



Ealing Eagles Running Club

Club Constitution

1. Name

The club will be called EALING EAGLES RUNNING CLUB and will be affiliated to England Athletics.

2. Aims and objectives

The aims and objectives of the club will be:

- To facilitate training in road and cross-country running, for male and female amateur athletes over the age of seventeen years
- To promote the club and the participation in the sport within the local and wider community
- To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club
- To provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone
- To ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment

3. Membership

(a) Membership of the Club shall be open to anyone over the age of seventeen years interested in the sport on application regardless of sex, disability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or other beliefs. However, limitation of membership according to available facilities is allowable on a non-discriminatory basis.

(b) All members will be subject to the regulations of the constitution and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these regulations and codes of conduct that the club has adopted.

(c) The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the committee.

4. Membership fees

Membership fees will be set annually and agreed by the Committee.

The Club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating.
Fees will be paid annually.

5. Committee

The club will be managed through the Committee consisting of:

- Chairman
- Treasurer
- Competitions Officer
- Social Officer
- Membership Officers (x2)
- Marketing Officer

Only these posts will have the right to vote at meetings of the Committee.

The Committee will be convened by the Chairman of the club and held no less than twice per year. The Committee will be responsible for adopting new policy, codes of conduct and rules that affect the organisation of the club.

The Committee will be responsible for disciplinary hearings of members who infringe the club rules/regulations/ constitution.

The Committee will be responsible for taking any action of suspension or discipline following such hearings.

6. Finance

All club monies will be banked in an account held in the name of the club.

The Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the club.

The financial year of the club will end on: 31st March

An audited statement of annual accounts will be presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting.

All surplus income or profits are re-invested in the club.

No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.

7. Annual General Meetings

Notice of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be given by the Club Secretary. Not less than 21 clear days' notice to be given to all members.

The AGM will receive a report from officers of the Committee and a statement of the audited accounts.

Nominations for officers of the Committee will be sent to the Secretary prior to the AGM.

Election of officers is to take place at the AGM.

All members have the right to vote at the AGM.

The Committee has the right to call Extraordinary General Meetings (EGMs) outside the AGM.

Procedures for EGMs will be the same as for the AGM.

8. Discipline and appeals

All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be submitted in writing to the Membership Officer.

The Committee will meet to hear complaints within TWENTYONE days of a complaint being lodged. The committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of membership.

The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified in writing to the person who lodged the complaint and the member against whom the complaint was made within SEVEN days of the hearing.

There will be the right of appeal to the Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The committee should consider the appeal within TWENTYONE days of the Secretary receiving the appeal.

Furthermore, the club operates within the disciplinary procedures of England Athletics, full details of which are available on the England Athletics website: <http://www.englandathletics.org>

9. Grievance Procedure

All grievances regarding the operation and management of the club should be lodged in writing by members to the Membership Officer. The Committee will meet to hear grievances within TWENTYONE days of the grievance being lodged.

Should the matter not be resolved to the satisfaction of the member, then in accordance with the Grievance Procedures of England Athletics member has the right to raise the grievance formally with England Athletics. Details of the England Athletics grievance procedure are available on the England Athletics website: <http://www.englandathletics.org>

10. Dissolution

A resolution to dissolve the club can only be passed at an AGM or EGM through a majority vote of the membership.

Upon dissolution of the club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to a local registered CASC participating in running or athletics, a registered charity or England Athletics.

11. Amendments to the constitution

The constitution will only be changed through agreement by majority vote at an AGM or EGM.

12. Declaration

EALING EAGLES RUNNING CLUB hereby adopts and accepts this constitution as a current operating guide regulating the actions of members.

Signed:

Date: 28th September 2011

Name: Alan Brown
Chairman

Signed:

Date: 28th September 2011
Name: Kelvin Walker
Treasurer