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<td>By 1 March every year</td>
<td>• National Federations (NFs) and Stakeholders with whom the FEI has signed an MOU (SHs) have the opportunity to propose rules modification to the FEI. All comments must be sent to <a href="mailto:rules@fei.org">rules@fei.org</a> using the template provided to you in the website.</td>
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| II     | 1 March to 6 July | • Technical Committees (TCs)/FEI Headquarters (FEI HQ)/FEI Board, where relevant: assess all proposed rules changes (i.e. the ones submitted by NFs and SHs but also the ones proposed by TCs/FEI HQ/Board).  
• The annual Sports Forum provides an opportunity for all FEI stakeholders to participate and discuss any items on the Agenda, including proposals for Rules changes.  
• FEI produces a 1st Draft of the proposed rules changes including explanation as to the non-acceptance of proposals received by NFs/SHs, if applicable. |
| III    | 6 July to 24 August | • 6 July: The 1st Draft of proposed rules changes is provided to NFs and SHs.  
• NFs and SHs must be given at least six weeks to review the 1st Draft and the proposed amendments lay down in this 1st Draft and make comments and/or propose any changes in relation to the amendments referenced in the 1st Draft only. Comments/changes to be submitted to the FEI no later than 24 August.  
• New proposals can only be accepted if linked directly to a proposed modification included in the 1st Draft.  
• The FEI HQ shall have the possibility in this Phase to review any proposed change for consistency purposes, legal wording, cross references, contradictions, etc. |
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| IV    | 25 August to 14 October | 14 October Final Draft of the proposed rules changes is provided to the NFs and SHs four weeks prior to the FEI General Assembly (GA).  
   - This Final Draft shall include:  
     - Comments received by NFs/SHs on the 1<sup>st</sup> Draft;  
     - Comments on refused proposals; and,  
     - FEI Board recommendations, where relevant. |
| V     | 12 November  
FEI General Assembly Rules Session | At the FEI General Assembly Rules Session the following may happen:  
   - Discussion of any proposed rules changes submitted in Phases I or III only;  
   - Identification of whether a specific proposed rule change shall be voted on separately at the GA or confirmation that the relevant set of rules can be voted in one block (only NFs with voting rights shall have the right to request a separate vote); and,  
   - Clarifications, corrections of errors (e.g. contradictions, inconsistencies, etc.) can be modified by FEI without changing the spirit of the articles/rules.  
   - No new proposals can be submitted at this point of the process, as these proposals will not have been circulated to <u>all</u> NFs and relevant bodies (i.e. Technical Committees, Board and HQ) who will therefore not have had the opportunity to fully evaluate the implications of the proposed rule changes. |
| VI    | 13 November  
FEI General Assembly day |  
   - Voting on the different proposals as decided in Phase VI.  
   - Communication of the day of implementation of the new rules. As a general rule and with the exception of the statutory changes, the new rules will take effect on 1 January of the following year. |
| VII   | Post General Assembly |  
   - Publication of the approved rules. |