

## **Changes to the Electoral rules (technical amendments are subject to the Constitutional commission' recommendations).**

### **1.art. 3.2.**

#### CURRENT VERSION:

3.2 After the admission of a new Member Federation, by the General Assembly, the new Member Federation has immediately right to vote regarding any other issue, but has no right to vote in the elections and about modifications of Electoral Rules, in the twelve (12) months after its admission.

#### PROPOSED VERSION:

3.2 After the admission of a new Member Federation, by the General Assembly, the new Member Federation has immediately right to vote regarding any other issue, but has no right to vote in the elections and about modifications of Electoral Rules, until the next meeting of the General Assembly following its admission.

### **Comment on the Proposed Amendments**

The existing Electoral Rules could result in newly admitted federations being ineligible to vote during two successive General Assemblies. The proposed amendment addresses this issue by granting full voting rights at the General Assembly following a federation's admission.

### **2.art. 3.8.**

#### CURRENT VERSION:

3.8 In case of elections all complaints regarding the right to vote and its exercise must be brought before and shall be decided by the Electoral Commission, when there are no elections by the Constitutional Commission. All complaints must be addressed to the competent Commission, through the e-mail address office@fide.com, in writing.

#### PROPOSED VERSION:

3.8 In case of elections all complaints regarding the right to vote and its exercise must be brought before and shall be decided by the Electoral Commission, when there are no elections by the Constitutional Commission. All complaints must be addressed to the competent Commission, through the e-mail address office@fide.com, in writing. **All complaints may be submitted no later than 5 days from the date of publication of the list of persons entitled to exercise the right to vote. Complaints related to the participation of the FIDE Delegate in the President's place or vice versa may be submitted no later than 2 days from the date of publication of such a list. Complaints submitted after the deadline cannot be considered.**

### **Comment on the Proposed Amendments**

The current version of the Electoral Rules does not establish final deadlines for submitting complaints regarding delegate lists. The proposed amendments introduce such deadlines, which is necessary given that final delegate lists must be approved in advance and all complaints must be resolved prior to the General Assembly.

#### **3.art. 27.1.**

##### **CURRENT VERSION:**

27.1 FIDE Continental elections shall take place during the FIDE Congress, on a quadrennial basis. These elections must be organised and concluded before the opening of the electoral meeting of the General Assembly.

##### **PROPOSED VERSION:**

27.1 FIDE Continental elections shall take place during the FIDE Congress, on a quadrennial basis. These elections must be organised and concluded before the opening of the electoral meeting of the General Assembly. **In the exceptional cases, an earlier schedule for Continental Elections may be approved by the FIDE Council, provided that all fundamental FIDE electoral principles are upheld and the date of the elections should be made public not later than 6 months before such announcement.**

### **Comment on the Proposed Amendments**

The current Electoral Rules stipulate that continental elections are to be held directly at the Congress. In certain situations, such as those involving transportation accessibility, delegates from a particular continent may face difficulties in attending the Congress. Accordingly, an adjustment is being introduced to the rules, which grants the FIDE Council the authority, in exceptional cases and upon the request of the Continent itself, to permit the continental elections to be conducted at an earlier date.