

## Amity Agreement

On the occasion of the meeting of the ICTSC on February 26<sup>th</sup> 2016 the ICTSC ratified the following agreement which came into force on January 1st 2016.

## Scope:

This agreement is made between the member countries of the International Clay Target Shooting Council (ICTSC).

## Articles:

- **1.** Each ICTSC member country has its own disciplinary rules and procedures.
- 2. Where any ICTSC member country suspends, bans or refuses membership to a member and/or club of its organisation that country may request the other ICTSC member countries to apply the suspension, ban or refuse membership at any or all of their events.
- **3.** Where such a request is made, any or all of the ICTSC member countries have the right, before imposing a similar suspension, ban or refuse membership to request a submission detailing the reason or reasons for the sanction. This request must be answered within fourteen days of the date on which it was sent by the ICTSC. If not received within this timescale then no further action will be taken by the ICTSC. Following receipt of the reason or reasons each ICTSC member country then may request a meeting to consider submissions from any of the ICTSC member countries. In considering whether to apply a similar sanction, ICTSC member countries will normally support any justifiable sanction.
- **4.** If such a meeting is requested by any ICTSC member country then a full meeting of the ICTSC will be convened to which each party of the dispute will be invited to state its case. After hearing submissions from each party, the parties will be asked to withdraw from the meeting and the remaining ICTSC member countries will reach a decision as to whether the suspension, ban or refuse membership will apply across the ICTSC. If either party to the dispute does not appear at this meeting without a reason which is deemed justifiable to the remaining ICTSC countries then a decision will still be made. If a decision to suspend, ban or refuse membership is agreed by majority vote then that decision shall be applied by all ICTSC member countries. If such a decision is not agreed then the suspension, ban or refuse membership need not be applied overall. However the country originating the suspension, ban or refuse membership or any other member country may still enforce it at its own events.

- **5.** If a ban applied by a member country and mirrored by other member countries is still current after three years, the banned member and/or club has the right to appeal for a review of the ban. The process for such a review shall be the same as that applied in 1.3.
- 6. Host countries shall not allow any suspended, banned or refused membership persons of a member association participate in any capacity at any ICTSC Home Countries International (Invitational) Tournament or ICTSC event, including but not limited to, referring, admin duties, statistical officer, markers, trappers, etc. ...
- **7.** Host countries shall not allow any suspended, banned or refused membership club host any ICTSC Home Counties International (Invitational) Tournament or any ICTSC event.
- **8.** A Central "Register of Sanctions" will be maintained by the ICTSC. All member Associations shall notify the ICTSC within 21 days of the imposition of such a sanction being finalised (following the completion of any appeals process if applicable) and a notice will be immediately circulated by the ICTSC to the Secretaries of the member Associations. Each host country will be obliged to forward the "Register of Sanctions" to the host club or entity for each HCIT or ICTSC event.
- **9.** Member countries recognise the territorial rights of each Association relating to the governance of the sport in those countries and the rights held by each through affiliation to any relevant International Federation (e.g. FITASC).
- **10.** Member countries will recognise that member associations have sole right for fielding international team's from their respective country at any team tournament and/or event held in any member associations country and agree not to invite, promote or illicit any team participation from any other body, group or association without prior consent from the member country.
- **11.** Member countries recognise the right of each Association to trade as a company within the scope of the European Economic Area Agreement and undertake not to undermine or defame each other in word or writing.

End of Agreement.









