

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ERC CONSTITUTION FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY, PLOVDIV, BUL, 2025

The current constitution, in particular relating to the nomination of World Rowing Council nominated members, does not reflect current or historic practice and, after review, the European Rowing Board would like to propose updates to enable the ERC to function according to its statutes. In addition, some other minor updates are proposed as set out below.

Article 1: The proposed change to Article 1 is intended to set out the correct history of the approval of the ERC by World Rowing Congress in 2019 [not 2018].

Article 7.2: The proposed change brings the ERC Constitution in line with World Rowing's Statutes, to allow ERC members who have not paid their World Rowing annual membership fee to attend, but not vote at, the General Assemblies of the ERC.

Article 12: The proposed addition aims to clarify that where a newly elected member is fulfilling a vacancy due to a member stepping down before the end of a term, they may commence their mandate immediately. Whereas for a newly elected member starting a new four-year term, their mandate will commence on 1 January of the following year.

12.2.4 'Deputy Chair' updated to 'Vice President'. The term Deputy Chair is no longer used.

12.3.1 The nomination of three persons to the ERB by World Rowing Council has never been confined to Council members only. For example, neither Rolland Weill nor Dusan Machacek were Council members at the time of their appointment and ratification. Article 12.3.2 is inconsistent with the 12.3.1 in this respect and the proposed update aims to clarify this and enable Council to nominate appropriate European persons who may not be current members of Council.

Article 17 updates the concluding provisions.

These changes require an approval of two-thirds of valid votes cast.