



Nelson Regional Pool Association

(1) The Society shall be known as “Nelson Regional Pool Association”

OBJECTS

(2) The Object of the Association shall be:

1. To promote the playing of the game of pool in the Nelson District, and control the rules under which it will be played by its members.
2. To buy, lease, hire or otherwise acquire, any real property whether freehold or leasehold or any personal property, and to sell, let, lease, hire, mortgage, licence, charge, exchange or in any other manner, deal with such property, with or without consideration or rental upon such terms and conditions as the Association’s executive committee shall from time to time decide.
3. To construct, maintain and improve any building or buildings which the Executive Committee may from time to time decide to be necessary, convenient, or desirable, for the work of the Association for the achievement of its objects.
4. To undertake, carry out, sponsor, promote and assist such plans and schemes as the Executive Committee may from time to time deem to be of benefit to The Association and to sponsor, permit, assist and co-operate with other Pool Associations, Clubs and teams, whether Incorporate or not, in pursuance of the objects of the Association.
5. To invest any money belonging to the Association in such manner, and upon such security as the Executive Committee may, from time to time, decide, and to vary or transpose such investments.
6. To contribute to, give to, establish, assist or support any hospital, charitable, social, sporting or benevolent society, institution, board, club, fund or association.
7. To indemnify all members of the Executive Committee and all agents of the Association, against all claims and demands made on them for the arising from acts done by them in good faith on behalf to the Association, or in furtherance of the objects of the Association.
8. To borrow money by way of bank overdraft, mortgage, debenture or otherwise and give such security over all and nay of the assets and property of the Association as is deemed necessary and proper and to raise money by subscription or any other means and to grant rights and privileges to subscribers.

(3) Membership and Registered Players:

- A. The members of the Association shall be all financial players
 1. Life members may be admitted to the Association, by the Executive Committee, for the life for special reasons and have their Association subscriptions paid, and will be bound by the Associations rules and conditions.
- B. The Registered Players of the Association will be:
 1. Team Player: A team player is registered in an Association organised weekly competition, where the team pays the set registration team fee, and will be entitled to play in tournaments under player fee and selections for reps. The team player will be bound by the Associations rules and conditions.



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(4) Resignation of membership:

Any member may resign from the Association upon giving written notice to the Secretary or by failure to renew subscriptions for a period as set down by the Executive Committee.

(5) Code of Conduct

Association Members and Players must adhere to all hosts rules and act in accordance within the law and in a respectful manner. Illegal drugs will not be tolerated at any Association event. Anyone deemed to violate the code, or the Nelson Regional Pool Association rules, shall face disciplinary action.

(6) Suspension and expulsion from membership:

1. The Executive Committee may suspend the membership of any member, **after the member has had the chance to attend a disciplinary hearing**, for such time as it thinks fit, if in the opinion of the Executive Committee, the member has committed a breach of any Association rule or by-law, or of any rule, direction or instruction of the Executive Committee, and during such suspension, such member may not take in any Association business, play, game or match under the control of the Executive Committee, unless allowed by the Executive Committee.
2. Such suspension, reasons and conditions will be give in writing by the Executive Committee at an appropriate time after a disciplinary hearing has been held.
3. The Association may expel any from membership, **after the member has had the chance to attend a disciplinary hearing**, by a majority vote of member actually present and voting at a general meeting of the Association, or upon Executive Committee being satisfied that such member has:-
 - a) Been guilty of conduct injurious to the character or interest of the Association.
 - b) Committed a breach of these rules or by-laws of the Association, AND immediately on such expulsion, such member shall cease to take part in any business, play game or match under the control of the Association

(7) Annual Subscription

The annual subscription to the Association for members shall be such as deemed necessary by members present and voting at the Annual General Meeting, and shall be payable to the treasurer before applicant may take part in any Association activities.

(8) Officers:

1. Officers of the Association shall be: Vice President, Secretary/Publicity Officer, Treasurer, Representative Team Facilitator and Three selectors voted in. **Then they become the Executive Committee.**
2. No member shall hold more than one office at one time.
3. No member shall be eligible for election unless a financial or life member.
4. All Association Office shall be enter office immediately upon election. Retiring officers may be eligible and available for re-election.



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(8b) Nominations for Office

These are to be proposed and seconded at AGM or Special AGM. If the names proposed, being in excess of the number required, a ballot shall be held at the AGM by way of secret vote or a show of hands.

(9) Duties of Officers:

- A. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at that particular meeting.
- B. The President shall prepare and present, at the Annual General Meeting, a report.
- C. The Secretary shall keep the usual minutes, attend to necessary correspondence and attend to usual secretarial duties.
- D. The Publicity Officer shall be responsible for the publishing of all notices regarding Association activities, to various pool teams, hotels, clubs and news media. **The Publicity Officer and Secretary can be a combined office.**
- E. The Treasurer shall collect all subscriptions, and team fees, pay all accounts, prepare annual statements and keep an accurate record of all financial transactions of the Association.
- F. The Representative Team Facilitator shall be responsible for collating scores in accordance with rules or representative play and shall be responsible for control and condition of uniforms, and arranging accommodation and travel.

(10) Committee:

- A. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the day to day management of the Association, and may be divided into sub-committees as it sees fit. Such sub-committees to be responsible to the whole Executive on its deliberations. **Meetings at least monthly with a quorum of at least five.**
- B. A special committee may be set up, consisting of President, Secretary, Treasurer and one other Executive Committee and a report submitted to Executive Committee and a report submitted to Executive Committee at earliest appropriate moment.
- C. An Association Sub-Committee shall consist of the Executive Committee along with a representative from each registered team. Meetings as set with a quorum of at least nine.

(11) Meetings of the Association:

- A. The Annual general meeting of the Association shall be held in February of each year. Such meeting shall be convened by note to all pool clubs in the region, by the Publicity Office or Secretary, at least FOURTEEN days before such date and notice in the newspaper SEVEN days before such date, **with a quorum of at least nine.**
- B. At the Annual meeting, a report shall be submitted by the President and the Annual Statement of Accounts shall be submitted by the Treasurer, which will have been audited.
- C. The order of business shall be:
 - 1. Apologies
 - 2. Minutes of previous Annual Meeting and of any other general meeting
 - 3. Annual President's Report
 - 4. Presentation of Financial Statement



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5. Election of Officers
 6. Consideration of remits
 7. Set Annual Subscription for the ensuing year
 8. Registration of pool teams
 9. General business
- D. Special General Meetings of the Association may be called, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, **or by at least seven members** to discuss any unusual matter concerning the well-being of the Association.
- E. At **AGM or SGM**, each member shall be entitled to one vote, and only members present may vote on issues raised at the meeting.
- F. At all General meetings, the President shall have a deliberative, and in the event of an equality of votes, shall have the casting vote.
- G. At any meeting, voting should be by a show of hands, except as provided by rule 8b for officers, unless the ballot of those present and entitled to vote is demanded by six or more members.
- (12) Amendments to Rules:**
These rules may be amended, added to, or rescinded by resolution of a majority of members actually present and voting at a general meeting of the Association, provided that notice of intention to propose such a resolution was presented by way of a remit to the Secretary at least FOURTEEN days prior to such meeting, and the Secretary to distribute remits to all existing teams seven days prior the general meeting. Remits need to be signed by proposer and seconder before submission.
- (13) The Common Seal:**
The Common Seal of the Association shall be kept by the Secretary, who shall use the same only as directed by the Executive Committee. The Common Seal shall be affixed in the presence of the President, Secretary and of such other person as authorised by the Executive Committee.
- (14) Registered Office:**
The Registered Office of the Association shall be such place as the Executive Committee shall from time to time decide
- (15) Financial Accounts:**
The funds belonging to the Association shall be under the control of the Executive Committee. All monies from time to time belonging to the Association shall be banked in the Association's name at a bank to be decided on the Executive Committee. All accounts, before payments, shall be passed by the Executive Committee. All cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes, deeds, agreements or documents of any kind, be executed, accepted or endorsed by the Executive Committee, shall be signed by the Treasurer and with the President, Vice President, or Secretary.
- (16) Winding Up:**
In the event of the Association being dissolved, any surplus monies, after payment of all liabilities, costs and expenses, shall be donated to some charitable organization decided upon by the Executive Committee.