



2005 Congress Proposal # 1

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

1.2 The DEAFLYMPICS ~~operates under international law and~~ is subject to the law of the country of its incorporation or registration.

Explanation:

There is no international law

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow):

2005 Congress Proposal # 2

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

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delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

2.1.11 to promote Deaf Sports without discrimination on the ground of religion, politics, economics, sex, race or [disability](#).

Explanation:

Should protect the rights of deaf athletes with other disabilities

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 3

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Tunisia

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

4.1.2.1 a registered or recognised **self-governing** organisation of deaf sports in its country having a deaf president and a majority of deaf members holding executive positions;

Explanation:

To preserve independence and self-governance of deaf sports associations

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 4

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

4.1.2.2 certified or is otherwise accepted by the National Olympic ~~Council~~ **Committee** in that country or, if there is no such body, the national governing body for sports in that country as the sole or a representative national organisation of deaf sports in that country; and is

Explanation:

The correct word for NOC is **Committee**

Comments from Legal Commission

Editorial change only

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 5

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

5.1 The Congress may admit a national association to Full Membership after reviewing the report of the Legal Commission of DEAFLYMPICS as to the Legal Commission's degree of satisfaction with the constitution or documents of incorporation, **financial reports** and qualifications of the national association.

Explanation:

DEAFLYMPICS does not look at its members' finances.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 6

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

5.2 The admission of Associate Members shall be ~~within the complete discretion of the Executive Committee~~ determined by the Legal Commission of DEAFLYMPICS. Any such decision shall be submitted for ratification at the next following Congress.

Explanation:

It is more appropriate for Legal Commission, rather than Executive Committee.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 7

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

6.1.2 Full Members shall pay the annual membership fee as levied by DEAFLYMPICS by April 1st of the **applicable financial calendar** year. Interest will be due and payable at ten per cent **each month** for late payments until October. All other levies and fees are payable within **30 60** days of their imposition.

Explanation:

It is generally felt that the 10% each month is excessive and 60 days is more reasonable. Financial year is not clear so calendar year (01/01-31/12) is better.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 8

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Sweden

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

6.3 Obligations of Members

6.3.1 All members shall have the same goals as DEAFLYMPICS.

6.3.2 All members shall abide by DEAFLYMPICS Anti-Doping and audiological rules in all competitions.

Explanation:

All International Deaf Sport Federations and Regional Federations shall follow the goals of DEAFLYMPICS including anti-doping.

Comments from Legal Commission

The Legal Commission has re-worded this proposal from Sweden and supports it.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 9

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
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- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

7.2 A member under suspension loses all rights and privileges of membership. In particular a suspended member shall not be entitled to attend or vote at the Congress ~~or enter~~ and may not be allowed to enter athletes in any events or activities organised or sanctioned by the DEAFLYMPICS.

Explanation:

This will give the Executive Committee at its own discretion to allow athletes compete.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 10

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
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- Commission

Name:

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- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
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 - General

Proposal:

7.3 The **Secretary Executive Director** may terminate a membership by removing the member from the Register of members on the advice of Congress upon a review by the Executive Committee.

Explanation:

The Secretary General position as an elected member has been eliminated. So the name Executive Director is better.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow) 1

2005 Congress Proposal # 11

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

7.4. A suspended member may be re-admitted when the reason(s) for suspension has been resolved satisfactorily, by applying for re-admission to the Executive Committee.

Explanation:

It is necessary to add a new article to help any suspended member to fulfill its obligations for re-admission.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 12

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

9.2.2 The Congress shall be held ~~within one week prior to the commencement~~ **six months after** ~~of~~ the summer or within one week prior to the commencement winter program of the Deaflympic Games.

Explanation:

It is difficult to give undivided attention to both events- Congress and the Summer Games. In some instances, the governments do not give extra support for Congress as they consider it to be part of the Summer Games.

Comments from Legal Commission

Encourage open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): 3 NO (Red): 22 ABSTAIN (Yellow) 11 **FAILED**

2005 Congress Proposal # 13

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

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- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
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 - General

Proposal:

9.2.4 Full Members **shall have two votes and** may be represented by a maximum of two delegates ~~having one vote each.~~

Explanation:

It means that a full member can send one delegate but will have two votes. If two delegates, it will still have two votes. This language is more clear.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 14

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

9.2.7.3 to elect the Executive Committee of the DEAFLYMPICS, **with the exception of the Regional Representatives;**

Explanation:

The Congress delegates do not elect Regional Representatives to the Executive Committee.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 15

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
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- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

9.2.7.6.1 be submitted in writing to the **Executive Committee Secretariat** of the DEAFLYMPICS not less than four months (unless waived by the Executive Committee in its absolute discretion) before the month in which Congress is due to meet and

Explanation:

The Executive Committee does not receive proposals at the office. The Secretariat is the name of the office.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 16

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

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The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
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- General

Proposal:

~~9.2.7.9 to appoint a solicitor;~~

Explanation:

The Congress has never appointed a solicitor. The Executive Committee can hire a solicitor whenever it needs, depending on the nature of matters. So it is better to delete.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 17

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
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- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
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 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

9.4.1.3 ~~one Secretary General; (to be eliminated in 2005);~~

9.4.1.4 ~~one Treasurer;~~

9.4.1.6 ~~two~~ **three** members-**at-large**; and

9.4.1.7 the President or his appointee from each Regional Confederation **in a non-voting capacity**.

Explanation:

At the 2003 Congress, it was passed to eliminate Secretary General from the Executive Committee. It is logical for the Secretariat (office) to handle bookkeeping and financial accounting, therefore it is proposed to eliminate Treasurer's position and add one more member-at-large. Regional Representatives are not elected by the Congress, therefore should be in a non-voting capacity on the EC.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 18

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
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The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

9.4.5 Elected Members of the Executive Committee may not serve as officers of Regional Confederations and vice versa.

Explanation:

Regional Representatives have a seat on the Executive Committee and have full authority to speak in behalf of regional federation. Executive Committee members should devote their full attention to DEAFLYMPICS matters.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 19

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
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- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

9.4.8.3 to formulate and approve rules of procedure and by-laws **in accordance with the Constitution;**

Explanation:

To ensure procedures follow the Constitution.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 20

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
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- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

9.4.8.8 to make payment to persons ~~including any member of the Executive Committee~~ who are engaged by the Executive Committee to perform tasks at its direction;

Explanation:

Executive Committee members have always served without pay.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 21

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

9.5.1 The Management Team of the DEAFLYMPICS shall consist of the following office bearers:

- 9.5.1.1 ~~one~~ President;
- 9.5.1.2 ~~one~~ Vice-President;
- 9.5.1.3 ~~one Treasurer~~ **Sports Director**;
- 9.5.1.4 ~~one Secretary General~~

Explanation:

Since both Secretary General and Treasurer eliminated as elected members of the Executive Committee, the new replacement for Management Team should be Sports Director.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Note: Sweden thinks Sports Director should be paid position.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 22

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

10.1.2 All other resolutions, including the admission of national associations and the amendment of **by-laws**, rules and regulations shall be determined by a simple majority of votes of Members present and voting at the Congress or Extraordinary Congress.

Explanation:

In general practice, the body to amend by-laws is Executive Committee.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 23

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

DG2 GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Deaflympic Games take place every four years. The Summer Games and the Winter Games shall be held, in turn, each second year. **These Games receive official patronage of IOC.**

Explanation:

It will bring more respect and recognition by national governments and NOCs.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 24

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG2

A. The duration of the Summer and Winter Games generally will be no longer than ~~ten (10) days~~ **twelve (12) days** for the Summer Games, and ~~seven (7) days~~ **eight (8) days** for the Winter Games, exclusive of the Opening Ceremony and pre-games events/qualifying rounds.

Explanation:

With a maximum total of sixteen entries for team sports and rest time as required by International Federation of respective sports, extra days are needed.

Comments from Legal Commission

Support for open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 25

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Finance and Sponsorship Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG2. GENERAL INFORMATION

- F. With approval from the DEAFLYMPICS EC, the DEAFLYMPICS ~~Treasurer~~ **Executive Director**, in calling for bids, shall outline details of the licence fee, including the amount of the bond **of USD\$10.000/\$25.000 for Winter/Summer Games respectively**, that the winning country is expected to pay within three months of the official announcement.

Explanation:

This is absolutely necessary to establish accountability of the Games Organizing Committee.

Comments from Legal Commission

Encourages open discussion

Note: to be effective with the 2013 Bid

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 26

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

DG2. GENERAL INFORMATION

H. Participation in the Deaflympic Games is restricted to persons who are:

- c. not using hearing aids or **external** cochlear implant aids during any Deaflympic Games event.

Explanation:

To make it less confusing for cochlear implant users and to allow them to compete without using external magnetic round plate during competitions.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 27

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Portugal

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

DG3. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- A. A national association bidding for the right to host a Summer or Winter Deaflympic Games must submit its application with the proposed city and date to the DEAFLYMPICS Secretariat by 1st May (for Summer Games) or 1st November (for Winter Games) in one year before the actual congress, ~~six~~ **eight** years before the conduct of the actual Games.

Explanation:

Not many countries send delegates to the Winter Session of the Congress where the official site of the next Summer Games is selected. Voting results do not often reflect true representation.

Comments from Legal Commission

It does not support this as it feels that each member should be fully obliged to send delegates to Congress each time it is held, regardless of the time of the year.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne: (FIRST VOTE/SECOND VOTE)

YES (Green): 36/26 NO (Red): 27/25 ABSTAIN (Yellow) 13/10 **FAILED**

2005 Congress Proposal # 28

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG3. BIDDING PROCEDURES

A. A national association bidding for the right to host a Summer or Winter Deaflympic Games must submit its application with the proposed city and date to the DEAFLYMPICS Secretariat ~~by 1st May (for Summer Games) or 1st November (for Winter Games) in one year before the actual congress~~, six years before the conduct of the actual Games.

C. Deadline for bid submissions shall be determined by the EC and announced at least ~~six~~ **twelve** months prior to the deadline.

Explanation:

DG2 A. and C had two different deadlines. So it is better to make it 12 months for the EC to make announcement for deadline.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement with the rationale.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 29

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG3. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- F. A National Association applying to host the Deaflympic Games must sign a contract agreeing to abide with the existing DEAFLYMPICS "Deaflympic Games – Regulations" **prior to conducting a site inspection.**

Explanation:

To ensure that the national association fully understand its obligations and agrees to abide and to avoid possible confusion.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 30

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG6. FORMAL INVITATIONS

- A. The invitations to take part in the Games shall be issued **at least one year in advance**, separately, by both the DEAFLYMPICS and the OC and these invitations shall include the list of approved sports that will be part of the Deaflympic Games program.

Explanation:

It is absolutely necessary to have a deadline.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 31

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG7. PROGRAM

- A. The Technical Directors for the respective sports shall approve the final competition schedule at least six months prior to the Games. The sports that will be part of the program for the Summer and Winter Deaflympic Games shall be those that are approved by Congress ~~four years prior to the Games~~ **at the time of the bid.**

Explanation:

To minimize possible hardship on the Organizing Committee when new sports/events are added after the bid is made.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 32

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG7. PROGRAM

C.The OC shall consult with the DEAFLYMPICS EC on the proposed dates of the Deaflympic Games. The consultation shall decide on the exact dates of the Deaflympic Games on the basis of eliminating any potential conflicts with other DEAFLYMPICS recognised sporting events and shall be finalised not less than ~~two~~ **four** years before the Deaflympic Games.

Explanation:

This would give members more time to plan their budget and get their team ready.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 33

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

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Proposal:

DG7. PROGRAM

E. The official program shall only include sports and events that have preliminary registrations from at least five countries and from at least two regions. Where a sport or event has less than ~~four~~ five participants or less than two regions, this sport or event shall be cancelled. Where an individual event is cancelled due to the above rules, the Secretary-General must notify the affected associations within fourteen (14) days after the deadline for preliminary entries and, where applicable, immediately after the deadline for final registrations.

Explanation:

It has always been five participants.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 34

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG8. ADDITION AND DELETION OF SPORT

- A. A new sport may be introduced to the Deaflympic Games first as a demonstration sport. The DEAFLYMPICS EC may propose the new sport to the Congress as a medal sport at the next Deaflympic Games. For this proposal to be made, that sport must meet the following criteria:
- a. the new sport must have held a World Championship at least once;
 - b. where the new sport has not held a World Championship; it must have held an international competition within the last three years and hosted a minimum of eight countries for ~~both~~ either gender;

Explanation:

An example, if there has been no competition for women in one sport, this current rule would mean we must also delete men as well. It is better to say either, instead of both.

Comments from Legal Commission

In total agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 35

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG9. PARTICIPATION

- I- Where a team has more team officials than the number permitted, the excess team officials will **be charged an excess fee to be determined by the Executive Committee.** ~~be treated as spectators/visitors and these officials will not be recognised as 'official' DEAFLYMPICS team officials.~~

Explanation:

In some situations at previous Games, national associations had to bring extra officials to meet the needs of athletes. It is better to charge an excess fee, rather than treating them as spectators/visitors.

Comments from Legal Commission

Acceptable

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 36

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Audiological Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG11. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

- A. An athlete, whose audiogram has not been approved by DEAFLYMPICS or has not previously been tested by the DEAFLYMPICS Audiologist, must submit to the DEAFLYMPICS an audiogram that is not more than one year old. This must be arranged prior to participation in any qualifying round or in the Deaflympic Games. **If not provided, the hearing test will be conducted at the site of Deaflympic Games at the national association's expense.** Athletes may be required to take additional hearing tests during the Games.
- B. The audiogram form for this will be supplied by the DEAFLYMPICS via its official website.**

Explanation:

It will hopefully reduce the number of athletes to be tested at the site of event.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 37

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Anti-Doping Commission

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG11. CONTROLS AND SANCTIONS

~~C. The DEAFLYMPICS Medical Commission must send out to all National Members warnings about doping 12 months prior to the Deaflympic Games. The OC must provide access to a doping laboratory and the necessary facilities for dope testing.~~

~~D. Athletes may be required to undergo doping tests.~~

C. DEAFLYMPICS supports the work of the World Anti-Doping Agency in developing the World Anti-Doping Code and has accepted the Code in June 2004.

D. DEAFLYMPICS has established the DEAFLYMPICS Anti-Doping Rules, in accordance with the Code, which will apply to the Deaflympic Games and other relevant international events.

E. Any athlete participating at the Deaflympic Games may be requested to submit to a doping control at any time during the Games.

F. In the event of an anti-doping rule violation DEAFLYMPICS may impose sanctions as outlined in the DEAFLYMPICS Anti-Doping Rules.

G. The OC is responsible for all expenses for doping controls conducted.

H. The OC is responsible for setting up the infrastructure (including trained personnel, appropriate sample collection facilities, access to WADA

- Accredited Laboratory) to enable a doping control program to be conducted at the Deaflympic Games.**
- I. The OC is required to distribute a Doping Control Guide, outlining the technical processes involved in the sample collection to all member nations.**
 - J. All member nations are responsible for ensuring that their athletes are informed about the DEAFLYMPICS Anti-Doping Rules and its requirements.**

Explanation:

The Anti-Doping Commission created a new DEAFLYMPICS Anti-Doping Rules and signed a signatory with World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) in June 2004.

Comments from Legal Commission

Fully supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 38

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG11. CONTROLS AND SANCTIONS

~~E. Female athletes may be required to undergo sex tests.~~

Explanation:

This is no longer enforced by IOC- therefore we should eliminate this.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 39

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG12. TEAM SPORTS

- A. The registration for team sports for the qualifying rounds must be made two and a half years prior to the Summer Games and ~~one and a half years~~ **one year** prior to the Winter Games.

Explanation:

Normally there is no need for qualifying rounds for winter sports, therefore one year is reasonable.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 40

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG12. TEAM SPORTS

- D. Where there is less than sixteen (16) teams registered a team sport, additional entries may be accepted until a maximum of sixteen teams is reached ~~one year~~ **three months** prior to the opening date of the Deaflympic Games. **The entry of team sports will be made upon the date of receipt of the application with the DEAFLYMPICS office. Should the DEAFLYMPICS office receive more than one team on the same day, a ballot will be held to determine the order of entry.**

Explanation:

To allow both full and provisional members to enter, which may help the number to reach 16.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 41

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Germany

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

DG12. TEAM SPORTS

F. ~~Qualifying rounds shall be arranged as determined by the Regional Confederations to decide teams for the final round(s).~~ Qualification for participating in the Deaflympic Games should automatically follow the results of championships within the regional federations.

Explanation:

The regional federations like EDSO, PANAMDES, Asia-Pacific etc. have their own championships. Winners and place winners of these championships have the right to be qualified for participation in the Deaflympic Games automatically. Separate qualifications are inappropriate as they add financial burden.

Comments from Legal Commission

Support this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 42

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Kjell Gunna

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG12. TEAM SPORTS

F. Qualifying rounds shall be arranged as determined by the Regional Confederations to decide teams for the final round(s). **Qualification to Deaflympic basketball tournament must occur via participation in regional championships administered by International Deaf Sport Federation affiliated with DEAFLYMPICS.**

Explanation:

No explanation given

Comments from Legal Commission

Suggest open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): 9 NO (Red): 52 ABSTAIN (Yellow) – 14 **FAILED**

2005 Congress Proposal # 43

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG17. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

- D. The OC must pay for:
- ii. one visit of the ~~Secretary-General~~ **President or his designee and technical directors** to the site of the Deaflympic Games approximately one year before the Games

Explanation:

We no longer have Secretary General so we should let the President or his designee make the site visit and it becomes very crucial for technical directors to make a site visit as well. It is found to be very helpful to the Organizing Committee in minimizing the chance of wasting time and money.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Effective 2013

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 44

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Switzerland

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG17. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

D.

iii. all travel and accommodation expenses for the DEAFLYMPICS President, the DEAFLYMPICS Secretary-General, one interpreter, one audiologist **and all Technical Directors** for the period of the Deaflympic Games plus four days (before and/or after the Games); and

Explanation:

Since technical directors work directly for the organization of the Deaflympic Games, the Organizing Committee should pay.

Comments from Legal Commission

Not in favor because it may cause additional hardship on the Organizing Committee and also may discourage national associations to consider bidding for future Games.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): 25 NO (Red): 27 ABSTAIN (Yellow) 21 **FAILED**

2005 Congress Proposal # 45

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG18. MEDALS AND DIPLOMAS

B.

In all sports and events the first prize will be a gold medal and a diploma, the second prize a silver medal and a diploma, and the third prize a bronze medal and a diploma. All medals should have engravings stating type of sport and event for which the medal or diploma shall be conferred. ~~Where possible, the names of the medal winners should be engraved on the medals.~~

Explanation:

IOC does not require that of the Organizing Committee to do this.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal #46

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG20. PUBLICATIONS

- A. The National Association (or its OC) shall forward to the DEAFLYMPICS within two months, a full transcript of all results in all sports and events for the Deaflympic Games, which then will be ~~printed-~~ **published in the DEAFLYMPICS Bulletin.**

Explanation:

Bulletin has been replaced with E-News and we have new website address.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 47

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG20. PUBLICATIONS

B. BROCHURE

An explanatory brochure containing the general programme and the available facilities, equipment and services during the Deaflympic Games shall be printed in English as well as in the language of the country in which the Deaflympic Games are being held. The OC shall distribute the brochure to the DEAFLYMPICS and all National Deaf Sports Organisations ~~not less than one year~~ **two years** before commencement of the Deaflympic Games.

Explanation:

It will give full members more time to get familiar with the Organizing Committee's Games preparation.

Comments from Legal Commission

In support

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 48

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG20. PUBLICATIONS

B. DAILY RESULTS

- . A complete result book of the Deaflympic Games shall be produced within ~~three~~ **one month** following the completion of the Deaflympic Games. The result book shall contain results attained in all heats and the final results, arranged at sport and classification level appropriate for inclusion in Deaflympic Record list.

Explanation:

With modern technology, one month is more appropriate and reasonable.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow) 2

2005 Congress Proposal # 49

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG20. PUBLICATIONS

C. OFFICIAL FILM

- . The OC is strongly encouraged to produce a "film" (~~16mm~~) or videotape (~~SP-Betacam PAL or NTSC~~) or other generally accepted media such as DVD, of at least 40 minutes' duration and deliver the product to DEAFLYMPICS no later than six months following the Deaflympic Games, and observing the following that:
 - two (2) ~~computer floppy disks~~ sets of computer media containing the script of the commentary as recorded in English will be provided as part of the delivery of the product; and

Explanation:

Media technology has changed since then.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 50

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

DG23. AUTHORITY & JURISDICTION (REFEREES, UMPIRES, & JUDGES)

- E. National associations may propose their **international certified** referees for service at the Games. However, these associations must bear all expenses of these officials, **unless an agreement is made with the OC.**

Explanation:

To elevate the standards of the Games, referees shall be international-certified and that the referees' expenses may either be paid by the National Deaf Sports Association or the Organizing Committee.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow) 2

2005 Congress Proposal # 51

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG24. AUTHORITY & JURISDICTION (DISPUTES)

C. An appeal against a decision of an official may be made with the Protests Committee. A deposit, the amount of which will be determined by the ~~Congress~~ **Executive Committee**, must accompany the appeal.

Explanation:

It has been the Executive Committee that determines the amount.

Comments from Legal Commission

Support this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 52

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG25. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

- B. These technical regulations shall be in accordance with the Rules of the Olympic Games and/or the World Championships held **immediately nine months** before the Deaflympic Games.

Explanation:

In some instances, we face some new rule changes that become effective immediately after the Olympic Games and our Games are a few months after the Olympic Games. This does not give our athletes enough time to get used to new rules prior to the Deaflympic Games.

Comments from Legal Commission

In support

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 53

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Technical Commission

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

DG25. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

- D. All facilities and equipment shall be provided for all sports that have been included in the programme of the Deaflympic Games. ~~The TD for each sport must sign a declaration that he has inspected all facilities and equipment and that they are of an international competition standard. This declaration shall include a clause that there is a satisfactory competition venue for their sport and that there is a sufficient number of training grounds.~~ All facilities must be accessible to Deaf persons and be conveniently located near the Main Stadium and the accommodation areas of the athletes.

Explanation:

Not often the Technical Directors get a chance to inspect facilities and equipment prior to the Deaflympic Games. So they should not sign a declaration.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 54

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

WC1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- ~~F. The duration of the Deaf World Championships will be no longer than seven days.~~

Explanation:

It is better to delete the duration entirely to give more flexibility.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 55

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- G. The Deaf World Championship can only take place where there are five or more DEAFLYMPICS members from at least ~~three~~ **two** regions (*) taking part. Where there are less than five DEAFLYMPICS members from at least ~~one~~ **two** regions taking part in the event, the host nation shall have the responsibility of terming the sporting event as an international competition or cancelling the event.

Explanation:

In Sundsvall, it was agreed to change from three to two regions. We must have athletes from at least 2 regions for the event to be called World Championships.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 56

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC2. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- A. Only full **and associate** members of the DEAFLYMPICS are eligible to bid for the Deaf World Championships in sports that are officially recognized ~~in the Deaflympic Games~~ by DEAFLYMPICS

Explanation:

This will allow associate members to bid Deaf World Championships under the auspices of DEAFLYMPICS

Comments from Legal Commission

In support

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 57

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC2. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- B. A DEAFLYMPICS member applying for the Deaf World Championships must submit its application (Appendix One) to the Congress held no less than ~~four~~ **two** years prior to the Championships being awarded.

Explanation:

This will allow more flexibility and encourage more countries to consider hosting world championships.

Comments from Legal Commission

In support

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 58

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC2. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- C. The bid application shall be submitted with the DEAFLYMPICS Secretariat at least ~~four~~ six months prior to the applicable Congress.

Explanation:

This will allow the Secretariat more time to plan site inspection and prepare announcement to members prior to the Congress.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 59

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC2. BIDDING PROCEDURES

- G. The DEAFLYMPICS member bidding for a Deaf World Championship must arrange for a site visit to the city by the DEAFLYMPICS ~~President or his representative~~ **Sport Director or Technical Director in their respective sports** prior to the Congress at which the bid will be presented. The site visit must take place during the same month in which the proposed Championship is to take place. At Congress, the EC's decision as to the conferral of the right to host the Deaf World Championship will be presented for ratification.

Explanation:

Sport Director and Technical Directors have more knowledge and expertise to evaluate during site inspection.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 60

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

WC3. ORGANISING COMMITTEE

- A. The DEAFLYMPICS member awarded the Deaf World Championships may ~~immediately~~ appoint an Organising Committee (OC) and delegate to it the responsibility of organising the Championships.

Explanation:

It is better to delete the word- immediately to make it more flexible.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 61

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC7. SPORTS (GENERAL)

- A. A summer sport must be practised by at least twelve (12) DEAFLYMPICS members and a winter sport must be practised by at least six DEAFLYMPICS members and these members must be from at least two regions in order for the sport to be eligible ~~as an event in~~ for a Deaf World Championship.

Explanation:

To make this less confusing.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 62

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC7.SPORTS (GENERAL)

- C. The final program shall be approved by the ~~EC~~ **Sport Director or Technical Director in respective sports** at least six months before the Championships.

Explanation:

Sport Director and Technical Directors have more direct contact with the host of world championships than the EC.

Comments from Legal Commission

Agreed

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 63

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC11. AUTHORITY & JURISDICTION

- A. The DEAFLYMPICS ~~President or his nominee~~ **Sport Director** shall be the final arbiter on any matter in disputes relating to any aspect of the Championship brought forward by the National Association (or its OC) or any one of the participating National Associations.

Explanation:

Sport Director has more direct contact than the President or his nominee.

Comments from Legal Commission

In support

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 64

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
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 - General

Proposal:

WC11. AUTHORITY & JURISDICTION

- D. The judges themselves shall determine protests that are lodged with ground judges. Protests will not be determined unless the protest was made in writing, in English, and submitted with a ground judge within ~~no later than two hours~~ **limited time as established by respective international sport federation** after the results of the competition have been declared. The DEAFLYMPICS must be referenced for these disputes.

Explanation:

The rule varies among international sport federation so it is better to eliminate a specific time.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 65

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC12. PRIZES, DIPLOMAS & POSTERS

B. The proposed design of posters, prizes and diplomas must be submitted with the EC for approval no later than two years before the Deaf World Championships. Posters shall carry the logo of DEAFLYMPICS in ~~the top right hand corner~~ in a **prominent position**.

Explanation:

It offers more flexibility for the graphic artist when designing the poster.

Comments from Legal Commission

Acceptable.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 66

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: (*choose one*)
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

WC13. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

- E. The National Association (or its OC) must arrange and fund:
 - a. one visit of the DEAFLYMPICS ~~President (or his nominee)~~ Sport Director to the site of the Deaf World Championship approximately four years before the Championship;

Explanation:

Sport Director has more direct contact with the preparations of world championships.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 67

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
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 - General

Proposal:

WC14. CANCELLATION

- b. In event of the National Association (or its OC) **canceling making its own decision to cancel** the Deaf World Championship less than 8 months prior to the official date of the Deaf World Championship, the OC must refund all monies paid by all visiting teams. The National Association shall also reimburse all sporting teams for any loss of monies as a result of non-refundable deposits being made for travel uniforms and any other such incidentals. Further, the National Association may face further penalty to be determined by the EC.

Explanation:

The OC should not be penalized if there are fewer teams entered due to last minute withdrawals.

Comments from Legal Commission

In agreement

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 68

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Slovenia

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

Proposes that DEAFLYMPICS start procedures and activities for membership with International Paralympic Committee and inclusion of deaf athletes in the Paralympic Games, separately from other disability groups.

Explanation:

To gain more public media interest and deaf athletes will be offered equal conditions (free lodging, meals, medical care, etc.) if competed at the same time as Paralympics.

Comments from Legal Commission

Refer for general discussion

Note: Slovenia Paralympics requested that this motion be made. Donalda provided information on IPC-Deaflympics agreement.

Outcome: Slovenia withdraw proposal.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green):

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 69

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Belgium

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

The year and month of Deaflympic Games should best coincide with the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.

Explanation:

Funding from national government or national Olympic committee will be much easier if all of three Games are held in the same year.

Comments from Legal Commission

Suggest open discussion

Note: Need to send out survey to find out if funding is better this way for countries?

Outcome: Withdraw motion.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green):

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 70

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: USA

- The proposal is to: *(choose one)*
- add
 - modify
 - delete

- The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*
- Constitution
 - Deaflympic Games Regulations
 - World Deaf Championships Regulations
 - General

Proposal:

Move to review conduct of the Russian Committee of Deaf Sports (RCDS) as a full member of the DEAFLYMPICS per Section 8.1.1.3 of the Constitution

Explanation:

To discuss unethical intervention of RCDS in the operations of USA Deaf Sports Federation

Comments from Legal Commission

Open discussion, with a condition that USADSF provides full members with evidence of dishonorable conduct of RCDS at Congress.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)

Outcome: After presenting evidence, Mr. Valery Ruhledev was invited to explain rationale for RCDS's actions and promised that RCDS would refrain from future interventions.

2005 Congress Proposal # 71

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Croatia

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

Athletes with at least 50 dB hearing loss be allowed to participate in international events, other than DEAFLYMPICS.

Explanation:

Gives more flexibility

Comments from Legal Commission

Not in favor since the 55 dB rule should apply to all events.

Outcome: Withdraw motion.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green):

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 72

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: International Martial Arts Federation of the Deaf (IMAFD), Slovenia, Switzerland

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

To include the sports of judo and karate as full medal sports in the Deaflympic Games, effective at the 21st Deaflympic Games in 2009.

Explanation:

Since 1979 IMAFD has successfully organized 12 world championships in both judo and karate. There are more than 35 countries in all 4 regions that have deaf judo and karate athletes for both genders.

Comments from Legal Commission

In support, since it has met regulations for inclusion by hosting world championships and having them as a demonstration sport during the Deaflympic Games.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow) 2

2005 Congress Proposal # 73

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Korea

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

Add Tae Kwon Do to the Deaflympic Games program, effective at 2009 Games in Taipei

Explanation:

There are many countries all over the world that enjoy this sport.

Comments from Legal Commission

Open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow) 4

2005 Congress Proposal # 74

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: USA

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

DEAFLYMPICS to revisit the marketing concept by forming partnerships with member nations to develop a strong marketing plan in promoting DEAFLYMPICS through corporate sponsorships.

Explanation:

This will help both DEAFLYMPICS and member nations to develop a win-win situation in raising funds. A marketing plan should include strategies to produce agreements where a member nation will receive a portion of the sponsorship money.

Comments from Legal Commission

NOTE: Suggests open discussion and then refer to Finance and Sponsorship Commission.

Outcome: Refer to Finance and Sponsorship

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green):

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 75

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

National Deaf Sports Association

International Deaf Sport Federation

Technical Director

Executive Committee

Commission

Name: Switzerland

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

add

modify

delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

Constitution

Deaflympic Games Regulations

World Deaf Championships Regulations

General

Proposal:

Orienteering must have 4 events instead of 3 events during the Deaflympic Games

Explanation:

EDSO has already introduced 4 events, therefore Deaflympic Games should have 4 events.

Comments from Legal Commission

Encourages open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow) 2

2005 Congress Proposal # 76

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Sweden

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

For any world championship event, the organizing committee must have a home page on internet and is linked to www.deaflympics.com

Explanation:

This will result in a quick and effective way of communicating information.

Comments from Legal Commission

Supports this

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 77

Submitted by: (*choose one*)

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name:

The proposal is to: (*choose one*)

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: (*choose one*)

- Constitution
- By-Laws
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
- World Deaf Championships Regulations
- General

Proposal:

Athletes from small countries which are not eligible to apply for full membership should be allowed to compete in international competitions for the Deaf.

Explanation:

There are some small countries with not enough Deaf people to establish a national deaf sports association. They have some Deaf athletes who are world-class and they should be allowed to compete in international competitions for the Deaf.

Comments from Legal Commission

Encourage open discussion

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): ALL

NO (Red):

ABSTAIN (Yellow)

2005 Congress Proposal # 78

Submitted by: *(choose one)*

- National Deaf Sports Association
- International Deaf Sport Federation
- Technical Director
- Executive Committee
- Commission

Name: Israel

The proposal is to: *(choose one)*

- add
- modify
- delete

The proposal is related to: *(choose one)*

- Constitution
- By-Laws
- Deaflympic Games Regulations
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- General

Proposal:

Name registration for team sports shall be lengthened by four (4) additional names. At the technical meeting immediately before the start of competition (tournament) the fixed number of names for the roster will be finalized.

Explanation:

The team is sometimes plagued by injuries, illness, or personal commitment. Therefore, the roster is never finalized until the departure of the team for the tournament.

Comments from Legal Commission

Not in support of this since it is contrary to the Olympic practice.

Outcome: Withdraw motion.

Voting Results at Congress-Melbourne:

YES (Green): NO (Red): ABSTAIN (Yellow)