

AFRICAN ASSOCIATION STATE
LOTTERIES (AASL)

STATUTES

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AND

REGULATIONS

SECTION 1 : GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1 : CREATION – DURATION –HEAD OFFICE

An association named “AFFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATES LOTTERIES” (AASL)has been created .

It has a permanent duration . Its head office is that the lottery ensuring the fonction the General Secretary .

ARTICLE 2 : ETHICS

The Association is indepedent of any political party and union or religions groups . Therefore , it refrains from any talk with union , religious or political character and any discrimination based on the sex , race , nationality and the philosophical convictions of its members and its activities .

ARTICLE 3 : PURPOSE

Paragraph 1 : The purpose of the Association is :

-To unite the companies exploiting a concession of African States in the fields of games of chance and forecast and create among them strong links of agreement , solidarity and comprehension.

-To bring in when necessary, a technical assistance to its members in the framework of their professional activities.

-To take part in the african economic integration by the setting up and / or the development of cooperation and partnership links among its members at the level of different states through common accomplishments , mainly in stadies research , creation and lotteries management matter.

-To contribute to the blossoming of african lotteries and the constant improvement of the servicies granted to their customers / clientele ;

-To weawe solidarity and cooperation links with the organizations working towards similar purposes elsewhere in the world of lotteries.

SECTION 2 : COMPOSITION – MEMBERSHIP- CROSSING OUT –RESIGNATION.

ARTICLE 4 :

The Association is composed of regular members , associated members , honorary members who accept to comply with the clauses of these statutes.

- Regular members are recruited among the organisms that manage a state concetion in the domain of games of chance and forecast.

- Associated members are recruited among organisms , suppliers of goods and services to regular members.

- Honorary members are chosen by general meeting on proposal of the executive staf among the personalities who did outstanding goods to the association.

ARTICLE 5 : MEMBERSHIP

The Association is opened to any lottery , games of chance and forecast companies , suppliers working in the field and living in african contries and that agree to comply with the clauses of the statutes.

Any membership request is written to the general secretary and accompanied by the statutes and the last ativities report of the applicant.

On the executive staff favourable notice and after the settlement of the membership fees , the applicant is admitted as a temporary member until the effective admission is decided by the nearest general meeting.

Anyway , the executive staff must submit all the membreship requests to the nearest general meeting.

ARTICLE 6 : CROSSING OUT –RESIGNATION

The quality of member is lost by crossing out or resignation . The resignations from the AASL are written to the General Secretary , six months before the General Meeting .

SECTION 3 : ADMINISTRATION AND WORKING

ARTICLE 7 : THE ORGANS

The organs of the association are :

- The General Meeting
- The Executive staff committee ,

7.1-The General Meeting which is the supreme instance meets once in an ordinary session every two years.

It is composed of the delegats of the regular members of the AASL .

The chairman proposes the appointment of two scrutineers and a meeting secretary to the General Meeting .

The General Meeting confers the programs of activities , and the reports related to the moral and financial situation of the AASL.

It approves the account of the closed exercise , vote the budget of the next exercise and renews the executive staff . Apart from the executive staff, it elects two auditors who should jointly approve the accounts of AASL. The duties of the auditors are defined in the regulation. Every member of the Association is entitled to a vote. Decision are made according to the majority of the members who are present at the General Meeting. Anyway , only the members who are up to date concerning the contribution have the right to vote. In case of equal votes , the one of the chairman is a casting vote. The General Meeting can be called in extraordinary session by the chairman on request of at least 1/3 of the members. The duties and powers of the General Meeting are the following ones :

- a) The choice of the member who must take the chair of the Association and arbitrate the next meeting,
- b) The election of the members of the executive staff and the oditors,
- c) The election of the General Secretary,
- d) Possible creation of technical committees,
- e) Fixing the annual (yearly) contribution,
- f) Admission and crossing out of the members,
- g) Alteration of the statutes.
- h) Inspection of the report of activities.

7 . 2 – The Executive Board is the organe which administers the AASL on delegation of the General Meeting . It is composed of :

- The chairman,
- The General Secretary,
- Eight members.

Its members who are ten of them,are elected by the General Meeting for a period of two years . The ExecutiveBoard / committee at least meets twice a year on the invitation of the chairman .

The power of the executive Board are the following ones :

a)Management of the AASL and carrying out of the tasks which it has been entrusted by the General Meeting.

- b) Fixing the date of the General Meeting and preparing its agenda ,
- c) Preparing the questions of the agenda that shall be submitted to the General Meeting,
- d) Fixing the budjet of the General Secretary's office /Secretariat.
- e) Calling of the meetings of the technical committees.

7.2.1-The chair of the AASL falls to the organizing country of the next Geeral Meeting . Its duration expands from one Meeting to another one.

The duties and powers of the chairman are the following ones :

- a) Representation of the AASL,
- b) Calling the Executive Board /Staff /Committee,
- c) Organising the next General Meeting.

7.2.2-The General Secretary of the AASL is elected for a renewable two years mandate. The duties and tasks of the General Secretary of the AASL are the following ones :

- a) Financial and Administrative management of the AASL.
- b) Carrying out the decisions made by the general meeting and the executive board,
- c) Carrying out the tasks defined by the chairman of the AASL
- d) Broadcasting of the informations and documentation related to the lotteries.
- e) Keeping of the records of the AASL
- f) Issuing the minutes of the meetings of the executive board and of the general meetings of the AASL.

The powers of the general secretary of the AASL are the following ones:

- g) Management of the financial resources of the AASL,
- h) Organisation of the cooperation and assistance within the AASL,
- i) Permanent representation of the AASL within the Executive Board of the WLA.

ARTICLE 8 : THE CONGRESS

On the occasion of every ordinary General Meeting , a congress composed of whatfollows is instituted :

- The General Meeting ,
- Conferences ,
- The exhibition of the goods and services of the lotteries ,
- Any other activities in relation with the lottery industries .

ARTICLE 9 : MEANS OF WORKING

They are made of the resources hereafter :

- Personal estates and buildings necessary for the working of the AASL,
- Membership fees, which amount is fixed by the General Meeting,
- The contributions of the members which amount and periodicity are fixed by the General Meeting,
- Subsidies,
- Grants.

SECTION 6 : ALTERATION OF THE STATUTES – DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION

The statutes can only be altered and the dissolution can only be decided during a General Meeting.

ARTICLE 10 : ALTERATION OF THE STATUTES

The statutes can only be altered on proposal of the Executive Board or of the third (1/3) of the members of the association . The draft of text setting alteration of the statutes must at least be communicated to the members of the AASL three months before the meeting fixed for that . The General Meeting called for that , deliberate only if more than half of the members of the AASL who are up to date concerning the contributions are present . In case this quorum is not effective , a General Meeting is called at least two months in advance .

Whatever the number of the members who are present the General Meeting can deliberate. Anyway , The decisions of alterations are made only when two thirds of the votes of the members are present .

ARTICLE 11 : DISSOLUTION

The General Meeting called to give a decision on the dissolution of the association must comprise three quarters of the members . If this quorum is not reached , another General Meeting is called at ,at least two months of interval . This very time , whatever the number of the members who are present it can validly beliberate . Anyway , the disolution can be decided only when three quaters of the member who are up to date of their contributions are present.

In case of dissolution, the remainder of the asset of the AASL falls to its welfare activities chosen by that meeting.

The minutes of the general meeting scheduled on the articles 10 and 11 setting alteration of the statutes and dissolution are immediately addressed to / sent to the supervising authorities of the different members lotteries of the AASL.

ARTICLE 12 : REGULATION

A regulation adopted by the general meeting fixes the conditions of execution of these statutes. It can be altered in the same manner as the statutes.

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For the General Meeting.*

The Chairman,

The General Secretary

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AFRICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE LOTTERIES
(A.A.S.L.)

REGULATION

SECTION 1 : GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1 : PURPOSE

The purpose of this regulation is to precise some statutory provisions . It fixes the fundamental principles that rule the good working of the African Association of State Lotteries (A.A.S.L).

ARTICLE 2 : COMPOSITION OF THE A.A.S.L .

The A.A.S.L. is composed of :

- a) The regular members ;
- b) The associated members ;
- c) The honorary members ;

Can be a regular member, any lottery or forecast games organism exploiting a concession as stipulated at the article 4 , paragraph of the statutes .

Can be associated members , all the supplying organisms offering some products or services to the member lotteries of the A.A.S.L.

To be member of A.A.S.L ., the applicants must write his membership application accompanied by the statutes and the last report of activities to the General Secretariat . This application will be examined by the General Meeting on proposal of the executive Board.

Can be chosen honorary members, the personalities who fit the conditions as defined at the article 4 paragraph 3 of the statutes.

ARTICLE 3 : FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

3 . 1 – Regular members are subject to the payment :

- Of a membership fee which amount is fixed by the General Meeting and payable once
- Of a yearly contribution which amount is fixed by the General Meeting and payable once before December 31st of every year.
- Of any other contribution decided by the General Meeting or the Executive Board for specific activities or accomplishments.

The financial year of the A.A.S.L . starts at January 1 and ends on December 31 of every year.

3 . 2. The associated members are subject to the same types of contributions following the same conditions and according to the amounts decided by the General Meeting .

3 . 3. The contributions of the honorary members are left to their appreciation .

ARTICLE 4 : RESIGNATION – CROSSING OUT

The quality of member is lost by :

- a) Resignation sent to the General Secretary three (3) months before the General Meeting .

b) Crossing out for heavy fault decided by the General Meeting on proposal of the Executive Board, the member who is concerned is beforehand invited to provide explanations to the Executive Board.

c) Automatic suspension of any member who did not pay his contributions during two successive years and who did not take part in the different meetings in the same period. The suspension can intervene for violation of the clauses of the statutes and the regulation.

SECTION 2 : ATTRIBUTION AND WORKING OF THE ORGANS

ARTICLE 5 : THE GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting is the sovereign organ of the Association . It gathers the regular members every two years It meets every two years in ordinary session on the calling of the Chairman. The date, the venue and the agenda are fixed by the Executive Board.

The associated members can also participate in the general meetings as observers.

For the validity of the deliberations, the presence of the greater member of members who are up to date of their contributions is necessary, that is to say at least two thirds (2/3) of the members. Decisions are made at a simple majority , in case of equal votes, the vote of the Chairman is outstanding . The votes are carried out on a secret ballot.

The right to vote is attributed to the regular members of the A.A.S.L at the rate of one vote per country , if several forecast games and lottery companies are represented, each one has a vote.

Any member who is at a loss for a reply can confer powers of attorney to another member . Anyway , no country can receive more than one power of attorney. The associated members take in the works of the General Meeting but don't the right to vote.

ARTICLE 6 : THE EXECUTIVE BOARDS / COMMITTEE / STAFF

The Executive Board meets at least twice a year on the calling of the Chairman. The date, venue and agenda are fixed by him. It can also meet in an extraordinary session on request of the Chairman or on request of two thirds (2/3) of the members. The works of the Executive Board are controlled by the Chairman. For the validity of the deliberation, the presence of half of the members plus one is necessary . On default of the quorum, a second meeting is called at least in three months time with the same agenda and whatever the member of the members of the Executive Board will validly deliberate. The decision are adopted at the simple majority of the votes , in case of equal vote, the vote of the Chairman is a casting vote. On the appreciation of the Executive Board, votes are either carried out by a secret ballot or a roll call / callower by a show of hands.

A member of the Executive Board who would have been absent for three successive meetings without any valid reason is considered as a resigning member.

The Executive Board , elected by the General Meeting for two (2) years is collectively and jointly liable in front it.

ARTICLE 7 : THE STAFF

The staff is the decision executing organ of the General Meeting and the Executive Board . It sees to the enforcement of the statutes and regulation and take any general order measure .
The staff is composed as followed :

- A Chairman
- A Secretary

7 . 1 The Chairman

The chairman is the moral responsible of the Association. He runs the meetings of the Executive Board and supervises the different activities. He sees to the carrying out of the statutes and the regulation. He prepares and organises the next General Meeting as well as the congress of the Association.

The Chairman controls the works of the General Meeting .
He shows a report to the General Meeting.

7 . 2 The General Secretary

The General Secretary coordinates and administers all the activities of the Association. He keeps the proceeding of the minutes. He is responsible for the records of the Association and the broadcasting of the documents. The General Secretary is in charge of convening the meeting of the Executive Board, on the initiative of the Chairman. He is in charge of the material organisation of all the celebrations of the Association but the General Meeting , the coordination and control of all the technical staffs /committees.

The General Secretary ensures the financial management of the Association and therefore act as treasurer . He shows/ draws up an administrative and financial report of activities.

ARTICLE 8 : THE TECHNICAL STAFFS / COMMITTEES

For the smooth running of the Association , the General Meeting can constitute some technical staffs specialised in various fields of activities called commissions. Under the supervision of the Executive Board, the responsables of the commissions are in charge of the smooth working of them. At the end of their works, the commission submit their reports to the Executive Board before showing to the General Meeting which procures it to the General Meeting which approves the results.

ARTICLE 9 : THE CONGRESS

A congress is organised on the occasion of every ordinary General Meeting in accordance with the article 8 of the statutes.

ARTICLE 10 : RELATION WITH AKIN ASSOCIATION OF LOTTERIES

The A.A.S.L being a community organisation will see to maintaining a good cooperation among all the organisation carrying on similar objectives / goals .

ARTICLE 11 : TREATING CHARGE

On the occasion of the duties (mission) scheduled and commanded / directed by the Executive Board , and entrusted to any member of the Association , the travelling and stay expenses are paid by it , in accordance with the working budget .

ARTICLE 12 : THE AUDITORS

The auditors are two (2) of them . They are elected for 2 years by the General Meeting and are re-eligible . They are in charge of auditing the accounts of the Association and can intervene in an unexpected manner.

They are obliged to show a report about the financial statuts and the management of the Association on the occasion of every Ordinary General Meeting.

SECTION 3 : GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 13 : ALTERATION OF THE REGULATION

This regulation can only be altered by a General Meeting .

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