

MODEL YACHTING ASSOCIATION
SCOTTISH DISTRICT
CONSTITUTION

1. TITLE

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

2. OBJECTS

2.1. The objects of the DC shall be those set out from time to time in the Constitution of the MYA.

2.2. To assist the MYA in the promotion of model yachting within the geographical District established by the Council of the MYA.

3. RULES

3.1. The DC shall annually elect one person to serve as District Councillor on the Council of the MYA.

3.2. The DC shall use its best endeavours to co-ordinate racing and other activities within the District.

3.3. The DC shall use its best endeavours to arrange the following events for classes regularly sailed within the District. These events should be organised to the highest possible standard.

a. District Championships

b. Ranking List events at the invitation of the MYA.

3.4. The DC shall use its best endeavours to ensure that all clubs affiliated to the MYA within the District affiliate to the DC.

3.5. In the event of a dispute between a club within the District and the DC, the matter shall be referred to the Secretary of the MYA Council for discussion by Council, whose decision shall be final.

4. MEMBERSHIP

4.1. The Membership of the DC shall be the clubs that are affiliated to the MYA within the District established by Council and which affiliate to the DC.

5. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

5.1. The officers of the DC shall be the Chairman, Secretary, Racing Secretary, District Senior Measurer, and District Councillor.

- 5.2. The officers shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the DC.
- 5.3. The officers and other members of the DC shall uphold the rules of the DC and comply with their duties.

6. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE

- 6.1. **Chairman** to preside over all meetings of the DC and ensure that when no rules exist the officers act in the best interest of the District.
- 6.2. **Secretary** to :
 - a. call all meetings taking due account of the Notice required and keep the Minutes thereof. To hold other records of the District. To deal with all correspondence and bring matters to the attention of the DC when necessary.
 - b. agree a budget for District activities at the start of each year with the MYA Treasurer. To monitor the money being spent against the budget. To arrange payments for expenditure agreed by the MYA Council. To provide a statement of District income and expenditure at the AGM.
 - c. act as Publicity Officer facilitating requests for support from the DC and District club secretaries.
- 6.3. **Racing Secretary** to take the lead in organising racing throughout the District for those classes whose numbers so justify, but with particular reference to District Championships, Ranking List events and open meetings. To prepare an annual racing calendar in consultation with other Districts and/or their clubs, as appropriate, and to liaise, as necessary, with the Racing Secretary of the MYA.
- 6.4. **District Councillor** to carry out the duties set out in the MYA Terms of Reference. To additionally endeavour to keep the District informed of important matters concerning the District.
 - (a) If the District Councillor's position is filled by another Officer of the DC, then that person may only cast one vote.
- 6.5. **District Senior Measurer** to carry out the duties set out in the MYA Terms of Reference. To additionally endeavour to keep the District informed concerning measurement issues relating to the District.

7. GOVERNMENT

- 7.1. The day to day government of the DC shall rest in the hands of the committee.
- 7.2. The committee may co-opt any person/s to help them achieve the Objects and Rules of the DC.

8. FINANCE

- 8.1. The DC is financed from MYA central funds. Extra income over that stated in the budget must be remitted to the MYA Treasurer. Extra expenditure over that

stated in the annual budget must be agreed with the MYA Treasurer before that expenditure can be made.

9. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 9.1. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in October.
- 9.2. The Notice for the Meeting shall be served by the Secretary of the DC on all the Secretaries of clubs affiliated to the MYA within the District at least four weeks in advance. The Notice shall include an Agenda, which shall provide for the following:
 - a. Minutes of the previous AGM;
 - b. Matters arising from these Minutes;
 - c. Racing Secretary's report on past season;
 - d. Racing Secretary's proposals for next season;
 - e. The election of the officers of the DC;
 - f. The election of a District Councillor;
 - g. Motions and amendments, including those from clubs unable to be present, and those from the floor.

10. GENERAL AND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

- 10.1. A General Meeting of the DC may be called by the committee should it be considered necessary.
- 10.2. An Extraordinary General Meeting of the DC may be convened at any time by the committee on receipt of a request signed by the Secretaries of a majority of the affiliated clubs; such a request shall be accompanied by a fully detailed resolution made by each club in general meeting, signed by the officiating chairman.
- 10.3. The Notice for any such meetings shall be served by the Secretary on all the Secretaries of clubs affiliated to the MYA within the District and shall include the reason for the meeting or resolution as appropriate.

11. ATTENDANCE AND VOTING AT ALL MEETINGS

- 11.1. All meetings shall be open to all members of affiliated clubs.
- 11.2. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings. In his absence, a chairman shall be appointed from those present at the meeting.
- 11.3. The Chairman shall determine all questions of procedure not otherwise specifically catered for.
- 11.4. The District Councillor shall attend all meetings and will have a vote. The District Councillor shall not have an additional vote in that capacity if they also hold another District Committee position.
- 11.5. All decisions including elections shall be decided by a simple majority.

11.6. Only the officers and duly appointed club representatives may vote.

11.7. Officers (excluding the Chairman) may cast one vote each.

11.8. Club representatives may cast one vote each.

11.9. The Chairman shall have a casting vote only.

12. DISSOLUTION

12.1. The DC shall not be dissolved without the permission of the Council of the MYA.

12.2. On dissolution, the assets of the District shall be given to the MYA.