

MYA Midland District Constitution.

1. **Abbreviations.**

AGM Annual General Meeting.

DC District Committee.

EGM Extraordinary General Meeting.

MYA Model Yachting Association.

2. **Definitions.**

Except in a heading, a term used as stated below is shown with capitalised initial letters.

District: A geographical area as defined by the MYA

Club: A club in good standing with both the MYA and the DC.

Member: An individual who is a member of a district club and who is in good standing with both the MYA and the DC.

Representative: A District club secretary or their duly appointed alternate.

Submission: Communication received by the District secretary from a District club by electronic or postal means.

Vote: A submission by a district clubs duly nominated Representative, which can be in the form of an electronic or postal vote.

3. **Name.**

The Title of the organisation shall be the Midland District Committee of the Model Yachting Association (MYA), (hereinafter referred to as the DC.).

4. **Objects.**

4.1 The Midland District is defined by and shall comply with the MYA Constitution section 12.

4.2 To assist the MYA in the promotion of Radio and Free sailing within the geographical Midland District as established by the Council of the MYA.

5. **Language.**

The word "shall" is mandatory and the word "may" is permissive.

6. **Affiliations.**

All Midland District Clubs shall affiliate to the MYA and include details of all their members.

7. **Membership.**

All district Club members are subject to the MYA Constitution, MYA Regulations 1 and MYA Regulations 2.

8. **Officers.**

The DC officers should be:

(a) 2 District Trustees.

(b) District Councillor.

(c) Chair.

(d) Secretary/Racing Secretary.

(e) Webmaster/Publicity.

(f) District Senior measurer.

(g) DC officers can attend all district meetings and a quorum for a meeting shall be the majority of the DC officers.

The Executive Officers of the DC shall be the District Councillor, Chair, Secretary/Racing Secretary, Webmaster and District Senior Measurer.

The Non-Executive Officers are two District Trustees.

All Officers including the Trustees shall be elected annually at the AGM of the DC, or at an EGM. All Officers shall retire annually but be eligible for re-nomination and re-election.

The Officers shall uphold the rules of the DC and comply with their duties.

9. District Annual General Meeting.

9.1 The District AGM shall be held a minimum of **no later than the first Sunday of November.**

9.2 If it is not possible to host a physical meeting then an electronic meeting can be constituted.

9.3 The notice of the District AGM shall be served by the District Secretary on all Representatives of clubs affiliated to the MYA within the Midland District at least **60 days** in advance. This may be in an electronic form and posted to the District website.

9.4 Submissions of motions or nominations from District Clubs for consideration should be received by the District secretary no later than **35 days** before the District AGM.

9.5 A further notice of the District AGM shall be sent by the District secretary to all clubs **30 days** before the AGM, and this shall be in the form of an agenda which will include:

- i. Any Submissions a Club wishes to make for Officers of the DC.
- ii. Any motions or business that the DC or a Club would like discussed at the District AGM.
- iii. Minutes of the previous District AGM.
- iv. Any matters arising from these minutes.
- v. DC officer reports.
- vi. A list nominations for Officers for the DC.
- vii. The co-ordination and listing of the dates for MYA National Championships, MYA Ranking events and District Championships, plus district racing series and open events of the clubs within the District.
- viii. Any other business.

9.6 **14 days** before the District AGM the secretary will send Club representatives an electronic voting form detailing DC nominations and motions. This should be used for those Clubs not able to send a Representative or alternate to a physical meeting.

All meetings shall be open to members of district affiliated clubs.

9.7 The chair shall preside or, in their absence, a trustee, or alternate may preside at the AGM.

9.8 The quorum requirement shall be satisfied if:

Votes from either a Representative present or electronically received exceed 30% of those eligible to vote.

9.9 Any vote undertaken will be decided by a simple majority

9.9 Any questions of procedure shall be determined by the chair.

10. Extraordinary General Meetings.

10.1 An EGM of the DC may be convened at any time by the Officers or on receipt of a request signed by the Representatives of at least five affiliated district Clubs,

such a request shall be accompanied by a fully detailed motion made by each Club in a general meeting, signed by the officiating chair.

10.2 The Notice for any such meeting shall be served by the District Secretary on all Representatives of Clubs affiliated to the MYA within the District and shall include the reason for the meeting or motion as appropriate, this shall be no later than **30 days** before the meeting.

10.3 The Notice should include an electronic voting form detailing the motion either for or against, and this should be used for those not able to send a Representative or alternate to a physical meeting.

10.4 Any questions of procedure shall be determined by the chair.

11. General Meetings.

The DC can convene a district meeting at any time to discuss district business, and this can be hosted electronically. Any action from this meeting will be communicated to the clubs electronically and posted to the district website.

12. District Finance.

As the District does not have any independent fund-raising powers the committee has no formal "Treasurer" post.

Any MYA funding application to support the objectives of the District should be referred to the DC Chair and Councillor.

13. Amendment to the Constitution.

This is detailed in the MYA Constitution under section 14.

14. Dissolution.

The DC shall not be dissolved without the permission of the Council of the MYA. On dissolution any assets of the District shall be transferred to the MYA.

15. Applicable law and limitations.

15.1 The proper law of the MYA shall be English law and this constitution shall be construed accordingly.

15.2 In the execution of their powers and duties under this constitution no Officer shall be liable for any loss to any of the membership or to the assets of the district by reason of any mistake or omission made in good faith by them or any other Officer or for any other matter other than wilful and individual wrongdoing omission or fraud on the part of the person who is sought to be made liable.