

Report from the Ethics Authority (70th FIL Congress 2022 in Hall/Tirol)

This year, too, it is not possible to report on concrete cases; this is due to the fact that, as a rule, it is not possible to report on the "cases" at all for reasons of personal protection and the requirement of confidential handling of information and incidents.

For understandable reasons, this year's main topic is the following regulations of the FIL Ethics Code:

"The FIL is neutral. It does not allow discrimination against its members or other persons or institutions associated with the FIL for political, racial, religious, or any other reasons, and it protects the personal rights of all parties."

"The personal dignity and honor, mutual respect, and appreciation of personal rights must be guaranteed."

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Neutrality cannot mean that the FIL must remain inactive when NFs come from a country that is overrunning another country with acts of war.

The FIL is mandated by the **FIL Ethics Code** to protect its members and others associated with the FIL from discrimination on political or other grounds and to ensure that their personal rights are not violated. The right to physical and mental integrity is also to be protected by the FIL through appropriate measures.

The FIL and its members as well as other persons associated with the FIL are required by the FIL Ethics Code to ensure the observance of the "Fair-Play" principle as well as the rule- and law-abidingness of all participants.

Whoever as a NF and/or individual person does not clearly renounce (internationally) illegal national actions of his own state has violated the "Fair-Play" principle.

According to the Olympic Charter, only those can be members of the Olympic Movement who recognize and comply with the requirements of the Charter. The duty to obey the rules and laws transforms these rules of the Olympic Movement into FIL law.

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