

INTERNATIONAL SHOULDER GROUP

A TECHNICAL GROUP OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF BIOMECHANICS

CONSTITUTION AND CODES

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ARTICLE 1: NAME

The International Shoulder Group (ISG) is a subgroup of the International Society of Biomechanics with a special interest in the biomechanics of the shoulder and upper extremity.

ARTICLE 2: PURPOSE

- 2.1 The general purpose of the ISG Technical Group is to provide a forum for those interested in biomechanical aspects of clinical, ergonomic and sports-related and fundamental research focusing on the shoulder and upper extremity.
- 2.2 The group shall encourage international contacts among scientists in the area of shoulder biomechanics, promote knowledge in this area on an international level, and cooperate with related organizations.

2.3 Specific Aims and Objectives

- To provide a forum within the ISB for those interested in the clinical, ergonomic and sports-related biomechanical research related to the shoulder and upper extremity.
- To promote the exchange of ideas and information among members of the Technical Group and especially between applied and fundamental research and between experienced and novice researchers.
- To promote discussion of scientific and professional issues of interest to members.
- To encourage high quality research in upper extremity biomechanics and the application of research to clinical, ergonomic and sports-related questions and designs.
- To promote the exchange of ideas and information between biomechanists and those from other fields of study with interests in shoulder and upper extremity research.
- To encourage and facilitate the duplication of experiments.
- To provide opportunities for the presentation and discussion of original research in a forum of peers with similar research interests.
- To encourage the use of a common terminology.
- To encourage the exchange of information on test methods and experimental procedures and, where appropriate, to encourage agreement on the use of common methods and procedures.

ARTICLE 3: MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 All full members of the Technical Group must be members in good standing of the ISB.
- 3.2 Those who are not members of the ISB are considered associate members.
- 3.2 Members shall be individuals with a professional and scientific interest in shoulder biomechanics.
- 3.3 Student members shall be full time students in an academic program related to Biomechanics.

ARTICLE 4: GOVERNING BOARDS

The boards of the ISB International Shoulder Group shall be:

- a. The Executive Board
- b. The General Assembly of Members

ARTICLE 5: EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 5.1 The activities of the Technical Group shall be administered by an Executive Board consisting of a Chairperson, a Secretary-General, and three Members. The Meeting Chair for the next Technical Group Symposium will serve as an *ad hoc* non-voting member.
- 5.2 The officers and members of the Executive Board shall serve for a maximum of two consecutive terms, each of four years duration.
- 5.3 An election of officers and members of the Executive Board shall be conducted by email ballot of Group members every four years.

- 5.4 The Executive Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee, chaired by the Chairperson, to develop a slate of candidates.
- 5.5 The results of each election shall be announced at a general meeting of the Technical Group held biannually.
- 5.6 The Board of each Technical Group shall meet at least once every two years at the biannual meeting.
- 5.7 The Executive Board shall appoint all subcommittees as considered desirable.
- 5.8 The Executive Board shall delegate to a local committee or other appropriate body the powers necessary to organize a conference in every second year that the ISB meeting is not held.
- 5.9 Decisions of the Board shall be made by simple majority of the board members present at the meeting, or if voting by mail or email, by simple majority of the respondents. A quorum shall consist of at least 3/4 of its members.

ARTICLE 6: GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 6.1 All members, both full and associate, of the Technical Group may attend the Group General Assembly meeting held at the biennial Symposium.
- 6.2 The meeting is presided over by the Chairperson of the Board, or in their absence, by the Chairperson-Elect, or the Secretary-General.
- 6.3 The General Assembly shall receive oral and/or written reports from the Chairperson, Secretary-General, and Symposium Chair, as well as any *ad hoc* from Board members.
- 6.4 The General Assembly shall transact any additional business as may arise.
- 6.5 Members shall have one vote each.
- 6.6 For ordinary motions at meetings, except ones concerning constitutional amendments, a simple majority of eligible voters present shall rule.
- 6.7 Associate members are excluded from voting on Motions regarding the relationship with the ISB.
- 6.8 While conforming to 6.7, written motions to amend the Constitution shall be submitted to the Board and distributed by email ballot to all members for decision, which shall require a simple majority of all ballots returned to the Secretary-General. Notice of the results shall be given to all members, where upon the amendment will become effective.