

EMBA BADMINTON CLUB ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

A. ESTABLISHMENT - LOCATION

Article 1:

Establish an Association with the title "Emba Badminton Club", within the area of Paphos.

B. THE AIM OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 2:

The aim of the Association is:-

1. The broad promulgation and development of the sport of Badminton, and of sports generally.
2. The development and cultivation of sport and the spirit of sportsmanship between the Members of the Association, and strengthening of relationships.
3. The organization of internal or open championships and the participation in inter-allied events, Cyprus wide or others.
4. The promotion and development of inter-cultural dialogue, accommodating dialogue between religions and various cultures.
5. The development of contact and network with groups and organisations who participate in the aims and objectives of the Association, to National and European standards.
6. The establishment, purchase, sale, rent and sublet of places in relation with the development of the purposes of the Association.
7. To co-operate with individuals, organizations, establishments, services for the promotion of the objects of the Association.
8. To issue and to sell books, periodicals, newspapers, booklets and other printed matter.
9. To execute whatever from the above and to offer whatever services against payment.
10. To acquire the ownership, possession or occupation for purchase, hire or subletting, donations, transfers, exchange or otherwise whatever mobile or immobile properties or whatever claims privilege or interests which the Association regards as necessary or advisable to acquire for the performance or service whatever from the aims of.
11. To build, to improve, to preserve, to hold, to transform, to extend, to demolish, to substitute, to exploit, to remove, to develop and to manage whatever office, library, store, shops and other establishments and estates where possible to promote the interests of the aims of the Association either directly or indirectly, and to collaborate with whatever other person or society in the commission of whatever of the above.

12. To acquire for purchase, gift or other means and to possess shares, bonds stock, title or treasury bill, whatever society that has aims either from completion or part of similar with this Association or whose work is possible to secure either directly or indirectly the aims of the Association.
13. To borrow or to secure or to find money in any way or in whatever manner or whatever clause is decided suitable or proper.
14. To ask for, to promote, and to secure whatever privilege, permit, decree, regulation, act, authorisation or assignment from whatever state, government, parliament, municipal, local or other organisation or authority where possible to meet the promotion or achievement of the aims of the Association or whatever other aim where possible thought beneficial or necessary, and to object wherever possible to processes that will prejudice the interest of the Association, either directly or indirectly.
15. To contract agreement or to come to arrangement with whichever government or authority, cabinet, local, municipal or other or whoever people or society where possible to meet in the achievement or promotion of the aims of the Association and to secure from whatever such government authority, person or society whatever rights of privilege, contract, permission or of assignment to which the Association think advisable to acquire and to discharge, perform or conform with these.

C. MEMBERS

Article 4:

Individuals who reside in Cyprus of whatever ethnic or religious group can apply for registration as members of the Association after the approval of the Administration Committee.

Regular members are those that enroll and are aged over 16 (sixteen) years.

Article 5:

1. Submit the application for registration of members in the Organisation to the Administration Committee, enter for discussion at the first meeting of this committee, and become accepted if the prospective member seems to meet the terms of Article 4 of these Articles of Association.
2. The property of members acquired directly after the resolution of the Administration Committee.
3. For registration members appeal for application by the following:
 - (a) Demonstration of Identity Pass for taking personal details of particulars of members that require registration.

Article 6:

1. The Administration Committee of the Organisation can decide the expulsion of members:
 - (a) If the member acts in opposition to the aims of the Association in violation of the arrangements of the Articles of Association.
 - (b) If the member delays for two continuous years of compulsory contributions.
 - (c) If the member is condemned irrevocably of criminal offence that brings sentence of more than three years.
 - (d) If the member demonstrates behaviour incompatible with the aims of the Association.
 - (e) Members who are rejected can appeal to the President of the Administration Committee of whose decision is final.
2. The act of expulsion will be agreed to and imposed by the Administration Committee.

Article 7:

Every member pays compulsory annual contribution of Cyprus pounds 15.00 (fifteen). The above amount can fluctuate in agreement with Article 11 of these Articles of Association.

D. THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

Article 8:

1. Eligible members of the Association have the right:
 - (a) To be at the General Meeting. It is necessary to receive the words of every subject (Agenda) that is to be discussed and to check the actions of the Committee.
 - (b) To enjoy the corporate rights of the Association.
 - (c) To receive knowledge of any Books of the Association.
 - (d) To elect and be elected to the Administration Committee and other committees.
2. Eligible members of the Association are obligated to:
 - (a) Comply with the commands of the present Articles of Association, and every time decisions of the General Meeting of the Administration Committee are made as and of internal rules of Articles.
 - (b) To appear at the general meeting, regular and extraordinary meetings, and to vote at these meetings.

Article 9:

All the regular members have the right to be elected if they have been a member for at least six months beforehand and so long as they have arranged all their finances and responsibilities.

E. THE INSTRUMENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 10:

The Instruments of the Association are:

- (a) The General Meeting.
- (b) The Administration Committee.

F. INCOME BOOKS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 11:

1. The Incomes of the Association are:

- (a) The right to be registered, income from the organising of matches and or whatever other similar activity that is related to the aims of the Association.
- (b) The annual contribution of members (Article 7 of these Articles of Association).

The level of the above mentioned income is determined each time at Regular General Meetings. If no decision is made on this, then the incomes are the amounts set in Article 8 of these Articles of Association.

- (c) Any type of donations, inheritance or bequests.
- (d) Every other income that realises from activities that are not contrary to the Law and the order of those Articles of Association.

2. The Association shall keep the following Books:

- (a) A record book of members, in which are recorded numbers in logical sequence, with the full name of members, the number of Identity Pass, the date of registration and cancellation of every member, and fiscal information.
- (b) Book of Minutes of Meetings of General Meetings of members.
- (c) Book of Minutes of Meeting of Administration Committee.
- (d) Account Book in which a record, in chronological sequence, of all the receipts and payments are made.
- (e) The Property Book in which a record of all the chattels and real estate property particulars of the Association.

3. The members of the Association have the right to be informed of the contents of the above books and particulars.

G. THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 12:

1. The Association administer from the Administration Committee which is formed from six members.
2. The term of the Administration Committee is three years.
3. The President and the Secretary have the responsibility of representation of the Organisation in all Legal matters.

Article 13:

1. The Administration Committee after meeting within ten days from the election of the first meeting, constitute the body and election amongst the members of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two officers and steward. The election is made with ballot in which is entered the name of all interested candidates, a separate one for each of the above officers.
2. The position of President, Secretary and Treasurer may not be held by the same people.

Article 14:

The Administration Committee meets in a quorum, which is half and one more, decisions to be with absolute majority.

Article 15:

1. The Administration Committee meet regular once every three months, and extraordinary meetings as and when called by the President or at least two members in writing. These meetings must be held within 24 hours.
2. The decisions of the Administration Committee are taken from the majority of the members that are present and in case of equality in votes, the casting vote is made by the President.
3. On the basis of staff matters the decisions are obtained with secret ballot. If a proposal is voted in equal votes from a secret ballot and no decision is made, this can be carried forward to the next meeting. The Administration Committee can be recalled from the General Meeting before finishing a further term for justifiable reason, or omission, or inadequacy, who assemble for this and decide with absolute majority.

Article 16:

1. When a committee members is absent, his place is taken by the next in line (runner-up) in the elections for the appointment of Administration Committee.
2. If the number of members of the Administration Committee decline for whatever reason, the Administration Committee select from the runners-up in the elections for the vacant positions, without however these numbers exceeding the number stated in these Articles.

Article 17:

If it is not possible to complete a quorum of the Administration Committee without using the runner-up members, a meeting must be assembled in thirty days by invitation of the President of the Administration Committee, or of the runner up, at least five days before the synod, with the subject to vote again for new Administration Committee.

Article 18:

The President and, if he cannot take part or is absent, the Secretary:

1. Represents the Association in front of any authority or person, being executor of decisions of the Administration Committee of the Association and of the General Meeting.
2. The President of the Administration Committee and the General Meeting, makes sure of order, give the right to speak to anyone who asks for it and does not allow someone to speak if he hasn't followed the rules, he can expel someone from the meeting after the decision of the Association of whoever is in the Chair.
3. He signs, with the Secretary, all the documents, the business of the Administration Committee and of the Meeting, such as financial orders and bills of payment, checks the Treasurer and establishes joint responsibility with him for any negligence or omission of his duties.

Article 19:

The Secretary:

1. Keeps the Stamp and the records of the Association, drafts and co-writes with the President the business of the meetings of the Administration Committee and of general meetings.
2. Writes the letters and countersigns all the documents, the financial orders and the bills of payment.
3. Makes sure the reports in Article 11.2 of records or books for the operation of the Association are in order, have the authority to employ special secretary for support on the basis of payment following approval of the Administration Committee.
4. Introduce to the meetings all of the matters arising, which matters have been requested for discussion before meetings of the Association.

5. Care of Legal attestation of books in agreement with Article 11 of these Articles of Association and the relevant regulations of Law.
6. In case of absence or impediment of the Secretary, a substitute from members of the Administration Committee is selected by the President and he has no authority until then.

Article 20:

The Treasurer:

1. Carry out the collection of Articles 7 and 11 of these Articles of Association, put in triplicate proof that they have the Stamp of the Association, having the authority to employ a paid collector or recompense with percentage of such, with the approval of the Administration Committee and for the support of the above work.
2. Carry out the payments when is ordered to that have been signed by two of three, President, Secretary and Treasurer and payment be evidence of beneficiary.
3. Keep the books in Article 11.
4. Organise in co-operation with the General Secretary the balance and estimated budget and submit these to the Administration Committee for study and approval. When the collector holds more than £100.00 this must be paid into the Bank or Credit Establishment in the name of the Association. Whoever wishes to take money from this account he requires the signatures of two of three, President, Secretary and Treasurer and address to the named Bank.
5. All the cheques that he issues will be signed by two of three President, Secretary and Treasurer.
6. Obligated to submit every month to the Administration Committee the position of the balance of cash and list of members that are overdue with their contributions, he is personally responsible for the financial assets of the Association.
7. If the Treasurer is absent or cannot attend he will be replaced by one of the committee members indicated by him, but he is always responsible to the Treasurer for every collection.

Article 21:

Group Leaders:

- 1 They are responsible for the organization and supervision of games and championships of the Association and maintain the Books of Games in which are entered all the games that are organised with the names of those who participated and the results.
2. He has general care of the running of the room or of other rooms and of keeping these in order.

The Administration Committee:

3. It decides the general business of the Association and for every expense, so long as the Articles of Association does not demand approval from the General Committee.
4. Direct the general activities of the Association in the bounds that have been decided for the aims of and the decision of general committee.
5. Decides about all the things to do with management, appoint staff of the Association and decides payment of.
6. Draw up the balance and accounts of income and expenditure submit these together with the relevant reports of audit committee to the General Committee.
7. Draw up the internal regulations of which the observance is obligatory for the members of the Association.
8. Exercise disciplinary power in application of relevant arrangements of internal regulations.
9. Draw up at least one month before the end of the year the budget income for the last year and submit this for approval to the General Committee, every expense that has been in excess of approved budget to be explained by the President and the Treasurer.

Article 22:

Dean/Steward:

1. Take care of the organisation of the collection, receipt, celebrations and any kind of demonstration that determines the General Meeting.

H. GENERAL MEETING – ELECTION OF INSTRUMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND REPRESENTATION

Article 23:

The General Meeting of members of the Association are Regular and Extraordinary. The Regular General Meeting meets once a year in the first quarter.

Article 24:

1. The General Meeting is the highest instrument of the organization and it is not under any other authority according to the Law and the Articles of Association. In the Regular General Meeting which is in the first quarter of every year the Administration, Committee advise the members of what has happened during the year, together with the reports of the Auditor.
2. The President organizes the list of members that have the right to be elected according to the Articles of Association.

3. The President draws up the register of voters and writes down how many votes each obtained and advises the Meeting of the outcome of the ballot.

Article 25:

The Extraordinary general Meeting deals with decisions of the Administration Committee or after registered application by at least 1/5 of the members who have the right to vote who will hold compulsory subjects of discussion. The calling of the meeting will be the responsibility of the Administration Committee inside 15 days from the submission of application.

Article 26:

The invitation of members to the General Meeting is to be at least eight days prior to the calling of the meeting with particular registered invitation. The invitation must determine clearly the place, day and hour and agenda. Any subject not included in the invitation cannot be discussed.

Article 27:

1. The General Meeting must find a quorum of least half being full members. If a quorum is not present, after waiting for half an hour and no-one comes, they can meet.
2. A ballot is secret when they are deciding about:-
 - (a) The subject is confidential to the Administration.
 - (b) Private matters.
 - (c) Administration accounts and reports.

The decisions obtained with absolute majority of those present and no members is authorized to put a substitute in his place to vote.

3. The legal proceedings of the General Meeting take place in a time limit of 340 days from the decision before the Supervisor of the Association.

Article 28:

The decision of the General Meeting obtained with the majority of more than half of those members present and with nominations registered that they are present, with secret votes in the case of Article 28. In every General Meeting and before the entry of the subject of daily arrangements, it becomes ready and ratification of business of proceedings of General Committee.

I. REMAINING STIPULATIONS

Article 29:

The Association has the Stamp that bears the words “Emba Badminton Club”.

Article 30:

Every subject that is not foreseen from the present Articles of Association can be put right with the decision of the General Administration except things that are under the Law of government of the Association.

Article 31:

Modification of these Articles of Association and business and aims of the Association can be changed with the decision of the General Meeting, who assemble for this aim, for the legal formation of which calls for the presence and consent of 3/4 of members. For any changes, relevant proposals to be submitted to the General Committee, or from 1/3 of members.

Article 32:

Dissolution and disposal of property of the Association.

The Association dissolution agreed with the command of Government Article 24 that refers to the Association and establishment of Law of 1972 and 19967 and liquidation as foreseen in Article 25 of same Law. When they have to settle obligations of the remainder of property, it will transfer and/or will be given to another organization or association or establishment or society not profiteering, or society of limited liability with guarantee, which has likewise and/or relative aims with the Association. If a similar organization does not exist whatever property of the Association will go for public benefit or charitable establishment which is guaranteed in the democracy according to the arrangement of Law of the Association, and established Law of General Meeting of the Association will decide the General Meeting of the Association.

Article 33:

These Articles of Association by the Administration Committee and agreed unanimously by the Articles of Association Meeting of the Association on the signed as follows:

For the Association

The President

The General Committee