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**To: International Floorball Federation
Secretary General
John Liljelund**

Sports Committee of Ukraine - is the umbrella organization that unites and develops non-Olympic sports. The Committee has 42 full members - non-Olympic federations and has 5 associate members.

Since 2012 a new law regarding non-governmental organizations has been adopted where NGOs can be either public association or public unions.

Many sports federations in Ukraine is in phase of transformation were they are looking over their legal form of organization. Federations could be organized in different legal forms but we highly recommend a club system where the clubs are members of the federation.

Bellow is a transcript from the Ukrainian law explaining the difference between different legal forms.

Article 1. Definition of a Public Association

1. A public association is a voluntary association of physical persons and/or legal entities under private law for the purpose of exercising and protecting rights and freedoms and satisfying public, among them economic, social, cultural, environmental, and other interests.
2. As far as its organizational and legal form is concerned, a public association is established as a public organization or a public union.
3. A public organization is a public association the founders and members (participants) of which are physical persons.
4. A public union is a public association the founders of which are legal entities under private law and whose members (participants) may be legal entities under private law and/or physical persons.
5. A public association may conduct its activity with or without the legal entity status. A public association with the legal entity status is a nonentrepreneurial (non-commercial) company for which making profit is not the main purpose.

Source: Law of Ukraine on public Associations adopted by Verkhovna Rada 22.03.2012 (english version)

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