



International Orienteering Federation ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

At its ordinary General Assembly on 10 July 1998, the International Orienteering Federation, acknowledging the importance of maintaining the environmentally-friendly nature of orienteering, and in accordance with the GAISF Resolution on the Environment and the IOC Manual on Sport and the Environment, adopted the following principles:

- ❑ to continue to be aware of the need to preserve a healthy environment and to integrate this principle into the fundamental conduct of orienteering;
- ❑ to ensure that the rules of competition and best practice in the organisation of events are consistent with the principle of respect for the environment and the protection of flora and fauna;
- ❑ to co-operate with landowners, government authorities and environmental organisations so that best practice may be defined;
- ❑ to take particular care to observe local regulations for environmental protection, to maintain the litter-free nature of orienteering and to take proper measures to avoid pollution;
- ❑ to include environmental good practice in the education and training of orienteers and officials;
- ❑ to heighten the national federations' awareness of worldwide environmental problems so that they may adopt, apply and popularise principles to safeguard orienteering's sensitive use of the countryside;
- ❑ to recommend that the national federations prepare environmental good practice guidelines specific to their own countries.