

AWARDS REGULATIONS (UPDATED 29 SEPTEMBER 2012)

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 Commission

The Bureau shall appoint an Awards Commission 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 Honour

These awards are presented with a certificate.

- e) Honorary Member
- f) Honorary Life President

These awards are presented with a certificate and an honorary pin.

4. Submission of Proposals

Proposals for LEN Awards may be submitted by:

- a) LEN Bureau Members
- b) LEN Standing Committees
- c) LEN Member Federations

5. Nomination Procedure

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

The LEN Awards Commission shall study all proposals and present recommendations to the LEN Bureau meeting following the 1 of February.

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 and having successfully fulfilled many tasks,
- b) Individuals affiliated to a LEN Member Federation having served and supported LEN for a very long period 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 more than one term in a Committee and/or in the Bureau, and having successfully fulfilled and accomplished many tasks with distinction.

6.4 LEN Medal of Honour

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 Honour.

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. Proposals

- 7.1 Proposals for awards a) – d) may be submitted in writing no later than February 1st of each year by:

- Bureau Members
- Standing Committees
- Member Federations

- 7.2 Proposals for awards e) and f) may be submitted by:

- Bureau Members

8. Nomination Procedure

The Awards Commission shall study all proposals submitted and present their recommendations to the Bureau meeting following the 1st of February.

9. 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.

10. Presentation of Awards

- 10.1 LEN Certificates of Merit and LEN Silver Pins shall be presented to the respective Honouree 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.

- 10.2 LEN Gold Pins and Medals of Honour shall be presented at the occasion of an exceptional LEN Meeting or a LEN Event by the President or a member of the Bureau.

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