



## **AWARDS REGULATIONS (UPDATED 07.07.2022)**

### **1. Intent and purpose**

These Awards Regulations have been decided by the LEN Bureau to establish a method of attributing awards to individuals of Federations affiliated to LEN who have through their interest, dedication, and engagement contributed successfully to the activities and development of LEN.

### **2. Awards Committee**

The Bureau shall appoint an Awards Committee to assist the Bureau in taking decisions with regard to awards.

### **3. Categories of Awards**

The categories of recognition are:

- a) LEN Certificate of Merit
- b) LEN Silver Pin
- c) LEN Gold Pin
- d) LEN Medal of Honor
- e) Honorary Member
- f) Honorary Life President

### **4. Submission of Proposals**

**4.1 Proposals for awards a) – d) may be submitted in writing no later than January 1<sup>st</sup>**

- Bureau Members
- Standing Committees
- Member Federations

**4.2. Proposals for awards e) and f) may be submitted by Bureau Members.**

### **5. Nomination Procedure**

Proposals shall be submitted in writing to the LEN Office no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January every year and shall state in detail the reasons and explanations to allow a serious and proper evaluation.

The LEN Awards Committee shall study all proposals and present recommendation to the LEN Bureau meeting following the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January.

## **6. Criteria**

The principles forming the basis of evaluation shall be:

### **6.1. LEN Certificate of Merit may be awarded to:**

- a) Referees, Judges, and Officials having performed well during numerous LEN Events (more than 6 years)
- b) Individuals affiliated to a LEN Member Federation having served and supported LEN successfully (more than 6 years)

### **6.2. LEN Silver Pin may be awarded to:**

- a) Referees, Judges, and Officials having performed outstandingly during numerous LEN Events for a long period (more than 8 years),
- b) Individuals affiliated to a LEN Member Federation having served and supported LEN for a long period (more than 8 years),
- c) Members of a LEN Committee having given outstanding service on the Committee, dedicated commitment, and successful fulfilment of tasks for more than two terms,
- d) LEN Bureau Members, Chairmen, and Secretaries of a LEN Committee having given outstanding service, dedicated commitment, and successful fulfilment of tasks.

### **6.3. LEN Gold Pin may be awarded to:**

- a) Referees, Judges, and Officials having performed extremely well during numerous LEN Events for a very long period, more than 12 years, and having successfully fulfilled many tasks.
- b) Individuals affiliated to a LEN Member Federation having served and supported LEN for a very long period, more than 12 years, and having achieved many distinctions,
- c) Members of a LEN Committee having served for more than three terms and accomplished many tasks with distinction.
- d) LEN Bureau Members, Chairmen, and Secretaries of a LEN Committee having served for two terms in a Committee and/or in the Bureau, and having successfully fulfilled and accomplished many tasks with distinction.

**6.4 LEN Medal of Honor to be awarded to members of a LEN body, having successfully fulfilled their tasks and having produced an exceptional contribution to the development of LEN.**

**In an exceptional case, an individual not being a member of a Federation affiliated to LEN may be awarded the LEN Medal of Honor.**

**6.5 Honorary Member may be elected for exceptional services to LEN over many years.**

**6.6 Honorary Life President may be bestowed upon a former President of LEN for exceptional services.**

## **7 Nomination Procedure**

**The Awards Commission shall study all proposals submitted and present their recommendations to the Bureau meeting following the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January.**

## **8 Selection and Decision**

**9.1 The Bureau shall decide upon proposals with regard to awards a) – d).**

**9.2 The Bureau shall submit proposals with regard to awards e) and f) to the Congress.**

## **9 Presentation of Awards**

**9.1 LEN Certificates of Merit and LEN Silver Pins shall be presented to the respective Honoree on occasion of a LEN Event or LEN Meeting preferably of the respective discipline by the LEN President or on his behalf by a Member of the LEN Bureau Executive or the respective LEN Bureau Liaison.**

**9.2 LEN Gold Pins and Medals of Honor shall be presented at the occasion of an exceptional LEN Meeting or a LEN Event by the President or a member of the Bureau.**

**9.3 Honorary Members and Honorary Life Presidents shall be proposed to and seconded by the Congress with a full citation of their achievements.**