

IJMC Constitution

1. Summary

1.1. The IJMC has been formed by Jet Modellers for Jet Modellers. Its purpose is to ensure that the IJMC as an organisation, the IJMC Jet World Masters and the IJMC Jet Formation Masters are recognised internationally. To serve this purpose a member country organises a Jet World Masters competition every two year. Jet Formation Masters are normally organised in the intermediate years.

1.2. The IJMC is composed of representatives from each member country. The representatives elect the IJMC Board members for a term of office of four years. Elections take place during the main meeting held during the Jet World Masters competition.

1.3. In order to guarantee continuity in the administration of the IJMC, the election of the board members will be made in two groups of four, with elections held every two years. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Judges Representative will be one group and will be elected at the Jet World Masters. The Treasurer, Technical Adviser, Public Relation Officer and Liaison Officer will be in the second group and elected at the following Jet World Masters, two year apart.

In the event of a Board member retiring from the board for whatever reason, the remaining board will have the authority to appoint a member to fill the vacant position. This appointment will be valid for the remaining term of office.

1.4. The official domicile of the IJMC is the home town of the current chairman.

1.5. The official language of the IJMC is English.

2. Membership

2.1. Every country can become a member of the IJMC. There is a yearly country membership fee. A country is elected to membership at the IJMC Annual General Meeting. In 1996 it was decided that Scotland and England would be recognised as separate countries, each having its own representatives.

In the event of a dispute, a meeting of IJMC representatives shall make the final decision.

2.2. Each member country is entitled to one vote only at IJMC meetings, irrespective of having more than one representative in attendance.

Failure to pay the membership fee excludes the right to vote at any IJMC meeting. It also excludes the right to compete in the Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters.

The photograph of the representatives of that country will be removed from the homepage but their national flag will remain. To reactivate the membership, fees for two years will be levied.

3. IJMC Country Representatives

3.1. The IJMC country representatives are responsible for disseminating the activities of the IJMC board.

3.2. The representatives will manage the running of IJMC matters in their respective country.

3.3. The representatives are responsible for the organization of the qualifiers in their country for participation in the Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters.

3.4. The representatives or nominee or their elected Team Managers will provide the Jet World Masters Organiser and the Jet Formation Organiser with national team entry details.

3.5. The representatives or their nominee will channel information between their national jet modellers' organization and the IJMC. They will also prepare proposals for the Annual General Meeting.

4. IJMC Associate Members

Individuals who undertake key responsibilities during Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters competitions must be recognised members of the IJMC. They will have no voting rights other than through their country's representatives. They are classed as IJMC Associate Members to distinguish them from the Country Representatives. They will be elected by the IJMC Country Representatives.

5. IJMC Judges

5.1. The IJMC holds a list of recognised judges. Every country has the right to propose judges. To be elected as a judge for the Jet World Masters or the Jet Formation Masters, judges must be suitably qualified and approved at an IJMC Annual General Meeting.

5.2. The five top scoring countries from the previous Jet World Masters competition have the fundamental right to nominate one judge from their own country or from another member country should they have no judge in the IJMC approved judges list. In addition, the organising country also has the right to nominate one judge and one reserve judge. These judges must be listed in time on the IJMC list and be well trained.

5.3. The Scoring Officer, responsible for the evaluation of the competition, is part of the judging Team and can be proposed by the host nation for ratification at the AGM.

5.4. Judges and the Scoring Officers will automatically be given the status of a Country Representative.

6. IJMC Board

6.1. The main task of the IJMC board is to administer the business of IJMC.

6.2. The IJMC board consist of following eight members:

Chairman

The Chairman shall preside over all IJMC meetings.

The Chairman will be the official spokesman for all IJMC interests and will make the final decision where any vote is tied.

Vice Chairman

The Vice Chairman shall deputise for the Chairman in the Chairman's absence or for certain given tasks.

Secretary

The Secretary will take the minutes of all IJMC meetings.

All general communication to the IJMC should be sent to him. It will be the Secretary's responsibility to distribute all communications to the appropriate Board Member.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall administer all financial matters and will keep a record of all transactions. The Treasurer will make Annual Reports on the financial status of the IJMC to the Board Members and representatives at the AGM.

Public Relation Officer

The Public Relations Officer will manage the IJMC Homepage including the social media and shall be the link between the IJMC and the Press. The Public Relations Officer shall gather press information world-wide concerning the IJMC or organisations under IJMC cover and will prepare press releases and arrange press conferences.

Technical Advisor

The Technical Advisor shall be responsible for the correct application of the competition rules. The duties of this office will include, advising judges on the correct interpretation of the rulebook in conjunction with the Judges Representative and the supervision of the scoring at the Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters competition.

Judges Representative

The duties of the office will be the following:

- The responsibility for the initial and recurrent training of IJMC Judges.
- Proposing the nominations of the Judges for Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters to the IJMC Board and to the Membership for ratification.
- The point of contact between the judging panel and the organizers at Jet World Masters or Jet Formation Masters and generally looking after the well being of the judges, checking judges travel arrangements and hotel bookings.
- The nomination of the Chief Judge for the flying and static Judging Panels, attend and advise in the case of any disputes concerning judging issues and conduct competitor briefings as required.
- The authority to appoint experienced judges to senior judge status.
- The responsibility for the nomination of the Scoring Officer for the IJMC competitions.

Liaison Officer

The Liaison Officer shall be the constant link between the IJMC Board and the Organisers of IJMC competitions and events. In this duty, the Liaison Officer is responsible for keeping the IJMC Board updated regarding the organizations' progress and possible issues.

It is the Liaison Officers' responsibility to keep the Organizers Guidelines and the Jet World Masters or Jet Formation Masters host application questionnaire up to date.

The duties of this office will also include the gathering of sponsorship support concerning all IJMC activities wherever possible from the industry and for the procurement of all official IJMC Trophies and Medals.

7. IJMC Meetings

During every Jet World Masters competition, a meeting is convened in addition to the Annual General Meeting held at the beginning of each year, to process the business of the IJMC, to serve the purpose of decision making and the election of Office Bearers.

7.1. Jet World Masters Meeting

This meeting is held during the Jet World Masters competition.

On this occasion, most of the countries representatives are present. This permits a better interchange of ideas, feedback from IJMC member countries and a forum in which to discuss the future of the IJMC. If any matters are voted on, only the countries with representatives present are allowed to vote. No proxy votes will be accepted.

Agenda:

1. Welcome address
2. Approval of the agenda
3. Minutes of last AGM
4. Chairman's report
5. Treasurer's report
6. Elections
 - New IJMC Members
 - IJMC Board Members
7. IJMC Board Members
8. Future Jet World Masters
9. Any other business

7.2. Annual General Meeting

The AGM takes place at the beginning of each year. During this meeting, Jet World Masters organization, the Jet Formation Masters, IJMC policy, and any rule changes are discussed and voted upon. To be able to vote, the member country must have a representative present. The only exception is the voting on rule changes, which can be done by proxy. Proxy votes must be received by the Secretary and be validated before the meeting.

All rule change proposals must be submitted in writing to the Secretary before the 1st November of the year preceding the AGM. The Secretary will assemble the proposals and prepare them for the Board Members meeting. After ratification by the Board the Secretary shall prepare all proposals in such a way as to facilitate voting during the meeting. All proposals will be published on the IJMC Homepage after the Board Members meeting. Voting slips will be sent out four weeks ahead of the AGM and only those slips properly filled in and returned to the Chairman by the morning of the meeting, at the latest, will be considered valid.

Countries can only submit rule change proposals through their respective IJMC representatives.

During the year in which the Jet World Masters or the Jet Formation Masters competitions are organised, no rule changes which would have any influence on the competition are allowed, unless the rule change is for safety reasons.

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 - Annual subscription fee
6. Elections:
 - Discharge of the Board members
 - New IJMC members
 - New Judges
7. Nomination of Judges for next Jet World Masters, Jet Formation Masters
8. Rule changes
9. Future Jet World Masters / Future Jet Formation Masters
10. Any other business

8. Finances

In order to function properly, the IJMC needs adequate financial resources.

8.1. In order for the business of the IJMC to be completed, the Chairman has the authority to release a maximum of 300 Euros, provided that the Chairman has the consent of the Treasurer.

For amounts up to 800 Euros it requires the consent of the majority of Board Members. Larger amounts will require approval by the Members at an AGM.

8.2. The fee for membership of the IJMC is an annual subscription of 70 Euros from each IJMC member country. The fee amount will be agreed at each Annual General Meeting to ensure the viability of the organisation (70 Euros at the time of this iteration).

8.2.1. At the Jet World Masters competition, a proportion of the entry fee of 25 Euros will be levied or the benefit of the IJMC (25 Euros at the time of this iteration).

8.2.2. For the International Jet Formation Masters a fee of 150 Euros for each team will be applied.

It should be noted that the IJMC relies on the support of the member countries and on donations from industry.

9. Rules

The competition rules will remain valid for at two years. The rules to be used for the Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters competitions must be published at the latest by the 31st March of the preceding year.

The IJMC legislates and administers the following:

- IJMC Constitution
- Jet Scale Class Rules and Judges Guidelines
- Jet Formation Rules and Judges Guidelines
- Guidelines for Organisers of Jet World Masters and the Jet Formation Masters

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