

# INTERNATIONAL **JUKSKEI** FEDERATION



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(The Association for International Sport for All)



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Good day

## **INTERNATIONAL JUKSKEI FEDERATION: THE WAY FORWARD WITH THE IJF**

The IJF EXCO had at a work session determined the way forward regarding the leadership role that the IJF should play and the added value of the IJF EXCO towards International Jukskei and its members.

It would be appreciated if this document can be distributed to all your Jukskei members. Through this action, the EXCO will be committed to the actions stipulated within this document.

With Dirk Brits as the President, you can assume there will be a theme coupled towards the work session and the way forward. His theme is that of a sailing-boat, where each of the EXCO members is a sail. If you do not work and keep your sail in the wind, the ship will remain in the harbour and wouldn't reach its destination.

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### Executive Committee

**President:** DJP Brits (South Africa); **Vice President:** FJ Strauss (Namibia);  
**Chief Operations Officer (COO):** EM Roos (Ms) (South Africa); **Director Communication:** MC Barnard (South Africa)  
**Director Training and Development:** C Horn (Namibia); **Director Umpires:** GS Coetzee (Namibia)

## 1 **IJF GOALS**

Each of the IJF goals, as stipulated within the IJF Constitution, were discussed within each of the posts. Clear guidelines were set so that each of the EXCO members exactly knows what is expected of him/her. The outcome of this will be discussed under each portfolio.

## 2 **STANDING COMMITTEES**

The suggestion is to work with the person within the same post like that of the EXCO member of the Member Countries rather than with the names recommended by the countries. The problem in the past was that members resign from their post or came to the end of their term, which means that the EXCO is bound to the name instead of to the post within your organization.

***Request 1: Please give feedback on this suggestion***

## 3 **STRATEGIC COMMITTEE**

The suggestion is that instead of having a Strategic Committee, is rather to have a President's Council meeting during February each year. If the President is not available, a representative, with the necessary mandate, can act on his behalf. The EXCO will give a six-month report, in form of a working document, on which the countries have to act on. Answers will be sent to the COO to be compiled. This will be followed by a Microsoft Team meeting to discuss the new goals requested by the member countries.

***Request 2: Please give feedback on this suggestion***

## 4 **CONSTITUTION**

To stay within the boundaries of the IJF Constitution it must be noted that there will be an AGM not later than the end of August 2021. The target dates for the necessary changes etc will be circulated.

Due to the yearly August AGM, it is recommended that the financial year, for the IJF, change from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June. The reasons for this action are self-explanatory.

## 5 **ACADEMY**

Up till now, the Academy was part of Director Training and Development. These are two different fields. It was decided that Dirk Brits will handle the Academy and Christie Horn Training and Development.

What are the expectations of the Academy?

It should be a directorate that supplies the developing countries with the necessary training documentation. It should cover the training of Coaches and Umpires. These are the two sectors to be focused on for the short term. **The EXCO also decided that the training documentation must be in line with the Long Term Development Plan.**

The question is, 'Where are we going to get the material?' The only way to do this is to request the countries, in the possession of the necessary training material, if they would be willing to share it with the IJF? Should a written agreement be needed, please inform us accordingly.

***Request 3: Please give feedback on this suggestion***

A decision was also taken that the training documentation would be given and training delivered, but that each country would decide on its standards of examination per level.

**Request 4:** Please give feedback on this suggestion

To meet the standard of the umpires to become test umpires, the IJF Academy will test the applicants to make sure they are on international level.

## **6 TAFISA**

During the recent Triennial General Meeting, it was decided that the IJF will remain part of TAFISA. The question remains, 'What benefits does the IJF get while being a member?' The decision was made to make contact with TAFISA and to get the list of benefits, and should there be any whereby the IJF can benefit, then to apply for it. Should nothing come out of this, the recommendation would be, to the member countries, to terminate our membership with TAFISA.

**Request 5:** Please give feedback on this suggestion

## **7 TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Training and Development play an important role in expanding Jukskei to other countries. One of the biggest challenges is to introduce countries to the sport and then to train and develop them. With limited funds at the IJF's disposal, this makes the task even more challenging.

A further challenge is to have the necessary standard training materials in collaboration with the IJF Academy.

The following African countries have already indicated to play jukskei, namely Botswana, Lesotho, Uganda, Cameroon, Kenya and the Republic of Central Africa. Some of these countries have been visited and some of them have been contacted to establish jukskei there.

A suggested guideline when training countries is as follows:

- a) The host country provides the accommodation.
- b) Transport for the members of which 50% is paid by the host country and the other 50% by the country or countries of the two coaches.
- c) Possible course programme:
  - i. Arrive on Sunday
  - ii. Coach training on Monday
  - iii. Referee training on Tuesday
  - iv. Players clinic from Wednesday to Thursday
  - v. Matches on Friday
  - vi. Depart on Saturday

**Request 6:** Please give feedback on the guidelines

## **8 PARTICIPATION**

### **8.1 International Jukskei Participation Committee (IJPC)**

The Vice-President (Erik Strauss) (Chair), the Director Communication and persons of the EXCO of the host country will form the IJPC for the specific occasion/event.

## 8.2 Responsibilities

The Chair will do the monitoring of the IJF's cross-border match & touring protocol and co-ordinates all International pre-, during, and post- touring and/or -match events.

***The Vice President must be informed in writing of any planned tours (Jukskei and Horseshoe) outside the country (International / National / Training / Friendly) to co-ordinate with the touring side.***

An electronical meeting will be set up with the countries to discuss the Regulation – Participation in depth and to make sure we all understand the protocol flow chart and to assist each other.

All the necessary documents will be sent to the Director Participation. Please familiarise yourself with the **Regulation – Participation**.

It is of utmost importance for the Director Participation that you report back on the following:

- a) Are you satisfied with the content of the regulation?
- b) What is your feeling regarding the fact that the host country can decide on the format of play.
- c) Should your country be the next host for the International test matches, what would your format be? Taking in consideration the amount of players you do have per age group.

***Requests 7 - 9: Please give feedback on these suggestions***

## 9 COMMUNICATION

### 9.1 Goals

- **Establishing a well-functioning Committee** to achieve better linkages between the members and the Director Communication. Those countries busy establishing their structures, etc, are also welcome to be part. The Committee requires a person from all member countries. (Complete the questionnaire below)

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- **Creating a Website**. We have already started to create a website and the link is [www.jukskei-international.co.za](http://www.jukskei-international.co.za). Much information is needed to make the website useful and to upgrade it continuously. This information will be collected by the committee. Further, we would welcome any suggestions to improve the website.

***Request 11: Please give feedback on this suggestion***

- **Marketing Material** is needed to promote the IJF during test matches and other events where applicable. JSA and NJ have sufficient material available. We would like to know what is the minimum material required for events outside the Full Membership countries.

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- **Media Liaison** is impossible for the IJF in the different countries. We need the help of members to promote the IJF in the countries. Information from members will then through the Committee be sent to all members for placement in their media concerned.
- **Newsletters and Circulars** will electronically be sent to the members for distribution to its members. This will also be published on the IJF's website and Facebook page. We foresee at least two Newsletters a year, one in January/February and the other in July/August. Information of events will be collected, published and distributed in advance via the Committee to the countries.
- **Facebook** is also a method to make information available to our members. You are requested to promote our Facebook page to your members and ask them to join the group.
- **Corporate Presentation** also shows the image of the IJF. There is currently a golf shirt and jacket available to members of the IJF. Yet there are questions about their appearance and we would like to improve it. Give your opinion in the questionnaire.  
***Requests 13: Please give feedback on these suggestions***
- **Test and Show Matches** also market IJF. This gives players recognition for the quality of their performances. The opening ceremony as well as the medal ceremony at the closing of a tournament are the highlights. We would like to test your opinion on these cases.  
***Request 14: Please give feedback on these suggestions***

## 10 **ADMINISTRATION**

### 10.1 **New Application for Membership**

When applying for membership with the IJF, the relevant Application Form should be completed and also include the following documents and/or information:

- a) Type of application for membership eg Associate of Membership
- b) Minutes of founding meeting
- c) Committee names and portfolios with contact detail
- d) Number of members

## 11 **UMPIRES**

Up till now, the IJFU was a Standing Committee of the IJF without a Director Umpires. The COO is the Secretary, with the Chair and members equal to the number of the IJF's Member Bodies elected from the candidates nominated by the National Bodies, International Associations and the Standing Committees. (Each National Body, International Association and Standing Committee are entitled to nominate a maximum of two people for this committee.)

During the past IJF TRIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING amendments were approved to the Constitution by adding a Director Umpires to the EXCO.

### 11.1 **What are the expectations of the Umpires Committee?**

It should be a directorate that supports the countries with the necessary critical matters affecting the umpires such as:

- a) Discussing the rules of play
- b) Workshop to discuss issues about the International umpires.
- c) and to forward recommendations to the IJF Executive Management for attention at the highest level.

The management of the IJFUC consists of the following positions:

**Chair:** Director Umpires Gerhard Coetzee

**Secretary:** The Chief Operation Officer Daleen Roos

**Members:** Each country is represented by one member of its Umpire Committee with the difference that only countries with full membership will have voting rights.

## 11.2 The new IJF Regulation – Umpires

### Section description 9 refers to Appointment of Test Umpires

The appointment of umpires, preferably two per test, takes place on a rotational basis subject to the following:

***At least one of the members must be available to perform during the tournament/championship***

The actions during the tournament/championship serve to sharpen the member's/members' abilities.

## 11.3 Questions

How will the IJFUC guarantee that there will be an IJFU for the test matches?

Should the host country not have a qualified IJF Umpire to officiate during the tournament, it must apply, through the IJF for an umpire two months prior to the test date/venue. This member will automatically be nominated, together with another qualified IJF umpire, to officiate during the test matches. According to the Umpires Regulation, the qualified IJF umpire that has officiated during the tournament will automatically be the umpire-in-charge during the tests.

### Section Description 10 refers to Travel and Accommodation

Each member country has its own travel and accommodation costs regulations. These are guidelines for a member who would like to participate and has not the opportunity to do so in his own country or it could be because the host does not have a qualified IJF umpire. Accommodation arrangements/costs are made as applied by the host country. Travel costs are between member and host country or a guideline that at least a similar amount is paid that would be the worst scenario in the country.

***Request 15: Please give feedback on these suggestions***

If a country invited an Umpire to come and take part in a tournament for whatever reason, what about the following?

1. Who will be responsible for the travelling and accommodation costs of the person?
2. Under which country's jurisdiction will the member be?
3. During officiating, whose clothing does the member wear, his country's or the host country's?

***Request 16: Please give feedback on these suggestions***

Must a Chief Umpire of a country step down from his post as soon as he is elected as the Director Umpires on the EXCO?

***Request 17: Please give feedback on these suggestions***

Referring to **Request 1** and par 5.1 of the Umpires Regulation, which post would be the best to work with:

- a) The Director Umpires
- b) The Chief Umpire of each country?

**Request 18:** Please give feedback on these suggestions

This is a long letter with a lot of feedback being asked. Good luck with all the discussions, but in doing so you ensure that the IJF and all the countries are sailing in the right direction together.

The feedback must be returned to the undersigned no later than **Friday 19 March 2021**.

Kind regards

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