WORLDWIDE LIFESAVING DEVELOPMENT

POLICY STATEMENT

The International Life Saving Federation (ILS) shall include within the organising of all meetings, competitions, conferences, and other events, opportunities for lifesaving representatives from developing nations to attend at reduced cost. A developing nation to be identified as a Category C nation – See ILS Bye-Laws Appendix B. Where possible, this will include a 50% or greater waiver of entry fees and related expenses (e.g., food), identification of accommodation that is substantially discounted from that offered to other attendees, inexpensive or no-cost transportation in-country, and assistance with transportation from/to the country of origin. Such assistance should be included in bidding and organising documents.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to promote the development and continued viability of lifesaving in developing nations of the world.

While lifesaving is well established in most developed nations of the world, it is absent or poorly established in most developing nations. The primary barrier is cost. As an organisation which is, by nature, primarily composed of lifesaving federations from developed nations, and as an organisation which emphasizes the value of developing lifesaving around the world, the ILS should take every reasonable step to encourage participation of lifesaving representatives and organisations from developing nations.

PROCEDURES

The organisers of all meetings, competitions, conferences, and other events held under the aegis of the ILS shall be required to act in accordance with this policy and will be so informed by ILS Headquarters.

The ILS functionaries developing bidding and organising documents shall ensure compliance with this policy.

Policy approved by the Board of Directors on 01/10/2007, on 03/09/2016 and on 24/09/2022.