

## **The Management Rules for National Branches of the NEXT Federation**

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### **Article 1 Definition**

NEXT Federation is a non-profit, independent international organization headquartered in New Zealand.

The Headquarters of NEXT Federation (hereinafter referred to as "NEXT Federation" or "the Headquarters") may establish national or regional branches. Such branches shall operate within the Rules of the NEXT Federation and its Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct.

The term "national branches of NEXT Federation" (hereinafter referred to as "national branches") in this Management Rules refers to the virtual national/regional branches approved by the Council of NEXT Federation and authorized and managed by its headquarters.

### **Article 2 Principles**

The Council of the NEXT Federation welcomes applications to establish a National Branch from any group or persons that share the objectives of the Federation and are willing to promote its activities and objectives in their country or place of business.

The Headquarters reserves the right to set the requirements that must be met by any body or persons wishing to establish a National Branch of the NEXT Federation.

### **Article 3 Operational Provisions**

The Headquarters reserves the right to direct National Branches to conduct their activities in accordance with the Rules, goals and objectives of the Federation.

The Headquarters may determine an annual membership fee that National Branches shall pay to the Headquarters.

National Branches shall

- i. be established on a basis that is consistent with the organizational structure laid down in the Rules of the Federation.
- ii. organize or participate in activities or programs consistent with the purpose, profile and identity of NEXT Federation, that maintain and promote its public image, and that do not conflict with the non-profit nature of the organization.
- iii. organize activities or projects in the name of the national branch of NEXT Federation only after these have been approved by the Council or Board of Directors of the Headquarters.
- iv. meet image identification requirements by using the Federation's unified trademark, brand logo, and other promotional guidelines as determined by the Headquarters.
- v. submit their annual work plan and work summary of the previous year to the Council of NEXT Federation

National Branches shall not organize or participate in activities or projects that are contrary to NEXT Federation's Rules, Code of Ethics and standards of Professional Conduct as decided by the Council of the NEXT Federation

Unless otherwise agreed, National Branches shall bear all costs and expenses incurred in their operation and management, marketing, customer networking and daily services.

#### **Article 4 Termination**

The Council of the NEXT Federation may terminate a National Branch for failure adequately or appropriately to perform its functions and duties; inappropriate financial behaviour; actions that violate the laws, regulations and policies of the host country (including such behaviour by its key personnel); inactivity; or actions contrary to the interests of the NEXT Federation as determined by the Council of the Federation

Any assets or property of a National Branch that is terminated or dissolved by the Council of the NEXT Federation shall become the property of the Headquarters

#### **Article 5 Miscellaneous**

The right to interpret, amend and supervise and the implementation of the Rules lies with the Council of NEXT Federation

The management rules were reviewed and adopted by the meeting of Chairmen of the Council of the NEXT Federation on 10 May, 2022, and came into effect on the date of adoption.