

**APPENDIX 7** 

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Proposal to the IFF Central Board to change the IFF Statutes § 13.3., in relation to the IFF Licence System 2.0

One of the bigger problems with the present membership fee structure we have, is that a number of IFF members who are not actively taking part in competitions are gathering huge membership debts after they have been IFF members for four years in accordance with the IFF Statutes § 13.3.

13.3 Provisional membership shall only be granted for four years.

After a maximum of four years from becoming a provisional member the Association will, automatically, become an ordinary member, after a decision taken at the IFF General Assembly, if the Association in question is fulfilling the requirements of article 14.

This has led to a situation where the threshold for participation has grown too big. Based on the approach taken in the IFF License System for Participation in Major IFF Events, the CB proposes to the IFF General Assembly to change the § 13.3 in the following way to not have the automation after four years to become ordinary and have to pay the full basic (1500) membership fee. The proposal is as follows:

13.3. Provisional membership shall only initially be granted for a period of four years. After which the membership status of the country in question shall be subject for revision by the IFF CB, based on the activity of the member Association.

If the requirements of article 14 are fulfilled, the provisional member shall after having been a provisional member for the period of four years apply for ordinary membership to the IFF General Assembly.

By doing this we believe we can introduce the countries a new option, where the country shall pay the higher basic fee, after four years, if they compete in any of the Tier level competitions, leaving it for the CB/Administration to consider the lower basic fee (CHF 500) for the inactive, to keep debts low.