

Rules of Elstead Cricket Club 2018

1. Name

1.1 The Club shall be known as The Elstead Cricket Club with headquarters at the Pavilion, Thursley Road Recreation Ground, Elstead, Surrey.

2. Objects of the Club

2.1 The objects of the Club shall be to encourage, organise and provide facilities for the playing of cricket and to organise such social and other activities as may be considered to be desirable.

2.2 The Club shall be a non-profit making Club. Any surplus income or gains received by the Club shall be reinvested in the Club and no assets of the Club, in cash or in kind, shall be distributed to Members or to third parties, other than by way of donations to the Elstead (Thursley Rd) Recreational Trust, to other charities or to clubs that are registered as Community Amateur Sports Clubs.

3. Colours of the Club

3.1. The colours of the Club shall be green and white.

4. Membership

4.1 Membership shall be open to all irrespective of age, gender, disability, race, ethnic origin, creed, colour, social status and sexual orientation. The General Committee shall determine admittance to membership of the Club according to available facilities on a non-discriminatory basis..

4.2 Application for membership (other than social membership under Rule 4.4 below) shall be by completion of a Membership Application Form and by payment of the relevant subscription fees as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the Club or by the General Committee.

4.3 No person shall be eligible to take part in the business of the club or eligible for selection for any club team unless the appropriate subscription has been paid by the specified date or the General Committee has agreed membership.

4.4 All duly admitted members of Elstead Football Club and Elstead Veterans Football Club, together with the parents or guardians of duly admitted members of Elstead Sharks Junior Football Club and of the Peter Pan Pre-School shall by virtue of that membership be admitted as social members of the Club.

4.5 All members will be subject to the rules of the club and by joining the club will be deemed to accept these rules and any Codes of Conduct and Regulations that the club has adopted or adopts from time to time.

4.6 The General 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 in line with the club's appeals policy.

4.7 A member shall cease to be a member of the club or an official of the club on notifying the Secretary of his wish to resign his membership or position.

5. Privileges of Membership

5.1. Membership of the Club shall entitle the member to attend meetings of the Club, to participate in the

sporting (except social members) and social activities of the Club and to such other privileges as the Club may from time to time determine.

5.2 All Members (except social members) aged 16 and over shall be eligible to vote at any General Meeting and shall have equal voting rights. Social members shall be eligible to vote on social matters and matters related to the management of the bar.

5.3. All Members aged 18 and over and one member aged 16 to 18 shall be eligible to be nominated for election as an official of the club.

6. Annual Subscriptions and Fees

6.1 Playing members shall each pay an annual subscription at a rate agreed at a properly convened meeting of the Club.

6.2 Social (non-playing) members (other than those admitted by virtue of their or their dependents' membership of the Elstead Football Club, Elstead Veterans Football Club, Elstead Sharks Football Club, and the Peter Pan Pre-School) shall each pay an annual subscription at a rate agreed by the General Committee.

6.3 Subscriptions shall fall due on a date determined by the General Committee. Failure by members to pay their subscription by the due date shall result in such action as deemed appropriate by the General Committee of the club.

6.4 Playing members shall each pay a Match Fee per game played. This will be at the rate or rates agreed by the General Committee

7. Officials

7.1 The Honorary Officers of the club shall be the President, Vice-Presidents and Life Members and Auditor..

7.2 .The Executive Officers of the club shall be the Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and other executive posts and officers elected at a properly convened General Meeting of the club

8. General Committee

8.1. The business of the Club shall be conducted by a General Committee presided over by the Chairman and consisting of the Executive Officers

8.2. The General Committee shall have the power to fill by co-option any vacancies that may occur in its own body.

8.3 Three members of the General Committee shall form a quorum.

8.4 The committee will publish or display on notice boards and / or in club publications and /or in membership cards a statement that prohibits racially abusive comments and actions on club premises during matches or other events.

8.5 The General Committee is responsible for ensuring that as far as practical the club adheres to the Safe Hands and Equity policies of the club. Copies are available on the ECB web site.

8.6 The General Committee is responsible for the Disciplinary and Appeals processes as defined in the Discipline and Appeals Policy.

9. Bar Committee

9.1. The General Committee shall at its first meeting following the Annual General Meeting elect a Bar Committee from among its membership who shall be responsible for the proper running of the bar , including purchase and sale of intoxicating and other liquid refreshments, strict observation of the hours during which intoxicants may be sold to Club members and the conduct of members, visitors and guests as provided under the Rules .The Bar Committee shall consist of a Chairman, a Treasurer and at least one other member. The Bar Committee may also co-opt up to two further Club members. The Bar Committee may on its own initiative adopt rules for the operation of the bar, including a list of members authorised to open and manage the bar during scheduled opening hours.

10. Selection Committee

10.1. Teams to represent the Club shall be selected by the Selection Committee, which shall consist of the

Team Captains and Vice-Captains. Where temporary players are selected captains must endeavour to ensure Self Declaration forms are completed before the game starts.

10.2 All members selected to play in a match must be at the starting place at the appointed time to ensure prompt commencement of the game. In the absence of a selected player at the appointed time and place, the player may be replaced by a reserve player.

11. Finance

11.1. The Treasurer shall keep a sufficient account of the finances of the Club and shall present such account duly audited by the Honorary Auditor to each Annual General Meeting. Separate accounts shall be kept by the Bar Treasurer in respect of bar receipts and expenditure, which shall be similarly audited.

11.2. All moneys received by the Honorary Treasurer or other persons authorised by the General Committee shall be paid into the Club Account, except for bar receipts which shall be paid into a separate bar account.

11.3 The Treasurer and two other Executive Officers shall be authorised to sign cheques drawn against club funds. The two authorised Executive Officers shall be decided at a General Committee meeting of the club.

12. Meetings of the Club

12.1. The meetings of the Club shall be:

- a) An Annual General Meeting of which seven days' notice shall be given and which shall be held in February for the election of officials, a General Committee and the consideration of reports and accounts and such other business as may be brought before it.
- b) A Special General Meeting which may be called at any time by the General Committee at not less than seven days' notice.
- c) An Extraordinary General Meeting which must be called at any time upon the receipt by the Secretary of a requisition stating the object of the required meeting and signed by not less than 12 members of the Club. Such a meeting shall be held not more than 14

days after the receipt of the requisition by the Secretary.

13. Visitors and Guests

13.1 Visiting teams, their officials and supporters shall have the right of admission to Club premises and may use the facilities of the Club, including the bar facilities.

13.2 Any member of the Club may introduce guests with reasonable frequency to the Club premises subject to the Bye-Laws but the Bar or General Committees shall have power to refuse admission to any guest or person not being a member of the Club upon such grounds as it shall consider proper and shall also have power to request such guest or person to leave the Club premises and if necessary shall cause any such person or guest to be removed therefrom.

14. Complaints

14.1 Any complaint by a member must be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary. The Committee will consider the complaint at their next meeting and may, if necessary, call the complainant to appear before them.

15. Bye-Laws

15.1 Intoxicating liquor will only be sold to Club members, their guests and to visiting teams during such hours as shall be authorised by the Bar Committee, such hours to be subject to the requirements of the Licensing Acts.

15.2 No intoxicating liquor shall be sold to or consumed by any member under 18 years of age.

15.3 Any matter not covered by these Rules shall be referred to and decided by the General Committee whose decision shall be final.

16. Revision of Rules

16.1 These Rules may be revised at an Annual, Special or Extraordinary General Meeting by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes recorded provided that a copy of the rule or rules intended to be revised together with proposed revision shall be sent to each member of the Club with the notice convening the meeting. Where grants have been received which are conditional on the retention of specific club rules, these rules may not be changed other than with the prior consent of the grant giving authority

17 Dissolution

17.1 In the event of the dissolution of the Club, all of the assets of the Club shall be transferred to a registered charity or charities or to another Community Amateur Sports Club.

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