Proposed Constitution of

SRI LANKA AQUATIC SPORTS UNION

C1 NAME

The SRI LANKA AQUATIC SPORTS UNION, hereinafter referred to as SLASU, is the governing body for the sport of Aquatics in Sri Lanka (The "Sri Lanka Aquatic Sports Union" being the new name adopted as of 4th June 2004 to the "National Amateur Aquatic Sports Union" formed/registered in March 1975 and approved by the Ministry of Sports on 30th March 1977).

C 2 LEGAL & CONSTITUTIONAL STATUS

- **C 2.1** This constitution will be effective as of 01st of January 2015. The Constitution of 01st April 1988 as amended on 4th June 2004 and any related regulations adopted are hereby repealed.
- **C 2.2** SLASU shall be the only National Federation (NF) from Sri Lanka affiliated to the Federation Internationale de Natation [hereinafter referred to as FINA], the only recognized body in the world which governs Aquatics internationally.
- **C 2.3** SLASU shall be affiliated to the Asian Amateur Swimming Federation [hereinafter referred to as AASF], recognized by FINA as the continental body that governs Aquatics in Asia.
- **C 2.4** SLASU shall be the sole National governing authority in Sri Lanka for the sport of Aquatics in Sri Lanka and shall be registered with the Ministry of Sports.
- **C 2.5** SLASU shall be affiliated to the National Olympic Committee of Sri Lanka [hereinafter referred to as the NOC].

C 3 DEFINITIONS

- **C 3.1** Aquatics means swimming, open water swimming, diving, high diving, water polo, synchronized swimming and Masters programme/activity.
- **C 3.2 SLASU Executive Committee** means all officers elected at the Annual General Meeting by the SLASU Ordinary Members.
- **C 3.3 SLASU Committees** means the SLASU Technical Committees and Specialized Committees including all members therein appointed by the SLASU Executive Committee in accordance with SLASU Rules C 19.
- **C 3.4 Competitions** shall include all Championships, events and tournaments.
- **C 3.5 Management Committee** means the committee responsible for the entire management of a Competition.
- **C 3.6** Athlete/Swimmer/Competitor means a person who is taking part in a competition.
- **C 3.7 Technical Officials** Any person recognized by SLASU as technically proficient enough to administrate/officiate at SLASU competitions.
- **C 3.8 Coaching Officials** Any person recognized by SLASU as technically proficient enough to train competitors for competitions.
- **C 3.9 Participate/participation** Denotes the act of a competitor/team having registered and physically completed the respective event.
- **C 3.10 Unattached** means the participation of a competitor/team as an individual/entity not representing a member of SLASU.

- **C 3.11 CAS** means the Court of Arbitration for Sport, based in Lausanne, Switzerland.
- **C 3.12** Whenever the fact or context so requires in order to give effect to the SLASU Constitution and Rules, words in the singular shall include the plural, words in the plural shall include the singular, words of the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include any gender, except in the specification of a Competition being for male or female competitors; and correction of any manifestly evident clerical errors shall be made.

C 4 RIGHTS & DUTIES AS THE NATIONAL FEDERATION

- **C 4.1** The constitution and rules of SLASU shall not be in conflict with those of FINA. Where there is a conflict, FINA Rules shall prevail.
- **C 4.2** SLASU shall seek approval of the FINA Bureau for any change of name and/or constitution before such changes are proposed and adopted by the General Congress of SLASU.
- **C 4.3** SLASU shall support FINA in its efforts to achieve its objectives.
- **C 4.4** SLASU shall at all times act in accordance with the decisions of the FINA Congress, the FINA Bureau as well as the FINA Rules.
- **C 4.5** SLASU Executive Committee shall adopt and include in its constitution, rules and regulations such provisions as may be required by the FINA Rules and determined from time to time.
- **C 4.6** SLASU shall at all times manage its affairs independently and not be influenced by third parties.
- **C 4.7** SLASU shall endeavor to participate in international Aquatics' Competitions especially in the FINA World Championships and other FINA competitions.

C 5 SITE

The Headquarters of the SLASU shall be located in the City of Colombo, and at the discretion of the Executive Committee, branch offices may be established in other parts of Sri Lanka.

C 6 SLASU IDENTITY

- **C 6.1** An overall logo and flag shall identify SLASU.
- **C 6.2** The SLASU Logo shall be as at Schedule 1 of Annex A.
- **C 6.3** The SLASU Flag shall be as at Schedule 2 of Annex A.
- **C 6.4** SLASU may also adopt branding to signify the individual aquatic disciplines as and when appropriate with approval of the General Congress. Such branding shall be included in the annex by resolution upon the approval of the General Congress and shall be considered part and parcel of the constitution.

C 7 DISCRIMINATION

SLASU shall not allow any discrimination against member entities or individuals (competitors, technical officials, coaching officials etc.) based on the grounds of race, caste, gender, religion or political affiliations.

C 8 OBJECTIVES

The Objectives of the SLASU are:

- **C 8.1** To promote, encourage and regulate the development of Aquatic Sports throughout Sri Lanka.
- **C 8.2** To support and promote drug free sport.
- **C 8.3** To formulate, publish and enforce necessary uniform rules for the control and regulation of

Aquatic Sports in Sri Lanka. provided that such rules shall not contravene any rules of FINA. However, domestic rules shall be established whenever such domestic conditions require separate rules. These Rules shall be referred to as "Aquatic Sports Rules of the Union."

- **C 8.4** To select individuals or teams, promulgate guidelines, sponsor and / or promote individuals or teams to represent Sri Lanka, participate at meetings and seminars and officiate in any of the Aquatic Sports at national or international level.
- **C 8.5** To increase opportunities for Sri Lankan Citizens to learn Aquatic Sports, Water Safety and Survival Techniques.
- **C 8.6** To carry out such activities as may be desirable to promote Aquatic Sports.

C 9 LANGUAGE

The working languages of SLASU shall be English.

C 10 MEMBERSHIP

SLASU Membership shall be through the procedure of seeking affiliation and the following Categories shall be eligible for affiliation provided they satisfy the requirements set forth in this Constitution unto each category.

- **C 10.1 Novice Member** Clubs/Associations that has been constituted at least in part for the purpose of participation and promotion of Aquatic Sports and in due course intend to seek voting rights in the administrative affairs of SLASU through the General Congress. A Novice Member shall not have a right of attendance at the General Congress.
- **C 10.2 Ordinary Member** Clubs/Associations that participate at aquatic events and possess voting rights at the General Congress. An Ordinary Member shall,
 - C 10.2.1 continue to demonstrate interest and commitment to promote Aquatic Sports;
 - **C 10.2.2** shall have been a Novice Member for not less than (3) years prior to the date of its application to become an Ordinary Member;
 - **C 10.2.3** in the case of a club, have had at least ten (10) individual competitors or one Water Polo team participating in a single competition organized by SLASU every year for a period of three (3) consecutive years immediately preceding application for ordinary membership (for the purpose of this rule a "club" will be defined as any organization of people who meet for mutual social purpose, including competing in Aquatic Sports);
 - **C 10.2.4** in the case of an Institution, Association or Body have had at least twenty (20) individual competitors or one Water Polo team participating in a single competition organized by SLASU every year for a period of three (3) consecutive years immediately preceding application for ordinary membership (for the purpose of this rule an "Association" by definition would be an organization set up for the sole purpose of allowing its members opportunity to compete in Aquatic Sports);
 - **C 10.2.5** continue to maintain the respective minimum participation prescribed above annually throughout the period of its membership.
 - **C 10.2.6** The Sri Lanka Schools Association being an independent organization (established and registered under the Ministry of Education), comprising its own membership of schools and colleges in Sri Lanka, shall be affiliated to the SLASU as a mandatory Ordinary Member with voting rights at the General Congress, to represent the interests of school children at the SLASU Executive Committee. The Sri Lanka Schools Association shall not be subjected to the minimum participation criteria prescribed above and shall not participate at competitions as an entity.

- **C 10.3 Zonal Associations** An association of clubs and/or schools all of which are situated within a defined geographical area, and the headquarters of which is situated within that geographical area, and is committed to developing aquatic sports within its geographical area. Such Zonal Associations and their desired geographical area shall require the approval of the General Congress and shall be conferred voting rights at the General Congress as that of an Ordinary Member. A Zonal Association shall,
 - **C 10.3.1** consist of a minimum of three clubs, institutions or associations within its membership;
 - **C 10.3.2** conduct one Novice aquatic competition and one Age-Group aquatic competition with at least three clubs in participation annually throughout its period of membership.
- **C 10.4 Participant Member** Any institution that wishes only to participate at aquatic events conducted by SLASU observing all its rules. Participant Members shall not be eligible for voting rights. A Participant Member shall not have a right of attendance at the General Congress.
- **C 10.5 Creation of New Categories of Membership** The SLASU Executive Committee shall have the right and power from time to time to propose new categories of membership with such rights (other than voting rights), privileges and obligations as are determined applicable. Even if the effect of creating a new category is to alter rights, privileges or obligations of an existing category of Members no new category of membership may be granted voting rights. The new category of membership shall be proposed by the SLASU Executive Committee at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting and voted by the General Congress.

C 11 RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

C 11.1 All members are entitled:

- C 11.1.1 to use the services of SLASU, and
- **C 11.1.2** to take part in SLASU competitions in their respective capacities when they are eligible, and
- C 11.1.3 to represent athletes in administrative matters.
- **C 11.2** All members are obliged:
 - C 11.2.1 to support SLASU in its efforts to achieve its objectives,
 - C 11.2.2 to act in accordance with the FINA Rules,
 - **C 11.2.3** to act in accordance with the decisions of the SLASU Executive Committee and SLASU Rules,
 - C 11.2.4 to pay the annual membership fee and all other financial obligations to SLASU,
 - C 11.2.5 Novice Members, Ordinary Members and Zonal Associations are also obliged:
 - **C 11.2.5.1** to ensure that its rules acknowledge and recognize SLASU as the sole body in Sri Lanka which governs Aquatic Sports.
 - **C 11.2.5.2** to include within its constitution a provision, which allows out-of-competition doping control by SLASU;
 - **C 11.2.5.3** to insert in its constitution, rules and regulations such provisions as may be required by SLASU Rules,

- **C 11.2.5.4** to abide by the SLASU Rules where there is a conflict,
- **C 11.2.5.5** to hold elections at least every four years, to notify SLASU of the dates and the location of the elections, and to provide the minutes of its meeting to SLASU no later than 30 days after conclusion of the meeting,
- **C 11.2.5.6** to ensure that their own athletes comply with the SLASU Rules, FINA Rules, regulations, directives and decisions of the SLASU and FINA bodies.
- **C 11.3** No member shall force unto its membership the participation of any competitor at competitions against their wishes, and SLASU shall take suitable action against such members.
- **C 11.4** No Club, Institution, Association, Body or School/College shall not be allowed to participate in any meet organized by SLASU unless such entity is a member of the Union.

C 12 APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

- **C 12.1** Application for membership shall be on the prescribed SLASU application form, and shall be signed by the president of the club/union or association or such person in authority of an organization seeking membership. [Sample form is at Appendix 1 to Annex B].
- **C 12.2** Such application shall include:
 - C 12.2.1 a statement of the name of entity;
 - C 12.2.2 the category of membership applied for;
 - C 12.2.3 its official address and contact details;
 - **C 12.2.4** a copy of its current constitution and rules and regulations (except for Participant Member);
 - C 12.2.5 a list of its main officers/governing committee;
 - **C 12.2.6** a certified statement of its accounts duly approved by the membership for the preceding year of operation;
 - C 12.2.7 a detail of its activity and locations;
 - **C 12.2.8** a formal undertaking to observe and abide by the rules and decisions of SLASU, FINA, and the World Anti-Doping Code as well as the jurisdiction and decisions of CAS;
 - C 12.2.9 the appropriate membership fee.
- **C 12.3** The Executive Committee shall satisfy itself that the respective applicant has complied with the requirements in SLASU Rule C 10 and its sub-sections and may accept and/or reject any application for membership and/or call for further information from the applicant prior to such determination.
- **C 12.4** The Executive Committee shall have the discretionary power of admitting and/or rejecting an applicant for membership. The Executive Committee shall be required to give in writing the reason(s) for rejecting any application for membership within 30 days of such an application being rejected. If such membership is not accepted, the applicant is allowed to appeal this decision to the next General Congress. The decision of the General Congress shall be final.
- **C 12.5** On accepting an application for membership, the applicant shall be called on to pay the membership subscription for that year, and upon its payment, the applicant shall be admitted as member of SLASU in the respective category.

C 12.6 Failure to pay the subscription within 30 days of being called on to do so, shall render the application null and void. Thereafter, if the applicant is still desirous of being a member, such applicant shall require re-application with fresh application fees.

C 13 CESSATION, SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- **C 13.1** Any member shall cease to be a member if the entity no longer exists or withdraws its membership by written notice.
- **C 13.2** Any member shall cease to be a member if it becomes a member of any other organization not recognized and approved by SLASU purporting to control Aquatic Sports in Sri Lanka.
- **C 13.3** Any member who fails to pay its subscription on or before the 31st (thirty-first) day of January of each year, shall be suspended and shall not be entitled to any of the rights and privileges of a member until such time the subscription is paid along with a penalty fee as prescribed in the schedule on or before the 31st (thirty-first) day of March of that year. The suspension shall be communicated to the member in writing.
- **C 13.4** If a member has failed to pay its subscription by the first day April of a year for which such subscription is due, such member shall cease to be a member without further notice. In the event of ceasing to be a member and being desirous of reinstatement shall be considered as a fresh applicant.
- **C 13.5** The SLASU Executive Committee shall have the power to suspend a member for a period not exceeding three (3) months, and/or refer to the next General Congress to expel a member, if a member is found to be conducting itself in a manner prejudicial to the interest of the SLASU and/or in violation of the rules of FINA or SLASU.
 - **C 13.5.1** Upon such suspension order being made the member shall be notified and given the opportunity of showing cause and defending itself against the charge in writing. Notice calling for a member to show cause shall be sent by Registered mail to the Secretary, or such person in authority, of the member, containing a summary of the relevant facts and state the final date for reply.
 - **C 13.5.2** Upon the receipt of a reply showing cause, the suspension order shall be reviewed at the next immediate SLASU Executive Committee meeting. If the suspension order is upheld and has been referred to the General Congress to expel the member, the SLASU Executive Committee shall have the right to extend the suspension order till the next General Congress. Such decision shall be informed in the same manner the initial suspension order was communicated.
 - **C 13.5.3** During the three-month period or the extended period of suspension, the member shall not be eligible for voting rights or representation at the General Congress. However, the competitors of the member may participate at aquatic competitions as 'unattached'.
- **C 13.6** The Executive Committee shall have the power to suspend an Ordinary Member's or Zonal Association's voting rights at the General Congress if it has failed to fulfill the membership requirements defined in SLASU Rule C 10 and its sub-sections during the preceding calendar year.
 - **C 13.6.1** The General Secretary shall inform of the suspension of the voting rights at the General Congress to the member, in writing, and table the list of members failing to fulfill such requirements at the first SLASU Executive Committee meeting of the following year.
 - **C 13.6.2** In the event a member is suspended for diminished competitor strength, the member may attend all General Congress meetings without voting rights and its

competitors may participate at all meets organized by SLASU.

C 13.6.3 The member upon fulfilling the membership requirements at any time during the year shall write to SLASU requesting to restore its voting rights. The General Secretary shall verify the records and being satisfied confirm, in writing to the member of the restoration of its voting rights and inform the SLASU Executive Committee meeting.

C 14 REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP

- **C 14.1** A member whose membership has ceased, or has been terminated, shall be eligible to reapply for membership upon the elimination of the cause for such cessation or termination.
- **C 14.2** No member whose membership has ceased or been terminated shall be readmitted except by way of such reapplication, which shall be treated in terms of SLASU Rules C 12.
- **C 14.3** Reinstatement of a member suspended for conducting itself in a manner prejudicial to the interest of the SLASU and/or in violation of the rules of FINA shall;
 - **C 14.3.1** be informed in writing upon a review of its response showing cause by the SLASU Executive Committee and finding it to have acted in a satisfactory manner and determining to lift the suspension and restore its rights,
 - **C 14.3.2** be informed in writing upon the determination of the General Congress to lift the suspension and restore its rights.

C 15 SANCTIONS

- **C 15.1** Any member or individual member of a member may be sanctioned:
 - C 15.1.1 if duties and financial obligations to SLASU are not fulfilled, or
 - C 15.1.2 in case of violations of the Constitution, Rules and/or decisions of the SLASU Executive Committee/General Congress, or
 - **C 15.1.3** for bringing the sport into disrepute.
- **C 15.2** Sanctions are:
 - C 15.2.1 Warning
 - C 15.2.2 Fine
 - C 15.2.3 Suspension
 - C 15.2.4 Expulsion
- **C 15.3** All sanctions shall be imposed by the SLASU Executive Committee based on the finding of the SLASU Executive Committee or an entity duly authorized by the SLASU Executive Committee or the Chief Referee of a competition conducted by SLASU.
- **C 15.4** Any sanction imposed on a Competitor or Member by SLASU, shall be recognized and enforced/followed by all Members.
- **C 15.5** In cases as a consequence of doping, sanctions shall be imposed by the National Anti Doping body, SLASU Executive Committee and/or imposed by FINA.
- **C 15.6** Before any member or individual is sanctioned, unless prescribed in this Constitution or in the cases in consequence of doping or in cases of disciplinary nature; the individual or representative of the Member must be given the right to appear before the Executive Committee either in person or in writing. The General Secretary of the SLASU shall inform

the respective Member or individual about this right, in writing, in sufficient time to allow the member or individual to exercise this right.

C 15.7 Sanctions shall be in force immediately upon the decision being made unless prescribed in this Constitution or the deciding body rules otherwise.

C 15.8 Appeals

- **C 15.8.1** A member or individual member of a member sanctioned by the Executive Committee may submit an appeal to the Executive Committee.
- **C 15.8.2** An appeal shall be submitted by the appealing party in writing to the SLASU Office within seven (07) days from the date of receipt of the decision unless the SLASU Executive Committee has proposed an alternate date.
- **C 15.8.3** An appeal against a decision made by the Anti-Doping Panel should be made directly to that entity through the SLASU Executive Committee.

C 16 THE ORGANIZATION OF SLASU

- C 16.1 The following entities are established to govern and administer SLASU;
 - C 16.1.1 The General Congress
 - C 16.1.2 The Executive Committee
 - C 16.1.3 The Technical Committees
 - C 16.1.4 The Specialized Committees

C 17 THE GENERAL CONGRESS

- **C 17.1** The General Congress is the highest authority of SLASU and shall have the power to decide upon any matters arising in SLASU. Any decision by the SLASU Executive Committee or any other related entity convened by Constitution or the SLASU Executive Committee may be overruled by the General Congress.
- **C 17.2** The General Congress of FINA shall consist of:
 - **C 17.2.1** two (2) duly appointed delegates of each Ordinary Member and Zonal Association fulfilling SLASU Rule C 20 and its sub-sections excluding SLASU Rule C 20.4. Each delegate shall have one vote, provided, however, where a Member is represented by only one delegate, such delegate shall be entitled to two votes. Notice of the appointment of delegates, certified by the Member they represent, must be lodged with the SLASU General Secretary at least seven (07) days prior to the commencement of the General Congress,
 - C 17.2.2 all members of the SLASU Executive Committee without vote.
- **C 17.3** A member may appoint delegates in accordance with SLASU Rule C 17.2.1 to participate and vote in a meeting of the General Congress provided that:
 - C 17.3.1 it has paid all membership fees due to SLASU;
 - **C 17.3.2** it has fulfilled its respective membership requirements defined in SLASU Rule C 10 and its sub-sections during the preceding calendar year.
 - C 17.3.3 it is not suspended.
- **C 17.4** Members shall only be represented by the duly nominated delegates. Delegates shall be affiliated to the Member which they represent. A delegate may represent only one Member.
- **C 17.5** The President of SLASU, or in his absence the General Secretary, shall preside at all General

Congress meetings.

- **C 17.6** The quorum for any meeting of the General Congress shall be more than one-third (1/3) of the voting members as determined by SLASU Rule C 17.3 and its sub-sections and have confirmed attendance by way of nomination of its delegates before the stipulated deadline. If a quorum is not present at the stipulated time of commencement, a delay of half an hour shall be incurred. At this time the quorum shall be deemed to be more than a quarter (1/4) of the voting members as determined by SLASU Rule C 17.3 and its sub-sections and have confirmed attendance by way of nomination of its delegates before the stipulated deadline. If this quorum cannot be assembled the General Secretary shall notify FINA for a direction and the existing SLASU Executive Committee shall continue to be in office until a direction by FINA is given.
- **C 17.7** Voting at any meeting of the General Congress shall be by open vote.
- **C 17.8 Annual General Meeting of the General Congress –** An Annual General Meeting of the General Congress shall be convened on or before the 31st day of March of each year.
 - **C 17.8.1** The General Secretary shall give a minimum of thirty (30) days notice of the Annual General Meeting to the members of the General Congress with an invitation to nominate two (2) delegates to attend the meeting, the agenda, copies of the Annual Report and audited accounts, along with any resolutions or proposals, to reach the General Secretary no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date notified.
 - **C 17.8.2** In the case of an election, notice will be accompanied by an invitation to submit nominations on attached form at Annex D to reach the General Secretary no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date notified. Such nominations will be verified and notified to members no less than seven (7) days prior to the date notified.
 - **C 17.8.3** At each Annual General Meeting the following items shall be included on the agenda:
 - C 17.8.3.1 declaration of a quorum,
 - C 17.8.3.2 confirmation of minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (copy included),
 - **C 17.8.3.3** report of the SLASU Executive Committee on its activities since the previous Annual General Meeting,
 - **C 17.8.3.4** financial report of the of the duly audited accounts for the preceding fiscal year,
 - C 17.8.3.5 adoption or rejection of any resolutions,
 - C 17.8.3.6 proposals for changes and amendments of the SLASU Constitution,
 - **C 17.8.3.7** releasing the previous SLASU Executive Committee from all responsibility and liability,
 - C 17.8.3.8 approve/reject nominations falling under the category of SLASU Rule C 20.4
 - C 17.8.3.9 election of the Executive Committee (in the case of an election year),
 - **C 17.8.3.10** other business for which notice has been given.
- **C 17.9** A special or extraordinary meeting of the General Congress shall be convened by a decision of the SLASU Executive Committee or upon receipt of a written request of one third of the Members. The SLASU General Secretary shall give fourteen (14) days notice of such a

meeting with an invitation to nominate two (2) delegates to attend the meeting, and shall state the reason for the meeting, date, location and agenda for the meeting. No subject shall be discussed at the special meeting other than the matters stated in the requisition. Should there be no quorum present, the motion shall be deemed to have been lost and shall not be raised again until the next ordinary meeting of the General Congress.

- **C 17.10** Motions, applications, appeals and proposals for alteration of or addition to SLASU Constitution and its rules shall be considered only if submitted by an Ordinary member or by the SALSU Executive Committee. All such motions, application and proposals to be considered should reach the Secretary no later than fourteen (14) days before the date the Annual General Meeting is to be convened in order to be included in the agenda.
- **C 17.11** Any alterations or additions to the Constitution shall not become effective earlier than one (1) month after the decision has been made except in the case of specific considerations with regard to the conduct of a meet which would require a minimum latent period of three (3) months to lapse prior to activation, unless otherwise decided by the General Congress in either instance.

C 18 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- C 18.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of;
 - C 18.1.1 The President
 - C 18.1.2 Five Vice Presidents
 - C 18.1.3 The General Secretary
 - C 18.1.4 The Treasurer
 - C 18.1.5 The Assistant Secretary
 - C 18.1.6 The Assistant Treasurer
 - **C 18.1.7** Eight Committee Members from all Ordinary Members except the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Sports Association
 - C 18.1.8 One Committee Member from the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Sports Association
 - **C 18.1.9** Any member of a committee provided in the constitutions of the NOC, AASF or FINA shall be an ex-officio member of the SLASU Executive Committee with a voting right until the expiry of their respective term of office. If such a member is also an office bearer in any of the other positions such person shall hold a single voting right.
- **C 18.2** The SLASU Executive Committee shall be elected or confirmed by the voting members of the General Congress from amongst their membership at an Annual General Meeting for a term of two years.
- **C 18.3** Executive Committee members need to have fulfilled the requirements laid down as per SLASU Rule C 20 and its sub-sections on Qualification to hold office except for the Treasurer who preferably shall possess a background in accounting.
- **C 18.4** Nominations to the posts of office bearers of SLASU Executive Committee shall be proposed by the President or Secretary or such person in authority of an Ordinary Member or Zonal Association, and seconded by the President or Secretary or such person in authority of another Ordinary Member or Zonal Association. Such nominations shall be made on sample form as at Annex C and made to reach the SLASU administrative office no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the General Congress at which elections are to be held.

- **C 18.5** Members of the SLASU Executive Committee are not personally liable for the debts and obligations of the SLASU. SLASU shall indemnify the Officers of the Executive Committee against all damages and costs (including legal costs) for which any such Officer may be or become liable to any third party in consequence of any act or omission, except willful misconduct, performed or made whilst acting on behalf of and with the authority, express or implied of SLASU.
- **C 18.6** The Executive Committee shall meet once every calendar month. The President or in his absence the General Secretary of the SLASU shall preside at the Executive Committee meetings.
- **C 18.7** The Quorum shall be more than half of the SLASU Executive Committee members who are present in Sri Lanka.
- **C 18.8** Each member of the SLASU Executive Committee shall be entitled to one vote at the SLASU Executive Committee meeting. The President shall have a casting vote, in addition to his own vote.
- **C 18.9** Excuses from attending a SLASU Executive Committee meeting shall be by email, fax or post to reach the General Secretary two-hours prior to the scheduled commencement of the meeting unless such member is away on official duty representing SLASU.
- **C 18.10** The first meeting of the Executive Committee shall be held within fourteen (14) days following the Annual General Meeting of the General Congress. This meeting shall mark the transition of administration from one Executive Committee to the next. The outgoing committee shall be entitled to be present to ensure a smooth transition, but shall not have the right to vote. The appointment of the members of Technical Committees and Specialized Committees shall take place at this meeting as described in SLASU Rule C 19 and its sub-sections.
- **C 18.11** The Secretary shall give a minimum of seven (7) days' notice together with the agenda prior to any Executive Committee meeting, except were the President deems it necessary to summon a meeting at shorter notice.
- **C 18.12** Any Executive Committee member who is absent from three consecutive SLASU Executive Committee meetings without a valid reason shall cease to hold office.
- **C 18.13** The Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer or a Committee Member of the SLASU Executive Committee member may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the members present moving a vote of no confidence due to acting in a manner deemed detrimental to the SLASU or bringing it into disrepute.
- **C 18.14** Any vacancy in the SLASU Executive Committee during the course of its designated term of office which occurs through death, expulsion or resignation of any member, shall be filled for the remainder of the designated term;
 - **C 18.14.1** in the office of President by the General Secretary,
 - **C 18.14.2** in the office of General Secretary or Treasurer by the Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer respectively,
 - **C 18.14.3** in any other office other than the President, General Secretary or Treasurer, the SLASU Executive Committee shall have the authority to fill such vacancy subject to SLASU Rule C 20 and its sub-sections on qualification to hold office.
- **C 18.15** Resignation of any member shall be in writing to the General Secretary, and resignation from the position of General Secretary shall be in writing to the President. The SLASU Executive Committee shall notify its membership of such cessation office and the replacement for that office.

- **C 18.16** Every SLASU Executive Committee member who ceases to hold office shall hand over any property of the SLASU in his or her possession. SLASU shall reserve the right to take legal action against such person for failing to do so.
- **C 18.17** No person who has held the office of President or Secretary for two consecutive terms from the date of this Constitution coming into effect shall be eligible to be elected to the same office for a minimum lapse of one term from the date on which he/she ceased to hold such office.
- **C 18.18** With and apart from the rights and duties vested in the Executive Committee in other parts of this Constitution, the SLASU Executive Committee the rights and duties of shall have the following powers:
 - **C 18.18.1** to discuss and make decision on all matters assigned to them by the General Congress,
 - **C 18.18.2** to determine dates for aquatic events and to formulate rules related to Aquatic Sports and/or to any meets in conjunction with and subject to the recommendations of the relevant Technical Committee,
 - **C 18.18.3** to prescribe rules and conditions to be fulfilled for the recognition of any swimming records and to ratify or reject any claims for the establishment of Swimming Records,
 - **C 18.18.4** to appoint any Board of Examiners to conduct examinations for the qualification of officials & coaches and to approve and issue certification to successful candidates,
 - **C 18.18.5** to appoint officials to accompany and manage teams at home or abroad, or to represent the SLASU on any organization, body, conference or seminar at home or abroad.
 - **C 18.18.6** to nominate/approve nominations recommended by Technical/Specialized Committees for international official panels and committees,
 - **C 18.18.7** to prescribe codes of conduct for the guidance of teams, officials and coaches at national and international levels,
 - **C 18.18.8** to establish rules of order for the meetings of the General Congress, SLASU Executive Committee and other sub-committees provided that they are not in contradiction to the SLASU Constitution, the FINA Constitution and its Rules.
 - **C 18.18.9** to appoint any ad-hoc committee, sub-committee or advisory body to consider and report on any matter pertaining to Aquatic Sports or the function of SLASU,
 - **C 18.18.10** to instruct the SLASU Committees and control their activities,
 - **C 18.18.11** to employ any staff necessary to administrate SLASU office and promote the development of Aquatic Sports in Sri Lanka.
 - **C 18.18.12** to make decisions in case of emergency.
- **C 18.19** The President shall inter alia have the following roles and duties:
 - **C 18.19.1** to preside at all meetings of the General Congress and the SLASU Executive Committee.
 - **C 18.19.2** shall have complete authority to regulate the conduct of business, to preserve order and shall be the sole interpreter of the rules governing the SLASU and the rules of procedure for the purpose of its meetings,

- **C 18.19.3** to represent SLASU in all dealings with FINA, AASF, the National Olympic Committee, the Government of Sri Lanka and any other relevant organization,
- **C 18.19.4** to be an ex officio member of all SLASU committees,
- **C 18.19.5** to create any task force or working group he/she may deem necessary to address any urgent situation.
- **C 18.20** The General Secretary shall have the following roles and duties:
 - **C 18.20.1** shall in the absence of the President conduct the General Congress and SLASU Executive Committee meetings with all the rights and duties,
 - **C 18.20.2** represent SLASU in the absence of the President at meetings, competitions, ceremonies or other activities requiring the presence of the highest authority,
 - **C 18.20.3** shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the SLASU and carry out his/her duties subject to the directions and control of the Executive Committee, such ensuring implementing of decisions passed by the General Congress, the SLASU Executive Committee in compliance with the President's directives, direct/carry out necessary correspondences, determine between routine and non-routine activities and refer matters for the SLASU Executive Committee, and oversee the administration of the SLASU office
 - **C 18.20.4** shall be the Secretary to the Executive Committee and the meetings of the General Congress and prepare and disseminate all relevant documentation with regard to these meetings,
 - **C 18.20.5** shall be the Secretary of the Specialized Committee for Selections,
 - **C 18.20.6** shall be an ex officio member of all SLASU committees,
 - **C 18.20.7** shall ex-officio be the Chairman of the Specialized Committee for National Aquatic Records.
 - **C 18.20.8** shall be responsible to prepare and disseminate all documentation with regard to the scheduling and conduct of aquatic events in a timely manner, ensure the maintenance of a register of the members of the SLASU and all other relevant records of day to day operations and shall inform the Executive Committee of correspondence and correspond on its behalf based on its direction,
 - **C 18.20.9** shall convene the first meeting of Technical and Specialized Committees as stated at SLASU Rule C 19.13.
 - **C 18.20.10** shall be responsible for the drafting of the Executive Committees Annual Report in consultation with the respective Technical Committees and Specialized Committees,
 - **C 18.20.11** shall evaluate the performance of the employees of SLASU and make an annual report to the SLASU Executive Committee and/or the General Congress in a routine manner,
 - **C 18.20.12** shall in consultation with the President be the official source for the release of information to the media.
- **C 18.21** The Treasurer shall have the following roles and duties:
 - **C 18.21.1** shall be responsible for the collection, custody and disbursement of the Union's funds,
 - **C 18.21.2** shall be responsible for maintaining the accounts of the Union in conformity

with generally accepted accounting standards,

- **C 18.21.3** shall be the custodian of all property of the Union and maintain a reasonable register of inventory of property of the Union,
- **C 18.21.4** shall sign all cheques drawn by him and co-signed by either (a) the President, (b) the Honorary Secretary or (c) a member designated by the Executive Committee at its first meeting,
- **C 18.21.5** shall submit to the Executive Committee a quarterly statement of Income & Expenditure Account with the bank statement or statements, for periods ending March, June, September, and December for each financial Year of the Union,
- **C 18.21.6** shall be responsible for ensuring that the statement of account of each meet is submitted to the Executive Committee for review and approval within 14 days of such meet being concluded,
- **C 18.21.7** shall submit a report to the SLASU Executive Committee at its first meeting in each calendar year of all members of the SLASU who are delinquent in the payment of annual subscriptions for the current financial year and such arrears,
- **C 18.21.8** shall submit at each Annual General Meeting of the General Congress Audited Financial statements [Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure Account, etc] of the SLASU and a statement of accounts for the preceding calendar year.
- **C 18.21.9** be responsible for the financial planning of SLASU together with the General Secretary and the SLASU office, and
- **C 18.21.10** draw up the annual budget together with the the General Secretary and the SLASU office.
- **C 18.22** Each Vice President shall ex officio be the Chairman of one or more Technical Committees or Specialized Committees.
- **C 18.23** The Assistant Secretary shall have the following roles and duties:
 - **C 18.23.1** shall perform all duties assigned to him by the Executive Committee;
 - **C 18.23.2** Shall carry out such assignments delegated to him by and in assistance of the General Secretary; and
 - **C 18.23.3** shall be the Honorary Secretary to the Specialized Committee on National Aquatics Records.
- **C 18.24** The Assistant Treasurer shall have the following roles and duties:
 - **C 18.24.1** shall assist the Treasurer in all duties assigned to him.
 - **C 18.24.2** Shall perform all duties of a financial nature assigned to him by the Executive Committee.

C 19 TECHNICAL COMMITTEES & SPECIALIZED COMMITTEES

C 19.1 SLASU shall have the following Technical Committees:

C 19.1.1 Technical Committee for Swimming consisting of

- C 19.1.2 Technical Committee for Diving
- C 19.1.3 Technical Committee for Synchronized Swimming
- C 19.1.4 Technical Committee for Water Polo

- C 19.1.5 Technical Committee for Open Water Swimming
- C 19.1.6 Technical Committee for Masters Aquatics
- C 19.2 SLASU shall have the following Specialized Committees:
 - C 19.2.1 Selection Committee for Aquatic Sports
 - C 19.2.2 Aquatic Sports Development Committee
 - C 19.2.3 Committee for Technical Officials
 - C 19.2.4 Disciplinary Committee
 - C 19.2.5 National Aquatic Records and Results Committee
 - C 19.2.6 Doping Control and Sports Medicine Committee
- **C 19.3** All decisions of Technical Committees and Specialized Committees shall be submitted to the SLASU Executive Committee for approval. The SLASU Executive Committee shall have the right to accept/reject proposals from these committees.
- **C 19.4** The appointment of the members of Technical Committees and Specialized Committees shall take place at the first meeting of the SLASU Executive Committee.
- **C 19.5** The term of office of the Technical Committees and Specialized Committees shall end with the term of office of the SLASU Executive Committee.
- **C 19.6** The President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of all Committees, regardless of their attendance, and they shall be given due notice of all committee meetings.
- **C 19.7** All Committees shall hold their respective meeting within fourteen (14) days of the First Executive Committee Meeting and submit reports to the immediate next Executive Committee Meeting.
- **C 19.8** Vacancies arising in the Committee shall be filled by each Committee subject to the prior approval of the SLASU Executive Committee while retaining the composition of members as prescribed in SLASU Rule C 19.17.2.
- **C 19.9** The Executive Committee may remove and /or replace any member and shall fill any vacancy in any Committee while retaining the composition of members as prescribed in SLASU Rule C 19.17.2.
- **C 19.10** The General Secretary of the Union shall be responsible for convening the first meeting of the Technical and Specialized Committees within fourteen (14) days following the first meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall give at least five (5) days notice of such meeting.
- **C 19.11** Each committee shall amongst themselves appoint an honorary secretary who shall maintain minutes of the meeting and shall submit such minutes, proposals and recommendations to the SLASU Executive Committee.
- **C 19.12** All Technical Committees and Specialized Committees have the power to co-opt members as they may deem necessary provided that such co-opted members shall not be entitled to vote.
- **C 19.13** Where a member of any Committee has been absent from two consecutive meetings without reasons acceptable to the SLASU Executive Committee, the SLASU Executive Committee shall have the right to declare such a member as having forfeited his membership.

- **C 19.14** The SLASU Executive Committee shall have the authority to fill any vacancy which occurs through death, resignation, or removal of any member of the Technical or Specialized Committee.
- **C 19.15** Persons serving on Technical Committees and Specialized Committees shall have reasonable knowledge of the respective discipline/subject area.
- **C 19.16** Each member shall have one vote and the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his vote, unless specified herein in the rules in respective of each committee. Four (4) members in the case of seven (7) members and five (5) in case of a nine (9) member committee, shall form a quorum unless specified.
- **C 19.17** The following rules shall apply in respect of Technical Committees in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.17.1** Each Technical Committee shall have as its Chairman, an ex officio Vice President and shall elect a Secretary to Specialized Committees unless specified herein. Vice Presidents may hold more than one Chairmanship in Technical and Specialized Committees.
 - **C 19.17.2** Each Technical Committee shall consist of either seven (7) or nine (9) members as the SLASU Executive Committee may deem fit for each Aquatic Sport. This composition shall include at least three (3) coaches, two (2) technical officials, one (1) member of the SLASU Executive Committee in addition to the Chairman who shall be a Vice President.
 - **C 19.17.3** Each Committee shall meet when expedient or necessary, but not less than five (5) times in a calendar year.
- **C 19.18** The duties and functions of Technical Committees are:
 - **C 19.18.1** to advise the SLASU Executive Committee on all matters related to their respective Aquatic discipline and submit recommendations concerning facilities and equipment and improving the standard of their respective discipline,
 - **C 19.18.2** shall maintain a register of coaches through the SLASU Office.
 - **C 19.18.3** to conduct a coaches conference no more than fourteen (14) days after their first meeting in order to gather coaches opinion with regard to matters related to their respective discipline, which shall be taken only as considerations and shall in no way compel the committee to action,
 - **C 19.18.4** to put in place a criteria for ranking coaches subject to the approval of the SLASU Executive Committee,
 - **C 19.18.5** to appoint a sub-committee for the preparation and conduct of examinations for coaches,
 - **C 19.18.6** to appoint a sub-committee for the preparation of criteria with regards to selection of a National Coach in each Aquatics Discipline when necessary,
 - **C 19.18.7** to provide recommendations to the SLASU Executive Committee with regard to coaches representation at International Meets,
 - **C 19.18.8** to conduct training in conjunction with the Specialized Committee for Aquatic Development,
 - **C 19.18.9** to make and disseminate interpretations and rulings in cases where the rules of their respective discipline are queried,
 - **C 19.18.10** to keep all members of the SLASU informed of changes to FINA rules and

regulations with regard to their respective discipline.

- **C 19.19** The following rules shall also apply in respect of the Selection Committee for Aquatic Sports in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.19.1** Shall comprise seven (7) or nine (9) members each with a proven background in at least one Aquatic Sport, of whom one shall be Chairman.
 - **C 19.19.2** The General Secretary of the SLASU shall ex officio be the Secretary of the Specialized Committee for Selections without vote.
 - **C 19.19.3** Shall meet when convened by the General Secretary in concurrence with the Chairman to discuss and recommend to the SLASU Executive Committee on any matter relating to selection of athletes.
 - **C 19.19.4** Shall have the power to determine the selection criteria as per the requirements of the SLASU Executive Committee and the recommendations of the Technical Committees in order to select teams and individuals to represent Sri Lanka or the SLASU in any Aquatic Discipline.
 - **C 19.19.5** Shall make known the selection criteria through the communication of channels of SLASU to all members prior to any selection trial.
 - **C 19.19.6** Shall appoint a captains and vice-captains that require such positions to be nominated.
 - **C 19.19.7** Shall obtain the views of the National Coach (if a coach is appointed) and the captain (if applicable) before taking decisions during the selection process. However, the Coach and Captain shall not be privy to the finalization of selections.
 - **C 19.19.8** At least five (5) members in the case of seven (7) members and seven (7) in the case of nine (9) members shall place their signatures to any recommendation. Where one or more members disagree with the recommendation, they too should affix their signature with note of their dissent. If any particular member is not available to affix signature, the Chairman should make a note indicating the reason.
- **C 19.20** The following rules shall also apply in respect of the Aquatic Sports Development Committee in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.20.1** Shall have seven (07) members comprising at least two (2) coaches, two (2) technical officials, and one (1) member of the SLASU Executive Committee in addition to the Chairman who shall be a Vice President.
 - **C 19.20.2** Shall recommend and coordinate the conduct of training courses throughout the country for new coaches, in conjunction with the respective Technical Committees.
 - **C 19.20.3** Shall organize and coordinate the implementation of beginners classes for all Aquatic Disciplines in conjunction with the respective Technical Committees.
 - **C 19.20.4** Shall arrange seminars, discussions, lecturers, films and demonstrations/ exhibitions in any Aquatic Discipline in order to popularize it.
 - **C 19.20.5** Shall prepare, obtain or issue books, pamphlets, leaflets, magazines and films towards the maintenance of an Aquatic Sports Library.
 - **C 19.20.6** Shall submit reports on the availability and requirement of Aquatics Facilities around the country to the Executive Committee.
- C 19.21 The following rules shall also apply in respect of the Committee for Technical

Officials in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.

- **C 19.21.1** Shall comprise of all technical officials, judges and referees who are members in each of the respective Technical Committees, in addition to two (2) other senior Technical Officials. A Vice President shall be the Chairman of the Committee. The quorum shall be more than one half of the designated members.
- **C 19.21.2** Shall maintain records of officials representation at meets in order to ascertain if all officials have equal opportunity and also monitor their attendance and efficiency.
- **C 19.21.3** Shall put in place criteria for ranking officials subject to the approval of the SLASU Executive Committee.
- **C 19.21.4** Shall appoint a subcommittee for the preparation and conduct of examinations for officials.
- **C 19.21.5** Shall make recommendations on Technical Officials, Judges and Referees to be included on FINA lists in accordance to criteria that has been duly ratified by the SLASU Executive Committee.
- **C 19.21.6** Shall allocate officials for sanctioned meets as instructed by the SLASU Office.
- **C 19.21.7** Shall appoint Juries of Appeal for all events held by SLASU.
- **C 19.21.8** Shall work with the Management Committee appointed by the Executive Committee for each event to ensure that said events are run according to SLASU standards.
- **C 19.21.9** Shall recommend officials to represent SLASU at international meets, conferences, training schools and seminars.
- **C 19.22** The following rules shall also apply in respect of the Disciplinary Committee in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.22.1** Shall have five (5) members who are not members of any other Committee or a member of the SLASU Executive Committee of whom one shall be the Chairman.
 - **C 19.22.2** Shall include a minimum of two (2) members with legal training and experience. Knowledge of the sport for these members shall not be mandatory.
 - **C 19.22.3** Shall conduct hearings and recommend sanctions in all cases of disciplinary nature originating from the violation of any SLASU Rules and Regulations except matters regarding doping referred to it by the SLASU Executive Committee.
 - **C 19.22.4** the Chairman shall appoint any three (3) members including at least one (1) member with legal training to adjudicate on any matter referred to it.
- **C 19.23** The following rules shall also apply in respect of the National Aquatic Records and Results Committee in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.23.1** Shall be composed of the General Secretary as its Chairman, the Assistant Secretary as the ex-officio Secretary and a SLASU Executive Committee member, with two members to form a quorum.
 - **C 19.23.2** Shall liaise with the SLASU Office and ensure a system of maintaining and archiving a register of results for events conducted by SLASU and international performances by its athletes, and all aquatic records for swimming including Sri Lanka, National, National Age Group and South Asian Records.

- **C 19.23.3** Shall provide the SLASU Executive Committee with information and recommendations for the ratification of Records.
- **C 19.23.4** Shall provide the SLASU Executive Committee with the necessary computations to determine performances for special awards and nominations.
- **C 19.24** The following rules shall also apply in respect of the Doping Control and Sports Medicine Committee in addition to SLASU Rules C 19.3 to C 19.15.
 - **C 19.24.1** Shall comprise a total of five (5) members, of whom the majority shall be medical doctors with interest in the area of Sports Medicine and or Nutrition, and others who are certified in doping control.
 - **C 19.24.2** Members shall preferably be officers attached to the relevant government entities such as the National Anti-Doping Organization and the Institute of Sports Medicine.
 - **C 19.24.3** Shall inquire into local doping control offences.
 - **C 19.24.4** Shall advise the Executive Committee from time to time on Sports Nutrition for athletes.
 - **C 19.24.5** Shall advise the Executive Committee on required availability of appropriate medical care at SLASU events.
 - **C 19.24.6** Shall advise the Executive Committee from time to time on Injury Prevention in Aquatic Sports and Injury Management.

C 20 QUALIFICATION TO HOLD OFFICE

- **C 20.1** No person shall be nominated for election as an officer of the SLASU Executive Committee, other than as Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer, unless the person has represented Sri Lanka in any aquatic event or has achieved any of the following standards at a major aquatic sports events organized or administrated by SLASU.
 - **C 20.1.1** Swimming: To have placed in the first eight (8) in any event of the National Aquatic Championships, National Schools Swimming Championships or the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Championships.
 - **C 20.1.2** Diving: To have placed in the first eight (8) in the National Aquatic Championships or the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Championships.
 - **C 20.1.3** Water Polo: To have been a member of a team placed in the first (3) in the National Aquatic Championships, Ellawala and Women's' Open League, Under 20 League or the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Championships.
 - **C 20.1.4** Synchronized Swimming: To have placed in the first eight (8) in the National Aquatic Championships or the Sri Lanka Schools Aquatic Championships.
 - **C 20.1.5** Open Water Swimming: To have placed within the first twelve (12) competitors in any 5km or 10 km Open Water event organized by SLASU or to have completed a 2 mile Sea Swim within 60 minutes, conducted by the SLASU or its predecessor.
- **C 20.2** Any person who has served on the Executive Committee of SLASU either as an office bearer or representative prior to this Constitution coming into effect shall be considered as qualified to hold office irrespective of the major tournaments and qualifications prescribed in this Constitution.
- **C 20.3** In the event of a statement on the nomination form being challenged the onus of proof shall be on the nominee and his proposer and seconder. Proof shall be submitted to the General Secretary, within seven days of a request for proof of qualification.

- **C 20.4** In the event of a candidate not possessing any of the qualifications in SLASU Rule C 20.1 and its sub-sections, the nomination shall be accompanied by a letter of justification and/or recommendation of the proposer/seconder. Such nomination shall be so indicated in the notice of nominations to the membership of the General Congress and shall be tabled at the Annual General Meeting of the General Congress prior to the agenda of election of office bearers for its approval. If approved, the nomination may be listed for election.
- **C 20.5** A person shall be disqualified from being elected to hold office:
 - C 20.5.1 if he has been adjudged by a competent Court to be of unsound mind; or
 - **C 20.5.2** If he has been adjudged by a competent Court to be an insolvent; or
 - **C 20.5.3** if he has been convicted in a Court of law for any offence involves moral turpitude; or

C 20.5.4 if he is a professional Sports Reporter.

C 21 FINANCIAL MONITORING AND CONTROL

- **C 21.1** The fiscal year of the SLASU shall be the calendar year ending 31st December. The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall establish a statement of accounts for each fiscal year, which shall be audited by a Certified Public Accountant appointed by the Auditor General's office.
- **C 21.2** The Management Committee of any meet shall render a statement of accounts to the Treasurer within seven (7) days of said event's conclusion.
- **C 21.3** All cheques will be drawn by the Treasurer or his nominee as ratified by the Executive Committee.
- **C 21.4** Signatories shall be the President, General Secretary and Treasurer with the Treasurer and one other being required to sign all cheques/and other forms of payment disbursement such as telegraphic transfers, bank drafts, etc.

C 22 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- **C 22.1** Officers of the Executive Committee and Members of the General Congress shall declare to the forum his or her interest in any:
 - C 22.1.1 contractual matter;
 - C 22.1.2 selection matter;
 - C 22.1.3 disciplinary matter; or
 - **C 22.1.4** other financial matter in which a conflict of interest arises or may arise and shall, unless otherwise determined by the forum, absent him or herself from discussion of such matter and shall not be entitled to vote in respect of such matter.
- **C 22.2** In the event of any uncertainty as to whether it is necessary for an Officer of the Executive Committee to absent himself from discussions and refrain from voting, the issue should be immediately determined by vote of the forum, or if this is not possible, the matter shall be adjourned or deferred.
- C 22.3 The General Secretary shall maintain a register of declared interests.

C 23 ANTI-DOPING

C 23.1 SLASU recognizes a drug free sporting environment and the World Anti-Doping Association (WADA) is the supreme body for determination of doping in sports.

- **C 23.2** Any form of drugs use as defined by WADA shall be dealt with the highest attention by SLASU.
- **C 23.3** The membership of SLASU shall at all-times extends its fullest co-operation with incompetition and out-of-competition doping by SLASU and/or the Sri Lanka National Anti-Doping Agency and abide by the decisions of these bodies on doping offences.
- **C 23.4** SLASU shall comply with the Anti-Doping Rules of WADA. All regulations indicated in the FINA Rules including Anti-Doping Rules shall be deemed as incorporated into and shall be directly applicable to and shall be agreed to and followed by Competitors, Competitor Support Personnel, coaches, physicians, trainers, managers, officials, medical or paramedical personnel, team leaders, and club and Federation representatives under the jurisdiction of the SLASU.

C 24 INTERPRETATION AND CHANGES TO SLASU CONSTITUTION, RULINGS AND BY LAWS

- **C 24.1 Interpretation** The President in collaboration with the Executive Committee shall, whenever the occasion arises, give a decision on the interpretation of this constitution and on any matter in respect of which no specific provision has been provided for in this constitution. When interpretation of Aquatic Sports rules is required, the President shall refer the matter to the respective Technical Committee prior to a decision being taken.
- **C 24.2** Amendments to the Constitution require to be presented as a resolution to Extraordinary or Special or Annual General Meeting of the General Congress and should be approved by a two thirds (2/3) majority of the voting members present.

C 25 TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

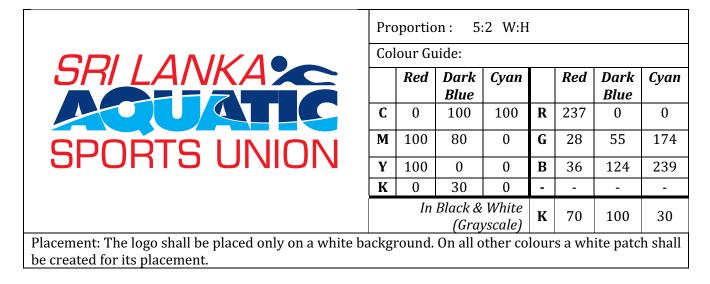
- **C 25.1** Notwithstanding any of the provisions contained herein all entities who have been Ordinary Members prior to this Constitution taking effect shall be considered to have fulfilled such requirements to retain the same status and category of membership upon this Constitution being enforced.
- C 25.2 The Ordinary Members shall be:
 - C 25.2.1 Singhalese Sports Club
 - C 25.2.2 Otter Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.3 Air Force Sports Board
 - C 25.2.4 Kinross Swimming & Life Saving Club
 - C 25.2.5 Sri Lanka Army Sports Club
 - C 25.2.6 Fishtail Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.7 Colombo Swimming Club
 - C 25.2.8 Sri Lanka Navy Sports Club
 - C 25.2.9 Rainbow Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.10 Ananda Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.11 Police Sports Club
 - C 25.2.12 Peterite Swimming Club
 - C 25.2.13 Royal College Union Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.14 Galle Swimming & Life Saving Club
 - C 25.2.15 Old Thomian Swimming Club
 - C 25.2.16 Dolphin Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.17 Polhena Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.18 Sri Lanka School's Aquatic Sports Association
 - C 25.2.19 Puttalam District Swimming Association
 - C 25.2.20 Dambulla Swimming Club
 - C 25.2.21 Polonnaruwa Aquatic Club
 - C 25.2.22 Seenigama Aquatic Club

- C 25.2.23 MAS Sports Club
- C 25.2.24 Killer Whale Aquatic Club
- C 25.2.25 Gampaha District Swimming Association
- C 25.2.26 Panadura Aquatic Club (Subject to Legal Clearance)
- **C 25.3** Provisions contained herein shall be subject to the approval of FINA and provisions shall be added, deleted or altered as per directives of FINA.
- **C 25.4** The SLASU Executive Committee shall be empowered to correct any errors in numbering, grammar and factual details in appendices in finalizing this constitution.

Annex	A

Schedule 1

SLASU Logo



Schedule 2

SLASU Flag

The SLASU Flag shall be as depicted on a white background in the proportion of the logo and shall be placed in the following horizontal and vertical positions.





Schedule 3

Sri Lanka Water Polo (SLWP) Logo

The Sri Lanka Water Polo logo shall be used to brand Water Polo events conducted by SLASU and shall be used in conjunction with the SLASU logo.

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Placement: The logo shall be placed only on a white background. On all other colours a white patch shall be created for its placement.								

Annex B

Summary of Affiliation Fees

Enrolment Fee

For new affiliates

Rs 5,000.00 per institution

Annual Affiliation Fee for SCHOOLS/CLUBS

Late Payment Penalty	Rs 6,000.00
Ordinary Members (Colombo District)	Rs 12,000.00
Ordinary Members (Other Districts)	Rs 6,000.00
Novice Members	Rs 4,000.00
Participant Members (Government & Semi-Government Schools)	Rs 2,000.00
Participant Members (Private Schools, International Schools & Ancillary	r Clubs) Rs 5,000.00