



Launceston Model Aero Club Incorporated LAUNCESTON, TASMANIA

Rules of the Launceston Model Aero Club Inc.

CONSTITUTION

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PART A. CONSTITUTION

As per Schedule 1- Model Rules for an Association
Associations Incorporation (Model Rules) Regulations 1997 No 166

1 Name of Association

1.1 The name of the Association is the Launceston Model Aero Club Incorporated

2 Interpretation

2.1 In these rules-

- (a) “Act” means the Associations Incorporations Act 1964;
- (b) “Association” means the association referred to in rule 1;
- (c) “Auditor” means the person appointed as the auditor of the Association under rule 9;
- (d) “Basic objects of the association” means the objects and purposes of the association as stated in rule 4;
- (e) “Committee” means a committee as defined by the Act;
- (f) “General Meeting” includes-
 - (i) The annual General Meeting
 - (ii) Any special general meetings
- (g) “Ordinary business of the annual general meeting” means the business specified in rule 11.5;
- (h) “Ordinary committee member” means a member of the committee to whom rule 23: 1(b) and 23: (2) relates;
- (i) “Special General Meeting” means any general meeting other than the annual general meeting.
- (j) By-Laws shall be those By-Laws and regulations, which may be determined by the Committee from time to time.

3 Associations Office

3.1 The office of the Association shall be at the home of the Secretary Elect, or such other place as the committee may, from time to time determine.

4 Objects and purposes of the Association

4.1 The objects of the association shall be to foster and promote the building and flying of model aircraft and to conduct competition between aeromodellers of the club and any other clubs so formed to the benefit of all aeromodellers.

4.2 In addition to the basic objects of the association, the objects and purposes of the association include the following:

- (a) The purchase, taking on lease or in exchange, and the hiring or otherwise acquiring of any real or personal property necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the association;
- (b) The buying, selling and supplying of, and dealing in, goods of all kinds;
- (c) The construction, maintenance and alteration of buildings or works necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the association;
- (d) The accepting of any gift for any one or more of the objects or purposes of the association;
- (e) The taking of any step the committee or the members in general meeting consider expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the association;
- (f) The printing and publishing of any newspapers, periodicals, books, leaflets or other documents the committee or the members in general meeting consider desirable for the promotion of the objects and purposes of the association;
- (g) The borrowing and raising of money in any manner and on terms-
 - (i) The committee thinks fit; or
 - (ii) Approved or directed by resolution passed at a general meeting;
- (h) Subject to the provisions of the trustee act 1898, the investment of any moneys of the association not immediately required for any of its objects or purposes in any manner the committee determines.
- (i) The making of gifts, subscriptions or donations to any of the funds, authorities or institutions to which section 78(1) (a) of the income tax Assessment Act 1936 of the Commonwealth relates;
- (j) The establishment and support, or aiding in the establishment and support, of associations, institutions, funds, trusts, schemes and conveniences calculated to benefit servants or past servants of the association and their dependants, and the granting of pensions, allowances, or other benefits to servants or past servants of the association and their dependants, and the making of payments towards insurance in relation to any of those purposes;
- (k) The establishment and support, or aiding in the establishment or support, of any other association formed for any of the basic objects of the association;
- (l) The purchase or acquisition, and undertaking of all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any association with which the association is amalgamated in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules of the Association;

- (m) The doing of any lawful thing incidental or conducive to the attainment of the basic objects of the Association or any of the objects and purposes specified in this rule.

5 Membership of the Association

- 5.1 A person who applies and is approved for membership as provided in these rules, is eligible to be a member of the Association on payment of the annual Subscription prescribed in, or fixed under, these rules
- 5.2 Types of membership shall be as described in the By-Laws.
- 5.3 A person who is not a member of the Association at the time of the Incorporation of the Association, shall not be admitted to membership—
 - (a) Unless the person has applied as provided in accordance with rule 5.4; and
 - (b) The admission as a member is approved by the committee.
- 5.4 Application for membership of the Association-
 - (a) Admission to membership shall be open to all persons
 - (b) Applications for membership shall be made on the club application form and personally signed by the applicant
 - (c) The committee shall have the right to refuse admission to any applicant without explanation
 - (d) Applications shall be lodged with the Secretary/Public Officer and to be submitted with the appropriate joining fee as stated on the application form
- 5.5 As soon as practical after the receipt of an application, the Secretary/Public Officer is to refer the application to the committee.
- 5.6 Upon an application being approved by the committee, the Secretary/Public Officer-
 - (a) Is to notify the applicant, in writing, that he or she has been approved for membership of the Association; and
 - (b) Upon receipt of the sum payable as the first year's subscription, the Registrar is to enter the applicants name in a register of members.
- 5.7 A member of the Association may resign from the Association by delivering or sending by post to the Secretary/Public Officer a written notice of resignation.
- 5.8 Upon receipt of a notice from a member under rule 5.7, the Registrar is to remove the name of the member from the register of Members, where upon that member ceases to be a member of the Association.
- 5.9 Any right privilege or obligation of a person as a member of the Association-
 - (a) Is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and
 - (b) Terminates on the cessation of membership.

5.10 Cessation of membership

A person ceases to be a member of the Association if the person:

- (a) Dies; or
- (b) Resigns from membership of the Association; or
- (c) Is expelled from the Association; or
- (d) Fails to pay all arrears of subscription due, within 14 days after receiving a notice in writing signed by the public officer advising the amount in arrears and the due date.

5.11 If the Association is wound up –

- (a) Every member of the Association; and
- (b) Every person who, within the period of 12 months immediately preceding the commencement of the winding up was a member of the Association is liable to contribute-
- (c) To the assets of the Association for payment of the debts or liabilities of the Association; and
- (d) For the costs, charges and expenses of the winding up; and
- (e) For the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.

5.12 Any liability under rule (5.11) is not to exceed \$5.00.

5.13 A former member is not liable to contribute under rule (5.12) in respect of any debt or liability of the Association contracted after he or she ceased to be a member.

6 Income and property of the Association

6.1 The assets and income of the Association shall be applied solely in furtherance of its above mentioned objects and no portion shall be distributed directly or indirectly to the members of the Association except as bona-fide compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.

6.2 No portion of the income and property of the Association is to be paid or transferred to any member of the Association.

6.3 The Association is not to --

- (a) Appoint a person who is a member of the committee to any office in the gift of the Association to the holder of which there is payable any remuneration by way of salary, fees or allowances; or
- (b) Pay to any such person any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth, other than the repayment of out of pocket expenses.

6.4 A servant or member of the Association may be paid –

- (a) Remuneration in return for services rendered to the Association or

- (b) For goods supplied to the Association in the ordinary course of business; or
 - (c) Interest at a rate not exceeding 7¼ % on money lent to the Association; or
 - (d) A reasonable and proper sum by way of rent for premises let to the Association.
- 6.5 Dissolution Clause: In the event of the Association being dissolved, the amount that remains after such dissolution and the satisfaction of all debts and Liabilities shall be transferred to another Organisation with similar Purposes which is not carried on for the profit or gain of its individual members.

7 Accounts of Receipt and Expenditure

- 7.1 True Accounts are to be kept of-
- (a) All money received and expended by the Association and the matter in respect of which the receipt or expenditure takes place; and
 - (b) The property, credits and liabilities of the Association.
- 7.2 The accounts are to be kept open to inspection by the members of the Association subject to any reasonable restrictions as to time and manner of inspecting the Association may impose.
- 7.3 The Treasurer of the Association is to keep all general records, accounting books and records of receipts and expenditure connected with the operations and business of the Association in the form and manner the committee directs.
- 7.4 The accounts, books and records are to be kept at the Associations office or at any other place the committee decides.

8 Banking and finance

- 8.1 The Treasurer of the Association, on behalf of the Association, is to –
- (a) Receive all money paid to the Association; and
 - (b) Immediately after the receipt issue official receipts.
- 8.2 The committee shall cause to be opened with any bank, building society or credit union the committee selects, an account in the name of the Association into which all money received is to be paid as soon as possible after receipt thereof.
- 8.3 The committee may –
- (a) Receive from the Association's financial institution the cheques drawn by the Association on any of its accounts with the financial institution; and
 - (b) Release and indemnify the financial institution from and against all claims, actions, suit or demand that may be brought against the financial institution arising directly or indirectly out of those cheques.

- 8.4 Except with the authority of the committee, a payment of any sum exceeding \$20.00 is not to be made from the funds of the Association otherwise than by cheque drawn on the Associations account.
- 8.5 The committee may provide the Treasurer with a sum to meet urgent expenditure, subject to any conditions in relation to the use and expenditure the committee may impose.
- 8.6 All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by the treasurer and counter signed by any other member of the committee the committee may nominate for that purpose.

9 Auditor

- 9.1 At each annual general meeting of the Association, the members present are to appoint a person as the auditor of the Association.
- 9.2 The auditor is to hold office until the annual general meeting next after that at which he or she is appointed, and is eligible for re-appointment.
- 9.3 The first auditor may be appointed by the committee before the first annual general meeting, and holds office until the first annual general meeting, unless earlier removed by a resolution of the members at a general meeting, when that meeting may appoint an auditor to act until the first annual general meeting.
- 9.4 If an appointment is not made at an annual general meeting, the committee is to appoint an auditor for the current financial year of the Association.
- 9.5 Except as provided in rule (9.3), the auditor may only be removed from office by special resolution.
- 9.6 If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of auditor during the course of a financial year of the Association, the committee may appoint a person as the auditor to hold office until the next succeeding annual meeting.

10 Audit of accounts

- 10.1 The auditor is to examine the accounts of the Association at least once in each financial year of the Association.
- 10.2 The auditor is to certify as to the correctness of the accounts of the Association and shall report to the members present at the annual General meeting.
- 10.3 In the report and in certifying to the accounts the auditor is to state if-
 - (a) He or she has obtained the required information; and
 - (b) In his or her opinion, the accounts are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the financial position of the Association-
 - (i) According to the information at his or her disposal and the explanations given; and
 - (ii) As shown by the books of the Association.

- (c) The rules relating to the administration of the funds of the Association have been observed.
- 10.4 The public officer of the Association, or other person as appointed by the committee, is to cause to be delivered to the auditor a list of all the accounts, books and records of the Association.
- 10.5 The auditor may-
 - (a) Have access to the accounts, books, records, vouchers and documents of the Association.
 - (b) Require from the servants of the Association any information and explanations as may be necessary for the performance of the duties as auditor; and
 - (c) Employ persons to assist in investigating the accounts of the Association; and
 - (d) In relation to the accounts of the Association examine any member of the committee or any servant of the Association.

11 Annual General Meeting

- 11.1 The Association is to hold an annual general meeting each year.
- 11.2 The annual general meeting is to be held on any day (being not later than 3 months after the close of the financial year of the Association) the committee determines.
- 11.3 The annual general meeting is to be in addition to any other general meetings that may be held in the same year.
- 11.4 The notice convening the annual general meeting is to specify the purpose of the meeting.
- 11.5 The ordinary business of the annual general meeting is to be as follows-
 - (a) To confirm the minutes of the last preceding annual general meeting and of any general meeting held since that meeting;
 - (b) To receive from the committee, auditor and servants of the Association reports on the transactions of the Association during the last preceding financial year;
 - (c) To elect the officers of the Association and the ordinary committee members;
 - (d) To appoint the auditor and determine his or her remuneration;
 - (e) To determine the remuneration of servants of the Association.
- 11.6 The annual general meeting may transact special business of which notice is given in accordance with these rules.

12 Special General Meetings

- 12.1 The committee may convene a special general meeting of the Association at any time.

- 12.2 The committee, on the requisition in writing of at least 10 members, may convene a special general meeting of the Association.
- 12.3 A requisition for a special general meeting-
- (a) Is to state the objects of the meeting; and
 - (b) Is to be signed by the requisitionists; and
 - (c) Is to be deposited at the office of the Association; and
 - (d) May consist of several documents, each signed by one or more of the requisitionists.
- 12.4 If the committee does not cause a special general meeting to be held within 21 days from the day on which a requisition is deposited at the office of the Association. The requisitionists, or any of them, may convene the meeting within 3 months from the day of the deposit of the requisition.
- 12.5 A special general meeting convened by requisitionists is to be convened in the same manner as nearly as possible as meetings are convened by the committee.
- 12.6 All reasonable expenses incurred by requisitionists in convening a special general meeting are to be refunded by the Association.

13 Notices of General Meetings

- 13.1 The public officer of the Association, at least 14 days before the date fixed for holding a general meeting of the Association, is to send by electronic means, either by email and/or SMS, or by general post and to cause to be inserted on the club web site a notice -
- (a) Specifying the place, day and time for the holding of the meeting; and
 - (b) The nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting

14 Business and Quorum at General Meetings

- 14.1 All business transacted at a general meeting, except the ordinary business of the annual general meeting, is special business.
- 14.2 Business is not to be transacted at a general meeting unless a quorum of members entitled to vote is present at the time the meeting is considering that business.
- 14.3 A quorum for the transaction of the business of a general meeting is 10 members present and entitled to vote.
- 14.4 If a quorum is not present one hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a general meeting, the meeting-
- (a) If convened on the requisition of members, is to be dissolved; or
 - (b) In any other case, is to be adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time at the same place.

- 14.5 If at an adjourned meeting a quorum is not present one hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting is to be dissolved.
- 14.6 The chairperson, by written notice or at the time of the adjournment, may specify another place to which a meeting is to be adjourned.

15 President to preside at general meetings

- 15.1 The president, or in his or her absence the Vice-President, shall preside at every general meeting of the Association.
- 15.2 If the president and Vice-President are absent from a general meeting, the members present are to elect one of their number to preside as chairperson.

16 Adjournment of general meetings

- 16.1 The chairperson of a general meeting at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business is to be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.
- 16.2 If a meeting is adjourned for 14 days or more, the notice of the adjourned meeting is to be given in the same manner as the notice of the original meeting.
- 16.3 It is not necessary to give any notice of an adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

17 Determination of questions arising at general meetings

- 17.1 A question arising at a general meeting of the Association is to be determined on a show of hands.
- 17.2 Unless before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the chairperson that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried, or carried unanimously, or carried by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the minute book of the Association is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour or against that resolution.

18 Votes

- 18.1 On any question arising at a general meeting of the Association, a member has one vote only.
- 18.2 All votes are to be given personally.
- 18.3 In the case of an equality of voting on a question, the chairperson has a second or casting vote.

19 Taking a Poll

- 19.1 If at a meeting a poll on any question is demanded-
 - (a) It is to be taken at that meeting in the manner the chairperson directs: and,

- (b) The result of the poll is taken to be the resolution of the meeting on that question.

20 When Poll to be taken

- 20.1 A poll that is demanded on the election of a chairperson, or on a question of adjournment, is to be taken immediately.
- 20.2 A poll that is demanded on any other question is to be taken at any time before the close of the meeting as the chairperson directs.

21 Affairs of Association to be managed by a committee

- 21.1 The affairs of the Association are to be managed by a committee of management constituted as provided in rule 23.
- 21.2 The committee-
 - (a) Shall control and manage the business and affairs of the Association;
 - (b) May exercise all the powers and perform all the functions of the Association, other than those powers and functions that are required by these rules to be exercised by general meetings of members of the Association; and
 - (c) Has power to do anything that appears to the committee to be essential for the proper management of the business and affairs of the Association.

22 Officers of the Association

- 22.1 The officers of the Association are as follows:
 - (a) The President;
 - (b) The Vice President
 - (c) The Secretary/Public Officer
 - (d) The Treasurer/Registrar
- 22.2 The provisions of rule 24 (2), (3) and (4), so far as they are applicable and with the necessary modifications, apply in relation to the election of persons to any of the offices referred to in sub rule (1) of this rule.
- 22.3 Each officer of the Association is to hold office until the annual general meeting (2) years after the date of election, and is eligible for re-election.
- 22.4 If a casual vacancy in any office referred to in sub rule (1) occurs, the committee may appoint one of its members to the vacant office, to hold the office up to and including the remainder of the appointed term of the person they are replacing.

23 Constitution of the Committee

- 23.1 The committee consists of the following members elected at the annual general meeting of the Association in each year:
- (a) The officers of the Association;
 - (b) Up to 3 other members
- 23.2 An ordinary committee member is to hold office until the annual general meeting two years after the date of election, and is eligible for re-election.
- 23.3 If a casual vacancy occurs in the office of ordinary committee member, the committee may appoint a member of the Association to fill the vacancy, and the member so appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the person they are replacing, and will be eligible for re-election at the annual general meeting next.
- 23.4 The committee shall serve a two-year term of office when elected. This will be accomplished on a rotation basis, namely three retiring one year and the balance the next.

24 Election of members of Committee

- 24.1 Nominations of candidates for election as officers of the Association, or as ordinary committee members shall be taken from the floor of the annual general meeting.
- 24.2 If the number of nominations received is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the persons nominated are taken to be elected.
- 24.3 If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot is to be held.
- 24.4 The ballot for the election of officers and ordinary committee members is to be conducted at the annual general meeting in the usual manner as directed by the committee.

25 Vacation of Office

- 25.1 For the purpose of these rules, the office of an officer of the Association or of an ordinary committee member becomes vacant if the officer or committee member –
- (a) Dies; or
 - (b) Becomes bankrupt or applies to take or takes advantage of any law relating to bankrupt or insolvent debtors or compounds with his or her creditors, or makes any assignment of his or her estate for their benefit; or
 - (c) Becomes of unsound mind; or
 - (d) Resigns office in writing addressed to the committee; or
 - (e) Ceases to be a resident in the State; or
 - (f) Fails, without leave granted by the committee, to attend 3 consecutive meetings of the committee; or

- (g) Ceases to be a member of the association; or
- (h) Fails to pay all arrears of subscription due, within 14 days after receiving a notice in writing signed by the public officer stating that he or she has ceased to be a financial member of the Association.

26 Meetings of the committee and of subcommittees

- 26.1 The committee is to meet at least 5 times per year at any place and time the committee determines.
- 26.2 Special meetings of the committee may be convened by the president or any 4 of its members.
- 26.3 Notice is to be given to members of the committee of any special meetings, specifying the general nature of the business to be transacted and no other business is to be transacted at such a meeting .
- 26.4 Any 4 members of the committee constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of a meeting of the committee.
- 26.5 Business is not to be transacted unless a quorum is present.
- 26.6 If half an hour after the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present either in person or via a telephone hook-up, the meeting is to be adjourned to a suitable date unless the meeting was a special meeting in which case it is to be dissolved.
- 26.7 At meetings of the committee, the president, or in his or her absence the vice president, or in the absence of both the president and vice president, such one of the remaining members of the committee as may be chosen by the members present, shall preside.
- 26.8 Questions arising at meetings of the committee or of any sub-committee appointed by the committee shall be determined on a show of hands or, if demanded by a member, a poll taken in such manner as the person presiding at the meeting may determine.
- 26.9 Each member present at a meeting of the committee or of any sub- committee appointed by the committee (including the person presiding at the meeting) is entitled to one vote.
- 26.10 If there is an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding has a second or casting vote.
- 26.11 Written, verbal or telephone notice of each committee meeting shall be served on each member of the committee by delivering it to him or her in a reasonable time before the meeting, or by email addressed to his or her usual or last known email address in time to reach him or her before the date of the meeting.

27 Disclosure of interest in contracts

- 27.1 A member of the committee who is interested in any contract or arrangement made or proposed to be made with the Association is to disclose the interest-

- (a) At the first meeting of the committee at which the contract or arrangement is first taken into consideration, if the interest then exists; or
 - (b) In any other case at the first meeting of the committee after the acquisition of the interest.
- 27.2 If a member of the committee becomes interested in a contract or arrangement after it is made or entered into, he or she is to disclose the interest at the first meeting of the committee after he or she becomes so interested.
- 27.3 A member of the committee is not to vote as a member of the committee in respect of any contractor arrangement in which he or she is interested and any such vote is not to be counted.

28 Sub-Committees

- 28.1 The committee may-
 - (a) Appoint a sub-committee from the committee; and
 - (b) Prescribe the powers and functions of that sub-committee.
- 28.2 The committee may co-opt any person as a member of a sub-committee without voting rights, whether or not the person is a member of the Association.
- 28.3 A quorum at a meeting of the sub-committee is (3) appointed members.
- 28.4 The public officer of the Association is to convene meetings of a sub-committee.
- 28.5 Written notice of each sub-committee meeting is to be served on each member of the sub-committee by-
 - (a) Delivering at a reasonable time before the meeting; or
 - (b) By sending it by post in a prepaid envelope addressed to his or her usual or last known address in time to reach him or her in due course of post before the date of the meeting.

29 Executive Committee

- 29.1 The president, vice-president, secretary/public officer and the treasurer constitute the executive committee.
- 29.2 The executive committee may issue instructions to the public officer and the servants of the Association in matters of urgency connected with the management of the affairs of the Association during the period between meetings of the committee.
- 29.3 The executive committee is to report on any instructions issued under sub-Rule (2) to the next meeting of the committee.

30 Annual Subscription

- 30.1 The annual subscription amount and due date shall be determined by the committee for each of the types of membership as described in the By-Laws

- 30.2 The annual subscription of a member is due and payable on or before the first day of the membership financial year of the Association as stated in the By-Laws.
- 30.3 The annual subscription shall be in two (2) parts;
- (a) The club portion (as set by the club)
 - (b) The TMAA/MAAA portion (as set by the state and national bodies)
 - (c) Parts A and B shall be joined together to form the annual subscription in any given year.

31 Financial Year

- 31.1 The financial year of the Association is the period beginning 1st May in one year and ending 30th April the next following year.

32 Notices

- 32.1 A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Association on any member-
- (a) Personally; or
 - (b) By sending it through the post in a prepaid envelope addressed to the member at his or her usual or last known address; or
 - (c) By email to the last known email address provided.

33 Expulsion of members

- 33.1 The committee may expel a member from the Association if, in the opinion of the committee, the member:
- (a) Has refused or neglected to comply with a provision of these rules or By-Laws; or
 - (b) Has acted in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association.
- 33.2 The expulsion of a member under sub-rule (1) does not take effect until whichever is the later date:
- (a) The expiration of 14 days after the service on the member of a notice under sub- rule (3);
 - (b) If the member exercises his or her right of appeal under this rule, the conclusion of the special general meeting convened to hear the appeal.
- 33.3 If the committee expels a member from the Association, the public officer of the Association, without undue delay, is to cause to be served on the member a notice in writing-
- (a) Stating that the committee has expelled the member; and
 - (b) Specifying the grounds for the expulsion; and

- (c) Informing the member of a right to appeal against the expulsion under rule 34.

34 Appeal against expulsion

- 34.1 A member may appeal against an expulsion under rule 33 by delivering or sending by post to the public officer of the Association, within 14 days after the service of a notice under rule 33 (3), a requisition in writing demanding the convening of a special general meeting for the purpose of hearing the appeal.
- 34.2 On receipt of a requisition –
 - (a) The public officer is to immediately notify the committee of its receipt; and
 - (b) The committee is to cause a special general meeting of members to be held within 21 days after the date on which the requisition is received.
- 34.3 At a special general meeting convened for the purpose of this rule –
 - (a) No business other than the question of the expulsion is to be transacted; and
 - (b) The committee may place before the meeting details of the grounds of the expulsion and the committee's reasons for the expulsion; and
 - (c) The expelled member is to be given an opportunity to be heard; and
 - (d) The members present are to vote by secret ballot on the question whether the expulsion should be lifted or confirmed.
- 34.4 If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the lifting of the expulsion –
 - (a) The expulsion is to be taken to have been lifted; and
 - (b) The expelled member is entitled to continue as a member of the Association.
- 34.5 If at the special general meeting a majority of the members present vote in favour of the confirmation of the expulsion –
 - (a) The expulsion takes effect; and
 - (b) The expelled member ceases to be a member of the Association.

35 Disputes

- 35.1 A dispute between a member of the Association in the capacity as a member and the Association is to be determined by arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Commercial Arbitration Act 1986.
- 35.2 This rule does not affect the operation of rule 34.

36 By-Laws

- 36.1 The Committee may from time to time, make, amend or repeal such By-Laws not inconsistent with this Constitution or it thinks desirable for the management of the Association.

37 Seal of Association

- 37.1 The seal of the Association is to be in the form of a rubber stamp, inscribed with the name of the Association encircling the word "Seal".
- 37.2 The seal of the Association is not to be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the committee.
- 37.3 The affixing of the seal is to be attested by the signatures of –
- (a) 2 members of the committee; or
 - (b) One member of the committee and the public officer of the Association or any other person the committee may appoint for that purpose.
- 37.4 Attestation under sub-rule (3) is sufficient for all purposes that the seal was affixed by authority of the committee.
- 37.5 The seal is to remain in the custody of the public officer.

History of Amendments

Amended: March 2005

- Revised to comply with Schedule 1- Model Rules for an Association. Associations Incorporation (Model Rules) Regulations 1997 No 166

Amended: June 5, 2008

- Amended Rule 5.2 – moved types of membership to the By-Laws
- Amended to include Rule 5.10 – Cessation of Membership
- Amended Rule 26.1 to “two monthly”
- Amended Rule 30 - Subscriptions
- Amended Rule 33.1 – Expulsion of Members
- Amended to include Rule 36 By-Laws
- Removed Rule 38 – Club Contests

Amended June 1, 2017

- Amended Clause 3.1 Delete “Public Officer”
- Amended Clause 5.6b to Registrar
- Amended Clause 5.8 to Registrar
- Amended Clause 10.4 to include “or other person as appointed by the committee”
- Amended Clause 13.1 to include modern communication methods.
- Amended Clause 22d to Treasurer/Registrar
- Amended Clause 23b to “up to” 3 other committee members
- Amended Clause 26.1 committee meetings “5 times per year”
- Amended Clause 26.6 allows a committee member to participate via a telephone hook-up and for any adjourned meeting to be rescheduled to an agreed date”
- Amended Clause 26.11 Notice of committee meetings to include email.
- Added Clause 32.c To allow notices by email