

Item	Text	Reference	Comments
1	General Regulations of the International Marine Aids to Navigation Association		
2	<p>A. FUNCTIONS</p> <p>1. The functions of the Association include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. developing international cooperation by promoting close working relationships and assistance between members; b. collecting and circulating information about the activities of its members as well as encouraging, supporting and communicating recent developments; c. facilitating mutual exchange of information with organisations representing the users of aids to navigation; d. formulating and publishing appropriate Recommendations, Guidelines, Manuals and other appropriate papers; e. encouraging IALA members to take into account the development of multi-purpose systems which may be also be used, for instance, to monitor the marine environment; f. establishing Committees, Working Groups or other such bodies as may be appropriate to study special issues; g. facilitating assistance to services or organisations requesting help within the marine aids to navigation and allied fields, whether technical, organisational or training; h. organising Conferences, Symposiums, Seminars, Workshops and other 	IALA Constitution Art 3 and 4	Gives effect to Agreement Art 1.4 (functions)

	<p>events relevant to its work</p> <p>i. maintaining liaison and cooperate with relevant intergovernmental, international and other organisations, offering specialised advice where appropriate.</p>		
3	<p>B. OPERATIONS</p> <p>2. Membership of the Association</p> <p>2.1 Membership Categories</p> <p>Noting that Contracting Parties to the Agreement are automatically National Members, other parties may be considered for General Membership of the Association as follows:</p> <p>(a) Associate membership may be applied for by any service, organisation or scientific agency that is concerned with aids to navigation or related matters;</p> <p>(b) Industrial membership may be applied for by manufacturers and distributors of marine aids to navigation equipment [for sale], or by organisations providing marine aids to navigation services or technical advice under contract [to whom?];</p> <p>(c) Honorary membership may be conferred for life upon any individual who is considered by the Council to have made an important contribution to the work of the Association;</p> <p>(d) Affiliate membership will be conferred on [agencies of governments] who were National Members of IALA prior to entry into force of the Agreement but whose government is not a National member of the Association</p>	<p>IALA Constitution 5.1</p>	<p>Gives effect to Agreement Art 1.4 (operations)</p> <p>Need to consider what to do if there is more than one current 'national member' for a country (Sweden?) in regard to affiliate membership. Intention was that there would only be one per country ... but perhaps this is not a necessary limitation ... they will not be able to councillors unless already on IALA Council and no other special benefits accrue. Each Affiliate member will be required to make financial contributions.</p>

	(e) Other membership may be conferred at the discretion of Council.		
4	<p>2.2 Application for Membership</p> <p>(a) Application for membership in categories Associate and Industrial must be made in writing to the Secretariat and should be accompanied by such documentation as the Secretariat advises is required from time to time. The Secretariat will assess the application and make a recommendation to Council in regard to the application.</p> <p>(b) All applications for membership in categories other than National or Affiliate, including applications for change in the type of membership, are subject to acceptance by the Council. The Council may require an application for Industrial or Associate membership to be reviewed by the National member or Affiliate member for the locality where the applicant carries out its activities or has its principal place of business.</p>	IALA Constitution 5.2	Any further guidelines for Secretariat or Council in existence?
5	<p>2.3 Member Contributions</p> <p>(a) All members shall pay contributions to the Association on an annual basis in the amount determined by Council on recommendation from the [Secretary General/Financial Advisory Committee].</p> <p>(b) [Others ..]</p>	IALA Constitution 5.2	Any further guidelines in existence?
6	<p>2.4 Suspension and reinstatement of General Membership</p> <p>(a) Council may suspend a general membership:</p> <p>(i) for non-payment of contributions, where those contributions remain outstanding for a period of [x]</p>	IALA Constitution 5.3.1	Note suspension of National Membership is addressed in the Agreement.

	<p>months beyond the date they fell due and advice has been provided to the member by the Secretariat accordingly;</p> <p>(ii) where the interests of the Association are best served by doing so, and that action is justifiable.</p> <p>(b) Council may reinstate a suspended general membership when the member has met the financial or other such requirements as determined by it.</p>		IALA Constitution makes reference to 'membership rights' but these are not articulated anywhere. Should they be? Before this section would seem a suitable place to express them.
7	<p>2.5 Termination of General Membership</p> <p>General membership may be:</p> <p>(a) be terminated by the member by notice in writing to the Secretariat at any time;</p> <p>(b) by Council where a suspended member has not paid contributions within [x] months of suspension for that non-payment;</p> <p>(c) by Council, where the interests of the Association are best served by doing so.</p>	IALA Constitution Art 5.3.2	Note termination of national membership is addresses in the Agreement
8	<p>3. The General Assembly</p> <p>3.1 Convening and attendance</p> <p>(a) The General Assembly shall be convened by order of the Council in accordance with the Council's Rules of Procedure;</p> <p>(b) all members of the Association [other than those subject to suspension] shall be entitled to attend the General Assembly;</p>	IALA Constitution Art 7	

	(c) The General Assembly will be, where possible convened on the same date and at the same location as an Association Conference.		
9	3.2 Rules of Procedure The following Rules of Procedure shall apply to the convening of, and conduct of business of, the General Assembly: (x) the election of Councillors shall be conducted as follows:		Gives effect to Agreement Art 5
10	4. The Council 4.1 Convening the Council The Council may be convened by notice in writing by: (a) the President or Vice President; (b) the Secretary General; (c) two Councillors.	IALA Constitution Art 8.2	
11	4.2 Election of the President and Vice President The Council shall, upon election or as necessary, from among its members elect a President and a Vice President on a personal basis. The President and the Vice President shall hold office for the term between General Assemblies unless replaced earlier.	IALA Constitution Art 8.2.1	Gives effect to Agreement Art 4.2
12	4.3 Functions of the Council The Council will, as part of its operation: (a) decide membership matters; (b) determine the terms of reference, rules of procedure and appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of each Committee or other such bodies as may be appropriate; (c) approve Recommendations, Guidelines, Manuals and other	IALA Constitution 8.2.3	Gives effect to Agreement Art 6.6 and Art 9.1(a)

	<p>appropriate papers;</p> <p>(d) approve submissions to other organisations;</p> <p>(e) decide the venue and the year of the next Association Conference and Symposium;</p> <p>(f) establish rules for participation in Association Conferences and Symposia;</p> <p>(g) convene General Assemblies;</p> <p>(h) approve the annual budget and accounts;</p> <p>(i) determine the rate of member contribution;</p> <p>(j) decide upon the location of the Association [seat], headquarters and registered office;</p> <p>(k) authorise the purchase, sale, renting or letting of property and the granting and obtaining of loans whether or not secured by mortgage, required for the running of the Association;</p> <p>(l) grant any power of attorney as required.</p>		
13	<p>4.4 Rules of Procedure</p> <p>The following Rules of Procedure shall apply to the convening of, and conduct of business of, the Council:</p> <p>[x] A Council meeting can only be held when at least the President or the Vice President and one member of the Financial Advisory Committee are present;</p> <p>[y] A Council decision will be made by a simple majority of those present at the meeting, subject to a minimum of seven votes being recorded in its favour. No Councillor may have more than one vote. In case of a tie vote, the President [or in the absence of the President, the Vice President] will have a second, and deciding, vote;</p>	<p>IALA Constitution 8.3 and 8.4</p>	<p>Any further guidelines in existence?</p> <p>Note reference to Financial Advisory Committee – does this need to be particularised in 5 below?? (And/or in Agreement?)</p>

	[z] The President or the Vice President may decide to carry out a postal [or electronic] vote among the Councillors.		
14	<p>5. Committees and other bodies</p> <p>5.1 Functions of Committees and other bodies</p> <p>Committees and other bodies may be established by the Council to study [and advance] matters relevant to the aims of the association, with the objective of preparing Recommendations, Guidelines and Manuals for Association members, and submissions to other organisations. Recommendations, Guidelines, Manuals and submissions require the approval of the Council [before distribution].</p> <p>5.2 Rules of Procedure</p> <p>The following Rules of Procedure shall apply to the convening of, and conduct of business of, Committees and other bodies established by the Council:</p> <p>[x] [draw from Rules of Procedures for IALA Committees]</p>	IALA Constitution Art 9	<p>Gives effect to Agreement Art 7.1</p> <p>Will this be flexible enough to deal with WWA? Or should that be addressed as a separate article?</p>
15	<p>6. Conferences and Symposia</p> <p>6.1 Attendance</p> <p>Attendance at Conferences and symposia shall be available as follows:</p> <p>(a) All members of the Association may attend or be represented at Association Conferences</p> <p>(b) Council may approve the attendance of non-members [upon application].</p>		

16	6.2 Exhibitions An exhibition of aids to navigation equipment will be organised during each Conference period. Only those Industrial members who have paid membership contributions for the two years immediately prior to the year of the Conference, plus the year of the Conference, will have the right to exhibit.	IALA Constitution Art 10	
17	7 The Secretariat 7.1 Rules of Procedure [The following Rules of Procedure shall apply to the conduct of business of the Secretariat:]		Gives effect to Article 8 (and could go before 6. Above). Any guidelines in existence?