

# ELECTION PROCEDURE ATHLETES' REPRESENTATIVES TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

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# **CHAPTER 1 – PREAMBLE**

# **WBSC Europe Statutes**

Article 14
THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

14.2.4 – The respective Athletes" Representatives for Baseball and Softball shall be elected every four (4) by the respective athletes of that discipline and such Baseball and Softball competitions as may be decided by the respective Councils and under the supervision of the WBSC Europe Executive Board.

# **WBSC Europe Election By-Laws**

Article 8
ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE ELECTIONS

- 8.1 The Athlete Representatives shall be elected during an election year by eligible players, which eligibility shall be determined by the Baseball and Softball Commissions respectively pursuant to standards which shall have been established by the Executive Board.
- 8.2 The election process and procedure shall be determined by the Executive Board. The voting for Athlete Representatives is to be conducted by and within each of the Baseball and Softball Commissions.
- 8.3 The term of an Athlete Representative on the Executive Board shall be four (4) years.
- 8.4 Should a vacancy occur in an Athlete Representative position, the Executive Board shall establish a mechanism, if necessary, for the eligible athletes to elect a replacement. The person elected shall serve until the expiration of the term of office for which the person has been elected.



# **CHAPTER 2 – CRITERIA**

# 1. ATHLETES REPRESENTATION ON THE WBSC EUROPE EXECUTIVE BOARD (BASEBALL OR SOFTBALL)

- 1.1 Per Article 8 of the WBSC EUROPE ELECTION By-Laws, the WBSC Europe Executive Board, have determined the election process will provide for four (4) Athletes Representative, One (1) woman shall be an Officer of the WBSC EUROPE EXECUTIVE BOARD (for a 4-year term).
- 1.2 Further, Article 14.2.4 states that the Athletes Representatives shall be elected by the respective athletes of that discipline.
- 1.3 The Executive Board proposes that:
- 1.4 The Female Softball Athlete Representative be elected by the athletes who will participate in the coming 2022 WBSC Europe Women's Softball European Championship to be held in Sant Boi, Spain; and

### 2. CRITERIA FOR ELECTION

- 2.1 It is proposed that the athletes who wish to be nominated for election as the Athlete Representative must fulfill the following criteria:
  - 2.1.1 Must be at least eighteen (18) years of age;
  - 2.1.2 Must have participated in at least one (1) WBSC Europe Championship or Cup in the last six (6) years prior to nomination;
  - 2.1.3 Must have represented the country of her residence in not less than five (5) WBSC Europe Competitions;
  - 2.1.4 Must have the written confirmation of the National Federation of the country she represented in the WBSC World European Championship/Cup that the athlete is in good standing with such National Federation and of good character;
  - 2.1.5 Must not have been found guilty of any breach of any rule, regulations, or other provision of the WBSC Europe or any sports or other organization recognized by the WBSC Europe; and

### 3. PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION

- 3.1 The WBSC Europe Office shall, by May 2, 2022, send out nomination forms to WBSC Europe Member Federations for the following positions:
  - Women's Softball Athletes' Representative to be elected in Sant Boi, Spain
- 3.2 Nomination forms must be complete (together with the necessary National Federation written confirmation of the nominee's good standing and good character) and received by the WBSC Europe Office by June 15, 2022.

# 4. ELECTION PROCEDURE FOR FEMALE ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE

- 4.1 The WBSC Europe Office shall prepare a list of all nominees for the Female Softball Athlete Representative and forward, by 1 July 2022, the list to WBSC Europe Member federations who will participate in the WBSC Europe Women Softball European Championship, Sant Boi, Spain.
- 4.2 Voting for the Female Athlete Representative shall take place in Sant Boi during the Women Softball European Championship. The WBSC Europe Office shall prepare and make available the ballot papers and ballot boxes for this purpose.



- 4.3 Athletes who will participate in the 2022 Women Softball European Championship shall be eligible to cast her vote during the championship.
- 4.4 The Female Softball athlete who receives the most number of votes shall be elected as the Female Athlete Representative on the WBSC Europe Executive Board.
- 4.5 If the Female Softball Athlete elected by the most votes at the WBSC Europe Women Softball European Championship, cannot or does not perform the duties as outlined in Article 15.6 of the WBSC Europe Statutes, the WBSC Europe Executive Board at their discretion may replace the representative with the Athlete with the next most number of votes.

# 5. ELECTION PROCEDURE FOR MALE ATHLETE REPRESENTATIVE (NOTIFICATION WILL FOLLOW AT A LATER DATE)

## 6. GENERAL

6.1 - The WBSC Europe Executive Board shall have the discretion to decide on any matter not provided herein.

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