

SIDE BY SIDE COMPARRISON OF CURRENT CONSTITUTION TO PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

SECTION 1. NAME

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
1.1.	The name of the Association shall be “ <i>Clubs New Zealand Incorporated</i> ”.	1.1.	The name of the Association shall be “ <i>Clubs New Zealand Incorporated</i> ”.	No change required.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

Definitions and interpretations will be updated to reflect changes made to the constitution; amendments will largely relate to referencing correct rules and removing obsolete definitions.

SECTION 3. REGISTERED OFFICE

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3.1.	The registered office of the Association shall be at ANZAC House, Level 5, 181 Willis Street, or such other places from time to time as may be authorised by resolution of the Board.	3.1.	The registered office of the Association shall be at ANZAC House, Level 5, 181 Willis Street, or such other places from time to time as may be authorised by resolution of the Board	No change required.

SECTION 4. PURPOSE AND MISSION STATEMENT

Changed objects to purpose to align language with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
4(a)	Our Mission Statement is: “The Mission of Clubs New Zealand Incorporated is to promote and safeguard the interests and privileges of Member Clubs”.	4(a)	Our Mission Statement is: “The Mission of Clubs New Zealand Incorporated is to promote and safeguard the interests, rights and privileges of Member Clubs”.	Amended to align with the current purpose under rule 4(b)(ii)
4(b)	Objects: i. To promote membership of the Association of Clubs within New Zealand ii. Generally, to take all necessary steps to promote, develop, maintain and safeguard the interests, rights and privileges of Member Clubs. iii. To review all matters relating to or arising from legislation; to consider existing statutes and their effect on Members; to originate and promote such beneficial amendments as may from time to time be found. iv. To promote and facilitate sporting activities between members at provincial, island and inter-club levels.	4(b)	The purposes for which the Association is established include: i. To conduct, administer, and maintain an association of clubs within New Zealand which promotes and safeguards the interests, rights and privileges of clubs. ii. To promote membership of the Association to Clubs within New Zealand. iii. To raise interest and awareness in the value of club membership, particularly the positive physical and mental health benefits derived from social and community participation. iv. To promote, facilitate and encourage amateur sporting activities. v. To provide services and assistance including education to member clubs, their committees, and staff which assist in the operation of club facilities for the benefit of their members and the wider community. vi. To make representations to and promote the club industry to Government, local authorities, and the public. vii. To undertake and promote research, and the publication and dissemination of material relevant to the purposes of the Association.	Changes to purposes are designed to reflect a modernised Clubs New Zealand operations.

SECTION 5. POWERS

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
5.1.	<p>The Association has the power to do the following in the pursuance of its objects, subject to any limitation imposed by this Constitution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) To fund its activities by subscriptions or payments from Clubs, fees, or other income. (b) To borrow, raise, or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Association shall think fit, with or without security. (c) To purchase, sell, exchange, maintain, improve, lease, hire, dispose of, manage, invest, lend, mortgage, charge, gift or otherwise deal with any real or personal property. (d) To invest, lend, and deal with the monies of the Association not immediately required, in such investments as the Association may think fit. (e) To acquire shares or other equity, or securities in any company or other incorporated body. (f) To employ and remunerate staff. (g) To undertake legal action, including on behalf of members. (h) To enter into any contract, make any arrangements, or undertake any activity for the financial benefits of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Association; or ii. Members, provided that no such contract, arrangement, or activity may be entered into, made or undertaken, without the 	5.1.	<p>The Association has the power to do the following in the pursuance of its objects, subject to any limitation imposed by this Constitution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) To fund its activities by subscriptions or payments from Clubs, fees, or other income. (b) To borrow, raise, or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Association shall think fit, with or without security. (c) To purchase, sell, exchange, maintain, improve, lease, hire, dispose of, manage, invest, lend, mortgage, charge, gift or otherwise deal with any real or personal property. (d) To invest, lend, and deal with the monies of the Association not immediately required, in such investments as the Association may think fit. (e) To acquire shares or other equity, or securities in any company or other incorporated body. (f) To employ and remunerate staff. (g) To undertake legal action, including on behalf of Members. (h) To enter into any contract, make any arrangements, or undertake any activity for the financial or other benefit of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Association; or ii. Members, provided that no such contract, arrangement, or activity may be entered into, 	<p>The addition of 5.1.(k) relates to the new requirement to keep an up-to-date register of members.</p> <p>The addition of 5.1.(l) ensures that the board has the power to develop policies to ensure business continuity during unforeseen circumstances i.e. the covid pandemic.</p> <p>References to “purpose” or “purposes” have been changed to “objects”</p> <p>Rule h(ii) changed from 66% to 60% to avoid having .3 of a board member required.</p>

	<p>sanction of sixty six percent (66%) of Board members.</p> <p>(i) To conduct any other functions outlined in this Constitution.</p> <p>(j) To use any rights or privileges that the Association may deem necessary or convenient for carrying out its power, or furthering its objects under this Constitution.</p> <p>(k) To do anything incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the objects of the Association.</p>		<p>made or undertaken, without the sanction of sixty percent (60%) of Board members.</p> <p>(i) To conduct any other functions outlined in this Constitution.</p> <p>(j) To use any rights or privileges that the Association may deem necessary or convenient for carrying out its power or furthering its purpose under this Constitution.</p> <p>(k) To keep an up-to-date register of members.</p> <p>(l) Develop policies to cover all unforeseen and possible matters in order to operate its business.</p> <p>(m) To do anything incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the purposes of the Association.</p>	
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SECTION 6. PERSONAL BENEFIT (NEW)

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
	N/A	6.1.	<p>As a not-for-profit organisation, the officers and members may not receive any distributions of profit or income from it. This does not prevent officers or members:</p> <p>(a) Receiving reimbursement of actual and reasonable expenses incurred, or</p> <p>(b) Entering into any transactions with the organization for goods or services supplied to or from them, which are at arm's length, relative to what would occur between unrelated parties.</p> <p>Provided no officer or member is allowed to influence any such decision made by the organization in respect of payments or transactions between it and them, their direct family or any associated entity.</p>	Wording provided by Inland Revenue to comply with Not-for-Profit constitutional requirements.

SECTION 7. MEMBERSHIP

Please note that membership is dealt with under rule 6 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
6.1.	Classes of Membership: The Members of the Association shall be divided into the following classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Ordinary; (b) Life; and (c) Associate. 	7.1.	Classes of Membership: The Members of the Association shall be divided into the following classes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Ordinary, and (b) Life. 	Recommend removing Associate membership as it is not used or offered.
6.2.	Ordinary Membership: Every club is eligible to apply for ordinary membership of the Association in accordance with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Application for membership must be made in writing to the Chief Executive and must be supported by a current Financial Member. (b) An application for membership is deemed to be a declaration that the application club agrees to be bound by this Constitution and the By-Laws. (c) Applications for membership will be considered with reference to the criteria in the By-Laws as amended from time to time. (d) Applicants may be elected to membership only by a resolution passed at a General Meeting or Board Meeting, and once so elected, will be admitted to membership immediately. (e) Applications for membership may be rejected by the Board or the Association which may, but is not obliged to, give the reasons for such rejection. 	7.2.	Ordinary Membership: Every club is eligible to apply for ordinary membership of the Association in accordance with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Each applicant for Ordinary Membership shall complete the applicable application form. (b) An application for Ordinary Membership is deemed to be a declaration that the applicant consents to membership, acknowledges that their information will be entered into the Register of Members and agrees to be bound by this constitution, by-laws and policies. (c) Applications for membership will be considered with reference to the criteria in the By-laws as amended from time to time. (d) Applications for membership may be rejected by the Board which may, but is not obliged to, give the reason for such rejection. (e) Membership of Clubs New Zealand shall commence upon admission as a member and continue indefinitely, unless: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. There is a default in payment of any annual subscription or other fees due to Clubs New Zealand by the due date, in accordance with Rule 9, or 	Minor changes aimed at clarifying and streamlining the joining process for Ordinary Members. The addition of 7.2.(e) confirms that membership continues indefinitely unless suspended/terminated in accordance with the constitution.

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> II. The Member resigns its membership of Clubs New Zealand in accordance with this constitution, or III. The Member is suspended or terminated from membership by Clubs New Zealand in accordance with this constitution. <p>(f) The Board reserves the right to revoke Ordinary Membership within 90 days of application if the Ordinary Member is found to have provided false information or is deemed to have breached this constitution. In the event that Ordinary Membership is revoked:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. The member shall be informed in writing of the decision, and II. Any subscription paid will be refunded in full. 	
6.3.	<p>Life Membership: At an Annual General Meeting of the Association, a Life Member may be elected on account of meritorious service rendered to the Association, in accordance with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Each nomination for life membership must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. State the nominee's name and a brief account of the service rendering them deserving of life membership; II. Be proposed and seconded by two Financial Members, each from a different Area; and; III. Reach the Chief Executive no later than 4.00pm on 20 January of each year. (b) Details of the nomination and the nominee shall be sent to Financial Members no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting. (c) An election for life membership shall be by ballot. (d) A nominee receiving at least seventy-five per cent (75%) of the voters cast shall become a Life Member. 	7.3.	<p>Life Membership: Individuals elected on account of meritorious service rendered to the Association,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Upon registration of this constitution no further Life Members will be elected. (b) Individuals elected to Life Membership at the time this constitution comes into force shall remain Life Members until death, unless: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. The Member resigns its membership of Clubs New Zealand in accordance with this constitution, or II. The Member is suspended or terminated from membership by Clubs New Zealand in accordance with this constitution. (c) Life Members are entitled to attend General Meetings or events held by the Association and shall be entitled to address any such meetings but shall not by virtue of such Life Membership be entitled to vote at any such meeting. (d) Life Members are not liable for any subscription, levies or fees in respect of his or her membership. 	<p>It is recommended that no new life memberships are to be granted, keeping Clubs New Zealand membership open only to clubs as opposed to clubs and individuals.</p> <p>Those currently holding Life Membership will retain their membership in accordance with the proposed rule and a "Hall of Fame" will be established where individuals who are deemed to have provided meritorious service to the association will be recognised (policy and full details to be finalised).</p>

	<p>(e) Upon election, a Life Member is entitled to attend and vote at all General Meetings of the Association, and has such other privileges as are determined from time to time by seventy-five percent (75%) of the members present at a General Meeting.</p> <p>(f) A Life Member is not liable for any subscriptions or levies in respect of his or her membership.</p>			
6.4.	<p>Associate Membership: Is available to associations or organisations not eligible for Ordinary Membership of the Association.</p> <p>(a) Application for associate membership must be made in writing to the Chief Executive.</p> <p>(b) Applications for associate membership will be considered with reference to the criteria in the By-Laws as amended from time to time.</p> <p>(c) Applications for associate membership may be rejected by the Board of the Association which may, but is not obliged to, give the reasons for such rejection.</p> <p>(d) Associate memberships are not eligible to hold office and have no voting rights within the Association.</p> <p>(e) Associate members will be liable for annual subscriptions and levies as determined by the Board.</p>		N/A	Recommend removing Associate membership as it is not used or offered.

SECTION 8. REGISTER OF MEMBERS (NEW)

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
	N/A	8.1.	The Association will maintain a register of members in accordance with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.	New rule to meet the requirements of the Act and ensure consistency with the model constitution for clubs
	N/A	8.2.	The Register of Members will at all times be administered in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 and the Associations Privacy Policy.	
	N/A	8.3.	The Association will update the register of members as soon as practicable after becoming aware of changes to the information recorded on the register.	
	N/A	8.4.	Subject to certain grounds for refusal set out in the Privacy Act 2020, individuals have the right to access the information held about them within the Register of Members and to request a correction at any time.	

SECTION 9. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

Please note that Annual Subscription is dealt with under rule 7 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
7.1.	An Annual Subscription from each Club shall be assessed on a capitation basis of such amount per individual club member as it determined from time to time at a General Meeting and shall be payable on 1 April each Year. For the purposes of determining capitation fees for a Year: (a) An individual club member is deemed to be any person who enjoys the facilities of the Club either through membership of that Club or membership of	9.1.	Each member club shall pay to the Association an annual subscription assessed on a capitation basis of such an amount per individual club member as determined by the Board from time to time. For the purposes of determining the annual subscription: (a) An individual club member is any person deemed a financial member of the club, irrespective of the membership types or fees collected by the club.	The wording of the rule has been tidied up for clarity.

	<p>any associated organisation but does not include a person who enjoys those facilities as a member of another club with whom the Club has reciprocal visiting rights; and</p> <p>(b) The number of individual members of each Club shall be calculated as at 31 December of the Year preceding the AGM and a Statutory Declaration by each Club of the number of members must reach the Chief Executive no later than 4.00 pm on 20 February each Year of the AGM.</p>		<p>(b) The number of members of each Club shall be calculated as at 31 December of the preceding year and an annual declaration by each Club of the number of members must reach the Chief Executive no later than 4.00 pm on 20 February each year.</p> <p>(c) In the event that a club fails to complete the annual declaration referred to in Rule 9.1(b) the number of members shall be calculated using the last annual declaration received plus ten percent (10%).</p>	
7.2.	<p>If any Club fails to pay the Annual Subscription by 4.00 pm on 31 May in the year in which it is due:</p> <p>(a) It shall thereupon automatically cease to be a Member of the Association, and its name shall be removed from any register of Members;</p> <p>(b) It shall not be relieved from payment of the Annual Subscription or of any other levy or payment due or payable;</p> <p>(c) No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by it shall be refunded;</p> <p>(d) If it wishes to be reinstated as a Member, it shall reapply for Ordinary Membership pursuant to clause 6.2.</p> <p>(e) A member club may apply in writing to the CEO for a hardship option of time payment of their levies. In this event and at the CEO's discretion these levies must be paid within the financial period applied. This option will be treated as a one off only.</p>	9.2.	<p>The Annual Subscription shall be paid:</p> <p>(a) In full by 31 May in the year in which it is due, or</p> <p>(b) In instalments of an agreed amount, members paying by installment:</p> <p>I. Must apply in writing to the Chief Executive no later than 31 May of the year in which the annual subscription is due, with a proposed payment plan, and</p> <p>II. Must ensure that the balance is paid in full by 31 December of the year in which the annual subscription is due.</p>	<p>The addition of 9.2(b) confirms the methods available for payment of annual subscriptions and formalizes that process for clubs wishing to pay their annual subscription in installments (via time payment).</p>
	N/A	9.3.	<p>If any Club fails to pay the annual subscription, levies or other payments due in accordance with Rule 9.2:</p>	<p>Rule 9.3. is effectively the same as rule 8.2. in the current constitution.</p>

			<p>(a) It shall automatically cease to be a Member of the Association, and its name shall be removed from any Register of Members,</p> <p>(b) It shall not be relieved from payment of the Annual Subscription or of any other levy or payment due or payable,</p> <p>(c) No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by it shall be refunded,</p> <p>(d) If it wishes to be reinstated as a Member, it shall reapply for Ordinary Membership pursuant to Rule 7.</p>	
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SECTION 10. LEVIES AND OTHER PAYMENTS

Please note that Levies is dealt with under rule 8 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
8.1.	If the Annual Subscription and/or capitation in any year is insufficient to meet the Association's expenses, the Board may make a levy upon Clubs.	10.1.	If the Annual Subscription in any year is insufficient to meet the Association's expenses, the Board may make a levy upon Clubs. The amount of the levy in respect of any one year shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the Annual Subscription payable by the Club in respect of that year.	Combines rule 9.1. and 9.2. of the existing constitution
8.2.	The amount of the levy in respect of any one Year shall not exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the Annual Subscription payable by the Club in respect of that year.	10.2.	The Board shall have the right to determine fees or payments associated with the delivery of specific services to members in addition to the annual subscription.	The new rule 10.2. provides that the board can determine fees or payments associated with specific services not covered by the annual subscription i.e. training fees.

8.3.	<p>If any Club fails to pay any levy by 4.00 pm on the last day of the month in which it is due:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) It shall thereupon automatically cease to be a Member of the Association and its name shall be removed from any register of Members; (b) It shall not be relieved from payment of the levy or of any other payment due or payable and shall be liable for all the Association's legal costs in recovering the same; (c) No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by it shall be refunded; (d) If it wishes to be reinstated as a Member, it shall reapply for Ordinary Membership pursuant to clause 6.2. 		N/A	Rule 8.3. of the existing constitution is now covered by new Rule 9.3.
8.4.	Any Club that fails to comply with the Law may have its Membership terminated where that failure brings the reputation of the Association into disrepute.		N/A	Current rule 8.4. is in the wrong place.

SECTION 11. RESIGNATION

Please note that Resignation is dealt with under rule 9 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
9.1.	Any Member intending to withdraw from the Association must signify its intention to do so in writing to the Chief Executive on or before 31 December otherwise it shall be liable for the succeeding year's subscription.	11.1.	Any Member intending to withdraw from the Association must signify its intention to do so in writing to the Chief Executive on or before 31 December otherwise it shall be liable for the succeeding year's subscription.	No change
9.2.	No such resignation shall relieve any Member from payment of any subscription, levy or other payment due or payable at the time of resignation.	11.2.	No such resignation shall relieve any Member from payment of any subscription, levy or other payment due or payable at the time of resignation.	No Change

9.3.	No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by a resigning Member shall be refunded on resignation.	11.3.	No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by a resigning Member shall be refunded on resignation.	No Change
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SECTION 12. DISPUTES AND COMPLAINTS (NEW)

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
	N/A	12.1.	A member, officer or employee of the Association may make a complaint by giving to the Board (or a complaints subcommittee) a notice in writing that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) states that the member, officer or employee is starting a procedure for resolving a dispute in accordance with this constitution, and (b) sets out the allegation to which the dispute relates and whom the allegation is against, and (c) sets out any other information reasonably required by the Association. 	New disputes and complaints rule taken from schedule 2 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.
	N/A	12.2.	The Board may make a complaint involving an allegation against a member or an officer by giving to the member or officer a notice in writing that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) states that the Board is starting a procedure for resolving a dispute in accordance with this constitution; and (b) sets out the allegation to which the dispute relates. 	
	N/A	12.3.	The information given under Rule 12.1(b) or 12.2(b) must be enough to ensure that a person against whom an allegation is made is fairly advised of the allegation concerning them, with sufficient details given to enable them to prepare a response.	
	N/A	12.4.	A member, officer or employee who makes a complaint has a right to be heard before the complaint is resolved or any outcome is determined.	

	N/A	12.5.	<p>If the Association makes a complaint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Association has a right to be heard before the complaint is resolved or any outcome is determined; and (b) an officer may exercise that right on behalf of the Association. 	
	N/A	12.6.	<p>Without limiting the manner in which the member, officer, employee, or Association may be given the right to be heard, they must be taken to have been given the right if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) they have a reasonable opportunity to be heard in writing or at an oral hearing (if one is held); and (b) an oral hearing is held if the decision maker considers that an oral hearing is needed to ensure an adequate hearing; and (c) an oral hearing (if any) is held before the decision maker; and (d) the member's, officer's, employee's or Association's written statement or submissions (if any) are considered by the decision maker. 	
	N/A	12.7.	<p>This Rule applies if a complaint involves an allegation that a member, an officer, or the Association (the respondent):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) has engaged in misconduct, or (b) has breached, or is likely to breach, a duty under this constitution or bylaws or the Incorporated Societies Act, or (c) has damaged the rights or interests of a member or the rights or interests of members generally. 	
	N/A	12.8.	The respondent has a right to be heard before the complaint is resolved or any outcome is determined.	
	N/A	12.9.	If the respondent is the Association, an officer may exercise the right on behalf of the Association.	

	N/A	12.10.	<p>Without limiting the manner in which a respondent may be given a right to be heard, a respondent must be taken to have been given the right if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the respondent is fairly advised of all allegations concerning the respondent, with sufficient details and time given to enable the respondent to prepare a response, and (b) the respondent has a reasonable opportunity to be heard in writing or at an oral hearing (if one is held), and (c) an oral hearing is held if the decision maker considers that an oral hearing is needed to ensure an adequate hearing, and (d) an oral hearing (if any) is held before the decision maker, and (e) the respondent's written statement or submissions (if any) are considered by the decision maker. 	
	N/A	12.11.	The Board must, as soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving or becoming aware of a complaint made in accordance with this constitution, ensure that the dispute is investigated and determined.	
		12.12.	Disputes must be dealt with under the constitution in a fair, efficient, and effective manner.	
	N/A	12.13.	<p>Despite Rule 12.11, the Board may decide not to proceed further with a complaint if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the complaint is trivial, or (b) the complaint does not appear to disclose or involve any allegation of the following kind: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. that a member or an officer has engaged in material misconduct, II. that a member, an officer, or the Association has materially breached, or is likely to materially breach, a duty under this constitution or bylaws or the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, 	

			<p>III. that a member's rights or interests or members' rights or interests generally have been materially damaged,</p> <p>(c) the complaint appears to be without foundation or there is no apparent evidence to support it, or</p> <p>(d) the person who makes the complaint has an insignificant interest in the matter, or</p> <p>(e) the conduct, incident, event, or issue giving rise to the complaint has already been investigated and dealt with under this constitution, or</p> <p>(f) there has been an undue delay in making the complaint.</p>	
	N/A	12.14.	<p>The Board may refer a complaint to:</p> <p>(a) a subcommittee or an external person to investigate and report, or</p> <p>(b) a subcommittee, or an external person to investigate and make a decision.</p>	
	N/A	12.15.	<p>The Board may, with the consent of all parties to a complaint, refer the complaint to any type of consensual dispute resolution (for example, mediation, facilitation, or a tikanga-based practice).</p>	
	N/A	12.16.	<p>A person may not act as a decision maker in relation to a complaint if 2 or more members of the Board or a complaints subcommittee consider that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the person may not be:</p> <p>(a) impartial; or</p> <p>(b) able to consider the matter without a predetermined view.</p>	

SECTION 13. IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION

Please note that Immediate Suspension is dealt with under rule 10 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
10.1.	Grounds for expulsion: A Member shall be liable to be expelled from the Association if it: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Breaches this Constitution; or (b) By any action, in the opinion of the Board, endangers the interests of the Association, other Clubs or the Chartered Club movement. 	13.1.	The Board may elect to suspend a member which is the subject of an investigation pursuant to Rule 12 for the duration of the investigation if, in the opinion of the majority of the Board, continuation of membership would not be in the interests of the Association, other Clubs or the Chartered Club movement.	New rule relating to immediate suspension confirms that the board may immediately suspend a member pending an investigation pursuant to the new rule 12.
10.2.	Procedure for expulsion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) A Member, Officer or the Chief Executive may notify the Board if it believes a Member may be liable to expulsion pursuant to clause 10.1. (b) Where the Board receives such notice and wishes to pursue it, it may decide to refer the issue for investigation to an Independent Review Officer appointed by the Board. If it does so, it must advise the Member subject to the investigation that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Its conduct is being investigated; and II. It may make submissions to the Board in writing and/or in person or by representative. (c) On completion of the investigation, the Independent Review Officer shall report to the Board as to whether, in his or her opinion, the Member's actions have breached this Constitution; or have endangered or will endanger the interests of the Association, other Clubs or the Chartered Clubs movement. 		N/A	Rules 10.1. – 10.5. of the current constitution become obsolete as they are covered under the new rules 12 -13.

	<p>(d) A copy of the Independent Review Officer's report shall be given to the Member concerned at the same time as it is given to the Board.</p> <p>(e) The Board shall call a meeting to consider the Independent Review Officer's report and any submissions by the Member concerned. The Member must be given at least 7 days' notice of that meeting and reminded of its right to make submissions.</p> <p>(f) The Board may elect to expel the Member concerned, by sixty six percent (66%) majority. If it does so, such expulsion is to take effect immediately.</p>			
10.3.	An expelled Member shall not be relieved from payment of any subscription, levy or other payment due or payable at the time of expulsion and shall be liable for any legal costs of the Association in recovering the same.		N/A	
10.4.	No subscriptions, levies or other payments already paid to the Association by an expelled Member shall be refunded.		N/A	
10.5.	Suspension: The Board may elect to suspend a Member which is the subject of an investigation pursuant to clause 10.2(b) for the duration of the investigation if, in the opinion of the majority of the Board, continuation of membership would not be in the interests of the Association, other Clubs or the Chartered Club movement.		N/A	

SECTION 14. PROPERTY

Please note that Property is dealt with under rule 11 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
11.1	Membership of the Association does not give any Club any transmissible or assignable interest by operation of law or otherwise, in any of the property or funds of the Association.	14.1	Membership of the Association does not give any Club any transmissible or assignable interest by operation of law or otherwise, in any of the property or funds of the Association.	No change.
11.2.	If a Club ceases to be a Member for any reason, any interest it may nevertheless possess in any of the effects, property or funds of the Association will vest in the Association.	14.2.	If a Club ceases to be a member for any reason, any interest it may nevertheless possess in any of the effects, property or funds of the Association will vest in the Association.	No change.
11.3.	Any information (including but not limited to Model Rules), which the Association provides for Members remains the property of the Association. Members must not pass any such information on to any non-Member without the written consent of the Association.	14.3.	Any information (including but not limited to Model Rules), which the Association provides for Members remains the property of the Association. Members must not pass any such information on to any non-Member without the written consent of the Association.	No change.

RULE 15. OFFICERS

Please note that Officers is dealt with under rule 12 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current	Rule	Proposed	Commentary
12.1.	The officers of the Association shall be: (a) A President; (b) One Deputy Chair, who will be elected from within the Board immediately following the AGM and (c) one (1) Area Board Member elected by Member Clubs in each of the following nine (9) Areas, as defined by the Board from time to time: i. Northland	15.1.	The Board of the Association shall be made up of the following officers: (a) A President, (d) One Deputy Chair, who will be elected from within the Board immediately following the AGM and (e) one (1) Area Board Member elected by Member Clubs in each of the following nine (9) Areas, as defined by the Board from time to time:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Greater Auckland; iii. Waikato, Thames Valley and King Country iv. South Waikato and Bay of Plenty; v. Manawatu, Wanganui and Taranaki; vi. Wellington, Wairarapa, Horowhenua, Hawkes Bay and Poverty Bay vii. Marlborough, Nelson, Buller and West Coast (Upper South Island) viii. Canterbury and North Otago (Mid South Island) ix. Otago and Southland (Lower South Island) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Northland, ii. Greater Auckland, iii. Waikato, Thames Valley and King Country, iv. South Waikato and Bay of Plenty, v. Manawatu, Wanganui and Taranaki, vi. Greater Wellington, Hawkes Bay and Poverty Bay, vii. Marlborough, Nelson, Buller and West Coast, viii. Canterbury and North Otago (Mid South Island) ix. Otago and Southland. 	
12.2.	Officers shall remain in office for a two-year term running from the time of election until the conclusion of the following Annual General Meeting unless sooner removed by death, resignation or otherwise. Officers are eligible for re-election.	15.2.	Eligibility: Each officer described in Rule 15.1. must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Meet the eligibility criteria set out within the Incorporated Societies Act 2022. (b) Not be an employee of the Association. (c) Be a delegate of a financial member club. (d) For the position of President have served at least a 2-year term on the Board at the time of election. 	Sets out the eligibility criteria as per the incorporated societies act and best practice. Note as member clubs are body corporates, board members must be “delegates” of a financial member club as per section 45 of the act.
12.3.	No Officer shall be liable for the acts or defaults of any other Officer or any loss caused by such acts or defaults, unless caused by their own willful default or willful acquiescence.	15.3.	Term of Office: Board Members shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Remain in office for a two-year term running from the time of election until the conclusion of the following second Annual General Meeting unless sooner removed by death, resignation or otherwise. (b) Be eligible for re-election. 	Consistent with current term of office rule.
12.4.	The Officers shall be indemnified by the Association for all liabilities and costs reasonably incurred by them in proper performance of their functions and duties, other than as a result of their willful default.	15.4.	No Officer shall be liable for the acts or defaults of any other Officer, or any loss caused by such acts or defaults, unless caused by their own wilful default or wilful acquiescence.	No change from current rule 12.3.
12.5.	The Officers shall be entitled to receive an honorarium to the level as the Association has agreed at an Annual General	15.5.	The Officers shall be indemnified by the Association for all liabilities and costs reasonably incurred by them in proper	No change from current rule 12.4.

	Meeting. The Officers shall also be entitled to reimbursement of fair and actual expenses incurred in the execution of their role for Clubs New Zealand Incorporated, subject to the agreement by the Board.		performance of their functions and duties, other than as a result of their wilful default.	
		15.6.	The Officers shall be entitled to receive an honorarium to the level the Association has agreed at an Annual General Meeting. The Officers shall also be entitled to reimbursement of fair and actual expenses incurred in the execution of their role for Clubs New Zealand Incorporated, subject to the agreement by the Board.	Consistent with current rule 12.5.

RULE 16. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Please note that Election of Officers dealt with under rule 13 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
13.1.	Nominations: Nominations for Officers must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Be in writing; (b) State the name and address of the nominee; (c) State the position in respect of which the nomination is being made; (d) Be signed on behalf of any two (2) Financial Members; and (e) Be signed by the nominee as consenting to the nomination. 	16.1.	Nominations: Nominations for Officers must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Be in writing on the applicable nomination form, (b) State the name and address of the nominee, (c) State the position in respect of which the nomination is being made, (d) Be signed on behalf of any two (2) Financial Members, and (e) Be signed by the nominee as consenting to the nomination. 	No material changes to rule 13.1.
13.2.	Nominees for the position of President must have served at least a two-year term (as defined in clause 12.2) on the Board at the date of election.	16.2.	Nominations for President and Area Board Members must reach the Chief Executive not later than 4.00 pm on 20th January each year.	Combined rules 13.2. and 13.3. into one rule.
13.3.	Nominations for the position of President must reach the Chief Executive not later than 4.00 pm on 20th January in each year.	16.3.	Where the number of nominations is the same as the number of vacancies, those nominated in accordance with this constitution shall be declared duly elected without the need for further nominations or elections.	New rule clarifying the process where the number of nominations

				matches the number of vacancies/positions
13.4.	Nominations for Area Board Members must reach the Chief Executive not later than 4.00 pm on 20th January each year.	16.4.	If there are two or more nominations in respect of the President, the Chief Executive shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notify all Financial Members of the name and of each nominee, and (b) Conduct a ballot using an approved electoral procedure among the Financial Members by 20th February to elect one of the nominees as President. The ballot will be conducted on the basis that each Financial Member has one vote. 	16.4. changes the process to ensure all members are able to vote to elect the President, not just those present at the AGM.
13.5.	If there are two or more nominations in respect of any one Area, the Chief Executive shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notify all Financial Members in that Area of the name and address of each nominee; and (b) Conduct a ballot as determined by the Board among the Financial Members in that Area by 20th February to elect one of the nominees as Area Board Member. The ballot will be conducted on the basis that each Financial Member in the Area has one vote. 	16.5.	If there are two or more nominations in respect of any one Area, the Chief Executive shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notify all Financial Members in that Area of the name of each nominee, and (b) Conduct a ballot using an approved electoral procedure among the Financial Members in that Area by 20th February to elect one of the nominees as Area Board Member. The ballot will be conducted on the basis that each Financial Member in the relevant Island has one vote. 	Consistent with current rule 13.5.
13.6.	If there are two or more nominations in respect of the President, the Chief Executive shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notify all Financial Members of the name and address of each nominee; and (b) Conduct a ballot among the Financial Members at the Annual General Meeting to elect one of the nominees as President. The ballot will be conducted on the basis that each Financial Member in the Area has one vote. 	16.6.	The Chief Executive shall, at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting, issue to all Financial Members a list setting out the name of each nominee and the position in respect of which each nomination is made.	Consistent with current rule 13.7.
13.7.	The Chief Executive shall, at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting, issue to all Financial Members a list setting out the name and address of	16.7.	If there are not sufficient nominations pursuant to rule 15.1 to fill all vacant Board roles, the Board may elect to co-opt an eligible	Current rule requires vacant positions to be filled at the AGM, this shift

	each nominee and the position in respect of which each nomination is made.		person to fill the vacant role(s) or leave the position vacant providing a quorum required by Rule 24.4(b) is maintained.	will allow the board to co-opt to fill vacant positions which succession planning and best practice.
13.8.	If there are not sufficient nominations pursuant to clause 13.1 to fill all vacant Area Board roles, further nominations may be made at the Annual General Meeting. Any further nominations for Area Board Members shall be confined to Financial Members located in the relevant Areas. If there are two or more nominations in respect of any Area, the Financial Members located in that Area and represented at the Annual General Meeting by delegates shall elect one of the nominees as Area Board Member.	16.8.	Notwithstanding rule 15.2(d), all vacancies in any office shall be filled by selection of another person by the Board for the remainder of the term of office. Any replacement of Board Members must be from the relevant Area.	Consistent with current rule 13.9. but updated to reflect positions.
13.9.	Notwithstanding clause 13.2, all vacancies in any office shall be filled by selection of another person by the Board for the remainder of the term of office. Any replacement of Area Board Members must be from the relevant Area.	16.9.	If there are not sufficient nominations pursuant to rule 16.1 to fill the office of President, further nominations for President may be made at the Annual General Meeting. Further nominations shall be provided by Financial Members and the elections shall be as per rule 16.10 following.	Consistent with current rule 13.10.
13.10	If there are not sufficient nominations pursuant to clause 13.1 to fill the office of President, further nominations for President may be made at the Annual General Meeting. Further nominations shall be provided by Financial Members and the elections shall be as per Clause 13.11 following.	16.10	<p>Method of Election of Officers: The election shall be by an approved electoral procedure, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The nominee gaining more than fifty per cent (50%) of the votes shall be declared to be successful. (b) If no nominee obtains more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes on the first poll, the nominee(s) with the lowest number of votes shall be omitted from the election, and a fresh election shall be held between the remaining nominees. (c) The same procedure shall continue until either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. One nominee gains more than fifty per cent (50%) of the votes, or II. All remaining nominees receive an equal number of votes, in which case the outcome shall be determined by lot. 	Consistent with current rule 13.11

13.11	<p>Method of Election of Officers: The election shall be by secret ballot, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The nominee for each office gaining more than fifty per cent (50%) of the votes shall be declared to be successful. (b) If no nominee obtains more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes on the first poll, the nominee(s) with the lowest number of votes shall be omitted from the election, and a fresh ballot shall be held between the remaining nominees. (c) The same procedure shall continue until either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. One nominee gains more than fifty per cent (50%) of the votes; or ii. All remaining nominees receive an equal number of votes, in which case the outcome shall be determined by lot. 	16.11.	<p>Removal of Officers: Any Officer may be removed from office at any General Meeting of the Association in accordance with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) A notice of motion of no confidence in that Officer, signed by at least two (2) Financial Members, shall reach the Chief Executive not less than twenty-one (21) days before a General Meeting. (b) A copy of the notice in Rule 16.12(a) must be given to the Officer concerned at least fourteen (14) days before the Meeting. (c) The Officer concerned must be given the opportunity to appear before and speak at that Meeting. (d) The motion of no confidence in the Officer concerned may be passed by a simple majority of Members present at the Meeting. (e) If the motion is passed, the Officer concerned shall be removed from office with immediate effect. 	No change from current Rule 13.12. other than to correct references to other rules.
13.12.	<p>Removal of Officers: Any Officer may be removed from office at any General Meeting of the Association in accordance with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) A notice of motion of no confidence in that Officer, signed by at least two (2) Financial Members, shall reach the Chief Executive not less than twenty-one (21) days before a General Meeting. (b) A copy of the notice in clause 13.12(a) must be given to the Officer concerned at least fourteen (14) days' before the Meeting. (c) (c) The Officer concerned must be given the opportunity to appear before and speak at that Meeting. (d) (d) The motion of no confidence in the Officer concerned may be passed by a simple majority of Members present at the Meeting. 	16.12.	An Officer who has been convicted of a Crime (which carries a term of imprisonment) for which a penalty has been imposed, or of any other offence which in the opinion of a majority of the Board brings the Association into disrepute, shall automatically and immediately be removed from office.	Consistent with current rules 13.13.

	(e) (e) If the motion is passed, the Officer concerned shall be removed from office with immediate effect.			
13.13.	An Officer who has been convicted of a Crime (which carries a term of imprisonment) for which a penalty has been imposed, or of any other offence which in the opinion of a majority of the Board brings the Association into disrepute, shall automatically and immediately be removed from office.	16.13.	An officer who becomes disqualified from holding office in accordance with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 shall automatically and immediately be removed from office.	New rule consistent with eligibility requirements under the Incorporated Societies Act.
13.14.	The Board may elect to remove an Officer who becomes physically or mentally incapacitated to the extent that he or she cannot carry out his or her duties as a Board Member.	16.14.	The Board may elect to remove an Officer who becomes physically or mentally incapacitated to the extent that he or she cannot carry out his or her duties as a Board Member.	Consistent with current rule 13.14.
13.15.	No Officer who has been removed from office shall be eligible for re-election without the consent of a General Meeting.	16.15.	No Officer who has been removed from office shall be eligible for re-election without the consent of a General Meeting.	Consistent with current rule 13.15.
		16.6.	Resignation: (a) An officer may resign from office by signing a written notice of resignation and giving it to the Board, the notice of resignation is effective when it is received by the board or at a later time specified in the notice. (b) An officer is deemed to have resigned if they are absent from three (3) consecutive meetings of the Board without leave of the Board.	New rule providing method of resignation for board members.

RULE 17. BOARD DUTIES AND POWERS

Please note it is proposed to remove current rule 14 as the regulation and governance of the association is vested in the Board. Board Duties and Powers dealt with under rule 15 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
15.1.	The Board shall, subject to any limitations imposed by this Constitution, conduct and manage the business and affairs of	16.1.	The Board shall, subject to any limitations imposed by this Constitution, conduct and manage the business and affairs of	No Change

	the association, exercise all the powers and authorities of the Association as set out in clause 5, and do such other acts and things as it deems necessary or expedient for carrying on the business of the Association.		the Association, exercise all the powers and authorities of the Association as set out in Rule 5, and do such other acts and things as it deems necessary or expedient for carrying on the business of the Association.	
15.2.	<p>Powers: Without limiting clause 15.1, the Board shall have the power to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Form standing or ad hoc committees for the purpose of exercising its duties, authorities or powers; (b) Delegate its duties, powers and authorities to the Chief Executive or to a committee formed under clause 15.2(a); (c) Co-opt any person to assist with its functions; (d) Make, amend or rescind by-law (provided that any by-laws are not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Incorporated Societies Act 1908), which shall be binding on all Members; (e) Obtain the opinion of Members by circular or otherwise in lieu of calling a formal General Meeting of the Association, and act in accordance with the published majority opinion so obtained as if it has been determined by General Meeting; (f) Appoint, and at its discretion remove, a Chief Executive who shall be the salaried permanent officer of the Association; and fix his or her salary and any other benefits from the funds of the Association; (g) Appoint, and at its discretion remove, a Treasurer; and fix his or her emoluments from the funds of the Association. 		<p>Powers: Without limiting Rule 17.1, the Board shall have the power to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Exercise all the powers and authorities of the Association, (b) Do such other acts and things as it deems necessary or expedient for carrying on the business of the association, (c) Form standing or ad hoc committees for the purpose of exercising its duties, authorities or powers, (d) Delegate its duties, powers and authorities to the Chief Executive or to a committee formed under Rule 17.2(a), (e) Co-opt any person to assist with its functions, (f) Make, amend or rescind by-laws (provided that any by-laws are not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Incorporated Societies Act 2022), which shall be binding on all Members, (g) Consider and develop policies pertaining to the operation of the Association or as required by law, (h) Obtain the opinion of Members by circular or otherwise in lieu of calling a formal General Meeting of the Association, and act in accordance with the published majority opinion so obtained as if it had been determined by General Meeting, (i) Appoint, and at its discretion remove, a Chief Executive who shall be the salaried permanent officer of the Association; and fix his or her salary and any other benefits from the funds of the Association, (j) Appoint, and at its discretion remove, a Treasurer; and fix his or her emoluments from the funds of the Association. 	Updated to be consistent with the Clubs New Zealand Model Constitution.

15.3.	The funds of the Association shall be under the control of the Board subject to control and regulations by any resolution of the Association in General Meeting	17.3.	The funds of the Association shall be under the control of the Board subject to control and regulations by any resolution of the Association in General Meeting.	No change.
15.4.	Any decision of the Board on the construction and interpretation of any clause in this Constitution shall be binding on all Members unless it is overruled by a General Meeting.	17.4.	Any decision of the Board on the construction and interpretation of any rule in this Constitution shall be binding on all Members unless and until it is overruled by a General Meeting.	No Change
15.5.	<p>Duties: The duties of Area Board Members include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Maintain contact with Clubs within their Area; (b) Representing the Association at any Club, Area or other event as appropriate; (c) Considering and developing policy at Board Meetings, pertaining to all matters regarding Member Clubs; (d) Assisting the Association's National Office in specific tasks when reasonably requested; (e) Providing assistance, in consultation with the National Office, to a Member Club when reasonably requested by the Club (f) Representing Member Clubs within their Area as appropriate; (g) Arranging Area Meetings, training sessions and joint Area meetings as necessary; (h) Acting as the Association's coordinator within their Area, on any matter or events, e.g. Supersports; (i) Reflecting the views of Member Clubs in their Area at Board Meetings; (j) Visiting potential members in their Area and advising the Association's office of them; (k) Monitoring local news media for matters involving or affecting chartered clubs, whether Members or not; (l) Advising the Association's office of events or occurrences which may be newsworthy; and 	17.5.	<p>Duties: The duties of Area Board Members include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Rendering every assistance to the President, and National Office staff to maintain order and prevent infringement of this constitution and by-laws, (b) Using powers for the proper purpose, to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act and this constitution. (c) Acting in good faith and the best interests of the Association, (d) Exercising a degree of care and diligence of a reasonable person with such responsibilities, (e) Abide by the Associations Board Code of Practice and Conduct, (f) Maintaining contact with Clubs within their Area, (g) Representing the Association at any Club, Area or other event as appropriate, (h) Arranging Area meetings, training sessions and joint Area meetings as necessary, (i) Any other duties which the Board or the Association may from time to time determine. 	Streamlined and refocused duties in line with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

	<p>(m) Maintaining close liaison with the Association's office, the President and Deputy Chair on all matters affecting Member Clubs.</p> <p>(n) Acting in the best interests of the Association as a whole, and to make decisions at the Board meetings using wisdom and judgement to the best of their abilities;</p> <p>(o) Any other duties which the Board or the Association may from time to time determine.</p>			
		<p>17.6.</p>	<p>Interests Register: The Board must keep and maintain a register of disclosures made by officers under section 73 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.</p> <p>(a) The interests register must be made available for inspection by the officers of the club at any reasonable time.</p> <p>(b) An officer with a direct or indirect financial interest in a matter must disclose, as soon as practicable, details of the nature and extent of the interest.</p> <p>(c) A member of the Board who is interested in a matter:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Must not vote or take part in a decision of the Board relating to the matter, and ii. Must not sign any document relating to the entry into a transaction or the initiation of the matter, or iii. May take part in any discussion of the Board relating to the matter and be present at the time of the decision. 	<p>New rule relating to requirements to maintain and present an interests register.</p>

RULE 18. PRESIDENT AND DEPUTY CHAIR (NEW)

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
	N/A	18.1.	The President and Deputy Chair shall be ex officio members of all sub-committees that may be formed from time to time.	New rule, consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
	N/A	18.2.	The President shall preside over all meetings of the Board and over all Annual and Special General meetings of the Association, in the absence of the President the Deputy Chair shall preside.	
	N/A	18.3.	The President shall be the contact person with whom the Registrar of the Societies Office can contact when needed.	
	N/A	18.4.	In the event of a vacancy of the office of President, the Deputy Chair shall assume that role for the remainder of the term. In the event of a vacancy in the role of Deputy Chair, the Board shall elect a board member to that role for the remainder of the term.	

RULE 19. CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Please note that Chief Executive dealt with under rule 16 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
16.1.	It shall be the duty of the Chief Executive to carry out all such duties as are required to manage the affairs of the Association. When out of New Zealand the Chief Executive will obtain the Board's agreement for delegation of his/her authority. The Chief Executive shall be accountable to the Board being that body's only direct employee.	19.1.	It shall be the duty of the Chief Executive to carry out all such duties as are required to manage the affairs of the Association. When out of New Zealand the Chief Executive will obtain the Board's agreement for delegation of his/her authority. The Chief Executive shall be accountable to the Board, being that body's only direct employee.	No Change.
16.2.	The role and responsibilities of the Chief Executive shall be detailed in:	19.2.	The role and responsibilities of the Chief Executive shall be detailed in:	No Change.

	(a) A Position Description, which shall be kept up to date by the Board; and (b) An Employment Agreement		(a) A Position Description, which shall be kept up to date by the Board, and (b) An Employment Agreement.	
16.3.	The Chief Executive shall attend and take part in all Board and General Meetings except in occasions where the collective Board decides otherwise. The Chief Executive shall not be entitled to exercise a vote on any question,	19.3.	The Chief Executive shall attend and take part in all Board and General Meetings except on occasions where the collective Board decides otherwise. The Chief Executive shall not be entitled to exercise a vote on any question.	No Change
16.4.	The Chief Executive shall be the returning officer for any election, ballot or other voting procedure conducted by the Association.	19.4.	The Chief Executive shall be the returning officer for any election, ballot or other voting procedure conducted by the Association.	No Change.

RULE 20. AUDITOR

Please note it is proposed to remove current rule 17 of the current constitution as there is no longer a need for a treasurer. Auditor is dealt with under rule 18 of the current constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
18.1.	The accounts of the Association shall be audited annually by a chartered accountant, not being an Officer or Delegate, who shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. The Board shall have the power to fill any temporary vacancy in the office of the Auditor by selecting another person.	20.1.	The accounts of the Association shall be audited annually by a chartered accountant, not being an Officer or Delegate, who shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. The Board shall have the power to fill any temporary vacancy in the office of Auditor by selecting another person.	No Change.
18.2.	The Auditor shall be paid such reasonable fees as he or she may set, as approved by the Board	20.2.	The Auditor shall be paid such reasonable fees as he or she may set, as approved by the Board.	No Change.
18.3.	The Auditor shall have the power to call for the production of all books, papers and documents (including electronic documents) relating to the affairs of the Association.	20.3.	The Auditor shall have the power to call for the production of all books, papers and documents (including electronic documents) relating to the affairs of the Association.	No Change.

18.4.	The Financial Statements shall be audited by him or her and, if correct, certified in writing under his or her hand before they are submitted to the Annual General Meeting.	20.4.	The Financial Statements shall be audited by him or her and, if correct, certified in writing under his hand before they are submitted to the Annual General Meeting.	No Change.
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RULE 21. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please note that Annual General Meeting dealt with under rule 19 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
19.1.	An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held by 31 March each Year in Wellington, or such other place decided at the previous Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Receiving and adopting the annual report of the Board; (b) Receiving and adopting the Financial Statements made up to 31 December in the previous Year; (c) Considering, and if necessary taking action on, any motion of which due notice has been given; (d) Election of Officers; (e) Election of Auditor; and (f) General Business. 	21.1.	An Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held by 31 March each Year in Wellington, or such other place decided by the Board and approved at the previous Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Receiving and adopting the annual report of the Board, (b) Receiving and adopting the Financial Statements made up to 31 December in the previous Year, (c) Providing notice of the disclosures of interest, including a brief summary of the matters, or types of matters, to which those disclosures relate. (d) Considering, and if necessary, taking action on, any motion of which due notice has been given, (e) Election of Officers, (f) Election of Auditor, and (g) General business. 	Change of wording to ensure that the board approves all potential meeting venues/hosts prior to taking them to the AGM. Changes to the purposes of the meeting to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act.
19.2.	At least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting the following shall be sent to all Financial Members; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notice of the Annual General Meeting; (b) Notice of any registration fee payable by Clubs attending; (c) The annual report; 	21.2.	At least twenty-one (21) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting the following shall be sent to all Financial Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notice of the Annual General Meeting, (b) Notice of any registration fee payable by Clubs attending, (c) The annual report, 	Have removed the requirement to send a list of all members (this is currently provided monthly) and added the notice of disclosures.

	(d) The Financial Statements; (e) A list of Members; and (f) Any other business to be transacted at the meeting.		(d) The Financial Statements, (e) Notice of Disclosures, and (f) Any other business to be transacted at the meeting.	
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RULE 22. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Please note that Special General Meeting dealt with under rule 20 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
20.1.	The Chief Executive shall call a Special General Meeting if at any time: (a) The Board considers such a Meeting necessary or desirable; or (b) He or she receives a written request to do so signed by not less than fifteen percent (15%) of Financial Members	22.1.	The Chief Executive shall call a Special General Meeting if at any time: (a) The Board considers such a Meeting necessary or desirable, or (b) He or she receives a written request to do so signed by not less than fifteen per cent (15%) of Financial Members.	No Change.
20.2.	A date for the Special General Meeting must be set within one (1) month and that Meeting must occur within three (3) months of receipt of a valid request under clause 20.1(b)	22.2.	A date for the Special General Meeting must be set within one (1) month and that Meeting must occur within three (3) months of receipt of a valid request under rule 20.1(b).	No Change.
20.3.	At least twenty-one (21) days before the date of a Special General Meeting, a written notice specifying the object, date, time and place of the meeting, must be sent to all Members.	22.3.	At least twenty-one (21) days before the date of a Special General Meeting, a written notice specifying the object, date, time and place of the meeting must be sent to all Members	No Change.
20.4.	Only the business specified in the notice of a Special General Meeting may be transacted at the Meeting.	22.4.	Only the business specified in the notice of a Special General Meeting may be transacted at the Meeting.	No Change.
20.5.	Any Special General Meeting shall be in Wellington except when the Board considers it necessary or deems it otherwise.	22.5.	Any Special General Meeting shall be in Wellington except when the Board considers it necessary or deems it otherwise.	No Change.

RULE 23. CONDUCT OF GENERAL MEETINGS

Please note that Conduct of General Meetings dealt with under rule 21 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
21.1	At all General Meeting, the chairman shall be: (a) The President; or (b) In his or her absence, the Deputy Chair; or (c) In the absence of the President and Deputy Chair, a Board member elected by the Meeting.	23.1.	At all General Meetings, the chairman shall be: (a) The President, or (b) In his or her absence, the Deputy Chair, or (c) In the absence of the President and Deputy Chair, a Board member elected by the Meeting.	No Change.
21.2.	The quorum of any General Meeting shall be Delegates from fifteen percent (15%) of the Financial Members.	23.2.	The quorum of any General Meeting shall be Delegates from fifteen percent (15%) of the Financial Members.	No Change.
21.3.	If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the scheduled time for a General Meeting, that Meeting shall be adjourned until the following day when, if a quorum is still not present, it shall lapse.	23.3.	Minutes of all General Meetings are required to be kept.	New rule confirming minutes must be kept for all meetings.
21.4.	Any General Meeting may adjourn its proceedings from time to time provided that a quorum is present.	23.4.	A General Meeting shall be adjourned if: (a) A quorum is not present within half an hour after the time fixed for the meeting, or (b) A quorum is present and the meeting elects to adjourn.	Additional rule re adjournment of meetings if a quorum is not present.
21.5.	Each Financial Member of the Association: (a) May be represented at General Meetings by any number of Delegates, each of whom shall be current financial members at the club represented, up to two (2) of whom may speak to any issue; and (b) Shall have one vote only at such Meetings.	23.5.	If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the scheduled time for a General Meeting, that Meeting shall be adjourned until the following day when, if a quorum is still not present, it shall lapse.	Additional rule re adjournment of meetings if a quorum is not present.
21.6.	Votes by proxy shall not be allowed (except pursuant to clause 28.5.)	23.6.	Each Financial Member of the Association: (a) May be represented at General Meetings by any number of Delegates, each of whom shall be current financial members at the club represented, up to two (2) of whom may speak to any issue, and (b) Shall have one vote only at such Meetings.	Consistent with current rule 21.5.

21.7.	At all General meetings, no member of the Board shall be entitled to vote on questions and ballots except as required under Clause 21.5 above.	23.7.	Votes by proxy shall not be allowed (except pursuant to Rule xx).	Consistent with current rule 21.6.
21.8.	Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, all questions raised at a General Meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.	23.8.	At all General meetings, no member of the Board shall be entitled to vote on questions and elections except as required under Rule 23.6 above.	Consistent with current rule 21.7.
21.9.	All resolutions passed at any Meeting shall be conclusive and binding on all Members whether present or not, provided that the Meeting was held in substantial conformity with this Constitution.	23.9.	Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, all questions raised at a General Meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.	Consistent with current rule 21.8.
21.10.	The conduct of all Meeting shall be in accordance with the Association's Standing Orders, as amended from time to time.	23.10.	All resolutions passed at any Meeting shall be conclusive and binding on all Members whether present or not, provided that the Meeting was held in substantial conformity with this Constitution.	Consistent with current rule 21.9.
21.11	Scrutineers shall be appointed by the delegates from the floor of the AGM or SGM to count the votes where a secret ballot operates	23.11.	The conduct of all Meetings shall be in accordance with the Association's Standing Orders, as amended from time to time.	Consistent with current rule 21.10.
		23.12.	Scrutineers shall be appointed by the delegates from the floor of the AGM or SGM to count the votes where a secret ballot operates.	Consistent with current rule 23.11.

RULE 24. BOARD MEETINGS

Please note that Board Meetings dealt with under rule 22 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
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22.1.	The Chief Executive shall call a Board Meeting: (a) A such place(s) and time as the President or, in his or her absence, Deputy Chair direct; or (b) On requisition in writing setting out the purpose for which the Meeting is required, signed by three (3) members of the Board.	24.1.	The Chief Executive shall call a Board Meeting: (a) At such place(s) and time as the President or, in his or her absence, Deputy Chair direct, or (b) On requisition in writing setting out the purpose for which the Meeting is required, signed by three (3) members of the Board.	No Change.
22.2.	A date for a Board Meeting must be set within four (4) days of the Chief Executive receiving a valid requisition under clause 22.1(b) and a meeting must be held within three (3) weeks of the requisition.	24.2.	A date for a Board Meeting must be set within four (4) days of the Chief Executive receiving a valid requisition under Rule 24.1(b) and a meeting must be held within three (3) weeks of the requisition.	No Change.
22.3.	A notice specifying the purpose for which the Meeting is convened, and the date, time and place of the Meeting shall be sent to all Board members: (a) At least seven (7) days before the date of a Board Meeting to be held in person; or (b) At least three (3) days before the date of the Meeting in the case of a meeting to be held by telephone conference; or (c) Such shorter time as in the opinion of the President or Deputy Chair given the urgency of the matter or matters to be considered at the Meeting.	24.3.	A notice specifying the purpose for which the Meeting is convened, and the date, time and place of the Meeting shall be sent to all Board members: (a) At least seven (7) days before the date of a Board Meeting to be held in person, or (b) At least three (3) days before the date of the Meeting in the case of a meeting to be held by telephone conference, or (c) Such shorter time as in the opinion of the President or Deputy Chair given the urgency of the matter or matters to be considered at the Meeting.	No Change.
22.4.	In the case of a meeting under clause 22.3 (c) the following shall apply: (a) Reasonable efforts must be made to inform each Board Member personally of the purpose, date, time and place of the Meeting; (b) Fifty percent (50%) of all Officers shall be a quorum; (c) Any three Board Members who wish the matter or matters discussed at the meeting to be reconsidered may requisition a further meeting under clause 22.1 (b) for the purpose of reconsidering the matter or matters; and	24.4.	In the case of a meeting under Rule 24.3(c) the following shall apply: (a) Reasonable efforts must be made to inform each Board Member personally of the purpose, date, time, and place of the Meeting, (b) Fifty percent (50%) of all Officers shall be a quorum, (c) Any three Board Members who wish the matter or matters discussed at the meeting to be reconsidered may requisition a further meeting under Rule 24.1(b) for the purpose of reconsidering the matter or matters, and	No Change.

	(d) Any such further meeting must be held within seven (7) days of the Chief Executive receiving a valid requisition under clause 22.1 (b).		(d) any such further Meeting must be held within seven (7) days of the Chief Executive receiving a valid requisition under Rule 24.1(b).	
22.5.	A Board Meeting may be held in two or more places simultaneously via teleconference.	24.5.	A Board Meeting may be held in two or more places simultaneously via telephone conference.	No Change.
22.6.	At all Board Meeting, the chairman shall be: (a) the President; or (b) In his or her absence, the Deputy Chair; or (c) In the absence of the President and Deputy Chair, another Board Member elected by the Meeting.	24.6.	At all Board Meetings, the chairman shall be: (a) The President, or (b) In his or her absence, the Deputy Chair, or (c) In the absence of the President and Deputy Chair, another Board Member elected by the Meeting.	No Change.
22.7.	At all Board Meetings except those referred to in 22.4(b) sixty person (60%) of all Officers shall be a quorum.	24.7.	At all Board Meetings except those referred to in 24.4(b) sixty percent (60%) of all Officers shall be a quorum.	No Change.
22.8.	If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the scheduled time for a Board Meeting, that Meeting shall be adjourned until the following day, when, if a quorum is still not present, it shall lapse.	24.8.	If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the scheduled time for a Board Meeting, that Meeting shall be adjourned until the following day, when, if a quorum is still not present, it shall lapse.	No Change.
22.9.	Any Board Meeting may adjourn its proceedings from time to time provided that a quorum is present.	24.9.	Any Board Meeting may adjourn its proceedings from time to time provided that a quorum is present.	No Change.
22.10.	Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, all questions raised at a Board Meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.	24.10.	Except as otherwise provided by this Constitution, all questions raised at a Board Meeting shall be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.	No Change.
22.11.	The Chief Executive may conduct a poll of Board Members by fax or telephone in relation to any issue, and any majority decision of the Board so obtained shall be deemed a resolution passed by the Board, subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting.	24.11.	The Chief Executive may conduct a poll of Board Members by phone or electronic means in relation to any issue, and any majority decision of the Board so obtained shall be deemed a resolution passed by the Board, subject to ratification at the next Board Meeting.	Updated to remove reference to fax and change to “electronic means”
		24.12.	Minutes of all Board Meetings are required to be kept.	New rule confirming minutes from all board meetings must be kept.

RULE 25. ACCOUNTS (NEW)

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
	N/A	25.1.	<p>General Accounting and Financial Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The Board shall ensure that accounting records are kept that: (b) Correctly record all transactions; and (c) Allow for the production of financial statements in compliance with the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 and any other relevant legislation; and (d) Enable the financial statements to be readily and properly audited if required under any legislation or this constitution. (e) The Board will ensure that an appropriate accounting system is adopted to maintain a satisfactory system of control of the clubs accounting records. (f) All revenue shall be banked with the approved financial institution after being accounted for within the club's accounting system. (g) Payments are to be authorised by two approved persons. (h) The association shall make returns required by the relevant New Zealand legislation and comply with all the relevant requirements of those Acts. 	Incorporated societies act 2022 requires that the constitution set out how the society will control and manage its finances – this rule largely aligns with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.

RULE 26. BY-LAWS AND STANDING ORDERS

Please note that By Laws and Standing Orders is dealt with under rule 23 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
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23.1.	All new or amended By-laws and Standing Orders shall be submitted to the next General Meeting for approval.	26.1.	The Board from time to time may make, alter, and rescind By-Law's incidental to the operations of the Association, so long as they are in conformity with this Constitution. A register of By-Laws must be kept.	Suggested change to align with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
23.1.	Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 23.1, the Board may fix the date of which any By law or Standing Order shall come into force.		N/A	

RULE 27. ALTERATIONS OF CONSTITUTION RULES

Please note that Alteration of Constitution Rules is dealt with under rule 24 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
24.1.	No new clause, nor any alteration or suspension of an existing clause in this Constitution, shall be made unless both: (a) Sixty six percent (66%) of the Members present at a General Meeting; and (b) At least thirty-three (33) Members vote in favor.	27.1.	This Constitution may be revised or amended by a resolution passed by a simple majority of the Financial Members present at a General Meeting	Simplifying the wording around how an alteration may be made.
24.2.	Notice of any proposed new clause, or alteration or suspension of an existing clause must be in writing to the Chief Executive.	27.2.	All Financial Members and Officers shall have the right to submit a resolution for inclusion at the General Meeting. (a) Notice specifying the intention to propose such a resolution must be given in writing to the Chief Executive no later than 4.00pm 20 January each year. (b) Such notice shall be provided to Financial Members in accordance with Rule 21.2	Describing how a resolution may be put forward and the required notice period.
24.3.	In the case of such a motion being proposed for an Annual General Meeting, the Chief Executive must receive the notice not later than 4.00pm on 20 January in each year.	27.3.	Despite Rule 27.1 no addition to, deletion from or alteration of these rules shall be made which would allow personal pecuniary profits to any individuals	Added as recommended by Inland Revenue (not-for-profit wording).
24.5.	Notice of the proposed change shall be sent to Members no later than twenty-one (21) days before the date of the Meeting.	27.4.	Notice of the proposed change shall be sent to Members no later than twenty-one (21) days before the date of the meeting.	Reiterating the notice period required.

		27.5.	Minor and Technical Amendments: The Board may elect to amend the constitution if the amendment has no more than a minor effect or corrects errors or makes similar technical alterations. Amendments under this section must be made in accordance with Section 31 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.	Inclusion of this clause allows grammar or immaterial changes to be made when and where required.
		27.6.	Resolution in lieu of meeting: A written resolution may be passed via this method in accordance with Sections 89 to 92 of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.	The new act allows for resolutions in lieu of meeting. This has been included to allow for extraordinary situations i.e. a pandemic where meetings cannot be held.
		27.7.	Any amendments to the constitution made under this section take effect from the date of registration with the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.	Confirming when changes take effect in line with the Incorporated Societies Act.

RULE 28. REMITS

Please note that Remits is dealt with under rule 25 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
25.1.	All Financial Members and Officers shall have the right to submit for inclusion at the Annual General Meeting, any Remit on any matter provided the Remit shall reach the Chief Executive not later than 4.00pm on 20 January in each year.	28.1.	All Financial Members and Officers shall have the right to submit for inclusion at the Annual General Meeting, any Remit on any matter provided the Remit shall reach the Chief Executive not later than 4.00pm on 20 January each year.	No change

25.2.	The Board shall have the power to bring forward business of any nature at the Annual General Meeting without complying with clauses 24.3. or 25.1.	28.2.	The Board shall have the power to bring forward business of any nature at the Annual General Meeting without complying with rules 27.2(a) or 28.1.	No change other than to update the references to
25.3.	Notice of any proposed remit shall be sent to Financial Members no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.	28.3.	Notice of any proposed remit shall be sent to Financial Members no later than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.	No change

RULE 29. RECIPROCITY

Please note that Reciprocity is dealt with under rule 26 of the existing constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
26.1.	On joining the Association, Clubs New Zealand will administer an arrangement for reciprocal visiting rights for members between all current member clubs of the association.	29.1.	On joining the Association, Clubs New Zealand will administer an arrangement for reciprocal visiting rights for members between all current member clubs of the association.	No change
26.2.	The arrangement for reciprocal visiting rights will be renewed annually and remain in place for as long as the club/association is a member of Clubs New Zealand.	29.2.	The arrangement for reciprocal visiting rights will be renewed annually and will remain in place for as long as the club/association is a member of Clubs New Zealand.	No change
26.3.	Membership of the Association does not impinge on any visiting or transfer agreements entered into between any Members.	29.3.	Membership of the Association does not impinge on any visiting or transfer agreements entered into between any Members.	No change
26.4.	Membership of the Association does not impose any obligation on Members to enter into any visiting or transfer agreement with any other Member.	29.4.	Membership of the Association does not impose any obligation on Members to enter into any visiting or transfer agreements with any other Member.	No change

RULE 30. DISSOLUTION

Please note it is proposed to remove current rule 27 of the current constitution as there is no longer a need for a common seal. Dissolution is dealt with under rule 28 of the current constitution.

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
28.1.	The Association may only be dissolved: (a) At a Special General Meeting called by the Board for that purpose; or (b) As provided for in the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.	30.1.	The Association may be wound up, liquidated, or removed from the Register of the Incorporated Societies in accordance with the provisions of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.	This rule is consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
28.2.	The Board shall call a Special General Meeting to consider the dissolution of the Association on application in writing to it by ten percent (10%) of the Financial Members.	30.2.	The Board shall give notice to all members of the proposed motion to wind up the association or remove it from the Register of Incorporated Societies and of the Special General Meeting at which any such proposal is to be considered, of the reasons for the proposal, and of any recommendations from the Board in respect to such notice of motion.	This rule is consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
28.3.	Notice of such meeting shall be sent to each Member at least sixty (60) days before the date of the Meeting.	30.3.	Any resolution to wind up the Association or remove it from the Register of Incorporated Societies must be passed by seventy five percent (75%) of all members present and voting.	This rule is consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
28.4.	The quorum at such a Meeting shall be twenty five percent (25%) of the Members.	30.4.	The Association may be put into liquidation: (a) At a Special General Meeting called by the Board for that purpose; or (b) As provided for in the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.	This rule is consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution.
28.5.	At such a Meeting votes by proxy shall be admitted.	30.5.	On winding up or dissolution of the association any surplus funds or assets shall not be paid or distributed to any members or individuals but shall be: (a) Given or transferred to another not-for-profit organisation or institution to be determined by the Special General Meeting referred to in Rule 30.2.	This rule is consistent with the Clubs New Zealand model constitution and in line with the wording recommended by Inland Revenue for Not-for-Profit societies.
28.6.	The Board shall administer the winding up or dissolution of the Association.	30.6.	A Proxy vote may be exercised by any Board Member or Delegate having first received written authorisation from the Member Club wishing to vote by Proxy, such intention having been advised in writing to the Chief Executive specifying: (a) The Member voting by Proxy, (b) The Delegate exercising that Proxy.	Proposed rules 30.6. is consistent with current rule 28.9.

			Such advice is to be in the Chief Executive's office three (3) working days prior to the Special General Meeting held under Rule 30.2 in the prescribed form.	
28.7.	<p>After payment of all debts and liabilities and costs of winding up, the excess assets and/or funds of the Association realized shall be distributed to either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) One or more charitable organisations or institutions; or (b) An organisation similar to the Association with a compatible constitution provided that there is no opportunity for division of that organisation's assets or funds among the membership, as directed by the Meeting, or in the absence of such a direction, as decided by the Board. 			
28.8.	Notwithstanding the provision in clause 24 for the amendment of this Constitution, there shall be no power for clause 28.7. to be amended so as to allow distribution of any Association funds to the membership of this or any subsequent organisation.			
28.9.	<p>A Proxy vote may be exercised by any Board Member or Delegate having first received written authorization for the Member wishing to vote by Proxy, such intention having been advised in writing to the Chief Executive specifying;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The Member voting by Proxy; (b) The Delegate exercising that Proxy. <p>Such advice to be in the Chief Executive's officer three (3) working days prior to the Special General Meeting in the prescribed form.</p>			

STANDING ORDERS

There are no material changes proposed for the Standing Orders. References to chairman have been changed to Chair or Chair's for the purposes of gender neutrality. References to rules have been updated when and where required.

BY LAWS

Rule	Current		Proposed	Commentary
1	AGM REGISTRATION FEE Each Club attending the Annual General Meeting shall pay a registration fee to the Association, to be used for the administration expenses of each Annual General Meeting. The Board shall determine the amount of the registration fee and inform members of it when circulating notice of the Annual General Meeting pursuant to clause 19.2.	1	CONFERENCE & AGM REGISTRATION FEE Each Club attending the Conference & Annual General Meeting shall pay a registration fee to the Association, to be used for the administration expenses of each Conference & Annual General Meeting. The Board shall determine the amount of the registration fee and inform members of it when circulating notice of the Annual General Meeting pursuant to Rule 21.2.	It is proposed that this by-law be updated to include reference to the annual Conference & AGM.
2	CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP The following are the criteria to be applied to any club seeking ordinary membership of the Association: (a) Must be a club, formed as either an incorporated society or similar for not less than six (6) months, (b) Must not have any outstanding debts or payments owing to the Association, this includes but is not	2.	CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP The following are the criteria to be applied to any club seeking ordinary membership of the Association: (a) Must be a club, formed as either an incorporated or friendly society or similar for not less than six (6) months,	Criteria for Ordinary Membership to remain as is, propose removing criteria for Associate Membership as this is proposed to be removed from the Constitution.

	<p>limited to applicants that were part of a club that has outstanding debts or payments owing either as an adjunct or 'breakaway group'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) Must be able to offer reciprocal rights to other members of the Association, (d) Must be a 'not-for-profit' organisation and must not be operated for gain, (e) Must be operated for the benefit of its members and may have a community involvement, (f) Must have its application for membership supported by a current Financial Member, (g) Must be a club formed independently of any club that is a current member of the Association or club that meets the requirements of Ordinary Membership, (h) Where an ordinary member no longer meeting the above criteria, the membership will be reviewed by the Board and the member will either, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Resign their membership of the Association as per section 9 of the Constitution; or II. Be considered for Associate Membership of the Association. <p>The following are the criteria to be applied to any organisation or association seeking associate membership of the Association:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Associate Membership will only be considered where the association or organisation does not meet the criteria for Ordinary Membership. (b) Must be an association or organisation formed independently of any club that is an Ordinary Member of the Association or club that meets the requirements of Ordinary Membership. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (b) Must not have any outstanding debts or payments owing to the Association, this includes but is not limited to applicants that were part of a club that has outstanding debts or payments owing either as an adjunct or 'breakaway group', (c) Must be able to offer reciprocal rights to other members of the Association, (d) Must be a 'not-for-profit' organization and must not be operated for gain, (e) Must be operated for the benefit of its members and may have a community involvement, (f) Must have its application for membership supported by a current Financial Member, (g) Must be a club formed independently of any club that is a current member of the Association or club that meets the requirements of Ordinary Membership, (h) Where an ordinary member no longer meets the above criteria, the membership will be reviewed by the Board and if required the member will resign their membership of the Association as per Rule 11 of the constitution. 	
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	(c) Must not be an adjunct of a club that is an Ordinary Member of the Association or club that meets the requirements of Ordinary Membership.			
3	<p>SPORTING COMPETITION</p> <p>The Association shall not promote, organize or conduct any sporting event or competition (“Event”) on a national, regional or any other level unless so authorized by a General Meeting or Board Meeting.</p> <p>No Member shall promote, organize or conduct any Event in the name of the Association, or purporting to be a competition of Members of the Association, without the written consent of the Association acting in conformity with these By-Laws.</p> <p>All Events must have “Clubs New Zealand” at the commencement of their title.</p> <p>Notice of motion of any proposal to promote, organize or conduct any Event shall be by way of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Remit to the Annual General Meeting pursuant to clause 25; or (b) Notice to a Board meeting; or (c) Request for a Special General Meeting to consider the Event pursuant to clause 20. <p>Before promoting, organizing or conducting any Event, or consenting to a Member doing so, the Board shall take reasonable action to ascertain that the proposed Event does not conflict to the detriment of any other Event to be conducted by organisations represented in the Association’s membership. If any conflict becomes known to the Board, the Member sponsoring the notice in By-Law 3.4. shall be notified forthwith.</p>	3	<p>SPORTING COMPETITION</p> <p>The Association shall not promote, organise or conduct any sporting event or competition (“Event”) on a national, regional or any other level unless so authorised by a General Meeting or Board meeting.</p> <p>No Member or other Association(s) shall promote, organise or conduct any Event in the name of the Association, or purporting to be a competition of Members of the Association, without the written consent of the Association acting in conformity with these By-laws.</p> <p>All Events must have “Clubs New Zealand” at the commencement of their title.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Notice of motion of any proposal to promote, organise or conduct any Event shall be by way of: (b) Remit to the Annual General Meeting pursuant to Rule 28, or (c) Notice to a Board meeting, or (d) Request for a Special General Meeting to consider the Event pursuant to Rule 22. <p>Before promoting, organising, or conducting any Event, or consenting to a Member doing so, the Board shall take reasonable action to ascertain that the proposed Event does not conflict to the detriment of any other Event to be conducted by organisations represented in the Association’s membership. If any conflict becomes known to the Board, the Member sponsoring the notice in By-law 3.4 shall be notified forthwith.</p>	<p>Updated rule 3.2. to confirm that no member or other associations shall promote events in the name of Clubs New Zealand without written consent.</p> <p>Added 3.10 to confirm that all events must be conducted etc. in accordance with the Clubs New Zealand Sports Handbook.</p>

	<p>The Club(s) or Incorporated Society promoting, organizing or conducting an Event which is not an Event run by the Association shall unless the contrary is advised in writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Be deemed to take full responsibility for the Event; and (b) Indemnify the Association against any claim by any person in relation to the Event. <p>If there is any dispute regarding the rules or conditions of play or entry into an Event, any Club may apply to the Board to investigate. Any decision of the Board shall be final and binding.</p> <p>No person for whom capitation fees have not been paid in accordance with clause 7.1. shall be eligible to participate in any Event as a competitor or as an official.</p> <p>Every participant in an Event (competitor or official) shall be a full financial member or life member of a Club, which is a Financial Member of the Association, or a Life Member of the Association.</p>		<p>The Club(s) or Incorporated Society promoting, organising, or conducting an Event which is not an Event run by the Association shall unless the contrary is advised in writing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Be deemed to take full responsibility for the Event, and (b) Indemnify the Association against any claim by any person in relation to the Event. <p>If there is any dispute regarding the rules or conditions of play or entry into an Event, any Club may apply to the Board to investigate. Any decision of the Board shall be final and binding.</p> <p>No person for whom capitation fees have not been paid in accordance with Rule XX shall be eligible to participate in any Event as a competitor or as an official.</p> <p>Every participant in an Event (competitor or official) shall be a full financial member or life member of a Club, which is a Financial Member of the Association, or a Life Member of the Association.</p> <p>All Events promoted, organised, conducted in the name of the Association shall comply with the Clubs New Zealand Sports Handbook.</p>	
	N/A	4.	<p>AREA DEFINITIONS</p> <p>Member clubs will be assigned to one of the following geographical Areas for the purposes of maintaining a membership directory and holding events such as Area Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Northland (b) Greater Auckland (c) Waikato, Thames Valley and King Country (d) Manawatu, Wanganui and Taranaki, (e) Hawkes Bay and Poverty Bay (f) Greater Wellington (g) Marlborough, Nelson, Buller and West Coast 	<p>Due to the proposed change to Rule 15. Officers the area definitions require a new rule under By-Laws.</p>

			(h) Canterbury and North Otago (i) Otago and Southland The area definitions may be amended by the Board from time to time.	
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