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The vision of the International Orienteering Federation (IOF) is that orienteering is included in the Olympic and Paralympic Games. The goals and strategic initiatives presented in Strategic Directions will promote the realisation of this vision. The actions required to implement the strategy are contained in the Council Activity Plan and the tasks of IOF Commissions. The IOF is, by its Statutes, obliged to respect and abide by the Olympic Charter and the provisions of the World Anti-Doping Code and to respect and implement the Olympic Movements Agenda 21 on protection of the environment and sustainable development.

1: WORKING PROCEDURES AND STRUCTURE			
Working Procedures	1. The Commission shall aim to meet at least two times a year. The meeting schedule should include:		
	The annual January joint meeting of the Council and Commissions		
	WOC week		
	In addition virtual meetings (by email, Skype, Lync etc.) whenever needed are recommended.		
	2. The Commission shall actively work to achieve the goals of the remit for the 2017-18 working period.		
	3. All decisions should be aligned and made with reference to the Strategic Directions 2012–2018, the 2017-18 Activity Plan and IOC evaluation criteria.		
Working Structure	1. The Commission must work in close contact with the other IOF Commissions and the IOF Council supporting Team. The decisions with political impact should be presented to the Council only after consultation with IOF Council supporting Team.		
	2. The Commission must work in close contact with the IOF Office.		
	3. The Commission work shall be organised in subgroups or teams in order to focus the outputs more clearly. Each subgroup/team shall have a minimum of 2 Commission members.		
	4. Where there is a technical need to focus on an aspect of its remit, the Commission can create extra subgroups including also members from outside the Commission.		
	5. Where the Commission has a particular task or project to carry out, it can set up a short term project group including also members from outside the Commission to enable Commission to achieve an efficient outcome.		
	6. The meeting agenda should be organised according to the structure of the Commission remit.		
	7. A member of the Commission shall be given the responsibility to prepare minutes within a week after a meeting of the Commission and e-mail them to the IOF Office. In order to simplify this task, these minutes should be concise and should contain an executive summary suitable for publication on the Internet via the IOF website.		

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Task	Explanatory notes	Responsible members		
2: PERMANENT TASKS				
Update and amend the rules	Work closely with the Council and discipline commissions to update the rules as required by the development of the sport. Assist the Council and discipline commissions in formulating rules and special rules for specific events and event formats. Provide supporting documents as required.	FootO: DR, BM, FB, USK SkiO: DR, RH MTBO:DR, UH TrailO:DR, MF		
Harmonise rules	Regularly harmonise the rules of the different disciplines.	DR, BM, FB		
Educate Event Advisers	Organise the basic training of Event Advisers and the granting of EA licenses. The discipline commissions shall assist in the planning and implementation of the training. Check new licences and do reaccreditation in liaison with the IOF Office.	FootO: DR, USK SkiO: DR, RH MTBO:DR, UH TrailO:DR, MF		
Appoint juries for major IOF events	Appoint juries for all IOF events in cooperation with the relevant discipline commission.	FootO: DR, USK SkiO: DR, RH MTBO:DR, UH TrailO:DR, MF		
Support quality event advising in developing regions	Facilitate the education of event advisers in developing regions. Promote event advising cooperation between countries. Support the RYDC if requested.	DR, BM		
Manage the approval process for new punching systems	Manage the process in accordance with the IOF Punching System Approval document and consult with the relevant discipline commissions and the IOF IT Commission.	DR, FB		

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3: SPECIFIC TASKS FOR 2017			
Continue rules harmonisation in close co-operation with discipline commissions	Continue rules harmonisation work in line with outcomes of the Rules Consultation Meeting at WOC 2016 and co- operation with discipline commissions.	DR, FB	
Update and amend the IOF Control Descriptions	Manage the project to update and amend the IOF Control Descriptions to conform to the new ISOM as well as considering suggestions for improvements. New Control Descriptions to be valid from September 2017.	DR, FB, BM	
Work with the IOF Office to increase functionality of Eventor	Enhance Eventor to manage entries for all IOF events and Athlete licensing.	DR, FB	
Update FootO rules for Sprint- WOC and WOC	Manage the project to have new FootO rules published on 1.1.2018 and taking into account that alternating WOCs start in 2019.	DR, FB, BM	

Commission members:

Chair: David Rosen (GBR), DR

Members: Felix Bücher (SUI), FB. Barry McCrae (AUS), BM.

Members from Discipline Commissions:

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