

**USSF BYLAW AMENDMENTS PASSED AT**  
**MARCH 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

(Unless otherwise noted, pursuant to Bylaw 804, these amendments go into effect on September 1, 2014)

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Bylaw 231. LIFE MEMBERS

Section 1. ~~A member eligible~~ The Board of Directors of the Federation, subject to vote at approval of the National Council ~~may~~, shall be authorized to nominate any person who has made a significant and lifetime contribution towards the advancement and promotion of the sport of soccer to be a Life Member. Life Member shall be considered the highest recognition bestowed by the Federation in recognition of lifetime activities promoting the sport of soccer within the membership of the Federation.

Section ~~2.~~ A Member Organization may recommend to the Board of Directors that an individual be nominated to be a Life Member of the Federation. The ~~nomination~~ recommendation must be submitted in writing to the Secretary General at least ~~120~~ 180 days before the National Council meeting at which the nomination ~~is to~~ may be considered. The Board of Directors may nominate up to two Life Member candidates each year and is not obligated to make any nomination ~~shall be included in the meeting notice sent out by the Secretary General about the meeting~~ any year.

~~Section 2.~~ Section 3. A majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be required to nominate a Life Member under Section 1 and 2 of this Bylaw 231. A majority vote of the National Council shall be required to ~~grant Life membership to an individual nominated under section 1 of this bylaw~~ approve the Life Membership nomination. A Life Member only has voting rights as provided at National Council meetings and has no other voting or representational rights related to the activities and programs of the Federation.

Section ~~3.~~ 4. An individual shall be eligible for nomination as a Life Member ~~if and only if they meet~~ by satisfying at least one of the following criteria:

- (a) The individual was an officer of the Federation, and was elected to such office by a majority vote of the National Council; or
- (b) The individual served on the U.S. Soccer Federation Board of Directors for at least 7 years; or
- (c) The individual was an officer, or provided substantial service in a significant role other than an officer, for at least 15 years of an Organization Member that organizes or runs soccer programs or competitions of the Federation and in that role has provided extraordinary services to the Federation; or
- ~~(d)~~ The individual was a staff member of the Federation, or served on a Federation committee, for at least 8 years.

Section 5. Immediately after the award of Life Membership by the Board of Directors, the newly elected Life Member(s) will be notified of the award in writing by the Secretary General and invited to the next National Council meeting held pursuant to Bylaw 303, Section 1, to be granted the award of Life Member.

**Bylaw 303. MEETINGS AND MAIL VOTE**

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Section 3. Any business item (other than approval of Life Member nominations ~~for Life Members~~ and proposed amendments to these bylaws) to be presented to the National Council at an annual general meeting shall be submitted to the Secretary General at least 60 days before the meeting. In urgent cases, upon two-thirds vote, the National Council may consider an item not so submitted.

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