

Detailed Rules

Chapter 1 General Provisions

Article 1 Purpose of Detailed Rules of Articles of Incorporation

These Detailed Rules of the Articles of Incorporation set forth matters necessary for the operation of the Japanese Midwives Association (hereinafter referred to as the “Association”).

Article 2 Classification of Districts

The Association shall classify Prefectural Midwives Associations into the following seven (7) districts to implement district activities.

1. Hokkaido and Tohoku District
Hokkaido, Aomori, Iwate, Miyagi, Akita, Yamagata, and Fukushima
2. Kita-Kanto District
Ibaraki, Tochigi, Gunma, Saitama, and Niigata
3. South-Kanto District
Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba, Yamanashi, Nagano, and Shizuoka
4. Tokai and Hokuriku District
Toyama, Ishikawa, Fukui, Gifu, Aichi, and Mie
5. Kinki District
Shiga, Kyoto, Osaka, Hyogo, Nara, and Wakayama
6. Chugoku and Shikoku District
Tottori, Shimane, Okayama, Hiroshima, Yamaguchi, Tokushima, Kagawa, Ehime, and Kochi
7. Kyushu and Okinawa District
Fukuoka, Saga, Nagasaki, Kumamoto, Oita, Miyazaki, Kagoshima, and Okinawa

Chapter 2 Cooperation with Prefectural Midwives Associations

Article 3 Prefectural Representatives Meeting

The Association may hold meetings to exchange opinions among representatives of Prefectural Midwives Associations (such as the president) at least once a year.

Chapter 3 International Confederation of Midwives (ICM)

Article 4 Attendance, etc., at Meeting of ICM Council

- 1 The President shall attend a meeting of the ICM (International Confederation of Midwives) Council; provided, however, that if the President is unable to attend, the President may appoint a proxy from among regular members subject to an approval by the Board of Directors.
- 2 If more than one (1) members are allowed to attend the ICM Council in accordance with the relevant rules of the International Confederation of Midwives, the President may

appoint other member to attend the ICM Council from among regular members subject to an approval by the Board of Directors.

Chapter 4 General Assembly

Article 5 Date of Assembly

An Ordinary General Assembly shall be held within three (3) months after the end of the business year.

Chapter 5 Officer

Article 6 Term of Office of Officers

- 1 The term of office of the Officers shall be as prescribed in Article 33 of the Articles of Incorporation; provided, however, that senior director and permanent directors may not assume the office beyond the time of the conclusion of the Ordinary General Assembly meeting for the last business year that ends within eight (8) years of their election.
- 2 A person who has reached the age of seventy (70) by the election day may not assume the office of an officer.
- 3 A director may not consecutively assume the office beyond the time of the conclusion of the Ordinary General Assembly meeting for the last business year that ends within twelve (12) years of their election.

Chapter 6 Committees

Article 7 Standing Committees

The Association shall have following standing committees:

- (1) Safety Management Committee
 - (2) Disaster Response Committee
 - (3) Education Committee
 - (4) Organizational Strengthening Committee
 - (5) Ethics Review Committee
 - (6) International Committee
 - (7) Policy and Research Committee
 - (8) Perinatal Midwifery Care Committee
- 2 The functions, composition, and operation of each standing committee shall be separately determined.
 - 3 In addition to the committees listed in the items of paragraph 1, a special committee may be established when the President deems it necessary; however, the special committee shall survive for one (1) year in principle.

Chapter 7 Advisor

Article 8 Advisers

The Association may have advisors as follows:

- (1) Number of advisors: several advisors
- (2) Advisors are recommended by the Board of Directors and appointed by the President.
- (3) Advisors will provide guidance and advice on the overall businesses of the Association in response to the request of the Board of Directors.

Chapter 8 Amendment of Detailed Rules

Article 9

Any changes to these Details Rules shall be discussed by the Board of Directors and shall be made subject to an approval thereof.

Supplementary Provisions

These Detailed Rules shall come into force as from October 1, 2012.

These Detailed Rules shall come into force as from June 1, 2017.

These Detailed Rules shall come into force as from January 24, 2019.

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