

THE BASEL DRAGONS JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB – CONSTITUTION



The hereinafter description of persons applies equally to both men and women. To simplify the constitution the male form is used.

1. Title

The Association shall be called the “The Basel Dragons Junior Cricket Club”, hereinafter abbreviated to BDJ and shall be based in Basel, Switzerland.

2. Objectives

The objectives of the BDJ are:

- a. to encourage and promote junior cricket in the best traditions of sportsmanship.
- b. to be affiliated to the Swiss Cricket Association, hereinafter abbreviated to the SCA, and to support the SCA in its endeavour to foster junior cricket in Switzerland.
- c. To release players, if requested by the SCA, to allow them to play for the National side in international matches.

3. Membership

Membership of the BDJ shall be open to all juniors from age 7 -18 years (beginning in the year of 7th birthday until the end of year of 18th birthday) having an interest in and/or wishing to play cricket irrespective of their level of skill. The membership expires without further ado after the year of 18th birthday. Irrespective of the number of members per family one legal guardian has one vote at the AGM/EGM. Legal guardians cannot have multiple memberships and votes but the voting right is transferable among the legal guardians (parents).

4. Subscription

The BDJ annual subscription shall be determined at the Annual General Meeting, hereinafter abbreviated to AGM, and thereafter reviewed every year. For players joining after the beginning of the year, fees are payable on a pro rata basis.

Paid subscriptions allow the members to participate at training and matches and vote at the AGM/EGM. If the subscription for the following year is not paid by the end of November, and if after one written registered letter requesting payment with deadline end of January the membership fee is still not paid, the membership and therefore the right to attend trainings, playing in matches and voting at assemblies is dropped with immediate effect. The suspension will be communicated in writing.

5. The Committee

a. The business of the BDJ shall be administered by a Committee which shall consist of;

- President,
- Secretary,
- Treasurer,
- Coaching Coordinator and
- Ground/Equipment responsible

who shall be elected at the AGM (exceptionally at EGMs) and shall serve a term of two years. They shall be eligible for re-election.

When a committee member resigns before the end of the term of office, this committee member shall inform the committee as early as possible and try to find a successor who can be presented for nomination. The resignation of a committee member before the term of office requires automatically an EGM be called within 3 months.

b. The Committee shall meet at least once per year. Additional meetings shall be summoned either by the Committee or by a written demand by at least three members.

c. The President shall chair all Committee meetings, but in his absence a Chairman shall be elected by the meeting.

d. The quorum shall be 3 committee members entitled to be present and voting. In the event of a tie, the President/Chairman shall have a casting vote.

e. All decisions shall be carried by a simple majority of those present.

f. The BDJ Committee shall appoint any such sub-committees as it considers necessary.

g. Bad conduct and / or bad sportsmanship on the field during the game shall be investigated and maybe subject to disciplinary action. The Committee shall decide on the action to be taken if it is deemed necessary.

6. AGM and EGM

a. The AGM shall be held no later than the 30th of March in each year.

b. All paid up members of the club shall be entitled to attend the AGM and have one vote each. Multiple memberships/voting right for one person is not allowed (see article 3 Membership).

c. The Secretary shall summon an Extraordinary General Meeting (hereinafter abbreviated to EGM) of the BDJ, at either the request of the Committee, or upon receipt of a written, signed requisition of 1/5 of the paid up members of the club, and at least 2 weeks' written notice of the meeting, specifying the business to be discussed, shall be given to all members.

d. At least 2 weeks' written notice of the AGM, specifying the business to be discussed, shall be given to each member.

e. The following: Secretary's report, Treasurer's report, Auditor's report and any other relevant business, which shall be circulated to each member along with the notification of the AGM, shall be discussed and approved. The members shall discharge the committee members from the activities of the past year.

f. The BDJ office bearers (see article 5.a) and an Auditor shall be elected/confirmed.

New candidate proposals for

- President,
- Secretary,
- Treasurer,
- Coaching Coordinator and
- Ground/Equipment Responsible

Should have the agreement of the candidate and nominations must be with the Secretary 3 weeks' prior to the AGM.

g. The BDJ President shall take the chair at an AGM or an EGM, but in his absence a chairman shall be elected.

h. All motions at an AGM or an EGM shall be carried by an absolute majority of those present plus the received written votes to the president and secretary at least one week before the AGM/EGM. Written votes cannot be used/are not valid for elections. Nominations have to be confirmed first at the AGM/EGM.

7. Finances

- a. The BDJ financial year shall be concurrent with the calendar year.
- b. The BDJ shall be financed by subscriptions, donations and other means determined by the Committee.
- c. The Treasurer shall keep accurate records of the accounts and financial transactions of the BDJ. He shall prepare and present to the AGM a budget for the forthcoming financial year, and shall be responsible for keeping to the budget. He shall send the members their payment notice for subscription and check that members have paid by the due date otherwise he shall remind them. If the members do not pay after expiry of the term their membership drops with immediate effect (see article 4 Subscription).
- d. All expenses (e.g. tours, equipment, visiting teams, donations etc.) which exceed CHF 150. - shall require approval by the President / Committee.

8. Application of Funds

- a. The income and property of the BDJ whencesoever derived shall be utilized solely towards the promotion of the objectives of the club set forth in article 2 of this constitution.
- b. The BDJ shall not secure the services of any salaried officers.
- c. Only the President and the Treasurer shall be authorized to sign on behalf of the club with regard to any financial transactions.
- d. Services rendered to the BDJ by all those holding office shall be on a voluntary basis in the best interest of cricket and of the club.
- e. BDJ funds shall be used for:
 - match expenses (ground fees, balls and refreshments) and equipment
 - direct expenses with receipts (club insurance, postage, stationary etc.)
 - other expenses approved at the AGM.

9. Dissolution

- a. Any motion relating to the dissolution of the BDJ shall require the consent of at least two-thirds of those entitled to vote at an AGM or an EGM (see article 6.b). Such a motion shall be submitted to the Secretary in writing by not less than three paid up members and bear the signatures of those authorized to sign.
- b. In the event of the dissolution of the BDJ, the liquidation shall be effected by the Committee or a sub – Committee previously appointed for this purpose at an AGM or an EGM.
- c. The disposal or further use of the net assets, after meeting fully all payments and liabilities shall be applied to the furtherance of the sport or as may be decided at an AGM or an EGM prior to dissolution.

10. Amendments to the Constitution

- a. Proposals to amend the Constitution of the BDJ shall be submitted by either the Committee or a member or members.
- b. Any proposed amendment to the BDJ Constitution shall be communicated in writing to the Secretary by the first of January in any year or 6 weeks before an EGM. Any such proposal shall require the support of at least two additional members.
- c. All amendments to the BDJ Constitution shall be circulated to members 2 weeks' before an AGM or an EGM at which they will be tabled for discussion.
- d. Any motion relating to proposed alterations of the BDJ Constitution shall be carried only if voted in favour by at least a two thirds majority at an AGM or an EGM by those present and entitled to vote.



President, The Basel Dragon Junior Cricket Club (BDJ)

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