



STATUTES

Approved by World Skate Congress October 30th, 2022 Buenos Aires (Argentina)

DISCIPLINES

Skateboarding
Inline Speed Skating
Artistic Skating
Inline Hockey
Rink Hockey
Downhill
Inline Alpine
Inline Freestyle
Roller Freestyle
Roller Derby
Scooter

WORLD SKATE

- Only governing body in the world for ALL SPORTS performed on skating wheels
 - Voluntary no profit association
- Recognized by the most important sports International Organizations:
IOC, ASOIF, ARISF, GAISF, IWGA, PASO, OCA

HEADQUARTER

Lausanne

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

English. Statutes, By-Laws, “Disciplinary and Ethics Code” shall be translated into Spanish

In case of language discrepancies, the English version shall prevail

WORLD SKATE'S GOALS - Art.2

Supports and encourage the development of all World Skate disciplines and promotes sports free from doping

Increases the international relationship between its National Federation and national and International Sports Organizations

Organizes World Championship and other international competitions and events and establishes the annual calendar of intercontinental, continental and international competitions following a specific order (art. 2.1.h)

Acknowledges and recognizes the Statutes and the purposes of the IOC, the IOC anti-doping rules, the WADA CODE and of all the other International Sport Organizations whose World Skate is a member of

Requires all its members to adopt an Antidoping Policy in compliance with the current World Skate Antidoping Policy. If there is a conflict between the NF's Antidoping Policy and the World Skate Antidoping Policy then the World Skate Antidoping Policy shall prevail

MEMBERSHIP - Art.3

World Skate
recognizes only
**ONE NATIONAL
FEDERATION** per
country

No discrimination
based on race,
religion, political
affiliation or
ideology.

Where more
than one Federation
is already recognized
by World Skate,
the different
entities shall make
their best effort
to establish a
sole governing body

In case of
NO AGREEMENT,
World Skate
Executive Board,
after hearing the opinion
of the competent
National Sports
Authority, appoints the
sole governing body for
the relevant country

To be accepted as member of World Skate, National Federation shall send a membership application to World Skate, including

1. An English version of their Statutes compliant to World Skate Rules and Regulations and including a compliant Anti-Doping Policy
2. A duly filled-in affiliation form
3. The recognition by the NOC as National Governing body of all World Skate disciplines. Should the NOC not answer or, in case the NOC unreasonably denies the mentioned recognition, World Skate Executive Board might however decide to recognize the Federation concerned

The Executive Board has the power to authorize a **provisional membership** which allows the new members to participate in sports activities. However, the final membership ratification by the Congress is mandatory

WORLD SKATE MEMBERSHIP FEE - Art. 12-13

- Is unique
- Approved by the Congress upon proposal of the Executive Board
- Payable annually, in January, in US dollars
- No-payment of a fee within the deadline: sanction
- Half of the total amount of the annual membership fee shall be paid back to the relevant Continental Area

WITHDRAW from World Skate

the Member Federation shall send a written notice before January 1st.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBER FEDERATIONS - Art.4

RIGHTS

- Recognition as the sole National Governing Body for all World Skate Disciplines
- Participation in World and Continental Championships as well as in any other World Skate International competition or event
- Voting right during World Skate Congress
- Organize National Championships of all World Skate disciplines

DUTIES

- Promote all World Skate disciplines on a national level and contribute to achieve the World Skate goals
- Comply with the decisions adopted by the bodies of World Skate
- Organize National Championships of all World Skate disciplines to the utmost of their capacities and possibilities
- Participate in World and Continental Championships to the utmost of their capacities and possibilities or at least once every three years
- Accept doping tests controlled by World Skate and by any other competent authority, either National or International
- Pay the affiliation fee within the deadlines set
- Pay event sports registration fees when due and within the deadlines set

GOVERNING BODIES OF WORLD SKATE

1

THE CONGRESS
- Art.7 -

2

**THE EXECUTIVE
BOARD**
- Art.8 -

3

THE PRESIDENT
- Art.8 -

THE CONGRESS - ART. 7

Is the SUPREME AUTHORITY of World Skate

ORDINARY CONGRESS

Every 2 years

ELECTIVE CONGRESS

Every 4 years within 5 months by
the end of the last year of the
Olympic quadrennium

EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS

Summoned by Executive
Board on proposal of the
President or on written
request submitted by at
least 1/3 of the Member
Federations

EACH MEMBER FEDERATION WITH NO OUTSTANDING DEBTS TOWARDS WORLD SKATE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO

3 VOTES for being affiliated
to World Skate



1 ADDITIONAL VOTE
for each World Skate disciplines in which it
participated in a World Championship in
the two years preceding the year of the
World Skate Congress

CONSTITUTIVE QUORUM

Delegates with voting rights
coming from at least 31 different
Member Federations

DELIBERATION QUORUM

50 % + 1
of the votes distributed

MAIN TASK

- **Elects** World Skate President, First Vice-President, Vice-Presidents (Continental Presidents), Continental Vice-Presidents
 - **Ratifies** World Skate financial report approved by the Executive Board
 - **Ratifies** World Skate By-Laws and Disciplinary and Ethics Code, approved by the Executive Board
 - **Approves** the World Skate Statutes and amendments or changes thereof proposed by the Executive Board or Member Federations with the support of at least other 4 Member Federations or of the Executive Board
- To propose amendments Member Federations shall notify the Secretary General in writing at least 3 months before the Ordinary Congress and 5 weeks before the Extraordinary Congress
 - Any proposed amendment to the Statutes shall be sent to World Skate members by the Secretary General 2 months before the Ordinary Congress and 1 month before the Extraordinary Congress



Before the
Congress

2 months before the Ordinary Congress and 1 month before the Extraordinary one, the President shall send out an Agenda. Only items included in the agenda shall be discussed, exception made for issues unknown before the Agenda was sent out. In both cases, new items may be considered only with the consent of at least 2/3 of the votes cast and during Ordinary Congresses only

During the
Congress

All matters shall be decided by MAJORITY OF VOTES, exception made for:

- a. Amendments to the Statutes
- b. Additions to the agenda, only allowed in Ordinary Congresses
- c. Dissolution of World Skate

Which shall require at least 2/3 OF THE VOTES CAST

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD - ART. 8

- Is the GOVERNING BODY of World Skate and is chaired by World Skate President
- Its members shall NOT REPRESENT the interests of their Member Federations while fulfilling their mandate
- It is in charge to make final decisions on the tasks assigned to it by the Statutes and on the matters provide for in the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics.
- It can act as ARBITRATOR in the disputes between Member Federations.

IT IS COMPOSED BY

MEMBERS WITH VOTING RIGHTS

- World Skate President
- World Skate First Vice President
- 5 Continental Area Presidents or Commissioners (World Skate Vice Presidents)
- The Chairmen of the International Technical Commissions.
- The Athletes' Representative (President of the Athletes' Commission)

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING WITH NO VOTING RIGHTS

- World Skate Secretary General
- World Skate Vice Secretary General
- World Skate Chairman of the Sports Medicine Commission
- World Skate Sports Director

MEETINGS

ORDINARY MEETINGS

1 every 2 years

EXTRAORDINARY MEETINGS

on proposal of the President, or
upon request of the 50% +1 of its
members

ELECTRONIC MEETINGS

are allowed.
Possibility to vote through
videoconferencing,
e-mail, fax or
teleconferencing systems

OFFICIAL SUMMONING
40 days before the proposed date
of the meeting

AGENDA
to be forwarded 20 days before the proposed
date of the meeting

CONSTITUTIVE QUORUM

50% plus 1
of the members entitled to vote

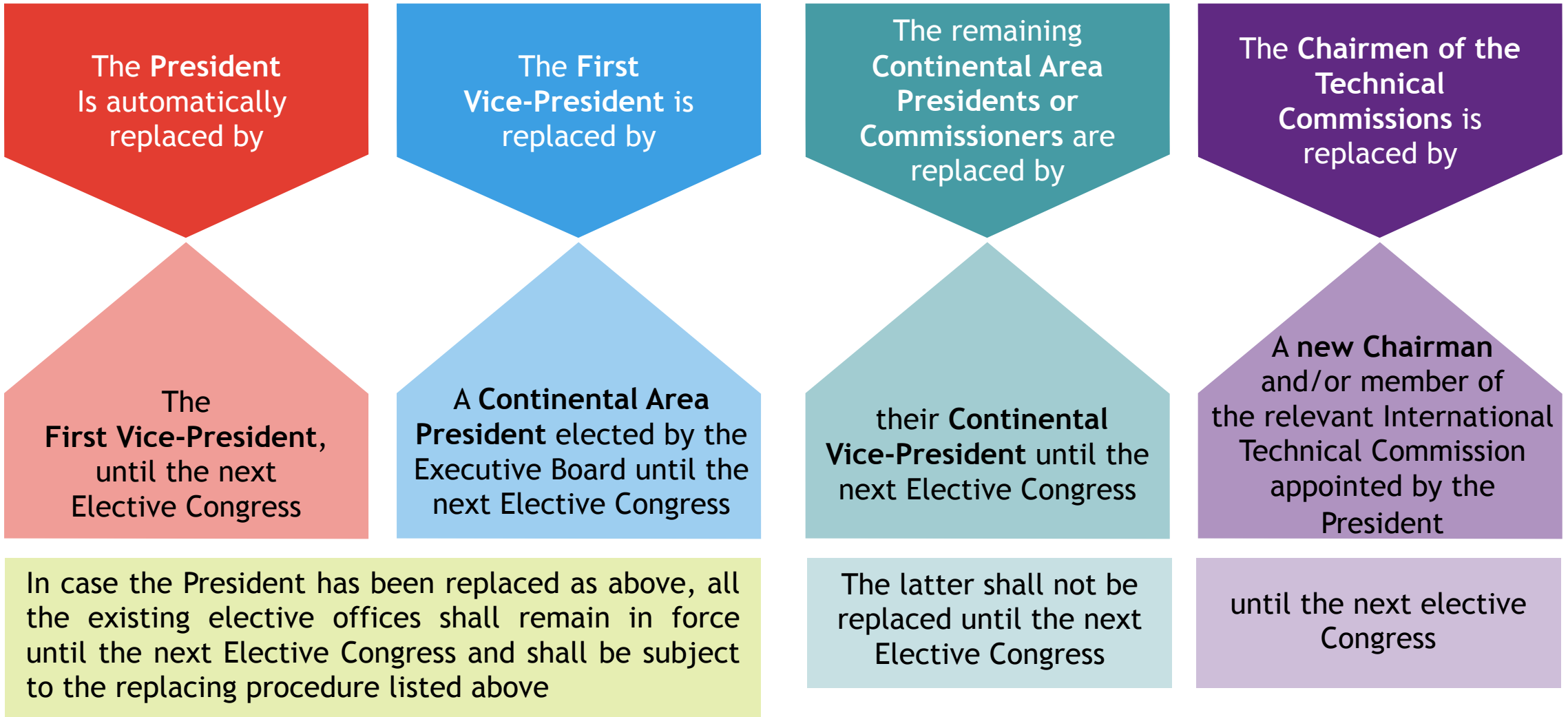
DELIBERATION QUORUM

50% plus 1
of the attendees entitled to vote.
In the event of a tie, the President shall
exercise his/her casting vote

MAIN TASK

- To manage World Skate
- To bear the general interest of World Skate
- To ratify possible urgent resolutions taken by the President
- To decide on Public relations and development measures in non-member Countries and preliminary acceptance of new Member Federations
- To decide on World Skate participation in other organizations
- To discuss and draw amendments to the Statutes to be submitted to the Congress for their approval
- To approve World Skate By-Laws and Disciplinary and Ethics Code
- To approve World Skate Events Calendar for its publication
- To approve World Skate Financial Report and to submit it to the Congress for its ratification
- To ratify Sports and Technical Rulebooks of each discipline drafted by the relevant International Technical Commission
- To adopt all necessary measures to achieve World Skate goals
- To rule Disciplinary and Ethics cases as per the procedures included in World Skate By-Laws and Disciplinary and Ethics Code

VACANT POSITIONS - Art. 9



THE PRESIDENT - Art. 10

- Legal representative of World Skate
- Authority to sign
- Authorized to act for and on behalf of World Skate

MAIN TASK

- **Presides** over the Congress and the Executive Board
- **Appoints** the Secretary General and the Vice Secretary General
- **Appoints** the Chairmen of the Technical Commissions and their members
- **Appoints** single discipline experts as support for Technical Commissions
- **Appoints** World Skate Officers
- **Fulfils** his/her mandate in collaboration with the Executive Board
- **Takes** urgent decisions that shall be subsequently ratified by the Executive Board

THE SECRETARY GENERAL - Art. 11

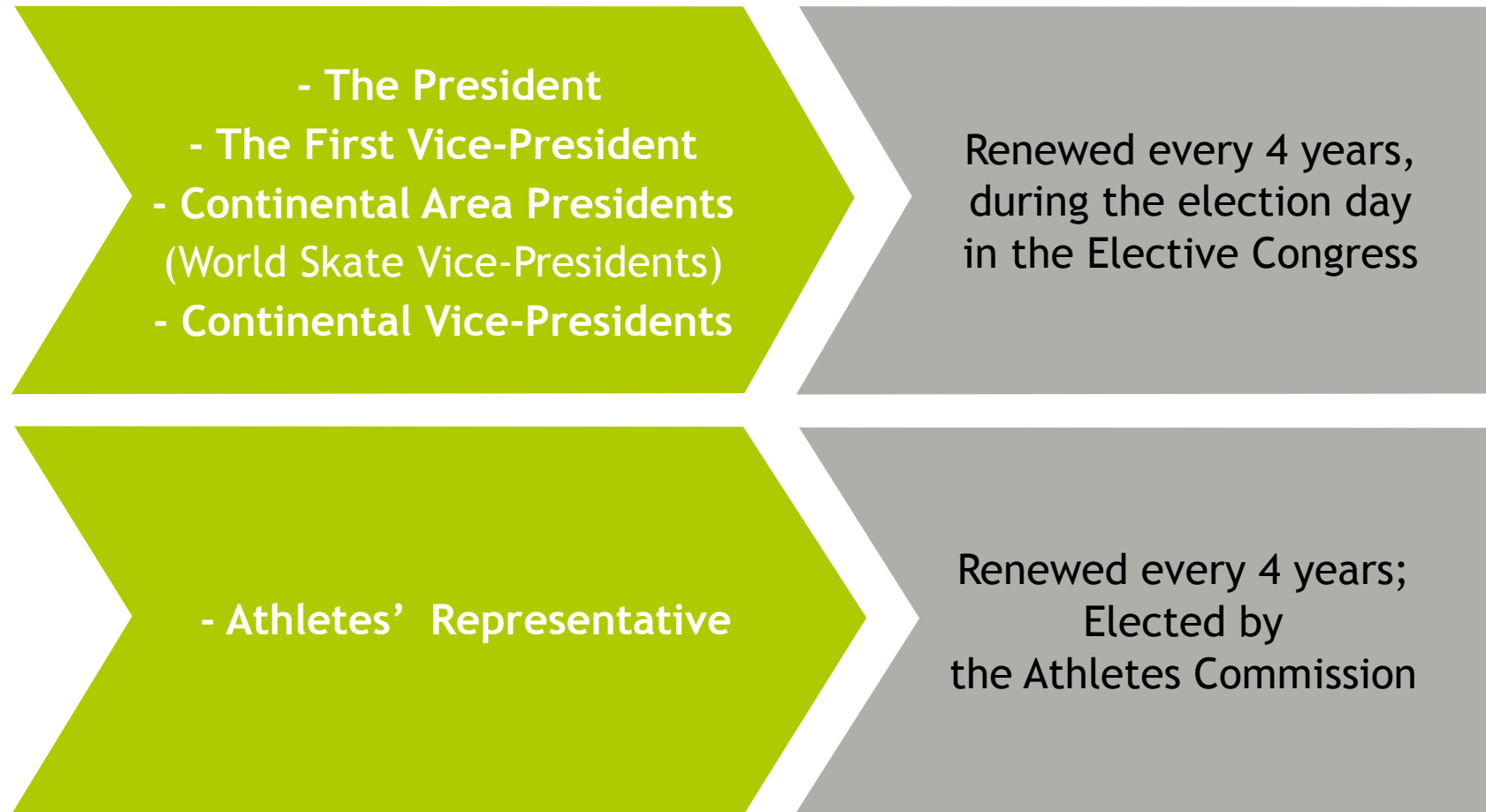
- Guarantor of World Skate democratic legitimacy
- Appointed by the President
- Ratified by the Executive Board

MAIN TASK

- **H**eads and coordinates World Skate staff
- **T**akes care of the World Skate business routine
- **L**eads and coordinates Continental Secretaries General
- **W**orks in cooperation with the President
- Upon mandate of the President he/she shall act as World Skate treasurer

N.B.: In the event of the Secretary General's absence, death or resignation, the **Vice-Secretary General** shall act in his/her place. The Vice - Secretary is appointed by the President and ratified by the Executive Board. It shall be of the opposite gender of the Secretary General

THE ELECTED OFFICES - Art. 14



CANDIDATURES FOR WORLD SKATE PRESIDENCY AND FIRST VICE-PRESIDENCY

1

submitted together

2

from different Countries and of opposite gender

3

candidates shall submit in writing at least 30 days before the Elective Congress to the Secretary General (secretarygeneral@worldskate.org) their candidacy supported by at least 5 Member Federations entitled to vote. If no candidate achieves the support letters required within the period set, anyone can submit his/her candidacy if supported by his/her National Federation, within 24 hours before the date set for the Congress

CANDIDATURES FOR CONTINENTAL AREA PRESIDENCY (WORLD SKATE VICE-PRESIDENCY) AND CONTINENTAL VICE-PRESIDENCY

- 1 submitted together
- 2 from the relevant Continental Area but from different Countries of opposite gender
- 3 Candidates shall submit in writing at least 30 days before the Elective Congress to the Secretary General (secretarygeneral@worldskate.org) their candidacy supported by at least 2 Member Federations entitled to vote in the relevant Continental Area. If no candidate achieves the support letters required within the period set, anyone can submit his/her candidacy, if supported by his/her National Federation, within 24 hours before the date set for the Congress

WORLD SKATE ATHLETES' REPRESENTATIVE

1

elected by the Athletes' Commission

2

In case one or more World Skate disciplines become Olympic, the Executive Board may appoint the Athletes' representative of one of these disciplines as President of the Athletes Commission (and therefore World Skate Athletes' Representative), instead of holding any voting procedure

VOTING PROCEDURE ELECTION DAY

- Separately
- Secret ballot
- In the following order:

1

World Skate President and First Vice-President

2

World Skate Continental Presidents and Vice-Presidents, to be voted simultaneously for all Continents. Delegates must vote only for the Continental Area they come from. In case at least 5 Member Federations belonging to a given Continental Area fail to attend the Election Day, the Election for the President and Vice-President of that Continental Area shall not be held, and a Commissioner will be appointed

CONTINENTAL AREAS - Art. 15



- Represent World Skate within their Continents not as single stand-alone bodies
- No independent from World Skate
- Territorial extensions of a unique Federation, looking after the interests of all the National Federations representing a specific Geographical Area of the World
- No different Governance than World Skate
- Subject, exclusively, to World Skate Statutes, By Laws, Disciplinary and Ethics Code and any other World Skate Rule or Regulation

N.B.: In case a Continental Area does not reach 5 Member Federations, a Commissioner shall be appointed by the Executive Board and his/her office shall last until the next Elective Congress.

CONTINENTAL AREA PRESIDENTS

Considered as
World Skate Vice-Presidents
Elected during the Election Day

THE BOARD OF EACH CONTINENTAL AREA

formed by the elected Continental Area President and Continental Vice-President. It includes a Continental Secretary General, appointed by the Continental President, subject to World Skate Secretary General leadership and control

Continental Areas shall benefit pro-quota of half of the annual membership fees collected by World Skate. The amount of each Continental contribution shall be determined on the basis of the geographical Continent division and according to the fees actually collected by World Skate within the deadline set. Exceeding amounts shall be transferred by the end of each calendar year

TECHNICAL COMMISSION - Art. 16

- Internal sports and technical bodies, each one to be considered the utmost technical body of the relevant discipline
- Integral part of World Skate. NO separate bodies
- Responsible for drawing up changes and/or amendments to the Sports and Technical Rulebooks of their relevant discipline
- Responsible for selecting Judges, Referees and any other person deemed necessary to run the competitions of the relevant discipline for any World Skate International Competition

THE INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS ARE

- ARTISTIC SKATING COMMISSION
- INLINE HOCKEY COMMISSION
- RINK HOCKEY COMMISSION
- INLINE ALPINE COMMISSION
- DOWNHILL COMMISSION
- ROLLER DERBY COMMISSION
- INLINE FREESTYLE COMMISSION
- ROLLER FREESTYLE COMMISSION
- SCOOTER COMMISSION
- SKATEBOARDING COMMISSION
- INLINE SPEED SKATING COMMISSION

- The Executive Board can form further Technical Commissions or change the current number or name of Technical Commissions. This measure shall be approved by the Congress
- If a discipline becomes Olympic, the number of the relevant International Technical Commission members can be increased

INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS ARE COMPOSED BY

Chairman
appointed by the
President

5 members proposed by the Chairman and appointed by the President, after hearing the opinion of Continental Area Presidents. Each one of them shall come from a different Continent; gender equality principle shall be respected as much as possible

Each member of International Technical Commissions (exception made for the Chairmen thereof), is the Chairman of the relevant Continental Technical Commission

CONTINENTAL TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS ARE COMPOSED BY

1 Chairman

maximum 3 extra members, proposed by the Continental Chairman and appointed by the relevant Continental Area President

Continental Technical Commission members must be from different Countries. They shall also come from a different Country than the Continental Chairman. Gender Equality principle shall be respected as much as possible

- The Technical Commissions can be completed with the appointment of specialty/category responsible persons when necessary. These persons shall not be considered as members of the Technical Commission concerned
- If the President of World Skate withdraws his/her confidence from a Chairman or from one or more members of each International or Continental Technical Commission, he/she can appoint a replacement until the next elective Congress is held
- In the event of a vacant position in any of the International Technical Commissions, the World Skate President shall appoint a new Chairman and/or member of the relevant International or Continental Technical Commission until the next elective Congress

FINANCIAL YEAR - Art. 17

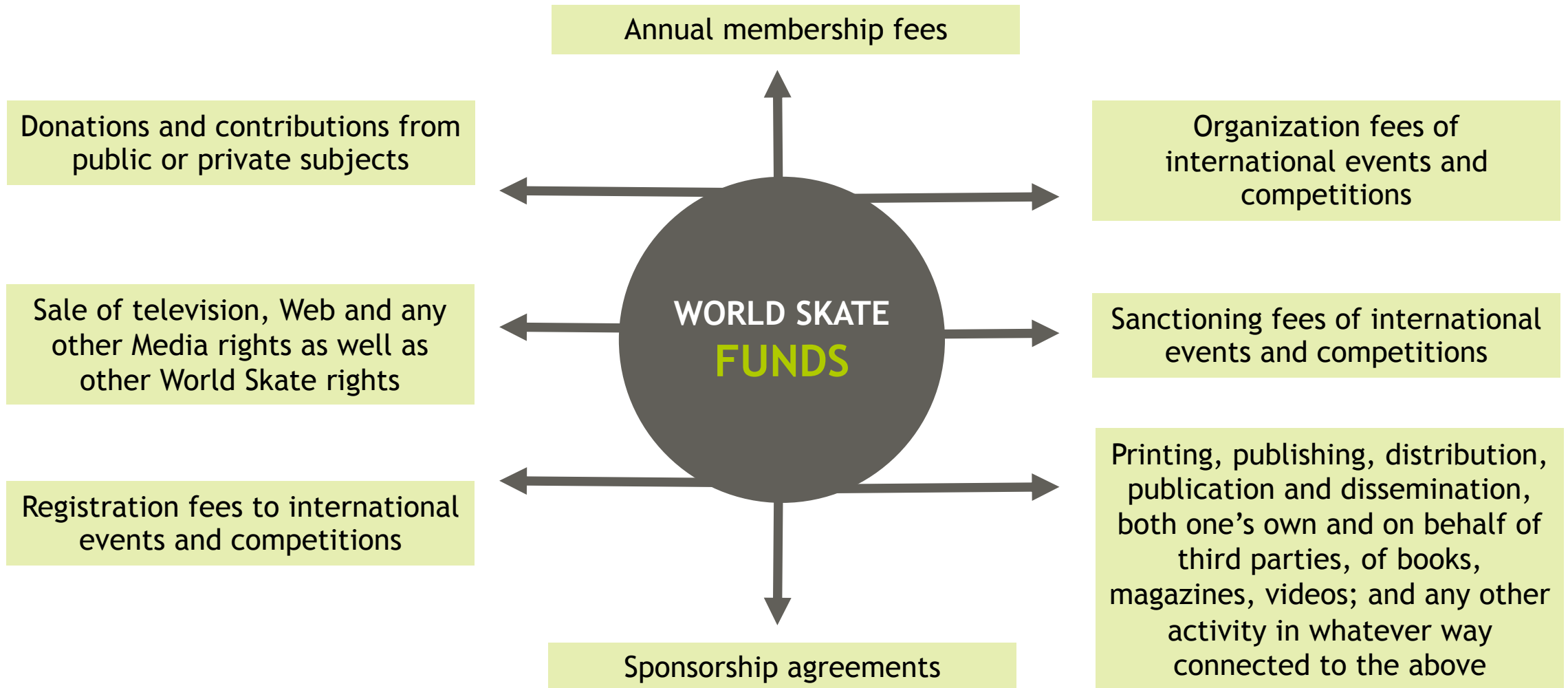
Ends
on the
31st
December

Every year
World Skate
submits its
balance sheets
to an appointed
CPA or to
an Audit Firm

The Auditor or
the audit firm shall
check the balance
and deliver to
World Skate a certified
opinion that will be
included in the
financial report,
no later than 180
days following
December 31°

The financial report
together with
World Skate balance sheets
is approved by the
Executive Board
and presented to the
Congress for its ratification.
In case no Congress is
held during a calendar
year, the next available
Congress approves
all pending
Financial Report

FEDERATION FUNDS - Art. 18



REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS - Art. 19

- Can be recognized by World Skate in specific geographic areas
- For reasons of particular need
- To promote and develop disciplines governed by World Skate
- Accept and comply with the Statutes and the Regulations of World Skate
- No represented in the Bodies of World Skate



- STATUTES -