

Executive summary of statutory changes

Comparison between the current bylaws and the proposed new bylaws for the Assembly

Note: The current bylaws derive from the Association's historical text, with a certified adaptation to Organic Law 1/2002. The new proposal preserves the essence of the entity, but updates its internal functioning, its voting system, its disciplinary safeguards, its digital organization and continuity of management.

Area	Current bylaws	New bylaws	Practical value of the change
Structure and legal drafting	More traditional, brief text with general regulation.	More orderly, systematic text developed by titles and articles.	Provides greater clarity, legal certainty and less room for interpretation.
Purposes and legal framework	Basic neighborhood-related purposes and general reference to association law.	Updates the legal framework and redefines the purposes in more modern language, including engagement with public authorities and improvement of the surrounding environment.	Reinforces the Association's legitimacy to act and represent neighborhood interests.
Who may become a member	Focuses on adult persons residing within the territorial scope.	Clarifies and broadens the possibility of joining for those who are stably linked to a dwelling or plot.	Creates a membership base more consistent with the reality of the development.
Register and voting rights	Does not contain such a detailed system for validating the register.	Establishes the principle of one vote per dwelling or plot, with identification and validation rules.	Prevents duplication and better organizes voting.
Information rights	Recognizes the general right to request explanations about management.	Better develops access to accounts, minutes, budgets and documentation prior to the Assembly.	Improves transparency and allows members to vote with more information.
Fees, non-payment and loss of membership	Simpler regulation regarding fees and loss of rights due to non-payment.	Specifies payment deadlines, effects of non-payment, suspension of rights and removal for arrears with prior hearing.	Reduces conflicts and makes clear who may exercise association rights.
Disciplinary regime and expulsion	More concise system with less procedural detail.	Introduces due-process safeguards: hearing, proportionality, impartial investigator, reasoned decision and expulsion reserved to the Assembly.	Better protects members and gives greater solidity to disciplinary decisions.
Notice of Assembly	Shorter minimum notice period and a more traditional notice system.	The notice period is extended and more information is required on the format, documentation and voting system.	Reduces the risk of challenges due to formal defects.
Voting and majorities	Election of the Board was structured as secret ballot.	Election of positions becomes public; removals, proceedings and particularly sensitive matters may be secret.	Better distinguishes between ordinary votes and votes requiring special confidentiality.
Remote assemblies and absentee voting	Does not regulate in detail remote, advance or proxy voting.	Regulates remote attendance, electronic voting, advance voting, representation and incident control; it also provides for a fixed in-person voting point requested 7 days in advance.	Facilitates participation without losing organizational control.

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Electoral process	More open and simple system.	Prior submission of candidacies is organized, and only if there are no candidacies for a given position may they be submitted at the Assembly itself for those vacant posts.	Prevents improvisation and improves the security of the electoral process.
Board of Directors and functions	Basic functions of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and board members.	Better details powers, incorporates the Communications Board Member position and clarifies limits and substitutions.	Improves distribution of tasks and accountability within the Board.
Management tools and continuity	Does not develop a clear system for document handover or corporate tools.	Reinforces the use of the Association's email, drive and management tools, with exceptional use of personal means only if authorized by the Board.	Protects continuity, traceability and document control when the Board changes.
Official communication	There was no modern and complete regulation of official channels.	Recognizes the website, WhatsApp broadcast group, social media, physical noticeboard and leaflet distribution as official channels.	Gives greater validity and evidentiary value to communications addressed to members.
Financial management and spending control	More basic financial regime, with less detail on authorizations and internal control.	Strengthens authorization thresholds, reimbursements, advances, related-party contracting and the requirement for comparable quotations in certain cases.	Increases internal control and reduces risks in payments and contracting.
Data protection and digital support	No specific development adapted to current digital management.	Includes provisions on data protection, electronic communications, digital records, electronic signature and document custody.	Updates the Association to the digital reality and improves the formality of management.
Final clause and formalization	More traditional closing formula.	Improves the wording on approval, repeal of incompatible versions and final formalization.	Leaves a cleaner and more solid text for approval and subsequent registration, where applicable.

Conclusion for the Assembly: the proposal does not change the essence of the Association, but it does make it clearer, more modern and more secure. The main advances focus on transparency, voting control, disciplinary safeguards, internal organization, digital management and continuity between Boards.