

# **European Underwater Federation**

## **Rules and Byelaws**



1. The ruling body shall be the voting members at a General Meeting.
2. The working language of the EUF shall be English.
3. EUF shall comprise the following classes of member:
  - a. Full (voting) member representing a profit distributing recreational diver training organisation.
  - b. Full (voting) member representing a non-profit distributing recreational diver training organisation.
  - c. Associate Member (non-voting) representing a diving related organisation noncompliant with 3a or 3b.
  - d. Recreational Scuba Training Council Europe (RSTC Europe).
  - e. World Underwater Federation Europe (CMAS EU).
  - f. Observer (non-voting).
4. Member organisations shall pay the following fees:
  - a. Category 3a members €300.
  - b. Category 3b members €200.
  - c. Category 3c members €100.
  - d. RSTC (3d) €500.
  - e. CMAS Europe (3e) €500.
  - f. Category 3f members €0.
5. All resolutions adopted by a General Meeting or Council require an 80% or greater majority in support.
6. Council may accept new members to Categories 3a, 3b, 3c and 3f, subject to ratification by the next General Meeting.
7. New members to categories 3a and 3b shall require approval by the voting members present at the meeting of the respective category.

8. Members of Category 3a shall additionally meet the following requirements:
  - a. Be recognised as a professional body of good standing.
  - b. Have a dedicated administrative headquarters based in a country belonging to the EU or CEN (where an organisation has such headquarters in more than one country they may seek membership for more than one such headquarters).
9. Members of Category 3b shall meet the following requirements:
  - a. There shall be no more than one such member for each country belonging to the EU or CEN.
  - b. The member shall be officially recognised by their national government.
  - c. The member shall accept the responsibility of representing the interests of all divers and diver training organisations within their country not directly belonging to their organisation or represented by another EUF member.
10. EUF shall have a six-member Executive Board elected at every other Annual General Meeting for the following two year period consisting of the following members:
  - a. The Executive Board shall include a President elected alternately by the Category 3a followed by the Category 3b members.
  - b. Category 3a members and Category 3b members shall each elect among themselves one Executive Board representative.
  - c. The Category 3a or 3b members not responsible for electing the President shall elect a further Board representative.
  - d. Category 3d and 3e each have an automatic voting Executive Board position.
11. All future full members (Category 3a and 3b) shall comply with current CEN/ISO standards that apply to their training programme and be certified as such by the EUF certification body.