

ESICM Statutes - Article 12: Journals

12.1 Journals of the Association

The Association shall publish at least one Scientific Journal, the electronic subscription of which is included in the membership fee of members. The relationship between the Editorial Boards and the Association shall be determined by the Council and documented in the Standard Operating Procedures.

12.2 Publication of Reports from the Association

The Editorial Boards have full responsibility and editorial oversight of all material published in the Association's journals.

12.3 Nomination of the Editors-in-Chief

At least twelve months before the position of any Editor-in-Chief is open, a Search Committee for the next Editor-in-Chief has to be formed.

At least twelve months before the end of the first mandate, the Editor-in-Chief can apply for renewal, which has to be approved by the Executive Committee. Either a new appointment or renewal has to be completed at least six months before the start of the mandate.

The composition of the Search Committee, the selection of the Editor-in-Chief and the criteria to be elected are defined in the SOPs.

SOPs - 4. Addendum to Article 12 of the ESICM Statutes: Journals

The Society journals will publish the official reports, and guidelines, issued by the Association, within the limits of available pages, as per guidelines for publication of such papers, agreed upon by the Editorial and Publishing Committee and the Editors-in-Chief of the journals.

Editor-in-Chief (ICM journal)

The Editor-in-Chief of the ICM journal is nominated for a three-year term which can be renewed once by mutual agreement between the Executive Committee and the Editor-in-Chief, the renewal decision being notified at least 6 months before the end of the first mandate. In the event the renewal is a matter of discussion within the Executive Committee, the Editor-in-Chief will not take part in the discussion.

Twelve months before the position of Editor-in-Chief is vacant, the Executive Committee shall form a Search Committee of no more than eight members, including the following members of the Executive Committee: in all cases, the President, the President-elect, the Chair of DSA, the Chair of the Social Media and Digital Content Committee, the Editor-in-Chief and the President of ESPNIC(*). Other members of the Search Committee will be nominated by the ESICM Executive Committee among members of the Board of Editors or ESICM members with relevant expertise. A representative of the publisher attends this Committee. The President and the current Editor-in-Chief propose to the Executive Committee the name of the Chairman of this Search Committee. The Call for Applications will be advertised on the ESICM and the journal's websites. At the end of the process of candidate selection, the Search Committee will present its conclusion to the Executive Committee for final approval. Then, the name is presented to the publisher. The Editor-in-Chief reports to the Executive Committee of the Society regularly and performance is assessed against the contract of employment.

(*) the presence of the ESPNIC President in the Search Committee is only necessary for the common journal, Intensive Care Medicine.

Selection of the ICM Editor-in-Chief should be based on:

- Scientific Credibility
- Reputation in the field of intensive care medicine
- Editorial skills
- Ability to allocate enough time to this position
- Expected longevity for this position
- Communication skills
- ESICM Ordinary membership

The incoming Editor-in-Chief should be appointed no later than six months before the end of the term of the outgoing Editor-in-Chief.

Editorial and Advisory Board (ICM journal)

The members of the Board of Editors are nominated for a three-year term which can be renewed once. The new Editor-in-Chief forms an Editorial Board with Deputy Editors and Editors. The final list of Editors is ratified by the ESICM Executive Committee. The Board of Editors serves a three-year term which is reviewed annually and can be renewed once. The Board of Editors is assisted by an Advisory Board. The members of the Advisory Board are chosen from the members of the Society or, exceptionally, outside, especially for individuals with special expertise, upon proposals of the Editors and Council members. They serve on the Board for a three-year term which can be renewed once. The list of Advisory Board members is revised each year by the Editors during the annual Editorial Meeting.