

## DRAFT DISCUSSION DOCUMENT

Following on the decisions of the President's Council and the National Recreation and Sports Plan, and taking into account the compliance requirement of the National Federations affiliated to SASCOC. SASCOC after having considered the present impasse which exists within your Federation relating to specific disciplines SASCOC is proposing that you amend your existing constitution in respect of the composition of membership and the voting rights flowing therefrom.

SASCOC proposes that your current constitution be amended in respect of the provisions relating to membership, elections and voting.

1. MEMBERSHIP should consist of 3 levels of membership namely;
  - Ordinary Members
  - Associate members
  - The Athlete's Representation

It is proposed that Ordinary Members shall be those National Associations represented in each specific discipline within Equestrian provided that such discipline is properly constituted in terms of the provisions of corporate governance in that the discipline subscribes to annual general meetings, audited financial statements, free and fair elections and all other provisions of corporate governance (these disciplines to be independently audited to confirm compliance prior to being accepted as ordinary members).

1. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS being those members currently provided for in terms of your existing constitution or those members who comply with the provisions of associate membership in terms of your constitution.

2. Athlete's Representative/Commission being a body of athletes from across the board of all disciplines forming part of the ordinary membership who would be elected and in compliance with the provisions of membership within your constitution.

ELECTIONS AND VOTING. The Executive of the Federation shall be elected in terms of the constitution from amongst the membership who qualify and whose nomination is properly constituted.

2.1 The voting proposed for the election of the Executive shall be as follows:

Ordinary members	1 vote per discipline
Associate members	1 vote per Associate
Athletes Representation	2 votes

A further amendment should be added to provide for the creation of a Provincial structure in each of the 9 geopolitical provinces.

Provincial Equestrian Federation:

In each of the nine geopolitical boundaries, the ordinary members provincial member will coordinate a Provincial Equestrian Federation (PEF) which will in turn affiliate to the Provincial Sports Confederation.

Please be advised that the above document takes into account the needs and requirements of all parties concerned, and as such I would be pleased if you would kindly circularize same amongst your membership for comment, and let me have your written comments by no later than 21 days after dispatch hereof in order that the *impasse* currently being experienced within your Federation is resolved as quickly as possible. This will allow the Federations recognised by SASCOC to convene a Special General Meeting in order to amend the current Constitution and thereafter to ensure that the elections are called in terms of the Constitution in order to comply with the proposed constitutional amendments.