aim to specify the statutes of the association **World Jorkyball Game Federation**, whose purpose is:

- The development, promotion, facilitation, practice, and management of Jorkyball competitions in all its forms, both physical and virtual, worldwide.
- Ensuring compliance with the rules (owned by Gilles PANIEZ) and upholding the spirit of fair play in Jorkyball.

These by-laws will be provided to all members and every new participant.

PREAMBLE

The term "WJGF" below refers to the **World Jorkyball Game Federation**.

Hierarchy:

- Board of Directors
 - Development Committee
 - International Advisor
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Title I: Members

Article 1 - Composition

The association **World Jorkyball Game Federation** is composed of the following members:

- **Honorary Members:** Legal entities contributing to the development of Jorkyball.
 - **Active Members or Affiliates:** National Federations (1 representative per nation).
 - **Supporting Members:**
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Article 2 - Membership Fees

Honorary members are exempt from paying membership fees unless they choose to contribute voluntarily.

Active members must pay an annual membership fee.

The fee amount is determined annually by the Board of Directors during the General Assembly, according to the following procedure:

For 2024:

- The membership fee for National Federations is set at **100 euros** (one hundred euros), payable annually no later than January 15.
- All nations must be represented by a national federation or a registered club in their country. These entities must be validated by the WJGF.

Membership fees paid to the Board of Directors are non-refundable, even in cases of resignation, exclusion, or death during the year.

Article 2 BIS - Membership Benefits

For Federations:

- Access to the WJGF website and presentation of each federation on digital platforms.
- A template for statutes and internal regulations.
- Arbitration training.
- Training on basic coaching methods.

For Clubs:

- Titles.
- Competition schedules.

For Players:

- Access to an international amateur competition license.
- Access to competition rankings.
- Access to a professional international competition license (upcoming).

Article 3 - Admission of New Members

The WJGF may admit new members at any time. They must follow the admission procedure:

- Submit a written application to the Board of Directors, subject to a simple majority vote.

Article 4 - Exclusion

In accordance with Article 8 of the WJGF statutes, exclusion may only occur in cases of:

- Non-participation in the association for one year.
- Refusal to pay the annual membership fee.
- Breaches of Jorkyball ethics and morality.
- Conviction of misconduct.

The exclusion must be decided by the Board of Directors by majority vote (Article 12 of the statutes) after the member in question is given an opportunity to explain themselves.

If exclusion is pronounced, an appeal process is available under Article 10 of the statutes.

Article 5 - Resignation, Death, Disappearance

In accordance with Article 8 of the statutes, resigning members must submit a written notice by simple or registered mail with acknowledgment of receipt or via email with confirmation of receipt to the Board of Directors.

Resigning members are not entitled to a refund of membership fees.

In the event of death, membership ceases automatically.

Title II: Functioning of the Association

Article 6 - Board of Directors

In accordance with Article 12 of the WJGF statutes:

The Board of Directors and the Development Committee aim to simplify the functioning of the association and translate the general assembly's orientations into actions. It ensures the link between members' aspirations and the implementation of concrete actions.

Composition:

- **President:** Mr. Gilles PANIEZ (administrator #5)
- **Vice President:** Mr. François ALDEGUER (administrator #1)
- **Vice President:** Mr. Sébastien PICARD (administrator #3)
- **Secretary-General:** Mr. Alex B. PERRAULT (administrator #2)
- **Treasurer:** Mrs. Barbara Włodarczyk (administrator #4)

Functioning:

Decisions are made collectively, and their implementation is managed independently by each Board member.

Development Committee:

The committee comprises:

- Arbitration Committee
- Sports Committee
- Marketing/Communication/Sponsorship Committee
- Partnerships/Event Committee
- Legal Committee (Insurance)
- Disciplinary Committee
- Medical Committee

The Board of Directors will appoint members of each committee.

International Advisor:

Their role is to represent the WJGF to international sports institutions, promote sports development, and present the federation's network.

Article 7 - Ordinary General Assembly

In accordance with Article 10 of the WJGF statutes, the Ordinary General Assembly meets one or two times per year, convened by the Board of Directors.

Attendees:

- Members of the Board of Directors.
- Active members (National Federations).

Procedure:

Members are notified at least 30 days in advance via:

- Email.
- And/or simple or registered mail with acknowledgment of receipt.

Voting:

Resolutions are voted on via secret ballot or a show of hands. Proxy votes are allowed.

Year 1 - administrators #1 & #2 in election

Year 2 - administrators #3 & #4 in election

Year 3 - administrators #5 in election

Agenda:

- Attendance sheet signing.
 - Designation of a session chairperson and secretary.
 - Quorum verification (minimum three nations).
 - Reading of agenda items.
 - Voting.
 - Drafting of meeting minutes.
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Article 8 - Extraordinary General Assembly

In accordance with Article 11 of the WJGF statutes, an Extraordinary General Assembly may be convened for:

- Essential amendments to the statutes.
- Financial difficulties.
- Resignation of the President.

- Any urgent matter requiring immediate resolution for the WJGF's proper functioning.

Procedure:

All members are notified by email with acknowledgment of receipt.

Voting:

Resolutions are voted on via secret ballot or a show of hands, with at least 50% of members present. Proxy votes count towards the quorum.

Title III: Miscellaneous Provisions

Article 9 - Amendments to Internal Regulations

The WJGF internal regulations can be modified by the Board of Directors, as per Article 15 of the statutes, following a majority proposal by its members.

The revised regulations will be distributed to all members via email or published on the WJGF website within 30 days of the modification.

Article 9 BIS - Compliance with Jorkyball Rules

The WJGF commits to organizing or supervising international physical or virtual competitions on fields whose manufacturers have obtained usage rights from the owner of the Jorkyball rules.

Article 10 - Financial Provisions

The WJGF's funding sources include:

- Membership fees.
- Licenses for international competitions.
- Partnerships.
- Sponsorships.
- Donations.
- Grants.
- Merchandising.
- Other sources.

An annual financial report will be presented to all active members during each Ordinary General Assembly.