



INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF MILITARY MEDICINE

REGULATION OF INTERNAL ORDER ON THE JULES VONCKEN PRIZE

Reference: Statutes of the ICMM, Article 2 and Article 19 §3

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Statutory basis

Major General Doctor Jules VONCKEN was the co-Founder and Secretary General of the International Committee of Military Medicine from 1921 to 1975. Conform to Article 2 of the Statutes of the International Committee of Military Medicine, this Regulation of Internal Order defines the rules for the attribution of the Jules VONCKEN Prize.

Regulation

Art. 1.

The JULES VONCKEN PRIZE is awarded in principle every two years during the World Congress of the International Committee of Military Medicine (ICMM).

The Prize rewards the original unpublished work of an author or group of authors belonging to the regular or reserve officer corps of the Armed Forces Health Services.

The work must relate to one of the health disciplines represented in a military environment*. The work must further tend to improve the organization of the Armed Forces Health Services or the efficiency of their operations in times of peace or conflict, or relate to studies worthy of encouragement, conducted by one or several young research workers in fields having applications in a military environment.

Art. 2.

Applications must be sent EIGHT MONTHS before the date scheduled for the World Congress of Military Medicine. Applications must be sent through the official ICMM delegate of the country of the applicant, to the following address:

***Jules Voncken Prize
International Committee of Military Medicine
Military Hospital Queen Astrid
Bruynstreet 1
BE-1120 Brussels (Belgium)***

The typed text must be written in one of the two official languages of the ICMM: English or French. Seven copies of the work must be sent.

[Art. 3](#)

The Chairman of the Scientific Council may propose to the Jury of the Jules Voncken Prize a limited number of works already published in the *International Review of the Armed Forces Medical Services* (IRAFS) during the period elapsed since the last ICMM World Congress. These works must be selected based on their excellence in meeting the targets set forth in paragraph 3 of article 1. The authors of these works must belong or have belonged to the regular or reserve corps of the Armed Forces Health Services.

[Art. 4.](#)

The Jury of the Jules Voncken Prize is composed of international experts.

The Jury includes seven members :

- The Chairman of the Scientific Council of the ICMM (is also the Chairman of the Jury),
- The Secretary General of the ICMM,
- The Deputy Chairman of the Scientific Council of the ICMM
- An expert belonging to the Member State organizing the World Congress,
- Three experts proposed by the Chairman of the Scientific Council, based on their specific technical qualifications.

The deliberation of the jury can be done by electronic means.

The decisions of the Jury are final.

[Art. 5.](#)

The work awarded the Jules Voncken Prize becomes the property of the *International Review of the Armed Forces Medical Services* and will be published as soon as possible.

Unless otherwise specified by the authors, the other works can also be published in the Review, after favorable advice of the Editorial Board.

[Art. 6.](#)

The results are announced during the World Congress.

The Prize consists of a sum of money. The Bureau of the International Committee decides the amount, at the time of announcement of the Prize.

[Art. 7.](#)

This regulation replaces and cancels former versions.

*- Medicine, surgery and other specialties, curative or preventive, laboratory, research, health logistics, pharmacy, veterinary sciences, dentistry and nursing.