



World Water Safety

INTERNATIONAL LIFE SAVING FEDERATION

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ILS POLICY – POL 20

INTERREGIONAL ASSISTANCE

AUTHORITY

The ILS Bye-Laws state that membership in the ILS is open to organisations which agree to comply with ILS legislation; that Regional Branches are not permitted to issue or implement policies that may impinge on other Regional Branches or Member organisations; and that ILS Board of Directors approval must be received in advance of a Regional Branch implementing any policy or procedure that that may affect other Regional Branches or Member organisations.

PURPOSE

ILS Regional Branches have the primary responsibility for developing and supporting lifesaving in their regions. ILS Member Federations are expected to take the lead responsibility for overseeing lifesaving in their countries. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that no actions are taken by one Member Federation or its members in the country of another Member Federation without prior notice and approval of the Member Federation and Regional Branch where the actions are proposed.

POLICY

- 1) Requests for assistance or support made to an ILS Regional Branch from nations outside of the region shall be directed to respective ILS Regional Branch. No ILS Regional Branch shall conduct activities in another ILS region without prior consultation and agreement of the Regional Branch where activities will take place.
- 2) ILS Regional Branches shall take all appropriate actions to communicate the principles of regional cooperation to its regional members and shall take all appropriate actions to mediate disputes between its members and those in other regions
- 3) No ILS Member Federation, including any member organisation of that Member Federation, shall conduct activities in another ILS region without prior consultation and agreement of the Regional Branch where activities will take place.
- 4) No ILS Member Federation, including any member organisation of that Member Federation, shall conduct training or other lifesaving activities in another country with an ILS Full Member without prior consultation and agreement of the Full Member in the country where the training or other lifesaving activities will take place.
- 5) ILS certificates will not be issued for training conducted in the country of an ILS Full Member without the approval of the ILS Full Member of that country.

Policy approved by the Board of Directors on 20/09/2020.