INTERNATIONAL METALLIC
SILHOUETTE SHOOTING
UNION

RULES AND
REGULATIONS

Validated by the Council during its meeting dated 7th November according to article 7 of the Statutes of the Union.
Voted by the Ordinary General Assembly dated 7th November 1992.
ARTICLE 1 : PURPOSES

The current Rules and Regulations are established on application of article 17 of the Statutes of the Union.

The International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union aims to group the sporting, judicial and administrative interests of the sporting Federation or organizations of shooting concerned throughout the world and to ensure its promotion, defence and representation by all legal means. Any Federation, Association or Organization can become a member as long as its aim is to develop one or several disciplines of sporting metallic silhouette target shooting such as they are defined and recognized by Federations or Associations or National and International groups.

ARTICLE 2 : HEADQUARTERS

According to Article 3 of the Statutes the first Headquarters of the Union are in Paris at the following address:
29 bd Jules Sandeau – 75016 PARIS – FRANCE.

ARTICLE 3 : MEANS OF ACTION

Among the means of action which the Union has at its disposal, several study and work committees are created at the Council’s initiative.

Some are permanent: Judicial and eligibility committees, committee for the organization of competitions, technical committee.

Others have an ad hoc character. In that case, the aim, duration and composition is determined with sovereign power by the Council or the General Assembly.

Each committee, permanent or ad hoc, is responsible for the study within its scope, and for making suggestions which are submitted to the Council. It is responsible for missions which are entrusted to it.

ARTICLE 4 : MEMBERSHIP

Union membership is acquired either by engagement as founder member or by application.

Each new member must submit:
- A short history of its federation explaining its structure, the sections of metallic silhouette shooting sports in which it participate.

- Information of the approximate number of members, affiliated clubs or organizations.

- The names of its officials.

- A copy of its constitution.

Membership is decided by majority vote of the Council and new members are reported to the general assembly.

A denied application may be submitted directly to the general assembly by the applicant.

From the moment of its admission, the new member is subjected to the same obligations and enjoys the same rights as other members with respect to the Statutes and the Current Rules and Regulations subject to the above measures.

**ARTICLE 5 : RESOURCES**

Each member will pay an annual fee. The value of this fee is determined by the Ordinary General Assembly.

A five percent (5%) fee will be paid on the entries of the World Championships.

**ARTICLE 6 : RESIGNATION – STRIKING OFF**

Membership in the Union is lost by:

1°) Resignation.

2°) Striking off.

Members have the right to resign at any time as the International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union has been made up for an unlimited period.

All resignations must be formally submitted by registered letter to the Council giving the exact date of resignation.

When leaving, the resigning member should pay outstanding fees as well as the current year fee.
Striking off is pronounced for serious motives by a majority of two third of the Ordinary General Assembly based on the Council report. The procedure has two successive phases:

1st phase: The interested party is invited by letter to come before the Council to give his explanations. He has for this purpose a period of one month to prepare his defence, starting from the receipt of this letter. At the time of his appearance before the full Council, he may be helped either by any other partners of his choice or/and by a lawyer of his choice. Once he has been heard, the Council makes a report accompanied by an opinion which it communicates at the next General Assembly.

2nd phase: Following the Council’s report, the member concerned having been heard, helped by one or several defenders of his choice, the Ordinary General Assembly decrees as a last resort by a valid majority of two thirds.

TITLE II

ADMINISTRATION AND FUNCTIONING OF THE UNION

ARTICLE 7: ADMINISTRATION

A candidate for any position must be an individual having the support of his national member organization.

The committees presidents must be Council’s vice presidents.

Honorary members are not eligible.

A council member loosing the support of the organization he represents can no longer be a member of the said council.

The shooting federations are allowed to change their delegate(s) at the council only by written application prior to the next meeting.

Such a member is replaced at the Council by the new country representative.

The delegates decision powers are those given to them by their shooting federation.

Financial decisions must be approved by the shooting federation of the member represented.

ARTICLE 8: COUNCIL MEETING

As a rule, the Council meets according to the frequency prescribed by the statutes in a place of its choice.

The agenda is prepared by the General Secretary in agreement with the President. Members can request in writing that items be put on the agenda.
The agenda of the meeting must be sent to each Council members at least 30 days before the given date.

Within the Council the decisions are agreed by a majority vote.

Each time a meeting of the Council is requested by 2/3 of its members, the following procedure must be observed:

1°) Return request with explanations sent by letter to each member of the Council at least 14 days before the day of the meeting.

2°) Meeting and organization of the Council is the responsibility of the President or the General Secretary, within a 14 days maximum limit to count from the receipt of a return request by each member of the Council and signed by the concerned members.

ARTICLE 9 : MEMBERS ROLES IN THE COUNCIL

The President can delegate certain of his tasks to a Council member. This delegation must be subject to a return act clearly drawn up from which a copy is provided to each member of the Council and to each concerned person on request.

The General Secretary is invested with the most extensive powers. The accountancy is supervised by him. The regular upkeep of the accountancy is to be presumed.

This must therefore be provided at any moment on simple request and without delay to each Council member or to any members who demands it.

The President delegates notably to the General Secretary his signature on the different accounts opened in the Union’s name/

In its financial dealings the General Secretary is assisted by a Vice President appointed for this purpose by the Council to overlook the treasury and to take part in the establishment of the annual budget.

Beside their advisory and decision powers, the Vice Presidents will be responsible for the committees prescribed by Article 3 of the current Rules and Regulations.

The Council appoints the Vice Presidents responsible for the different committees.

ARTICLE 10 : ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Ordinary General Assembly of the International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union meets according to the rules defined by Article 13 of the Statutes.

Each member country has 12 votes. These votes are equally shared between the national organizations of the country.

Each member continent has 12 votes. Ordinary General Assembly is able to revise annually the allocation of votes.
At least 30 days before the scheduled date, the Assembly is convened by mail by the General Secretary in agreement with the President of the Council.

The convening must include the precise agenda established by the Council.

Each member can be represented at the Ordinary General Assembly by another member provided with a single proxy vote whose legality is checked by the board of the Assembly.

Voting by correspondence is not allowed.

All the deliberations of the Ordinary General Assembly are accepted by a majority vote of the members present or represented subject to arrangements prescribed in Article 4 and 6 of the current Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE 11 : EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Extraordinary General Assembly is convened according to Article 14 of the Statutes.

At least 30 days before the schedules date, the Assembly is convened by mail sent by the General Secretary.

The convening must include the precise agenda established by the Council.

It is possible to hold the Extraordinary General Assembly the same day and immediately after any Ordinary General Assembly. In that case it must be specified in the agenda; moreover, when the Extraordinary General Assembly is opened, there will be good reasons to consider the rules of quorum and majority such as they are defined in Article 14 of the Statutes.

If the quorum is not formed when the Assembly is first convened, the Assembly will be convened again by individual notification by registered letter at least 14 days later.

Voting by correspondence is not allowed.

ARTICLE 12 : APPLICATION OF THE CURRENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

The current Rules and Regulations have a general scope and are applied to all members. However it is not exclusive of memorandums stemming from the President of the Council or the General Secretary, applicable to questions clearly specific and only concerning a certain sector of the Union.

According to Article 17 of the Statutes, the current Rules and Regulations were agreed by the Council in its meeting dated 7th November 1992.

A copy of the current Rules and Regulations has been given to each member of the Union.

Upon contestation, the headquarter’s copy is the authentic one.