



MID-ARGYLL RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB CONSTITUTION

1. Name

The Club shall be known as the MID-ARGYLL RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB.

2. Objects

- (a) To provide playing and social activities for members of the Club and to advance the interests of rugby football in Mid-Argyll.
- (b) To raise adequate funds for the achievement of the foregoing objects.

3. Membership

Membership of the Club shall be open to players and non-players both male and female. The subscription shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting each year. All members shall be deemed to have agreed to be bound by the Constitution of this Club. No person shall be entitled to vote at a meeting of this Club or any of its Committees who has not been a subscribing member for at least two months prior to such a meeting.

Further, the Committee agree to redress discrimination in the running of the Club and membership shall be open to all regardless of gender, race, colour, creed, physical or mental disability, religious belief, or any other form of discrimination.

4. Membership

The General Committee, at their discretion, may admit as Honorary Members any persons who have rendered special service to the Club.

5. Office-Bearers

The Office-Bearers of the Club shall be:

- (a) Chairperson
- (b) One or more Vice-Chairpersons
- (c) Captain of the Club
- (d) Honorary Secretary
- (e) Honorary Treasurer
- (f) Fixture Secretary
- (g) Subscription Secretary
- (h) Child Protection Officer

The Office-Bearers shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and shall hold office for one year. Retiring Office-Bearers shall be eligible for re-election. Should any Office-Bearer cease to hold office either by death or resignation the General Committee shall have the power to appoint a successor to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club.



6. General Committee (Composition)

There shall be a General Committee of the Club consisting of (a) the Office Bearers of the Club; (b) the Vice-Captain of the Club who shall be appointed by the Captain; and (c) THREE members with power to co-opt more members as required. The Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and will retire annually but will be eligible for re-election.

7. General Committee (Management)

The General Committee shall be responsible for the detailed direction of the whole affairs of the Club and shall have control of all monies raised by the Club whether from contributions or by direct subscription, or by other means.

8. General Committee (Meetings)

The General Committee shall meet at least three times between 1st September and 15th April. Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the Chairperson. A least seven days' notice of every meeting and of business to be transacted thereat shall be given to members. Business not specified in the notice convening the meetings may be brought forward by leave of the Chairperson and dealt with, provided two-thirds of those present agree to treat such business as urgent. In an emergency the Chairperson may authorise the summoning of a meeting of the General Committee at shorter notice than seven days; no other business other than stated on the Agenda may be dealt with at such a meeting.

At all meetings of the General Committee one-third of the members shall form a quorum.

9. General Committee (Sub-Committee)

(a) The General Committee may appoint Sub-Committees from members to handle any matter which it deems advisable to deal with in this way. Such Sub-Committees shall have power to co-opt other members who may have special aptitude for these particular objects. Co-opted members shall have at Sub-Committee meetings the same power as other members, but shall not be regarded as members of the General Committee.

(b) Selection Committees

The Selection Committee shall be the Captain and/or Vice-Captain and two other non-playing members of the General Committee.

10. The Honorary Treasurer

The funds and property of the Club shall be managed by the Honorary Treasurer who shall act on the instructions of the General Committee. The Bank Account shall be kept in the name of the Mid-Argyll Rugby Football Club and all cheques thereon shall bear two signatures, namely that of the Honorary Treasurer and/or the Secretary and/or the Chairperson.



11. Financial Year

The financial year of the Club shall run from 1st April to 31st March and a Balance Sheet shall be drawn up on 31st March each year. The Auditors shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting each year.

12. Meetings of the Club

The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held at such time and place as the General Committee may appoint, after receiving and considering the Audited Annual Accounts, for the purpose of (a) receiving a report from the General Committee; (b) the presentation of accounts; (c) the appointment of Office-Bearers and members of the General Committee; (d) the appointment of Auditors for the ensuing year; (e) any other competent business.

Fourteen days' notice of such meetings shall be given to the members.

13. Special General Meetings

A Special General Meeting of the Club may be called (a) by the Chairperson or by (b) a requisition in writing addressed to the Secretary and signed by at least ten members of the Club. The objects for which the meeting is desired must be clearly stated in the notice calling the meeting and at least fourteen days' notice must be given.

14. Quorum

Five shall form a Quorum at all meetings of the Club.

15. Casting Vote by Chairperson

At all meetings of the Club the General Committee or other Committees appointed in terms of these rules, the Chairperson of each meeting shall have also a casting vote in the event of parity in the votes cast.

16. Motions involving a Change in the Constitution

Any alteration or addition to the Constitution may be made only at a General Meeting of the Club. Thirty days' notice of any proposed alterations must be given to the Secretary in writing. Such motions must have the support of not less than two-thirds of those present and entitled to vote.

17. Expulsion of Members

The General Committee may strike off the roll of the Club Membership any Member whose conduct shall be, in the judgement of the General Committee, inconsistent with the objects of the Club; but before the General Committee exercises such power, at least seven days' notice in writing shall be given to the person concerned, and an opportunity offered to the Member of showing cause before the General Committee why the Member should not be expelled from the roll of the Club Membership.



18. Dissolution of the Club

On the dissolution of the Club any funds held on its behalf after all outstanding obligations and liabilities have been settled shall be donated to an appropriate charitable organisation to be determined by the General Committee.

19. Interpretation and Omissions

In the event of any ambiguity or difference of opinion concerning the meaning or intention of any of the foregoing rules, the General Committee shall have power to interpret the same and such interpretation shall be binding on all members of the Club. Further, the General Committee shall have power to deal with any matter not provided for in all these Rules.

Chairpersons Signature

Date