

## 1. ICCF — Key Deadlines for the 2026 Congress (Revised)

The term “deadline” originates from nineteenth-century military usage, referring to a literal boundary beyond which movement could result in fatal consequences. Over time, the term evolved into organisational and legal contexts to denote a firm point by which an action must be completed. In governance, deadlines are essential instruments of accountability: they ensure procedural fairness, enable orderly planning, support transparency, and protect the integrity of decision-making processes. Clear, published deadlines reduce ambiguity, minimise operational risk, and allow stakeholders to discharge their responsibilities in a timely and equitable manner.

<b>Task</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Description</b>
Proposal Submission Window Opens	1 March 2026	Congress proposal submissions (by ICCF Officials and Delegates) are open.
Congress Documentation Distributed	1 May 2026	Congress invitations and programmes are distributed.
Medal Eligibility and Collection Officials Identified	1 June 2026	Confirmation of medal eligibility and identification of officials responsible for medal and certificate collection.
Proposal Submission Window Closes	1 September 2026	All proposals must be submitted via the online system by a National Delegate or ICCF Official.
Delegate Registration Deadline	1 September 2026	All Delegates must register as voting members. No late registrations accepted.
Publication of Submitted Proposals	2 September 2026	All valid proposals are published for Delegate review.
Congress Hotel Booking Deadline	To be confirmed by the hosting organization.	Congress registration closes: attendance places confirmed.
Online Proposal Voting	14 September 2026	Online voting commences.

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Voting Member List Published	14 September 2026	List of voting members published for Member Federation reference.
Proxy Nominations Due	24 September 2026	Written proxy declarations must be submitted to the General Secretary.
Officials' Reports Due	1 October 2026	All EB/MC reports have been submitted for distribution.
Online Proposal Voting Ends	9 October 2026	Online Proposal Voting Ends; however, delegates will still be able to vote, or change their vote, at Congress.
Executive Board Meeting	11 October 2026	The meeting convenes the day prior to Congress.
Congress — Day 1	12 October 2026	Opening day of Congress.
Congress — Day 2	13 October 2026	Second day of Congress.
Congress — Day 3 (if required)	14 October 2026	Third day if required.