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## **Article 14      Members' obligations**

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1. Members and their constituent units have the following obligations:
  - (a) To comply fully with the statutes, regulations, directives and decisions of AIFF bodies at any time including the compliances of FIFA & AFC statutes, wherever applicable.
  - (b) To take part in competitions organized by AIFF
  - (c) To pay their membership subscriptions.
  - (d) To ensure that their affiliated units comply with the Statutes, regulations, directives and decisions as well as the Code of Ethics of FIFA, AFC and AIFF bodies.
  - (e) To observe the Laws of the Game of the International Football Association Board (IFAB).
  - (f) To comply fully with all other obligations arising from these Statutes and other regulations.
  - (g) To have District Associations in at least 70% of the Districts in that State. All these Districts shall be affiliated to them. Each of these Districts shall have a minimum of six affiliated Clubs. State Associations in smaller States which have less than 6 Districts shall have at least 24 Clubs affiliated to them.
  - (h) To conduct a League among its clubs at District and State level.
  - (i) Not to disrupt or attempt to disrupt the AIFF calendar of events by scheduling competitions and events clashing with the AIFF events.
  - (j) To release their players as per the stipulations of the AIFF Regulations governing the Status, Registration and Transfer of Players, whenever there are called for National Training camps and competitions for the National teams including the age group teams.
  - (k) To submit to AIFF legal committee or refer to arbitration as per statute, all disputes between members and its constituent units and AIFF without resorting first to litigation in court.
  - (l) To abstain from any action contrary to the interest of AIFF.

- (m) To communicate to AIFF any amendment of the member's statutes and regulations, and a list of its officials or persons who are authorized signatories, with the right to enter into legally binding agreements with third parties.
- (n) To specify in any contract that it concludes with a player or official a clause by which any legal actions requiring arbitration arising out of the said contract or related to it must be subject to the sole authority of an arbitration tribunal, which will settle the legal action.
- (o) An obligation for its General Assembly to elect the members of its executive organ.
- (p) An obligation not to maintain any relations of a sporting nature with non-recognized entities.
- (q) An obligation to observe the principles of loyalty, integrity and good sporting behaviour as an expression of fair play
- (r) All other obligations arising out of these statutes or out of the regulations, directives and decisions of AIFF.

Violation of the above-mentioned obligations by any Member may lead to sanctions provided for in these Statutes.

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## **Article 24 Vote, delegates, observers**

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1. Each Member has one vote in the General Body Meeting and is represented by its delegates. Only the Members present are entitled to vote. Voting by proxy or by letter is not permitted.
2. Delegates must belong to the Member that they represent and be nominated by the appropriate body of that Association. Nominations shall be signed by the President or the Honorary / General Secretary of the Association. In case of conflict the nomination signed by the President shall be treated as valid.

However no one can represent as a delegate who is criminally convicted by the court.

3. A Member of the Executive Committee of the AIFF shall not have voting right during the Annual and Special General Body Meetings the AIFF. He shall not be nominated as the representative of the respective Association during his tenure as member of the Executive Committee of the AIFF.
4. The President shall conduct the Annual General Meeting business in compliance with the Standing Orders of the General Body.