

Rules on voting: examples

Currently in the BSAC:

	Annual meetings No requirement on quorum	Board meetings/ExCom At least two thirds must be present for the Executive Committee to perform its full functions. To take decisions, more than two thirds of the members shall be present.
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Proposed for BSAC

	Annual meetings The presence, including written mandates, of a majority of the members is required for any decision to be taken.	Board meetings/ExCom The presence, including written mandates, of a majority of the members is required for any decision to be taken.
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	Annual meetings	Board meetings, ExCom meetings
Advisory Councils		
NSAC	No requirement for quorum	Quorum of two-thirds
PELAC	No requirement for quorum	No requirement for quorum
MEDAC	<p>For the first call at least half plus one of the members with voting rights must be present, while for the second call a simple majority of those present and voting is sufficient to render the resolutions valid.</p> <p>General Assembly members may delegate, in special cases, their voting rights to other members of the Assembly, provided they are from the same sector. A General Assembly member may not hold more than 2 voting proxies in addition to his/her own, with the exception of the Assembly held to amend the Association Statute, when they may hold up to 5 proxies.</p>	<p>For the first call at least half plus one of the members with voting rights must be present, while for the second call a simple majority of those present and voting is sufficient to render the resolutions valid.</p> <p>The members of the Executive Committee may, in exceptional circumstances, delegate their voting rights to other Executive Committee members, provided they are from the same sector. A member of the Executive Committee may not hold more than two voting proxies in addition to his/her own.</p>
AAC	On the rest of its tasks, the General Assembly can only deliberate if a minimum of at least 50% of members are present or represented by proxy . If this quorum is not reached, a new meeting will be held within a month's time	The Executive Committee can only decide if a minimum of at least two thirds (2/3) of its members are present or represented by proxy . If this quorum is not reached, a new meeting will be called within a month's time.
SWWAC	At least 50% must be present	No requirement

Market AC	Decisions of the General Assembly are valid when at least 50% of the members are present or represented by proxy as defined in Article 20 of these Sta	At least two thirds of the members must be present or represented by proxy as defined in Article 20, for the Executive Committee to perform its full function.
Black Sea AC	The General Assembly is held when there are appeared and attend more than half of all members of the association . In the absence of a quorum, the meeting is postponed for an hour later on the same place with the same agenda, is considered legitimate, and can be held, nevertheless the	No information
NWWAC	No requirements (It seems they are going through the rules at the moment)	Two thirds must be present (It seems they are going through the rules at the moment)
LDAC	At least 50% of the members present or represented (through proxies or delegated votes)	No information
International organisations		
European Parliament	In plenary, the European Parliament normally takes decisions by an absolute majority of votes cast. A quorum exists when one third of the component Members of Parliament are present in the Chamber . If the president, at the request of at least 40 Members, establishes that the quorum is not present, the vote is held over to the next sitting.	
European Council	Physical presence of a majority of the members of the Council is required to enable the Council to vote (at twenty eight members, the majority is fifteen).	
UN	The quorum for opening a GA meeting is one-third of the Member States in the Plenary. The quorum for the adoption of resolutions/decisions and elections is a simple majority of Member States.	Quorum of one-fourth of the Member States in the Main Committees.
FAO	A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.	
HELCOM	No information on the quorum. In HoD meetings decisions taken by consensus . Between meetings of the Commission a written vote may be taken.	
Exampes of international member organisations of the BSAC		

European Anglers Alliance	The number of votes of Members shall depend on the number of affiliated members and on the effected payment of annual fees. The votes of the members are weighted according to the number of affiliated anglers of that member. The weighting is laid down in the Internal Regulations of the EAA, and is subject to revision by the General Assembly. Fees have to be paid before the due date as laid down in the EAA Regulations and the General Assembly is preferably held after that date. Members having failed to pay their annual fees in due time shall lose their vote at the General Assembly.	
WWF	The decision of the WWF Council and its Nominations Committee are taken by consensus. If not possible the decision will be taken by a majority of the members present, except for the decisions appointing an honorary member of the WWF Council, which require a majority of 60% the members present.	The International Board may vote on a Resolution to remove a Trustee. A majority of three-quarters of the whole International Board without the Trustee concerned shall be required for the Resolution to be adopted. A meeting of the International Board can take place by interactive electronic means. A meeting is only valid provided a quorum is participating, consisting of a majority of the whole International Board. No Trustee may be represented by another person, nor vote by proxy.
Coalition Clean Baltic	Quorum rule of 50%. If quorum is not achieved a new meeting must be called (with a certain procedure) and at that meeting, the assembled members are considered the quorum regardless of % present. If the General Meeting is inquorate, another meeting should be held within one month of the original meeting. If after fifteen minutes that meeting too is inquorate, the number of Members present shall be deemed quorum. The extra GM needs to be called for directly at the meeting and be held within one month, only cover the matters listed and sent out before. Then at the	

	extra physical meeting, if the General Meeting is inquorate after fifteen minutes, the number of Members present shall be deemed quorum.	
CIPS International Confederation for Sport Fishing	<i>Waiting for information</i>	