



## Zurich Lions Cricket Club Constitution

The following gives the Constitution and Rules of Zurich Lions Cricket Club.

### **1. NAME**

The name of the Club shall be “Zurich Lions Cricket Club”, herein after called “The Club”.

### **2. STATUS**

- i. The seat of the club shall be in the Canton of Zurich.
- ii. The Club will pursue membership of the national body “Cricket Switzerland” and play an active role for the interests of cricket in its various forms.
- iii. The Club shall be a members’ club, consisting of those classes of membership specified in Rule 4.

### **3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

- i. The purposes of the club shall be to promote cricket in all its forms.
- ii. The Club is a sports and non-profit organisation, independent and neutral on the subjects of sex, race, religion, colour, creed and politics.
- iii. Within the Club’s resources provide regular competitive and recreational cricket for the membership.
- iv. To encourage juniors to play and enjoy Cricket, providing opportunities for their participation and progression.

### **4. ELIGIBILITY AND MEMBERSHIP**

- i. Membership of the Club shall be open to all individuals regardless of sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non-discriminatory basis.



**ii. Classes of membership shall be:-**

- Honorary Members
- Full playing member
- Youth member (under 18 years of age at the time of signup)
- Junior member (playing at Under 15 level or below)
- Social member
- Automatic member (parents of youth members Rule 4 iii)

The Committee reserves the right to review the class of membership (and the applicable membership fee) subject to the individual's circumstances and at the Committee's discretion, for example where members are in full-time employment or financial hardship.

**iii.** Parents of youth members will be given automatic (non-playing non-voting) membership of the Club.

**iv.** A list of members in each Class shall be maintained by the Club Secretary or other Officer of the club.

**v.** On payment of the annual subscription and completion of the appropriate membership form, playing members shall be eligible for team selection, and to vote at Club meetings. On payment of the annual subscription, non-playing members shall be eligible to vote at Club meetings. Non-paying and junior members under 16 years old have no voting rights. Team selection will be in accordance with the Club's stated selection policy. The Executive Committee can nominate an individual who has positively contributed in the promotion of the Club to Honorary Member.

**vi.** All applications for membership shall be subject to the approval of the Management Committee, with due regard to the Club's resources, existing membership profile, and to the rules of any organisations the Club is affiliated to.

**vii.** All Club members, playing and non-playing, are subject to the Club's various Policies and Codes of Conduct (see Rule 7.) Breach of the Policies or Codes by members may result in disciplinary action being taken by the Management or Selection Committees. Club members also agree to abide by the Cricket Switzerland Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and by the Laws of Cricket.

**viii.** The club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as



conduct or character likely to bring the club or cricket into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the Committee who shall appoint an Appeals Committee to hear the appeal.

ix. Any member whose membership fees are not settled within 30 days of the due date shall automatically lose the membership, unless waived by the Executive Committee. Annual fees are due and payable no later than 30 March each year.

## **5. GENERAL MEETING OF THE CLUB**

i. The Annual General Meeting shall be held pre-season. The date, venue, agenda, and time shall be notified to members 21 days in advance of the meeting. The agenda must include the presentation of the Club's audited financial statement for the previous year, the election of Club Officers, the election of an independent examiner of the accounts, the presentation of the annual report from the Management Committee, and the review of annual subscription rates.

ii. Nominations of candidates for election of Offices shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting date. Nominations can only be made by Full Members and must be seconded by another Full Member.

iii. Extraordinary Meetings of the Club may be called by a minimum of 8 members signing a petition to the Club Secretary, who within 7 days of receiving said petition will notify the membership of the meeting, giving 21 days notice.

iv. The quorum for the AGM shall be ten members, other than members of the Committee.

## **6. MANGEMENT COMMITTEE**

i. The Executive Committee shall consist of not fewer than four and not more than nine members. It shall consist of, but not be limited to the following suggested positions:

- a) President
- b) Secretary
- d) Treasurer
- g) Web and publicity
- e) Club Captain



Members wishing to stand for election must be proposed and seconded by members with full voting rights

ii. Upon invitation of the President, or in its absence, of the Secretary, the Executive Committee shall meet at least twice a year and as often as it is deemed necessary during the cricket season.

iii. The powers of the Executive Committee shall be exercised more particularly to:

- a) decide on admission of new members and continuance of membership
- b) propose the annual membership fees
- c) propose amendments to the constitution
- d) propose the Auditor for appointment
- e) Nominate Honorary Members

iv. All financial decisions are subject to the availability of a statement of current club assets supplied by the Treasurer, or, in his/her absence, by the Secretary. Any spending in excess of CHF 200 requires the signatures of the President and the Treasurer

v. The Club shall be legally bound by the individual signature of its President, or in his/her absence, by the individual signature of its secretary or by the joint signature of two designated members of the Executive Committee.

vi. In the absence of the Treasurer, the Secretary shall submit the annual financial report to the Annual General Meeting for approval and discharge.

## **7. CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Club's Code of Conduct is adapted from the International Cricket Council Code of Conduct, October 1992.

i. The Captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the spirit of the game as well as within the Laws.

ii. Players and Team Officials shall not at any time engage in inappropriate conduct to a player or team official which could bring the game into disrepute.

iii. Players and Team Officials must at all times accept the Umpire's decision. Players must not show dissent at the umpire's decision.



**iv.** Players and Team Officials shall not intimidate, assault or attempt to intimidate or assault an umpire, another player or spectator.

**v.** Players and Team Officials shall not use crude or abusive language (known as sledging) nor make any offensive gestures, nor appeal excessively.

**vi.** Players and Team Officials shall not make any public pronouncement or comment which is detrimental to the game in question.

## **8. DECLARATION**

Zurich Lions Cricket Club hereby adopts and accepts this Constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of all members.

SIGNED (CLUB PRESIDENT):

NAME:

DATE:

SIGNED (CLUB TREASURER):

NAME:

DATE: