

# **CONSTITUTION**

# "<u>WORLD YOGASANA</u>"

# WORLD YOGASANA MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

- 1. The name of the Society shall be "WORLD YOGASANA".
- 2. REGISTERED OFFICE: The Registered Office of the Federation shall be in the premises of "Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, 68, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001". The head office of the Federation shall be at Delhi/NCR and the Federation can also have its Sub-Offices in foreign countries as per the need/requirement and the Federation shall be subject to laws applicable in India.
- **3. JURISDICTION:** The World Yogasana is a non-profit organization, of unlimited duration which exercises its jurisdiction and across the globe.
- 4. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES: The Aims and Objectives for which the World Yogasana is established are as under:
  - i. To be the apex organization and sole charge of all the matters concerned with the Yogasana as competitive sport in all over the globe. It will also regulate, standardise and lead all the matters concerned.
  - **ii.** To promote and maintain a high standard of Yogasana (Yoga Postures) as a competitive sport across the globe and to initiate and/or continue such actions that are necessary and/or incidental to the objective. To match the Olympic standards and to prepare an atmosphere for the federation and sport-persons while facilitating

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them to participate in the games of Olympics and other such sports events such as Commonwealth Games, Asian Games and South Asian games etc.

- To undertake, advance, promote, impart, cultivate, improve, help, disseminate and encourage directly and/ or indirectly Yogasana
  Tournaments at National and International level through the World Yogasana.
- **iv.** To promote and encourage the physical, moral and cultural education of the youth for the development of character, good health and good citizenship.
- v. To grant recognition/ affiliation to Yogasana Sports bodies of National level of different countries compatible with the objectives of World Yogasana.
- vi. To generate and spend funds for the purposes compatible with the objectives of World Yogasana.
- vii. To educate the public at large across the globe regarding the value of Yogasana as a competitive sport.
- viii. In co-operation with Sports Federations of National level, to guard and enforce the applicable rules and regulations and maintain the general control over the game of Yogasana particularly with reference to rules, regulations and laws of the Yogasana as competitive sport.
- ix. To have full and complete jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to the participation of different and all concerned National Level Federations in Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games, South Asian games etc. under the patronage of World Yogasana.
- **x.** To manage, promote, encourage, popularize, standardize and

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supervise Yogasana as competitive sport at International level.

- **xi.** To promote, organize, regulate, help, authorize and standardize tournaments and championships of Yogasana as competitive sport globally and Seminars and/or Exhibitions on Yogasana as a competitive sport globally.
- **xii.** The Federation will be authorized for the regulation of other Yogasana Sports Bodies and/or Committees/Association/Bodies.
- xiii. To encourage, promote, standardize and develop Yogasana and/or Asanas as a competitive sports globally. The bodies as mentioned shall fulfil the criteria as declared by World Yogasana.
- **xiv.** To create a framework for training, orientation and reorientation for coaches and Judges and to provide special coaching by the expert Yogasana Sports person to make the trainee skilled and efficient competitors. To maintain Institutions/Nurseries of Yoga exponents all around the globe to make the youth experts.
- xv. To start or establish advance training/coaching/institutes for the Coaches, Judges, Sports person and Referees.
- xvi. To create Rules and Regulations for a curriculum and a teaching learning evaluation framework for Yogasana Competitions. The same will be amended time to time by the EC of World Yogasana.
- **xvii.** To correspond in lawful manner with National Governments and State Governments and to arrange for meetings, conferences, and seminars with the concerned sports authorities from different countries for the purpose of recognition, developing and standardizing Yogasana and its applications to other sports.
- xviii. To arrange, organize and supervise the Yogasana Championships/ Camps/ Conferences/ Seminars/ Training sessions/ Competitions/

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Workshops etc. all over the globe.

- xix. To make all endeavours to get the Federation affiliated with multisporting groups globally and to make Yogasana as a part of International Multi-Sporting Games such as Olympics, Commonwealth Games, Asian Games and South Asian games etc.
- xx. To help in providing special training and coaching to sport-persons of all age groups to participate in the National and International Yogasana Sports competitions to win the prizes and medals on payment for such training or coaching as per the demand.
- xxi. To regulate and to take disciplinary action against any affiliated National Unit or Organization/ Federation/ Affiliated Body for misbehaviour or any undesirable activity bringing discredit to the World Yogasana and Game and the leaders of the fraternity or which is prejudicial to the interest of the Federation and for not organizing meets at the National level and selecting teams for various competitions, if so instructed by World Yogasana.
- **xxii.** To start/sponsor and /or to subscribe any fund for the benefit of Yogasana Sport-persons/athletes and to achieve the aim and objectives of the Federation.
- **xxiii.** To do all other things that may be necessary or expedient to promote the development of sports and games in the country and for the conduct of its business.
- xxiv. To organise, conduct and regulate Yogasana Sports Championships /Camps/ Conferences/ Seminars/ Training sessions/ Competitions/ Workshops and other such Yogasana events at global level.
- **xxv.** To use the social media platforms for the promotion of the Yogasana as a competitive sport.

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- **xxvi.** To enforce and defend the exclusive right of the federation for the use of the federation flag, Anthem and Federation insignia or can confine their use also.
- **xxvii.** To resist and oppose any form of discrimination on grounds of cast, creed, race, religion, politics, gender or otherwise and to resist violence in sports.
- **xxviii.** To lay down guidelines to enforce the World Anti-Doping Code and to fight against the use of performance drugs or other related substance and procedures prohibited by the International Olympic Committee or the International Federations and to adopt and implement World Anti-Doping Code thereby ensuring that the World Yogasana's Anti-Doping policies and rules, membership and/or funding requirements and results, management procedures are aligned with the World Anti-Doping Code and to respect all the rules and responsibilities for the International Olympic Committee that are listed within the World Anti-Doping Code.
- xxix. To be the prime organization for the handling of media propagations regarding Yogasana Championships/ Camps/ Conferences/ Seminars/Workshops related events at Global level.
- **xxx.** To abide by and implement the Code of Ethics and Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions formulated by the International Olympic Committee and ensure that all the members work in consonance with it.
- **xxxi.** To function as an autonomous body free from any sort of control or interference by the government of any country.

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# RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE WORLD YOGASANA

# 1. **DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS :**

In this Constitution the following words, wherever they occur are defined as follows unless otherwise indicated by the context: -

- a) "Association/Federation of National level" means an Association, which is in membership with World Yogasana.
- b) "AGBM" means the Annual General Body Meeting of the World Yogasana.
- c) "Coach" means who has been qualified as Coach as per the qualification prescribed by the Executive Council of World Yogasana.
- d) "Convener(s)" means Convener of the Standing Committee(s) of the World Yogasana.
- e) "Director(s) of Standing Committee" means Director of Standing Committee(s) of World Yogasana.
- f) "Executive Council" or "EC" means the Executive Council of the World Yogasana.
- g) "Elected Members" means the President, Secretary General, Vice President(s), Secretary(s), Joint Secretary(s) and Treasurer of the World Yogasana.
- h) "Financial Year" means the period from 1<sup>st</sup> of April to 31<sup>st</sup> of March of the subsequent year.

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- i) "General Body" or "GB" means the General Body of the World Yogasana.
- **j**) "Joint Secretary(s)" means Joint Secretary(s) of the World Yogasana.
- k) "Joint-director(s) of Standing Committee" means Joint-director of Standing Committee(s) of World Yogasana.
- "Judge" means who has been qualified as Judge as per the qualification prescribed by the Executive Council of World Yogasana.
- m) "NF" or "National Federation" means National Level Yogasana Sports Federation/Associations.
- n) "Affiliated Members" means those National Federations which get affiliation under Clause 4 of these Rules and Regulations.
- o) "President" means the President of the World Yogasana.
- **p**) "Referee" means who has been qualified as Referee as per the qualification prescribed by the Executive Council of World Yogasana.
- (Registered Body" means any National Organization/ Body/ Federation/ Association etc., registered with any State/ National Govt. organization have been working in the field of Yogasana having minimum 20% state/districts as working units.
- r) Save as otherwise provided, "Regulations" mean the regulations formed by the Executive Council or General Body of World Yogasana.
- s) "Returning Officer" means Returning Officer of the World Yogasana.
- Save as otherwise provided, "Rules" mean the rules formed by the Executive Council or General Body of World Yogasana.
- u) "Secretary General" or "SG" means the Secretary General of the World Yogasana.
- v) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the World Yogasana

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- w) "SGBM" means the Special General Body Meeting of the World Yogasana.
- x) "Sport person" means any person who is playing in the field of Yogasana in National & International Sports Competitions.
- y) "Standing Committee" means Standing Committee of World Yogasana.
- z) Save as otherwise provided, "Standing Order" means an order or instruction of Executive Council in force permanently or until changed or cancelled especially.
- aa) "Statutes" mean the constitution of World Yogasana promulgated and as approved/amended from time to time in any of its General Body Meetings.
- **bb**) Where the context so permits "The Executive Council" or "General Body" shall mean the World Yogasana and meeting of the Executive Council and General Body for all intents and purposes shall be deemed to be the meeting of the World Yogasana. The EC will be responsible to take prime decisions till the proper formation of the GB.
- cc) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the World Yogasana.
- dd) "Vice President" means the Vice President of the World Yogasana.
- ee) Words purporting the masculine gender include feminine gender & vice versa as the context permits.

# FINANCIAL YEAR

The Official year, including financial year of the World Yogasana shall be from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup>March of financial year.

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## 2. MEMBERS OF THE WORLD YOGASANA:

- a) The World Yogasana shall have the following types of members:
  - i. **Founder members**, who were involved in formation of organisation.
  - ii. **Affiliated Members**, which shall be National Federations recognised by the government of their respective country,
  - iii. **Provisional/Temporary Affiliate Members** which shall be National Federations recognised by the government of their respective country,
  - iv. Office Bearers, Elected members of the World Yogasana
  - v. **Associate Members** which shall be National Federations that are not recognised by the government of their country,
  - vi. Player Members (if the General Body deems necessary),
  - vii. **Honorary Members**, which shall include renowned Yoga Gurus, Teachers and Masters and also individuals of high status in the Yogasana community, and
  - viii. Nominated Members, to be nominated by the General Body.
  - ix. **Directors** of the Sub-Committees
  - x. Continent Coordinators
  - xi. Directors of the Sub-Committees of the Continent
- b) Only **Affiliated Members** will have the right to vote in AGBM.
- c) The World Yogasana shall maintain a record of the names of the members, official addresses, contact details; date of admission, resume having exhaustive details of their contribution to the Society or in the field of Yogasana, and other such details as the General Body deems necessary. These details shall be published on the website of the World Yogasana.
- All members other than the Associate Member and Nominated Members
  shall be eligible to participate in the meetings of the General Body of

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World Yogasana. However, associate Members and Nominated Members can attend meetings as invitees.

e) Without any application to the effect, the EC may nominate Honorary Members who believes in the aims & objective of World Yogasana and shall be working to take Yogasana as competitive sport.

# 3. <u>AFFILIATION OF NATIONAL FEDERATIONS AS AFFILIATED</u> <u>MEMBERS OF WORLD YOGASANA:</u>

- a) The membership of the World Yogasana will be open to all National Federations [maximum of one Federation per Country].
- b) National Federations may be granted affiliation as an Affiliated Member only by the General Body of the World Yogasana. The affiliation of any Affiliated Member can be suspended or withdrawn only by the General Body in consonance with these Rules and Regulations.
- c) The World Yogasana shall maintain a record of all Affiliated Members pertaining to the names of office bearers, official addresses, contacts, date of admission and date of cessation & other details, which shall be kept open for inspection of the members with prior requisition to the Secretary General of World Yogasana.

## 4. APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION/MEMBERSHIP:

- I. Application for affiliation of National Federations as Affiliated Member:
- a) Application for affiliation of a National Federation as a Affiliated Member shall be submitted to the SG of World Yogasana alongwith a copy of:

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- i. Its Registration Certificate as per the governing law of its country,
- ii. A copy of its Rules and Regulations/Constitution/MOA
- iii. Names and addresses of its Office-bearers,
- iv. A list of its affiliated Units,
- v. Admission fee or proof of payment of the admission fee, as the case may be, and
- vi. Annual subscription fee for the current year.
- b) No Affiliated Member shall change, extend or alter its territorial jurisdiction without the consent of the World Yogasana. The Official Year of all Affiliated Members shall be 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March. No Affiliated Member shall have any rule and regulation in their Constitutions/Rules Regulations/MOA, as the case may be, which is deprecating or contradictory to the Rules, Regulations, aims & objectives and principles of the World Yogasana.
- c) The SG of World Yogasanashall place before the General Body and the Executive Council such applications for disposal.
- d) On receipt of application for affiliation, the General Body may grant permanent affiliation to the applicant National Federation. The General Body may reject any application for affiliation without assigning any reason.
- e) On receipt of an application for affiliation, the EC may grant provisional affiliation to the applicant, subject to ratification by the General Body in its next meeting. The EC may reject any application for affiliation without assigning any reason.
- f) In case of rejection of an application for affiliation by the GB or EC, or in the event of disqualification of the applicant, the Admission Fee deposited shall not be refunded to the organization.
- **g)** After approval/rejection of an application by the EC for provisional affiliation or General Body for permanent affiliation, as the case may be,

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the SG shall intimate the applicant federation/association regarding the decision.

 Federations/Associations having granted provisional affiliation shall not be eligible to participate in the meetings or different activities of the World Yogasana. However, they can attend meetings as invitees. Such Federations/Associations shall have no right to vote in the meetings of the General Body.

## **II.** Application for Nominated Members and Associate Members:

- a. Application for grant of membership as a Nominated Member shall be submitted to the SG of World Yogasanaalong with a copy of the individual applicant's bio-data disclosing their contribution in the field of Yoga and Yogasana as a competitive sport and contribution in the society, name and addresses of such member. The Nominated Members shall not indulge in any act which is deprecating or contradictory to the rules, regulations, aims & objectives and principles of the World Yogasana.
- b. Application for grant of membership as an Associate Member shall be submitted to the SG of World Yogasana along with all the details stipulated in Clause 5 (I)(a). The Associate Members shall not indulge in any act which is deprecating or contradictory to the rules, regulations, aims & objectives and principles of the World Yogasana.
- c. The SG of World Yogasanashall place before the Executive Council applications for Nominated Members and Associate Members for decision which should be subsequently ratified by the General Body. The Executive Council may reject any such application without assigning any reason. In the case of rejection of an application for affiliation, the fees deposited shall not be refunded to the applicant. The SG shall also place the applications for Associate Membership before the General Body.

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# 5. <u>DISAFFILIATION, CANCELLATION OR SUSPENSION OF</u> <u>MEMBERSHIP</u>

- **I.** Disaffiliation or Suspension of Affiliated Member may be done by the General Body for the following reasons:
  - a) To remit the Annual Subscription Fee and other dues by 30th April of the concerned financial year shall render an Affiliated Member automatically suspended. The World Yogasana will serve a notice of at least 15 days upon the Affiliated Member before disaffiliating it under this clause. Such defaulter Affiliated Member may rejoin the World Yogasana on payment of a late fee of USD 132provided that all outstanding dues of the Affiliated Member should also have been cleared;
  - b) When any Affiliated Member does not participate in any Championship/Tournament conducted by World Yogasana consecutively for two years without any valid reason. The reasons for non-participation in Championship/Tournament shall be given to GS of World Yogasana in writing, who shall in turn communicate the same to the EC and GB;
  - c) When any Affiliated Member does not attend3 consecutive meetings of World Yogasana without any valid reason. The reasons for nonattendance in meetings shall be given to GS of World Yogasana in writing, who shall in turn communicate the same to the EC and GB;
  - d) When any Affiliated Member violates the provision of Rules & Regulations, MOA, Code of Ethics and any other policies or rules of the World Yogasana
  - e) When any Affiliated Member withdraw its affiliation suo-moto;
  - f) Upon dissolution or declaration of insolvency of a Affiliated Member;
  - **g**) When any Affiliated Member acts against the interest and reputation of the sport of Yogasana.



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**II.** Membership of all members other than Affiliated Member may be cancelled by the EC or the GB for the violation of any of the reasons in aforesaid Clause.

#### 6. <u>MEMBERSHIP FEES</u>

### (ADMISSION FEE & ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE)

The Admission Fee & Annual Subscription Fee payable to the World Yogasana shall be as follows:

CATEGORY	ADMISSION FEES	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE
Permanent Affiliate Members	USD \$1000	USD \$500
Associate Members	USD \$500	USD \$400
Nominated Members	USD \$100	USD \$100
Founder Members	USD \$2000	NONE

#### 7. <u>BANKING ACCOUNT</u>

An Account shall be maintained in such scheduled Bank or Banks as may be approved by the Executive Council or the General Body in the name of the World Yogasana. The bank account shall be jointly or separately operated by any two out of President and Secretary General, whereas signatures of Treasurer are must. Of the following with the approval of the Executive Council:

President or Secretary General (to be decided by the General Body) and Treasurer

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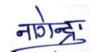


# 8. <u>AUTHORITIES AND OFFICE BEARERS OF THE WORLD</u> <u>YOGASANA:</u>

a. The World Yogasana shall consist of the following Elected Office Bearers:

- One President
- One Secretary General
- 4 Vice Presidents (Administration, Coordination, Technical)
- 3 Secretaries (Administration, Coordination and Technical)
- 3 Joint Secretaries
- One Treasurer
- b. Continent Coordinators
- c. One Public Relations Officer
- d. One Auditor
- e. One Legal Consultant
- f. Standing Committees (having one Director, One Joint Director, one Convenor and members as appointed by the General Body).
- g. There shall be the following Standing Committees:
  - 1. **Organizing Committee**
  - 2. **Technical Committee**
  - 3. Ethics, Disciplinary & Legal Committee
  - 4. **Finance Committee**
  - 5. **Public Relations, Publication and Publicity Committee**
  - 6. **Public Grievances Committee**
  - 7. Election Committee
  - 8. **POSH Committee**
  - 9. Social Media Committee

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The Director of the Sub Committee will be the voting member of the EC. Such other Committees, Sub-Committees, authorities and officers as may

be formed or appointed by the Executive Council.

Note: Except for officials stipulated in Clause (g), all the other officials of World Yogasana shall hold office for a period of 4 years, unless removed by the General Body in accordance with the MOA of World Yogasana.

# 9. <u>NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WORLD YOGASANA</u>

The names, addresses, occupations and designations of the Members of the Association to whom the management of the affairs of the Association is entrusted, as required under Section 2 of the Societies Registration Act 1860 as extended to the National Capital Territory, Delhi, according to the rules and regulations of the Association are as follows:

<b>S.</b>	Name	Address	Occupatio	Designation	SIGN
No			n	in Association	
1.	Swami Ramdev	Divya Yog Mandir Trust, Kripalu Bagh Aashram, Kankhal, Haridwar	Internationa l Renowned Yoga Guru and Social Worker	PRESIDENT	Ender
2.	I.V. Basavaraddi	MDNIY, M/o AYUSH, GOI, 68, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-01	Director, MDNIY, New Delhi	VICE PRESIDENT	Ubasawaral 2
3.	Udit Sheth @ Udit Harish Sheth	SE TransStadia, 54- A, Tardeo Road, Mumbai-34	Managing Director, TransStadia	VICE PRESIDENT	LAGT

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4.	Sanjay Malpani	Malpani House,		VICE	and the second
		I.G. Road,	SOCIAL	PRESIDENT	Banjay o Mar -
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		Ahmednagar, MH	VP, NYSF		
5.	H.R. Nagendra	No.50, 4 <sup>th</sup> Main	Chancellor,	SECRETARY	
		Chamarajapet,	SVYASA	GENERAL	नाठान्द्र
		Bangalore,	University	OLIVEIAL	111/15
		Karnataka-560018			
6.	Jaideep Arya	82, Arya Bhawan,	Chairman,	SECRETARY	
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			Yog Expert		
			and Doctor		
7.	Chandra Sinh	37 Anantwati, Jail	Vice	JOINT	
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9	Vishnu Sharma	C-7/101,	Advocate	TREASURER	$\sim$
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10.	Vikram Singh	E-101, Venus	Director,	MEMBER	
10.		Apartment, Sainik	Ministry of		Fadahi.
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11.	Mrs. Indu	MDNIY, 68,	Assistant	MEMBER	
		Ashoka Road, New	Professor		Ans
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Until the 1<sup>st</sup> general election takes place, 11 members [Founder members of the World Yogasana] will carry on the activities of the World Yogasana and conduct elections after inducting members to the World Yogasana, after the registration of the World Yogasana.

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# 10. SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

We, the undersigned whose names, addresses and occupations are hereunder subscribed are desirous of being formed into a Society named as World Yogasana under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 in pursuance of Memorandum regulations of the Association are as follows:

S. No	Name	Designation in Association	Signature
1.	Swami Ramdev	President	CEIDER
2.	I.V. Basavaraddi	Vice President	Wasawarald
3.	Udit Sheth	Vice President	LAST
4.	Sanjay Malpani	Vice President	Baying o Mall -
5.	H.R.Nagendra	Secretary General	नावान्
6.	Jaideep Arya	Secretary	Jr-S
7.	Chandra Sinh Jhala	Joint Secretary	y huly
8.	Ekta Bouderlique	Joint-Secretary	Det Bounder light
9.	Vishnu Sharma	Treasurer	Contract of the second
10.	Vikram Singh	Member	ladnh.
11.	Mrs. Indu	Member	Aus

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# 11. THE GENERAL BODY ('GB')

The General Body of the World Yogasana shall consist of maximum of the following:

S.NO.	OFFICE BEARERS	No.
1.	Provision of The Office bearers of the World	51
	Yogasana	
2.	Provision of one representative member of	205
	each Affiliated Permanent/Associate	
	Member of the National Federation of	
	respective country (who shall either be the	
	President or Secretary or any other	
	representative duly authorised by the	
	President.	
3.	Directors of Standing Committees	10
4.	Nominated Members	10
5.	Continent Coordinators	06
6.	Continent Directors	06
7.	Founder Members (without voting rights)	50
8.	Chief Patron(without voting rights)	01
9.	Patron (without voting rights)	04
10.	Honorary Members (Govt/Sports department	12
	representatives)(without voting rights)	
	TOTAL	355

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## **POWER, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF GENERAL BODY**

- a) To formulate and enforce the policies of the World Yogasana and issue directions to the office bearers in furtherance of the aims and objective of the World Yogasana.
- **b**) To carry out effective objectives of the World Yogasana.
- c) To hold election of office bearers of World Yogasana after every four years in accordance with the rules of this constitution.
- **d**) To consider the annual report, statement of account and budget estimate of the World Yogasana.
- e) To admit membership applications eligible under the Constitution.
- f) To exercise such other powers and performs such other duties as are incidental and related to the purpose, objectives and powers of the World Yogasana.
- g) To frame bye laws and Rules & Regulations and Code of Conduct etc. which should be consistent with the Memorandum of Association of World Yogasana
- **h**) To form various committees and determine their functions and powers.
- To finalise the membership or remove members from the GB as per the rules & regulations of the World Yogasana.
- j) To amend rules and regulations from time to time in consonance with the MOA.
- k) To exercise such other power and perform all other duties as are incidental and to relate to the aims and objectives of the World Yogasana mentioned in the Memorandum of Association.

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# 15. PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL BODY

- a) The General Body shall ordinarily meet minimum once a year, either physically or virtually. A regular Meeting of the General Body shall be held at such place or platform, date and time, as may be decided by the President.
- b) The President may also convene a Special Meeting of the General Body on receiving a written requisition from not less than half of the total members of World Yogasana. At all Special Meetings, no subjects other than those stated in the notice of requisition shall be discussed except when especially authorized by the President.
- c) An Annual Meeting of the General Body shall be held at such time, date and place, as may be determined by the President. At such Annual General Body Meeting, the Annual Report and the Audited Accounts of the Association together with the Auditor's Report thereon shall be submitted, along with the observations, if any, of the Executive Council. The same shall be discussed and can be passed in the same meeting.
- d) Except as otherwise provided in those rules, all meetings of the General Body shall be called through Meeting Notice under the signature of the SG/Secretary of World Yogasana.
- e) Every Notice calling for a meeting shall state the date, time and place at which such meeting will be held and shall be served upon every member of the World Yogasana not less than 15 days by E-mail or by post before the day appointed for any General meeting and 7 days for Special meeting. An emergency meeting of the General Body can be called by the President in an emergency situation by giving a prior notice of 24 hours to the members. Emergent meting can be organized only in



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hybrid mode, every notice of the EOGBM meeting may be sent to the members by way of e-mail ONLY.

- f) The accidental omission to give Notice to or the non-receipt of Notice by any member shall not invalidate the proceedings at the meeting.
- g) The President shall preside over at every General Body Meeting. In the absence of the President, the other members present shall choose one of the officials of World Yogasana to preside over the meeting. One-fifth members of the General Body shall constitute the quorum at any meeting. In case a meeting is adjourned for want of quorum, there shall be no quorum for the adjourned meeting. In the meeting, both physical/ virtual participation will be allowed equally.
- h) In the event of a meeting called for passing of a no confidence motion against an official of the World Yogasana, the resolution to that effect has to be passed by at least by 2/3 members present and voting. A resolution of no-confidence not supported by 2/3 majority will be deemed to have fallen through and the motion will be treated as null and void. The quorum for such meeting will be <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>th of the total strength of the representatives of the World Yogasana entitled to vote.
- All disputed questions at meetings shall be decided by vote and the opinion of the majority shall prevail.
- **j**) A decision given by the President of the meeting on a point of order raised by a member shall be final.

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# 16. <u>THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ('EC')</u>

The management of the affairs of the World Yogasana shall be vested in the

Executive	Council	which	shall	consist	of the	following	<b>Officials:</b>
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SI No.	Designation in the Executive Council	No.
1.	President	1
3.	Vice-President	5
4.	Secretary General	1
5.	Secretary	2
6.	Joint Secretary	4
7.	Treasurer	1
8.	Members	7
9.	Directors, Standing Committees	10
10.	Continent Coordinators	6
	(1 Indian+2 Foreigners)	
	Total	37

- a) Unless terminated by the General Body by way of a no-confidence motion, the terms of office of the officials in the Executive Council shall be 4 (four) years from the date of election/nomination..
- b) Any casual vacancy in the membership of the Executive Council caused by death or by any other reasons mentioned hereinabove shall be filled in the same manner as provided in Rule 25. Such a member shall serve on the Executive Council for the remaining period of the tenure of office of the out-going member.

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#### 17. POWER, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- a) The Executive Council shall have general control over the affairs/activities of the World Yogasana and shall have the authority to do, exercise and perform all the powers, acts, and deeds, for the planning, establishment and running of the World Yogasana and its branches whether within India consistent with the aims and objective of this constitution, as set forth in the Memorandum of Association of the World Yogasana.
- b) To conduct the business of the World Yogasana during the interval between meetings of the General Body and duly report all its decisions and actions to the General Body for its approval.
- c) The Executive Council shall have full powers to make such bye-laws as they shall think essential for the regulation of the business of the World Yogasana and in particular with reference to (i) the keeping of Accounts; (ii) the preparation and allocation of budget provisions; (iii) the sanctioning of expenditure; (iv) entering into contracts; (v) the appointment of staff and determination of their conditions of services; (vi) creation and abolition of posts; (vii) delegate any of the powers as deem fit to any of the officers of the World Yogasana for proper function; (viii) any other purpose that may be necessary.
- d) The Executive Council may amalgamate, coordinate, take over or accept the management and administration of any endowment or trust fund or any subscription, donations or gifts, provided that the same is unaccompanied by any condition inconsistent or in conflict with the objects for which the World Yogasana is established.
- e) To appoint special committee for specific function and duty, whenever necessary subject to the approval of the General Board.



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- f) To determine/Train/Select Yogasana Athlete/ Performers/ Managers/ Coaches to be selected for any State/National/International contests or foreign championships/ camps/ seminars etc.
- g) To make annual calendar (ACTC) with respect to conduct of International level Yogasana sports competitions/ championships/ clinics/ camps/ Conferences/ seminars etc.
- h) To exercise such other powers and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to it by the General Body.
- To enter into and/or vary and/or carry out and/or cancel contracts on behalf of the World Yogasana.
- j) To explain, define and interpret the provisions of this Constitution when disputed.
- k) To take appropriate steps and decisions, if not covered under this Constitution and forward it to the General Body for its ratification.
- To purchase movable and immovable properties for and on behalf of the World Yogasana.
- m) To get donation and sponsorship work to provide infrastructure to establish Yogasana Training Nurseries for the Economically backward students.
- n) Nothing in these rules shall prevent the President from exercising any or all the powers of the Executive Council in case of emergency for the furtherance of the objects of the World Yogasana and the action taken by the President on such occasions shall be reported to the Executive Council subsequently for ratification.
- o) The Executive Council should select/elect Directors of the Sub-Committees of World Yogasana.
- p) To get Income Tax exemptions in different countries as per the governing law.

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### **18. PROCEEDINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

- a) The Executive Council shall meet as often as may be considered necessary by the President for the transaction of the business of the Association but shall meet at least once in a year. The President/SG of World Yogasana shall decide the date, time and place of every meeting of the Executive Council and the agenda of the business for discussion at such a meeting.
- Any extraordinary meeting of the Executive Council may be held at any time during the year as the President may decide.
- c) An extraordinary meeting of the Executive Council may be called on a written requisition indicating the purpose of the meeting by at least two third members of the Executive Council and on receipt of such a requisition, the SG shall call such a meeting after giving notice and at such time and place as the President may decide. At such a meeting no subject other than those stated in the requisition shall be discussed except when specially authorized by the President.
- d) Every notice calling for a meeting of the Executive Council shall state the date, time and place at which such meetings will be held and shall be served upon every member of the Executive Council not less than 15 days in case of ordinary meeting and not less than 7 clear days in the case of extraordinary meeting before the date of meeting under a Certificate of Posting if sent by post and not less than 1 clear days (24 hours) in the case of extraordinary meeting on a virtual platform.
- e) The Notice and agenda shall also be sent along with the notice of the meeting and where it is not possible, the agenda shall be sent at least 15 days before the ordinary meeting and 7 days before the extraordinary meeting under certificate of Posting if sent by post.



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- f) The SG of World Yogasana shall send notice of meeting of the Executive Council to the members of the Executive Council.
- g) Any meeting of the EC can also be convened through the Video Conferencing after agenda being received to all the members through electronic media under the chairmanship of the President or by any official as authorized by the President. The notice of such meeting can also be sent through electronic media to all the members concerned. Time, place and manner should be specified.
- h) The accidental omission to give notice or the non-receipt of the notice by any member shall however, not invalidate the proceedings of the meeting.
- In the absence of President, the Vice-President senior amongst them shall preside over the Meeting and in the absence of the Vice-President; the members present shall choose one of the senior member as per the hierarchy to preside over the meeting.
- j) One third of the members of the Executive Council present in person shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Executive Council. In case a meeting is adjourned for want of quorum, there shall be no quorum for the adjourned meeting.
- k) All disputed questions at meetings of the Executive Council shall be determined by vote and the opinion of the majority shall prevail.
- Each member of the Executive Council shall have one vote and in case of equality of votes, the President shall have a casting vote.
- m) Any member desirous of moving any resolution at an ordinary meeting of the Executive Council shall give notice thereof in writing to the SG not less than seven days before the day of such meeting.

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- n) Any business which it may be necessary for the Executive Council to perform, may be performed by way of a resolution in writing circulated amongst all its members and any such resolution so circulated and approved by majority of members entitled to vote at a meeting of Executive Council shall be as effectual and binding as if such a resolution had been passed in a meeting of the Executive Council.
- President and SG of World Yogasana jointly shall have the right to adjourn any meeting.
- p) A decision given by the President of the meeting on a point of order raised by a member shall be final.
- q) All proceedings of the meetings of the Executive Council shall be entered in a Minute Book to be maintained by the SG of World Yogasana for the purpose and the President and the SG of World Yogasana at the next meeting shall sign all minutes after the same is duly confirmed.

## **19.** <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u>

There will be the following Standing Committees headed by a Director unanimously selected (failing thereby to be elected by the General Body).

- a. Organizing Committee
- b. Technical Committee
- c. Ethics, Disciplinary & Legal Committee
- d. Finance Committee
- e. Public Relations, Publication and Publicity Committee
- f. Public Grievances Committee
- g. Election Committee
- h. Posh Committee
- i. Social Media Committee

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## **19.1** ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

a) The Organizing Committee will be chaired by a Director, selected/elected by the General Body. The Secretary (Organization) of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Organizing Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

b) The Organizing Committee shall consist of the following officials: One Director, One Joint-director, 1 Member Convener and 3-5 Members.

c) The Organizing Committee will look after all the International and National events organised by the World Yogasana.

d) The Organizing Committee will propose budget to the General Body for successfully conducting any event, meeting, conference, workshop, seminars and championships.

e) The Organizing Committee will hold a meeting preferably once in a month orat least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

### **19.2 <u>TECHNICAL COMMITTEE</u>**

a) The Technical Committee will be chaired by Director, selected/elected by the General Body. The Convener and the members including one expert member in the field will be nominated by the General Body.

b) The Technical Committee shall consist of the following officials: One Director, One Joint-director, One Member Convener and 3 Members. The SG of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

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c) The Technical Committee shall be responsible for effective implementation of the Rules & Regulations in the Yogasana Competitions.

d) The Technical Committee shall be responsible for making a code of conduct containing exhaustive rules pertaining to the competitors, participants and member of any event. Such code of Conduct as made by the Technical Committee shall be approved by the Executive Committee.

e) The Technical Committee shall be responsible for finalising the forms, Official Appointment sheets, Scrutiny sheets, Judgment sheets, syllabus for various competitions for different categories and selecting the list of Asanas for each category of the Competitions.

f) Every matter of conflict arising in any competition would be referred to the Technical Committee and the Technical Committee shall after consultation with the Legal/Disciplinary Committee will inform the status to the Executive Council. The final decision would be announced by the Executive Council and the said decision shall be binding upon the parties concerned. No appeal shall lie against any such decision.

g) The Technical Committee will hold meeting preferably once in a month or at least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

#### **19.3 ETHICS, DISCIPLINARY & LEGAL COMMITTEE**

a) The Ethics, Disciplinary & Legal Committee shall consist of the following officials: One Director (preferably with the expert in the field of law), One Joint-director, One Convener and 3 Members (one International Legal Expert and one National Legal Expert will be nominated by EC).

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b) The Ethics, Disciplinary & Legal Committee will be chaired by Director, selected/elected by the General Body. The Secretary (Administration) of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

c) All proposals relating to the preparation and amendment of the Constitution of World Yogasana, its Rules & Regulations and Bye-laws seeking legal advice and to oversee the process of initiating, developing, reviewing and approving all standards developed, shall be referred to the Legal Committee, which shall consider them and make its recommendation thereon to the Executive Council. The Executive Committee has the right to accept or reject the proposal/recommendations.

d) The Legal Committee shall have authority to do and exercise all the powers, acts and deeds for defending the court cases pertaining to the World Yogasana and recommending suing the persons doing wrong or creating hurdles unnecessarily for the growth of the activities of the World Yogasana, as set forth in the Memorandum of Association.

e) The Standing Legal Committee can recommend to the Executive Council to make such changes in bye-laws of the Association as they shall think essential for the regulation of the legal aspects of the Association and shall receive the appeals submitted by the members or general public to give appropriate legal view to the Executive Council/General Body. The legal questions submitted to it by the Executive Council/General Body or any of the council/body/committee shall be suitably handled legally.

f) The Legal Committee shall have the power to initiate, develop, review and approve all the standards developed in the Yogasana Literature, Yogasana postures and other Yogasana related activities.

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g) The Ethics and Discipline Committees will work in consultation with the Technical Committee in matter of conflict arising in any competition as and when the situation arises. The decision of the Legal and Technical Committee as declared jointly will be final. In case of any dispute the said decision shall have a binding force.

h) The Ethics and Discipline Committees will work in consultation with the Public Grievances Committee in matter to look after the complaints of public grievances referred to it by the Public Grievances Committee and will advice to the EC. The EC in consultation with the Legal Committee will declare the final decision which shall be binding.

i) The Ethics and Discipline Committee will be responsible to initiate disciplinary proceedings as and when referred to it, by holding proper inquiry as per law and give its findings on the charges levelled against the delinquent. The inquiry report with findings shall be submitted to the Executive Committee within stipulated time. The findings of the Ethics and Discipline Committee shall be considered by the Executive Committee for passing further order of Punishment on the delinquent. In case of any legal dispute the inquiry report shall have a binding force.

j) The Ethics, Disciplinary & Legal Committee will hold meeting preferably once in a month and at least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

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#### **19.4 FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**a**) The Finance Committee will be chaired by Director(preferably with the expert in the field of finance), selected/elected by the General Body. The Treasurer of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Finance Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

**b**) The Finance Committee shall consist of the following officials: One Director, One Member Convener and 3-5 Members.

c) The following matters shall be referred to the Finance Committee which shall consider them and make its recommendation thereon to the Executive Council /General Body, namely:

- i. Control of the finances and accounts of the Association.
- ii. Transfer or accept transfer of any immovable or movable property on behalf of the Association with the concurrence of the Executive Council.
- iii. Consideration of the accounts and scrutinize tenders and purchase/sell proposals for expenditure.
- iv. Ways and means to raise funds for the Association.
- v. The Annual Accounts and financial estimates of income and expenditure of the Association prepared by the Treasurer. Audit point.....
- vi. Budget for the total recurring and non-recurring expenditure for the year, based on the income resources of the Association.
- vii. The Finance Committee shall submit its report to the Executive Committee within stipulated time for consideration.
- viii. The Finance Committee will hold meeting preferably once in a month and at least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.



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# 19.5 <u>PUBLIC RELATIONS, PUBLICATION AND PUBLICITY</u> <u>COMMITTEE</u>

a) The Public Relations, Publication and Publicity Committee (**"PPPR"**) will be chaired by Director, selected/elected by the General Body. One expert member from the field nominated by the Director and 3 members will be nominated by the General Body.

b) The Public Relations, Publication and Publicity Committeeshall consist of the following officials: One Director, One expert and 3 Members. The SG of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

c) All proposals relating to Publicity, Broadcasting, Publications, Publications and member generation of the Association shall be referred to the Publicity, Publication and Public Relations Committee, which shall consider them and make its recommendation thereon to the Executive Council.

d) The Publicity, Publication and Public Relations Committee shall have general control of all the publications - both print and electronic media - of the World Yogasana. The Committee shall be responsible for the publicity of the objects and functions of the World Yogasana.

e) The Committee shall have general jurisdiction of all Public Relations and generation of membership/funds/donation of the World Yogasana. The Committee shall have authority to do and exercise all the powers, acts and deeds for the planning, execution and bringing out high quality publications - both in content and presentation - of the World Yogasana and its branches around the globe, consistent with the aim and objectives of the World Yogasana, as set forth in the Memorandum of Association.

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f) The Committee shall have authority to do and exercise all the powers, acts and deeds for the planning, executing and developing very fine public relations with media and other Governmental departments, etc. and give wide content publicity of the World Yogasana and its branches whether within or outside India consistent with the aim and objectives of the World Yogasana, as set forth in the Memorandum of Association.

g) The Executive Council may by resolution delegate such administrative powers and financial allocation as it may think proper to the Director of the Committee as may be considered necessary. The Committee will prepare its budget for the year, keep proper accounts of receipts and payments as also income and expenditure and submit to the Finance Committee for approval and ratification whenever necessary.

h) Nothing in these rules shall prevent the Director of the Committee from exercising any or all its powers in case of emergency for the furtherance of the publicity, publications and Public relations of the World Yogasana as per the rules, regulations laid down by this Constitution and the action taken by the Director on such occasions shall be reported to the EC subsequently for ratification. false However, for any or questionable decision the recommendation of EC will be necessary and in case of immediate action written consent of President shall be required.

i) The PPPR Committee will hold meeting preferably once in a month and at least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC andits annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

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#### **19.6 PUBLIC GRIEVANCES COMMITTEE**

a) The Public Grievances Committee will be chaired by Director, selected/elected by the General Body. The SG of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the Public Grievances Committee and the members will be nominated by the General Body.

b) The Public Grievances Committee shall consist of the following officials:One Director, One Joint-director, One Member Convener and 3-5 Members.

c) The Public Grievances Committee shall look after all the complaints of public grievances and resolve the issues raised at the earliest possible. In case of any inability of the said Committee to resolve any issue, the said issue will be sent to the Legal Committee for its advice. The EC in consultation with the Legal Committee will declare the final decision which shall be binding.

d) The Committee will give its annual report to the General Body meeting of the World Yogasana.

e) The Public Grievance Committee will hold meeting preferably once in a month and at least once in three months and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

#### **19.7** ELECTION COMMITTEE

a) The Election Committee will be chaired by Director, selected/elected by the General Body. The Secretary General of the World Yogasana may be the Member-Secretary of the ElectionCommittee and the members will be nominated by the EC.

b) The ElectionCommittee shall consist of the following officials: One Director, One Member Convener and 3 Members.

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c) The Election Committee shall be responsible for the successful and impartial election of the office bearers following the election procedure as set forth in the Memorandum of Association.

d) The Election Committee shall provide all the required documents from the World Yogasana office as and when desired by the Returning Officer. The Director and members will support the smooth functioning of the Election Process and shall abide by the decisions of the Returning Officer. The decision of Returning Officer shall be final and binding upon the members concerned. The Rules & Regulations in Clause 25 will be followed.

e) That the Election Committee shall work under the Direct Control of the Returning Officer and the decision of the Returning Officer shall be final and binding upon the GB/members.

f) The Election Committee will send the Election observer to conduct the fair elections of affiliated Members of World Yogasana. The committee shall hold meeting preferably once in a quarteror at least once in sixmonths and will give its quarter report to EC and its annual report to the General Body Meeting. The meeting of the Committee can be held on virtual platform with date, time and manner prescribed before the meeting.

#### 20. ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT:

a) The Treasurer shall maintain regular accounts of all transactions of World Yogasana. The Treasurer shall also maintain accounts of all the money and properties pertaining to the financial activities of the World Yogasana.

b) The Treasurer shall be responsible for an internal audit, reports of which shall be kept by the Treasurer. The treasurer should have to discuss all the Income Expenditure with the Finance Committee and can have the support from the Finance Committee members to manage the Finance of the World

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Yogasana in a proper manner. The trial balance will be submitted to a registered Chartered Accountant for a final annual audit. The treasurer will maintain the digital record of Income and Expenditure and will keep the records intact for a minimum period of five years.

c) The accounts of World Yogasana shall be audited annually by a registered Chartered Accountant (to be selected by EC) The report of such annual audit, quarterly and interval audit shall be communicated to Executive Council and submitted to the General Body for its approval.

#### 21. <u>ANNUAL REPORT</u>

An annual report of the proceedings of the Association and of all work undertaken during the year shall be prepared and submitted to the Executive Council by the SG of World Yogasana based on the reports submitted by different Directors of the 9 Standing Committees. After approval by the Executive Council, the same will be presented by the SG in the General Body of the World Yogasana.

#### 22. <u>ANNUAL LIST</u>

Every time after elections of Office Bearers are conducted, a list of the Officebearers and members of the Association shall be filed with the Registrar of Societies Delhi as required under Section 4 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860.

#### 23. <u>LEGAL PROCEEDINGS</u>

a) The Association may sue or be sued in the name of the Secretary General of the World Yogasana as per provisions laid down under Section 6 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 as applicable to the NCT of Delhi.

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b) All the unresolved disputes arising within the World Yogasana shall firstly be referred by the World Yogasana for amicable settlement by a Mediator as selected by the EC. In case of non-settlement of the said dispute, thereafter, the same dispute will be referred to the Arbitration Tribunal under the Arbitration Act, 1996. For this purpose, the World Yogasana shall elect a panel of Arbitrators to be decided by the General Body at their Annual General Meeting out of whom parties to the disputes in a Federation will elect one Arbitrator each and the third Arbitrator of the said panel will be mutually agreed upon by the two arbitrators. The arbitration Act, 1996 or with the time extended by the Arbitrators with the consent of the parties. The venue and seat of arbitration shall be at New Delhi.

c) The Courts at New Delhi shall have the exclusive jurisdiction for all the disputes relating to the "World Yogasana".

## 24. DISOLUTION AND ADJUSTMENT OF AFFAIRS

If the World Yogasana needs to be dissolved, it shall be dissolved as per provisions laid down under Section 13 and 14 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 as applicable to the NCT of Delhi.

## 25. <u>ELECTIONS:</u>

Elections shall be held after a period of Four years at the Annual General Body Meeting to elect the Elected Members from amongst the representatives of the Affiliated Member. Elections can also be held before the due date i.e., from the date of assuming the charges as the President till the completion of the tenure as prescribed of four years and a schedule of elections shall also be issued under the signature of the SG of World Yogasana.

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The following process of 16 days (mentioned day wise) will be adopted for the conduct of the elections for various posts of the World Yogasana:-

- a) Each Affiliated Member affiliated with the World Yogasana will intimate the name(s) of their representative which is to be signed by both President and Secretary General of the member unit [names of such representatives may be sent by way of a single letter or by separate letters], within 4 days from the notification of the date of elections. In the event of a conflict between the President and the Secretary of the member unit, the representatives sent by the President shall be final. The notice of Annual General Body Meeting will be sent to all member unit(s), fifteen (15) clear days in advance. (**Day '1'**)
- b) The EC will nominate the Returning Officer as suggested by President to conduct the process of elections.
- c) The SG of World Yogasana will prepare the list of member units and circulate to all concerned before fifteen (15) days of the AGBM. The list of Electoral College will be handed over to the Returning Officer on the same day. (Day '2').
- d) Nomination for the post of President and Secretary General should be proposed by at least two authorized representatives of two different member units and also endorsed by two authorized representatives of two different member units.
- e) For all other posts, one Proposer and one Second from authorized representative of member unit will be required.
- f) Nomination for the post of Office Bearers will be filed before 13 days prior to AGM. The Prescribed form of nomination shall be submitted for scrutinize in the office of Returning Officer (Day '3' to '5').

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- g) Returning Officer will prepare the list of nominations Post wise and publish it in his office. (Day '7').
- h) Returning Officer will scrutinize each nomination to determine its validity and prepare a list of valid nominated candidates. (Day '9').
- The withdrawal of nomination may be made from 6 days prior to the AGM. (Day'10').
- j) The Returning Officer will prepare the Final List of contesting candidates and display it in his office and on the World Yogasana Web-Site. (Day '11'). In case only one candidate has applied for the post and there is no need for election, the same may be declared by the Returning Officer as Final Result. The candidate will be declared unanimous unopposed office bearer of the World Yogasana.
- k) The Annual General Body Meeting will be held on Day '16' and if required polling for the post of Office bearers will be held in the AGBM only. In the AGBM, the Returning Officer will try to elect the President and Office bearer unanimously, in case of no unanimity, the voting will be done by Secret Ballot. The counting of votes will be done immediately after the voting is completed.
- Returning Officer will declare the results of all the posts of Office Bearers, after the whole process of Election is over.

#### 26. <u>VOTING</u>

- a) Only Affiliated Members will have right to vote in AGBM.
- b) Voting will be done by secret ballot.
- c) No proxy voting shall be allowed.

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## 27. <u>TENURE OF POSTS:</u>

## (a) **PRESIDENT**

Tenure for the post of President shall be maximum of three (3) consecutive terms of Four years i.e. maximum of Twelve (12) years and after a cooling off period of four (4) years, the person may be eligible for seeking fresh election for the post.

## (b) OTHER OFFICE BEARERS

Tenure for the post of Secretary General, Treasurer and other office bearers shall be maximum of two (2) consecutive terms of four (4) years i.e. maximum of Eight (8) years and after a cooling off period of four (4) years, may be eligible for seeking fresh election for either of the post.

## 28. <u>VACANCIES:</u>

The office of a member of the General Body or Executive Council (including that of an Office Bearer) shall fall vacant:

- a) If the member national federation, he/she represents, ceases to be a member of World Yogasana.
- b) If he/she resigns from his/her post/from membership by a notice in writing to the SG of World Yogasana and his resignation shall be accepted by the Executive Council (In the case of non-availability of SG of World Yogasana, the notice of the resignation shall be addressed to the President).
- c) In case of death or inability of the member / office bearer.
- d) In case if any vacancy falls vacant, same may be filled in the next Executive Council Meeting / General Body Meeting, whichever is earlier, and if required the President / SG of World Yogasana so decides, the election can be held in the House itself for the vacant post. The President / SG of World Yogasana can invite nomination(s) in the House

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and if required, election can be conducted by the secret ballot under the supervision of President or the House.

## **29.** <u>MEETINGS:</u>

#### A. <u>ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING (AGBM):</u>

- a) The AGBM of the World Yogasana shall be held once every year at a place, date & time to be decided by the President / Secretary General. As far as possible the meeting shall be held by rotation at different places.
- **b**) The agenda of the AGBM shall also include:
  - i. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous AGBM and the SGBM, if any.
  - ii. Consideration of the Secretary General's Annual Report on the working of the World Yogasana and adopts or rejects the same.
  - iii. Consideration and passing of the Audited Statement of Accounts of the financial year and the Budget for the next year to be submitted by the Treasurer.
  - iv. Appointment of Auditors and fixing their remuneration.
  - v. Election of the Office Bearers & Executive Council (if due).
  - vi. Consideration of the Annual Yogasana Sports Championships Calendar.
  - vii. Amendment(s) to the present Constitution (if any).
  - viii. Any other business of which due notice has been given.
  - ix. Any such matter affecting the welfare of the World Yogasana which the President may bring or allow to be brought before it on his own or on the request made by a member. This will include discussions about developmental activities and analysis

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of program and policies of the World Yogasana. The President can call the meeting(s) by circulating notice via E-mail or post. The meetings may be conducted physically or virtually.

**<u>Note:</u>** The Brief Annual Report, Brief Agenda and Brief Audited Statement of Accounts & all other relevant papers shall be circulated to the members prior to the meeting.

## B. <u>SPECIAL GENERAL BODY MEETING (SGBM):</u>

SGBM may be summoned at any time by the President at his discretion or shall be convened by the Secretary Generalif 2/3<sup>rd</sup>affiliated members want any urgent or serious matter(s) concerning the affairs of World Yogasana or the sport of Yogasana to be discussed.

## C. <u>EMERGENT GENERAL BODY MEETING:</u>

Notwithstanding anything in the Constitution, an emergent meeting of the General Body may be convened by the President /SG of World Yogasanaon urgent specific matters.

## **30.** <u>NOTICES AND QUORUM FOR MEETINGS:</u>

In convening meetings, the notice period and quorum, as given hereunder shall be observed:

S. NO.	MEETIN	IG	NOTICE PERIOD	QUORUM
1.	Annual General Bod	ly Meeting	15 Clear days	$1/5^{\text{th}}$ of the (annual meeting
				of the representative
				assembly) entitled to vote
				or 15 representatives
				whichever is less
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2.	Executive Council Meeting	7 Clear days	One-third Representatives
3.	Special General Body Meeting	10 Clear days	One-third Representatives
4.	Standing Committee Meetings	7 Clear days	One-third Representatives
5.	Emergent General Body Meeting	36 hours	One-third Representatives
6.	Extraordinary Executive Council	24 hours	One-third Representatives
	Meeting		

## 31. DUTIES OF THE OFFICE BEARERS:

## A. <u>PRESIDENT:</u>

a) The President shall be the head of World Yogasana and shall preside over all meetings of the Assembly and the Executive Council. He shall guide the World Yogasana in all the activities. He shall exercise superintendence over Office Bearers and the Members of the Executive Council and other Committees in discharging their duties. He shall have overall powers of supervision over the working of the World Yogasana and its efficient administration. The President and in his absence, the selected chairman of any Meeting shall have full powers to preserve order in all meetings and shall have all the powers and privileges which are generally vested in him under this MoA and shall be rectified by the President himself for as may be prescribed by the members of the EC or the BG, as the case may be.

b) In addition to his deliberative vote, the President shall have a casting vote in case of a tie.

c) The President shall ensure that the financial position of the World Yogasana is sound and no unauthorized expenditure is incurred. The President

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is authorized to sanction expenditure up to any amount for any one item, which is not included in the budget. Expenditure in excess of this amount will be sanctioned by the Executive Council.

d) In case of emergencies, the President will have full power to issue orders, which should subsequently be confirmed/ ratified by the Executive Council.

#### B. <u>VICE-PRESIDENT:</u>

a) Vice President will exercise the powers of the President if and when the President authorises the Vice President to that effect. The President may authorise the Vice President to manage affairs in specified jurisdiction or to manage any specific project or to chair any Sub Committee Meeting. He may further be assigned powers and functions by the Executive Council.

b) The Vice-President shall also exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in these Rules and Regulations and Bye-Laws of the Association and as may be assigned and fixed by the Executive Council.

## C. <u>SECRETARY GENERAL:</u>

c) The SG shall be the Executive Officer of the World Yogasana and shall be responsible for carrying out all the decisions of the Assembly, Council and Committees and shall see that all the rules of the World Yogasana are observed by all concerned.

d) The SG shall convene all Meetings of the General Assembly and Executive Council, as per the rules specified under this MOA and shall record

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and sign minutes and resolutions of all such meetings. He shall be responsible for carrying on all correspondence in the name of the World Yogasana or as otherwise directed by the President.

e) The SG shall be in-charge of all records and documents (including the register of members) as may be necessary for the smooth and efficient working of the World Yogasana.

f) The SG shall have custody and will be responsible to maintain the office and office assets in proper order and condition all trophies, souvenirs and seals and insignia of the World Yogasana of all movable and immovable properties of the World Yogasana and maintain up to date stock book and have annual stock taking made of all such properties.

g) The SG shall transact all official business of the World Yogasana.

h) The SG shall act as Convener of the Executive Council of the World Yogasana.

i) The World Yogasana can sue or be sued in the name of the SG only.

j) The SG shall conduct all affairs of the World Yogasana according to its MOA, Rules, Regulations and Bye-Laws.

k) To issue notice to member units for non- payment of dues and subscription fees. Forward all bills for payment to the Treasurer upto the extent sanctioned in the Budget estimates.

1) Ensure that the accounts of the World Yogasana have been properly maintained by the Treasurer and are regularly audited.

m) Prepare every year, an Annual Report of the working of the World Yogasana and place the same before the Executive Council so that the same can be approved by the Council.

n) SG of World Yogasana can help the organizing committee of the Athletes for various Yogasana Sports Athletics Meets.

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o) In his absence, he can give charge to any of the Secretary(s), WorldYogasana or may bifurcate the duties amongst multiple Secretaries.

#### D. <u>TREASURER:</u>

a) The Treasurer shall be the custodian of funds/ accounts of the World Yogasana. Prepare and place the Budget for the year before the Council for necessary sanction that shall allocate the Budget grants to the different heads of expenditure.

b) Make all payments of the World Yogasana after the connected bills and vouchers have been duly checked by him and passed for payment by the President/ EC/ SG of World Yogasana.

c) Deposit all money as and when received from the President/SG of World Yogasanaor any other sources into accounts of the World Yogasana with banks as early as possible.

d) Have charge of all funds of the World Yogasana.

e) Maintain the Books of accounts of the World Yogasana.

f) Operate the Bank accounts of the World Yogasana jointly with either President or SG.

#### E. <u>SECRETARY(s):</u>

a) The Secretary(s) shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in the Rules and Regulations, MOA and Bye-Laws of the Association and as may be assigned and fixed by the Executive Council. He will be entrusted with the task to assist the SG of World Yogasana in the implementation and working of the World Yogasana. In absence of SG the secretary can issue the agenda and MOM. He shall be authorised to communicate with any Govt. Department and Federation on behalf of this

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World level Sports Federation. He shall also be responsible for convening meetings of the General Body and Executive Council, can issue the notices to the members as well as record the minutes of the meetings in the absence of the SG, World Yogasana.

#### F. JOINT SECRETARY(s):

a) The Joint Secretary(s) shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in these Rules and Regulations and Bye-Laws of the Association and as may be delegated by the Executive Council. He will be entrusted with the task to assist the SG of World Yogasana in the implementation and working of the World Yogasana. He shall also be responsible for convening meetings of the General Body and Executive Council, can issue the notices to the members as well as record the minutes of the meetings in the absence of the SG, World Yogasana.

#### G. <u>DIRECTORS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES</u>

The Directors shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in the Rules and Regulations and Bye-Laws of the World Yogasana and as may be assigned and fixed by the Executive Council/President. The Directors shall also preside over the meetings of the respective Standing Committee.

#### H. JOINT-DIRECTORS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

The Joint-directors shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in these Rules and Regulations and Bye-Laws of the World Yogasana and as may be assigned and fixed by the Executive Council/President.

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## I. <u>CONVENERS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES</u>

The Conveners shall exercise such powers and discharge such functions as laid down in these Rules and Regulations and Bye-Laws of the World Yogasana and as may be assigned and fixed by the Executive Council/President. The Conveners shall be responsible for convening meetings of their respective Standing Committees and shall also maintain the minutes of the meetings. Conveners shall also be responsible for carrying out and complying with the decisions taken by the General Body, Executive Council and their respective Standing Committees.

#### 32. <u>APPLICATION OF THE ACT</u>

All the provision under all the Sections of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 as applicable to the NCT of Delhi shall apply to the World Yogasana.

#### 33. AMENDMENTS OF MEMORANDUM, RULES AND BYE-LAWS

**a**) The Executive Council shall have the power to alter, extend or abridge the purpose for which the World Yogasana is established as stated in the Memorandum of Association in the manner as provided for in the Societies Registration Act (XXI of 1860).

**b**) No amendment shall be made to these Rules except at the Annual General Body Meetings (AGBM) or Special General Body Meetings (SBGM) or Executive Council Meetings of the World Yogasana and unless supported by two –third of the representatives present and voting. The Bye-Laws can be amended at a meeting of the Executive Council convened for the said purpose.

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## 34. ELIGIBILITY CODE

To be eligible for participation in the Competition Games and any other International Competition and Tournament:

## A. <u>A competitor must:-</u>

Observe and abide by the rules laid down by the National and International Sports Committee and, in addition, the rules of his or her International Federation, as approved, as well as Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games and any other International Competitions, recognized by Commonwealth Games Federation and Olympic Council of Asia.

## B. <u>A competitor must not:-</u>

- **a.** Use or be allowed to use any other logo sponsored other than as used approved by World Yogasana during Olympic, Asian, Commonwealth, South Asian and National Games 7 days prior and 7 days or as per further direction of EC of World Yogasana after the Games.
- b. Carry advertising material on his person or clothing in the Olympic Games, International or Continental Championships and such National Games, under the patronage of World Yogasana, Commonwealth Games Federation and the Olympic Council of Asia other than trademarks on technical equipment or clothing as agreed by the World Yogasana/Commonwealth Games Federation/Olympic Council of Asia with the World Yogasana.

## 35. <u>GENERAL DISCIPLINARY REGULATIONS</u>

- a) Violation of the existing rules cannot be excused on grounds of ignorance of the said rules.
- b) Whoever incites a member Unit to commit an infraction or breach of the rules and regulations as laid down in this constitution, aids and abets the said

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Unit infraction shall be sanctioned in the same manner in the Unit which commits the infraction.

- c) All Chapters of World Yogasana shall undertake to supply to the World Yogasana, a copy of registration certificate, a copy of their respective statutes, Constitution and Rules & Regulations, a detailed list of their respective accredited Members Units and their office-bearers and Members, PAN Number, a copy of Annual Report of 3 years, Annual Balance-sheet of 3 years and Audited Statement of Accounts of 3 years, and a report of their activities, duly approved by their general body, within six months of the closing of the financial year, along with a calendar of sports for the ensuing year. Failure to supply this information within the stipulated period will constitute a breach of this rule and may render the defaulting Unit to disciplinary action under these rules.
- d) The President, World Yogasana shall have the power to call for explanation any of its member unit for not taking any action against a sports-person/any member (whether performing or non-performing) of the affiliated member unit who has been found guilty violating International Anti-Doping Code or World Yogasana prohibited substances. The recommendations of the President, World Yogasana shall be placed before the Executive Council and/or the General body for appropriate disciplinary action as per the Rules & Regulations and the International Anti-Doping Code.
- e) Every National Yogasana Sports Federation should make sure that they should not make any provision which would be contradiction with rules and regulations of World Yogasana.

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# 36. <u>SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES/CONFLICTS IN THE</u> <u>NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL LEVEL YOGASANA SPORTS</u> <u>FEDERATION/ YOGASANA SPORTS FEDERATIONS.</u>

- a) All respective Country/National/International level Yogasana Sports Federations or Association (subject to regulations and directives of their respective Country/National/International level Federation) /Country/National level Yogasana Sports Federations / Union Territory Yogasana Sports Federations affiliated to World Yogasana shall include in their Constitution a provision that the Federations/ Associations would have all unresolved disputes settled by the Arbitration Tribunal as already mentioned in Rule 23 and their Members shall voluntarily surrender their right of seeking redress in any Court of law.
- b) As a general rule, before any important resolution or a measure such as mentioned above affecting the World Yogasana is taken by a Country/State/National/International level Yogasana Sports Federation, the Country/State/National/International level Yogasana Sports Federation will first inform, consult and co-ordinate with the World Yogasana concerned.
- c) No decision can be taken except in consultation with the concerned International Federation. World Yogasana must respect the autonomy of the Country /National/International level Yogasana Sports Federation and the concerned Country/State/National/International level Yogasana Sports Federation must abide by the regulation of the World Yogasana.

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d) All matters in relation to breach of ethics shall be referred to the Ethics, Disciplinary and Legal Committee of the World Yogasana as set forth in this Memorandum of Association.

#### 37. <u>DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS</u>

In case of:

- a. Violation of this MOA or any other prescribed Rules, Regulations or By-Laws of the World Yogasana; or
- b. Any unsocial activity, misbehavior, unlawful activity, unethical activity by any member or its members (in case of national federations), any official or staff of World Yogasana and any other Sports persons/Coach/Referees/Judges/ or any other performing or nonperforming staff, the following disciplinary sanctions may be taken:
  - a) Caution (by the Executive Council)
  - b) Warning (by the Executive Council)
  - c) Suspension for a specified period of time (by the Executive Councilor the General Body)
  - d) Removal (by the Executive Council). Any official or staff of World Yogasana and any other Sports persons/Coach/Referees/ Judges/ or any other performing or non-performing staff may be removed, if such findings are received from the Ethics and Disciplinary Committee after proper inquiry as per law.
  - e) On conviction of an individual (member or official of World Yogasana) or a member federation for an offence which is of serious nature under the governing law of the member/individual or the laws of India, the Executive Council member / Office Bearer / member of International Federation shall resign immediately and

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if not then their membership will be terminated forthwith and they will be prohibited and will not be allowed to contest in the elections of the Executive Council/Office Bearers of Country/State level Federation till three years after completion of the sentence and the case will then be referred to the Ethics, Disciplinary and Legal Committee, World Yogasana.

f) Where the charges have been framed by the Court of the country of the member/individual or any Court of law in India, in respect of an offence which is of nature for which punishment of more than 7 years has been prescribed by the governing laws, in which the Member/Office Bearer/ Member of the Executive Council of the World Yogasana has been held guilty then the Member/Office Bearer/ Member of the Executive Council of the World Yogasana will resign immediately and if not then they will be provisionally suspended and will not be eligible to contest in the elections and the case will then be referred to the Ethics, Disciplinary and Legal Committee of the Federation for further guidance.

# 38. <u>STATE/NATIONAL LEVEL YOGASANA SPORTS FEDERATION</u> /ASSOCIATION:

 a) The member State/National level Yogasana Sports Federation should formulate their Constitution in consonance with the MOA, Rules and Regulations and By Laws of the World Yogasana. No provision of Constitution/MOA of member Federation should be in contradiction to the MOA, Rules and Regulations and By Laws of the World Yogasana.

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- b) No office bearer of one National Federation will be a member of another National Federation.
- c) It would be mandatory for National Federation to have all their disputes resolved through arbitration set up by the World Yogasana. Under no circumstances any member of the National or State level Yogasana Sports Federation would resort to litigation in a court of law. In the Constitution it would be mandatory for National and State level Yogasana Sports Federation to include a provision that anyone going to the Court will entail sanction and disciplinary action. The World Yogasana will abide by the International Laws.
- d) The National Federations would be responsible for conduct of National Games preferable every year and minimum every alternate year and National Games as and when allotted in the best possible manner without any interference. The member National Federations, whether permanent or associate, will have to send their participants in all the Championships organized by the World Yogasana. It will be binding on the State/National level Federations to participate along with their selected sports personal in the Games organized at the Global/International or Continental /National/Country level, by World Yogasana

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