

# CONSTITUTION

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**INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF AVIATION AND SPACE  
MEDICINE INCORPORATED**

**CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I:           NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine Incorporated to be referred to as The Academy.

**ARTICLE II:           LOCATION**

As the Academy is international in scope, the Academy Headquarters or Head Office shall be located in the office of the Secretary General in his/her country and city of residence.

**ARTICLE III:         OFFICIAL LANGUAGES OF THE ACADEMY**

- A.    The official languages of the Academy are English and French.
  
- B.    Application for membership at all levels will be submitted in either of the official languages of the Academy.
  
- C.    Simultaneous interpretation from English into French and from French into English is strongly encouraged at the scientific sessions of a Congress sponsored by the Academy. If the simultaneous interpretation is provided only for one day, it will be the first day of the Congress. The Council may approve alternative arrangements if requested to do so by the Organizing Committee. Any reports published which result from a Scientific Meeting (Congress) should be published in the languages in which they were presented.

**ARTICLE IV:         DEFINITION AND OBJECTIVES**

- A.    Definition: Aviation and Space Medicine are those fields of medicine concerned with the maintenance of health, safety and performance of those involved in aviation or space activity (flight).
  
- B.    Objectives:

1. To promote the development of the scientific base of aviation and space medicine.
2. To encourage and foster research in the fields of aviation and space medicine.
3. To promote exchange of information, ideas and experience in aviation and space medicine.
4. To improve teaching of aviation and space medicine.
5. To foster the training of experts (specialists) in aviation and space medicine.
6. To facilitate international cooperation and exchange among individuals and organizations involved in aviation and space medicine.
7. To provide an international source of recognized expertise in all areas of aviation and space medicine.

#### **ARTICLE V: MEANS OF ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES**

The Academy shall pursue its objectives through but not limited to the following means:

- A. Sponsoring and/or organizing conferences, meetings, congresses or study groups.
- B. Presenting an international consensus, view on aviation and space medicine topics and issues to any requesting organization or the public.
- C. Establishing and/or providing representation to or support for appropriate commissions, committees and information services.
- D. Publishing materials of international interest in aviation and space medicine.

#### **ARTICLE VI: MEMBERSHIP**

The Academy shall have the following categories of membership as defined in the By-Laws:

- A. Member
- B. Retired Member
- C. Associate Member
- D. Emeritus Member
- E. Honorary Member
- F. Corporate Member

**ARTICLE VII: OFFICERS**

- A. The Academy shall have the following elected officials as defined in the By-Laws:

President

President-Elect

4 Directors

Chancellor

10 Selectors

6 (or more) Scientific Committee members

5 (or more) Scholarship Committee members

- B. The Council has the power to appoint a Secretary-General and a Deputy-Secretary General.

**ARTICLE VIII: ORGANIZATIONAL BODIES**

The organizational or action bodies of the Academy as described in the By-Laws are:

- A. The General Assembly
- B. The Council

**ARTICLE IX: COMMITTEES**

- A. The Academy shall have the following standing (continuing) committees:
  - Committee of Selectors
  - Nominating Committee
  - Scholarship Committee
  - Scientific Committee

**ARTICLE X: MEETINGS**

- A. The Academy shall have at least one scientific meeting annually in conjunction with an Academy Sponsored International Academy of Aviation and Space Medicine Congress as defined in the By-Laws.
- B. Meetings of the General Assembly and the Council will be held twice annually as defined in the By-Laws.

**ARTICLE XI: PUBLICATIONS**

The Academy may publish newsletters, records, proceedings, or any other publications authorized by the Council.

**ARTICLE XII: FUNDING OR FINANCES**

Revenue - the funds of the Academy shall consist of funds from the following sources as defined in the By-Laws.

- A. Admission Fees

- B. Dues of Members (Academicians and Corporate Members)
- C. Income from sale of Academy Publications
- D. Authorized consultation of Academy for third parties
- E. Mandatory contribution of per participant fee from Academy sponsored International Congresses
- F. Donations and legacies

**ARTICLE XIII: DURATION OR LIFE**

This Academy is constituted in perpetuity.

**ARTICLE XIV: AMENDMENTS**

The Constitution of the Academy may be amended, by alteration, addition or rescission, at any General Assembly of the Academy by a two-thirds vote of the accredited voting members present. A quorum of not less than 25% of the total voting membership shall be present or represented by proxy for such a vote. All proposed amendments shall be sent in writing to all voting members or posted on the Academy web site at least 30 days prior to the General Assembly at which the proposed Amendments are to be voted upon.