

THE MARSA SPORTS CLUB STATUTE

20th March 2024

A Voluntary, Non-Profit Making Organisation

Article 1 - NAME

The name of the Organisation shall be “Marsa Sports Club”

Article 2 - ADDRESS

The official address of the Organisation is:

Marsa Sports Club
Off Aldo Moro Street,
Marsa MRS 9064

Registered with SportMalta – Reg. No. SM/0046

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Article 3 - MISSION STATEMENT

The Marsa Sports Club, hereinafter referred to as ‘the Club’, is a non-profit organisation providing a warm and welcoming environment for its members, guests and visitors. We are committed to provide the best possible facilities whilst fostering the growth of its junior programs to positively impact the development of youths in sports and therefore ensue the longevity of the Club. Our ultimate goal is to provide a sporting facility where individuals from all walks of life are encouraged to take up a sport discipline practised within the club and to offer a recreational space for families and children to relax in a safe, child friendly and equitable atmosphere.

Article 4 - OBJECTIVES

The Club shall have the following objectives:

1. To promote and provide equal playing opportunities to all individuals with different abilities, at all ages with no distinction between gender and ethnicity and to enhance the overall sporting experience of club members.
2. To foster the growth and development in the game of Golf, Tennis/Padel, Squash, Croquet, & Cricket and any other sport activity introduced to the Club, by providing learning opportunities in a safe, equitable and child friendly environment.
3. To attain and maintain a state of integrity against doping, which includes the use of prohibited substances or doping methods, the possession or trafficking of prohibited substances and refusing to undergo tests. Any corruption and match fixing in any of the sports disciplines available at the club will not be tolerated and any such violations will be referred to the appropriate authorities and federation/s. Disciplinary measures will apply as per Article 43.10
4. To provide support and information on all sports disciplines practiced at the club.
5. To seek and promote, on a national level, the participation of the Club.
6. The Club is committed to provide the best possible environment for our players to reach their maximum playing potential through excellence in coaching and support.
7. To raise funds by means of subscription of members or otherwise for all the purposes and objectives of the club in such amounts and in such manner as may be authorised by the Committee of Management.
8. To form part of any national/international organisation/s whose aims are similar to that of the Club.

9. To do all that which is ancillary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives.

Article 5 - GENERAL POLICY

1. The Club shall be autonomous and voluntary.
2. The Club shall be non-profit making and any excess of funds received or generated from its activities must always be reinvested back into the Club over a period of time.
3. The Club financial statements shall be reviewed or audited and published on a yearly basis.
4. Provided its autonomy is not affected, the Club may collaborate with other entities on a national, regional or international basis in order to further its aims.
5. The Club shall not have any political or trade union affiliation and it shall not indulge in party politics.
6. All members of the Club as listed in Article 7 clause 9, shall have access, upon demand, to the club statute which can be requested in hard copy format from the club's administrative office or from the club's website 'marsasportsclub.com' or any other electronic medium as may be indicated from time to time, Prospective members will be required to state that they are aware of the objectives of the Club.

Article 6 - DISSOLUTION

1. The Club Committee of Management may call an Extraordinary General Meeting which shall, by a majority comprising of ninety per cent (90%) of all the eligible voters present for the meeting, vote on the resolution of its intention to dissolve the club.
2. For clarities sake, only the Committee of Management can call such an Extraordinary General Meeting to dissolve the club. No member shall have the right to submit a resolution to vote on the subject of dissolution.
3. On approval by the members, the Committee of Management shall take immediate steps to dispose of all the moveable assets, which profits will be utilized to settle all debts owing to third parties and the remaining balance, if any, to be distributed as determined by the members at the said Extraordinary General Meeting.
4. Any assets considered to be immovable will have to remain the sole property of the lease holder in accordance with the emphyteutical lease signed between the Club and the Government of Malta on the 29th August 2002.
5. In the event, that for any reason, upon the dissolution of the club, the Committee of Management shall fail to act in the manner herein provided, the moveable assets shall be distributed in accordance with the laws of Malta, governing the distribution of assets of non-profit organizations.
6. Any meeting held under this Article shall also be governed by Article 41 and 42.

Article 7 - MEMBERSHIP

1. Club membership is open to all persons from the age of eight (8) years upwards. The Committee of Management, at its discretion, may at any time limit the total number of members, junior members, minor members or temporary members.
2. No one under the age of eight (8) shall be eligible to become a member.
3. The Committee of Management shall have the right to refuse or terminate Club membership, without needing to provide a reason. The Committee may also request any member or prospective member to provide a police conduct certificate at any time. A member whose membership was terminated shall have the right to a proportional refund of his membership fee.
4. Persons desirous of joining the Club must be proposed on the appropriate form by a fully paid-up member and seconded by another fully paid-up member.

5. The admission of members into the Club shall be through an interview attended by a minimum of two (2) Committee members.
6. Details of prospective members shall be retained for the period the member will remain an active Club member in accordance with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) or such other Regulations as may be in force from time to time.
7. Any new candidate who fails to settle their entrance and subscription fees, within one (1) month from the day they have been accepted as members, shall have his or her name removed from the list of elected members and in such an eventuality must reapply to join the club, as if it were for the first time.
8. In the event of a candidate being refused membership at an interview, his or her name may not appear again for an interview until after the expiration of twelve (12) months, nor will he or she be allowed to use the Club as a guest.
9. A member who has been requested to resign his or her membership or who has been expelled shall not be admitted to the Club as per Article - 44 clause.4.
10. The Committee shall at its discretion establish annual subscriptions from time to time in consonance with the financial requirements of the Club. Such subscriptions shall be permanently posted on the Club notice board. Annual subscriptions shall be established for the following categories:

Single Members
 Junior Members
 Minor Members
 Country Members
 Associate Members

The Committee is empowered to alter, add or delete any of the above categories of membership and the respective subscriptions.

11. Daily, weekly and monthly charges applicable for Temporary Membership as per Article 14, shall be established by the Committee from time to time and posted on the Club notice board.
12. The Committee of Management has the authority to increase annual subscriptions up to a maximum of ten per cent (10%) and temporary membership by twenty-five percent (25%). These increases can only be affected once in any particular year. Any other changes to annual subscriptions and/or temporary membership must be submitted for approval at an EGM or an AGM.
13. The Committee may also at its discretion issue a call for a levy that it may deem appropriate to cover any incidental financial burden that the Club may incur or project to be incurred. These calls shall be submitted for approval at an EGM or an AGM.
14. Subscriptions are payable in advance as follows: -

Half-yearly:	by 20 January and 20 July
Yearly:	by 31 January
15. Levies are payable within thirty (30) days of the approval by the general membership or by any later date deemed appropriate by the Committee of Management.
16. Any member ceasing to belong to the Club, by resignation or otherwise, shall have no claim to have any part of his or her subscription returned to him or her except at the discretion of the Committee.
17. Members intending to resign their membership of the Club shall signify their intention in writing to the Secretary. Failure to do so shall render members liable to payment of any subsequent dues. He or she will not be able to reapply for membership and will not be allowed to use the club and its facilities before the lapse of 12 calendar months.

Article 8 – APPLICATION FEES

1. The Committee shall at its discretion fix the application fees payable by prospective members on application to join the club. Such entrance fees shall be permanently posted on the club notice board.
2. No refund of application fee shall be made in any circumstance.

Article 9 - COUNTRY MEMBERSHIP

1. Members who would have paid full subscriptions for a minimum period of three (3) years, may on leaving Malta for an indefinite period of not less than one year retain their membership as Country Member. The fee also covers a portion of subscriptions and shall entitle the member to use the facilities for thirteen (13) weeks in a calendar year, however not necessarily used consecutively. Attendance to the Club under this category will be counted in week/s not days and irrespective of the number of days one attends in a week,
2. Country members are not entitled to vote at any general meetings.
3. Full subscription fees should be resumed if the member's return to the island exceeds three (3) months.

Article 10 - NON-PAYMENT OF FEES AND LEVIES

1. Should any subscription and/or approved levy remain unsettled at the end of the period to which it refers, the name of the member concerned, shall be reported to the Committee who shall have the power to suspend him or her from the Club or apply such other penalties as they deem fit.

Article 11 - BLOCK MEMBERSHIP

1. The Committee of Management shall have the power to accept block membership at rates to be decided by the Committee.

Article 12 – CLUB PATRON

1. The President of the Republic of Malta shall be the Patron of the Club

Article 13 - HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

1. An invitation to Honorary membership shall be extended to:
 - The President of the Republic of Malta
 - The Prime Minister
 - The Metropolitan Archbishop of Malta
 - Any Honorary Life President(s) of the Club.
 - Any other person at the discretion of the Committee.
2. Honorary Members are not eligible to serve on the Club Committee or any Sub-Committee for the period during which they are Honorary Members. They shall, subject to Article 22, clause 1, be re-eligible to serve, however, in the year following which they cease, for whatever reason, to be Honorary Members.

Article 14 – HONORARY CHAIRPERSON

1. The Committee of Management shall have the power to appoint an Honorary Chairperson for life, any past Chairperson of the Club who would have served as Chairperson for a minimum of five (5) years or any other past Chairperson of the Club who, in the opinion of seventy-five per cent (75%) of the Committee of Management, deserves this appointment.

2. Any Honorary Chairperson shall have the right to attend Committee of Management meetings but shall not have a right to vote.
3. Honorary Chairpersons are not eligible to serve on the Committee of Management or any Sub-Committee during the period they hold their post as Honorary Chairpersons.
4. The wives/husbands/partners and children under eighteen (18) years of age of Honorary Chairperson shall be entitled to use the Club without payment, provided their names are registered in the Secretary's office.

Article 15 - TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

1. Temporary Membership shall mean visitors to Malta & Gozo who have no permanent residency on the islands of Malta.
2. Foreigners who are working on a permanent/contract basis cannot take up Temporary Membership.
3. At the discretion of the Secretary and on behalf of the Committee, visitors shall be allowed to join the Club as Temporary Members under the following categories:

- a) Daily – Temporary Membership
- b) Weekly – Temporary Membership
- c) Monthly – Temporary Membership

A fee shall be established in accordance with Article 7 -Membership Clause 12.

4. A visitor will only be allowed to take up Temporary Membership for a maximum period of three (3) months, on payment of the relative subscription as determined by the Committee from time to time.
5. Temporary members shall not attend meetings or propose or second candidates for election.
6. Temporary members are not entitled to invite guests.

Article 16 - ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

1. This category of membership is open to all those who are not citizens of Malta. Such members shall only enjoy full membership status including voting rights after the lapse of twenty-four (24) months from the date of their acceptance as associate members. Members are then eligible for election to the Club's Main Committee after the lapse of a further thirty-six (36) months as per Article 23, clause 1.

Article 17 - GUESTS

1. Members may invite their spouse, partners or guests at any time, but not more than three (3) times in any one (1) calendar year. Members of visiting teams officially invited to the Club by the ClubCommittee, shall be considered as guests of the Club.
2. The names and identification/passport number of guests together with that of the member introducing them to the club must be inserted in the club's system available at the security situated at the entrance to the club or in the absence of the security at the reception desk found in the club's lobby.
3. For clarity's sake a guest may only be invited to the Club on three (3) occasions in a calendar year after which they will be invited to join the Club as full members, and if interest is declined, entry to the club will be prohibited.
4. The Committee shall have the power to invite such persons to visit the club as its guest for the purpose of taking part in any function held at the Club. This will not be considered as part of the three (3) occasions mention in Article 17 – Guests clause 3.

5. No member can invite more than 10 guests on any particular day unless authorised for the purpose by the Club Secretary. The Caterer shall be bound to inform such members about this rule when booking for a catering event.

Article 18 - JUNIOR MEMBERS/MINORS

1. Children of members may join the Club at a reduced rate of subscription and without payment of entrance fees provided: -
 - a) that membership is taken up on attaining the age of eighteen (18).
 - b) that until the age of twenty-three (23) such a member is a Junior Member
 - c) that on attaining the age of twenty-three (23) full membership fees become payable.
2. On application, children between the ages of eight (8) and eighteen (18), may join the Club as Minors, and will be charged a reduced entrance fee – Article 8 – Entrance Fees, provided that, on attaining the age of eighteen (18), they comply with the rules pertaining to Junior Members.
3. Minors will only be allowed to utilise the club and its facilities for coaching lessons and therefore will be allowed to make use of the club facilities for not more than 90 minutes per visit. Minors will have to leave the club after the lapse of 90 minutes.
4. Minors cannot stay at the club unattended beyond the 90 minutes as per Article 18 – Junior Members/Minors.
5. Junior Members/Minors are not entitled to attend or vote at any meetings or to propose or second applications for membership.
6. Any parent or guardian desirous of introducing a child as a Minor Member to the Club must fill the appropriate form and follow the procedures listed under Article 7 - Membership.
7. Upon admission as a Minor Member, the Parent/Guardian will be required to sign a declaration, which exonerates the Club, the members of the Committee of Management and the Club Secretary from any liability or responsibility of whatever nature or cause, including gross negligence, arising from any loss or injury which may be suffered by the child whilst utilizing the club and its facilities.
8. Upon admission as a Minor Member, the applying parent/guardian will be required to supply a passport size photo to enable the Club's Administrative Office to issue the relative membership card to the Minor Member, who must carry such card at all times whilst on club premises.
9. Parents/guardians of Minor Members will not be entitled to enter, or make use of, the club or any of its facilities. Parents/Guardians will only be allowed to drop off and pick-up children within the club premises unless they are under 12 years of age.
10. The Rules and Regulations of the Club shall apply in total in respect of the Minor Member and any infringement of these Rules shall be interpreted as a cause for disciplinary action as provided for in Article - 43 & 44.

Article 19 – GDPR

1. In accordance with the GDPR Regulations EU 2016/679, all members of the Club as listed in Article 7 clause 12, shall have access, upon demand, to the club's private policy which can be requested in hard copy format from the club's administrative office or from the club's web-site 'marsasportsclub.com', or from any other electronic medium as may be indicated from time to time, Prospective members will be required to state that they are aware of the contents of the club's private policy and provide their consent to allow the club's administration to maintain their personal information within the parameters established by the GDPR until such time that they resign as a member of the club, when all information will be deleted.

Article 20 - ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

1. The Committee of Management shall hold its post for one (1) year and shall retire after transacting the ordinary business of the Annual General Meeting.
2. The voting for the new Committee of Management shall take place on six (6) days prior to and until half an hour after the general meeting is adjourned for the election of the Committee. Votes will then be counted by two (2) scrutineers appointed for the purpose at the general meeting.
3. The names of members proposed and seconded for election and the names of members of the retiring Committee offering themselves for re-election shall be posted on the Club notice board ten (10) clear days before the Annual General Meeting.
4. Vacancies on the Committee shall be filled by ballot when they occur, names of candidates being first posted in the Club, seven (7) clear days before the election.
5. The following rules are to be observed for balloting: -
 - a) All balloting shall be secret
 - b) All balloting shall be direct voting for candidates by members
 - c) Each member may record one vote for each of any nine candidates or less if he so desires.
 - d) All vacancies shall be balloted for simultaneously.

Article 21 – DISQUALIFICATION of MEMBERS of THE COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT

1. The office of an official member of the Committee of Management shall be vacated:
 - a) If he or she ceases to be a member of the Club.
 - b) If by notice in writing to the Committee of Management, he/she resigns his/her office.
 - c) If he or she is removed from office by a resolution duly passed pursuant to Article 19 - Suspension of this Statute.
2. Any Committee member/s who resigns from the Committee of Management, shall not, if their resignation is accepted by the said Committee, be permitted to withdraw their resignation. The Committee must proceed to initiate the process of a bye election in order that the vacancy be filled by ballot in accordance with Article 20 - Clause 4. Provided that the resigning member of the Committee shall be eligible to contest the bye election to the Committee of Management. Should the resignations occur during the eight (8) weeks prior to the date of the upcoming AGM, at the discretion of the Main Committee of Management, the bye election may not be held.

Article 22 – REMOVAL

1. The members of the Club may by a resolution taken at an Extraordinary General Meeting, remove any member of the Committee of Management before the expiration of his or her period of office if he or she is guilty of repetitive disruption of meetings, hinders the function of the club or breaks the confidentiality and trust of other members.

Article 23- COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

1. The Committee of Management shall consist of nine (9) members. Any member of the Club fully paid up for the immediately preceding thirty-six (36) consecutive months is eligible for nomination for a seat on the Committee.
2. The Committee of Management shall be organised as follows: -
 - There shall be the Chairperson
 - Vice-Chairperson
 - Finance Chairperson
 - Integrity Officer
 - Tigne Beach Chairperson
 - Catering Chairperson

- The remaining members of the Committee shall be ordinary members.

There shall be the following sub – committees:

- Finance Sub-Committee
- Catering Sub-Committee
- Sponsors - Sponsorships and Events Sub-Committee
- Tigne Beach Sub-Committee

2.1 Any Sub-Committee will be composed of not less than three (3) members. Two (2) members shall form a quorum. All Sub Committees to be formed within four (4) weeks from the appointment of the Chairperson.

3. Honorary members of the Club who, for whatever reason, are no longer Honorary members of the Club shall, likewise, be eligible for nomination for a seat on the Committee if they have been fully paid members of the Club for the immediately preceding thirty-six (36) consecutive months from the commencement of their Honorary Membership.
4. The representatives of the various sports sections listed in Article 52 may attend Committee meetings but have no vote on any issue that requires the vote of the Committee of Management.
5. No Committee member may be a Committee Member on the Club Committee of Management and any other Committee/Association which has a parallel discipline with those of the Club Committee as detailed in Article 52. Should such member wish to continue to be a member on the Club Committee, such member will be bound to give up his or her post by way of resigning from the said Committee/Association to continue to be a member on the Club Committee.
6. Furthermore, to avoid any divergence, any member seeking re-election or who has been nominated as a member on the Club Committee of Management will be bound to sign a declaration that they do not hold or intend to be a member on any Committee/Association and/or other entity during their term in office that has a parallel discipline as above indicated. If such an instance arises, the said candidate must either withdraw his or her nomination or resign forthwith from their post on the Club Committee.
7. Should such a member not resign any one of his or her conflicting posts, within one calendar week from notification to this effect by the Chairperson or the Vice Chairperson of the Club, such member shall “*ipso iure*” be deemed to have resigned his membership from the Club Committee of Management”.

Article 24 – QUORUM

1. The Committee of Management shall meet at least ten (10) times during the year unless prevented from meeting due to extenuating factors such as Act of God or epidemics.
2. Five (5) members shall form a quorum. Article 29 - clause 3
3. Membership of the Committee shall lapse if a member is absent from three (3) consecutive Committee meeting except if such absence is due to illness.

Article 25 – CHAIRPERSON & VICE CHAIRPERSON

1. The Chairperson shall be appointed immediately after the AGM by the elected members of the Committee of Management.
2. The Chairperson will preside at all meetings of the Committee of Management and Annual General/Extraordinary Meetings of the Club. The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson shall undertake such functions in respect of the Club as the Committee of Management may determine from time to time.

3. The Committee of Management will also elect from among its members a Vice Chairperson. The Vice Chairperson will preside on the Committee of Management with full powers in the absence of the Chairperson.
4. Provided that in the absence of both the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson, and provided a quorum is available, the members of the Committee of Management will have the power to appoint a substitute/s to conduct the meetings.
5. No remuneration (except by way of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, if any) shall be paid to any member of the Committee of Management in respect of their office.

Article 26 - SECRETARY/PERSONNEL

1. The Secretary shall be employed by the Committee of Management. The Secretary is authorised to recruit or terminate such personnel as may be necessary to ensure the proper administration of the Club, and to determine the remuneration/allowances payable/allowable to such personnel with the approval of the Finance Committee
2. In the event of there being no Secretary or Assistant Secretary, the Committee of Management shall appoint from among their number an Honorary Secretary to act under their direction, until such time that a suitable replacement is selected.

Article 27 – FINANCE CHAIRPERSON (Treasurer)

1. The Finance Chairperson shall be elected from among the members of the Committee of Management.
2. The Finance Chairperson will be responsible for the Financial and Accounting work of the Committee of Management.
3. The Finance Chairperson shall undertake such functions in respect of the Club as the Committee of Management determines from time to time.
4. No remuneration (except by way of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, if any) shall be paid to the Finance Chairperson or his or her assistant in respect of their office.

Article 28 – POWERS

1. The Chairperson shall be the legal representative of the Club or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairperson and Finance Chairperson shall represent the Club in all matters. In the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson the Committee of Management shall have the power to delegate one of their numbers to represent the Club.
2. The Committee of Management shall have the power to appoint a Sub-Committee to investigate any matter concerning the Club or its activities and make recommendations. Any member of the Club may be co-opted to serve on such sub-committees at the discretion of the Committee of Management.
3. The business of the Club shall be managed by the Committee of Management which may pay all such expenses, preliminary and incidental to the promotion, formation, establishment and registration of the Club as they deem fit.
4. No regulation/s made by the Club in a General/Extraordinary Meeting shall invalidate any prior act of the Committee of Management which would have been valid if such regulation had not been made.
5. The members the Committee of Management may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their constitution.
6. The Committee of Management is authorised to appoint an External Advisory Committee/s to support it in its role.

7. The Committee of Management shall have the authority to maintain a total indebtedness towards any Maltese Banking or Financial institution of/up to a maximum of one hundred thousand euro (€100,000) without the need to obtain prior authorisation from the Club Membership.

Furthermore, the Committee of Management shall have the authority to maintain a bank overdraft facility up to €50,000.00 (Euro Fifty Thousand) with any Maltese bank it deems fit. The said bank overdraft facility is only to be used for operational cash flow purposes.

Article 29 – PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT

1. Subject as hereinafter provided, the Committee of Management may meet for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit. The Committee of Management shall meet at least once a month except for the months of August and December as per Article 24 – Quorum.
2. Meetings may also be held in a virtual environment in exceptional circumstances or as deemed necessary by the Committee of Management.
3. The quorum necessary for the transaction of the business of the Committee of Management shall be five (5) as indicated in Article 24 provided that if no quorum is present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned to another day. If at such adjourned meeting no quorum is present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting, provided three (3) members are present, the meeting shall proceed accordingly.
4. Matters decided at any meeting of the Committee of Management shall be decided by a simple majority of votes. In case of an equality of votes, the Chairperson of the meeting shall ask for a re-vote. In the event of an equality of votes on the revote, the Chairperson of the meeting shall have a casting vote.
5. On the request of the Chairperson or his or her Vice Chairperson the Secretary shall, at any time, summon a meeting of the Committee of Management by notice (stating the time and place of such meeting) served upon the several members of the Committee of Management giving a notice of at least five (5) working days. Any accidental failure to give such notice to any member of the Committee entitled thereto shall not invalidate any of the proceedings of such meeting so long as a quorum is present there at.
6. A meeting of the Committee of Management at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all the authorities, powers and discretion by or under the regulations of the Club for the time being vested in the Committee generally.
7. The Committee of Management may delegate any of its powers to sub committees consisting of such member or members of the Committee of Management or of such other persons as it thinks fit, and any subcommittee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform to any regulations imposed on it by the Committee of Management.
8. The Committee of Management shall cause proper minutes to be made of all appointments of officers made by the Committee of Management and of the proceedings of all meetings of the Club and of the Committee of Management and of sub committees of the appointed by the Committee of Management.
9. All business transacted at such meetings, and any such minutes of any meeting, if purporting to be signed by the Chairperson and Secretary of such meeting, or by the Chairperson and Secretary of the next succeeding meeting, shall be sufficient evidence without any further proof of the facts therein stated.

Article 30 – MINUTES

1. A copy of the minutes of each Committee of Management meeting shall be made available to each ancillary club and sport section after having been approved, subject to these minutes not being classified as 'CONFIDENTIAL' by the Committee of Management due to the sensitivity and the nature of their contents, in which case it becomes inexpedient for these minutes to be available to the ancillary clubs and/or sports sections.
2. Approved minutes of Committee of Management meetings shall be available for perusal by members during normal office hours subject to these minutes not being classified as 'CONFIDENTIAL' by the Committee of

Management due to the sensitivity and nature of their contents, in which case these minutes will not be available and may only be viewed at the Club's Administrative Office by fully paid-up members on application to the Secretary of the Club after having obtained approval from the Committee of Management.

Article 31 - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. The Annual General Meeting of the members of the Club shall be held every year and not later than 31st March at 6.pm on a date to be fixed by the Committee for the purpose of:
 - a) Confirming the minutes of the previous year's Annual General Meeting.
 - b) Confirming the minutes of all Extraordinary General Meetings held during the previous year.
 - c) Chairperson's report.
 - d) Receiving the accounts of the Club for the previous financial year.
 - e) Appointment of auditors for the ensuing year.
 - f) Discussing any proposals, which may require the decision of a General Meeting and of which due notice had been given as hereinafter provided Article 34 – Clause 1.
 - g) Considering and confirming or rejecting all new byelaws and amendments to bye-laws, which the Committee may have passed since the last Annual General Meeting.
 - h) Receiving the resignation of the Committee
 - i) Election of the new Committee.
2. Only members who have paid their club membership in full (i.e. by not later than one month from the due date of the 31st December) are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General meeting of the Club.
3. The Chair shall be taken at the Annual General Meeting by the Chairperson of the Committee of Management or, in his absence by the Vice- Chairperson. In the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson the chair shall be taken by a duly elected member of the Committee of Management.
4. Those members present for the Annual General Meetings and are eligible to vote as per Article 31 – Annual General Meetings, Clause 2, shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon every matter raised. In the case of equality of voting, the Chairperson of the meeting (who shall be the outgoing Chairperson of the Committee of Management) shall have a second or casting vote.
5. The Secretary shall take minutes of the proceedings at all General Meetings of the Club.
6. The Chairperson shall present the Annual Report to the members present at the Annual General Meeting.
7. The auditors or reviewers of accounts shall be nominated and elected by the members attending and having a right to vote at the Annual General Meetings. No auditor or reviewer of accounts who has held office on the Committee of Management during the previous twelve (12) months will be eligible for nomination. No auditor or reviewer of accounts shall run for office on the Committee of Management during the successive twelve (12) months.

Article 32 – NOTICE - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

1. A notice of the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting shall be exhibited twenty-one (21) clear days beforehand in the Club. A copy of the notice shall be sent by ordinary post or such other electronic means to all members on the same date.

Article 33 – QUORUM - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

1. To constitute this meeting there must be at least thirty members present; provided that if the requisite number of members is not present fifteen (15) minutes after the time fixed for the meeting, the meeting shall be transacted irrespective of the number of members present and every resolution so approved, shall be binding on all members of the Club as though a full quorum of members had been present and voted at the meeting, except as provided in Article 34, clause 3. Provided that members may also attend meetings online where the Committee decides that a meeting may also be held so, and eligible members shall also be permitted to vote through electronic means, provided that the necessary safeguards are in place.

Article 34 – RESOLUTIONS – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

1. Notice of any resolution to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting shall be given to the Secretary in writing signed by the proposer at least fifteen (15) clear days before the Annual General Meeting and shall be posted forthwith on the Club notice board. No amendments to such resolution shall be submitted to the Meeting unless they shall have been notified to the Secretary in sufficient time to be posted in the Club, at least ten (10) clear days previous to the meeting.
2. At any Extraordinary General Meeting, any resolution or motion shall be read to the meeting immediately before a vote is taken.
3. Any resolution brought before the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by a majority vote,
4. All resolutions laid before the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by a show of hands, unless five (5) members request that the motion be so decided by a secret ballot. Provided that voting may also be held fully or partially by electronic voting.
5. All resolutions passed by a General Meeting, shall be posted in the Club for a period of not less than seven (7) days from the day following the General Meeting.
6. When a motion has been put to the vote at a General Meeting, it shall not be competent for any member or members other than the Committee to call an Extraordinary General Meeting on the same motion or any subject bearing upon it, within a period of three (3) months.

Article 35 - CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. Should the subject of a resolution be considered by the Committee of Management to be of such a confidential nature that it is inexpedient to post it on the notice board, notice shall be posted to the effect that there is a confidential resolution to be moved at the meeting, and the resolution may be seen by full members on application to the Secretary.

Article 36 – ACCOUNTS

1. The annual audited accounts are to be drawn up for a financial period commencing on 1st January and ending on the 31st December of each year as prescribed by law.
2. The Accounts shall be displayed on the Club notice board for ten (10) clear days before the Annual General Meeting. Members are exhorted to give notice in writing, on any queries which they wish to raise in connection with the accounts, at least forty-eight (48) hours before the Annual General Meeting, and if raised later than this time, need not be answered during the AGM, if the information is not available, provided that an answer to the said queries shall be provided within 7 days from the said AGM.

Article 37 - EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

1. The Committee of Management may call an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club on giving notice specifying the object, and no other business shall be discussed at such a meeting.
2. On the receipt of a written request of twenty-five (25) members, none being members of the Committee of Management, the Committee shall call an Extraordinary General Meeting within one calendar month.
3. Only members who have paid their club membership in full (i.e. by not later than one month from the due date of the 31st December) are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General meeting of the Club.
4. The Chair shall be taken at the Extraordinary General Meeting by the Chairperson of the Committee of Management or, in his absence by the Vice- Chairperson. In the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson the chair shall be taken by a duly elected member of the Committee of Management.

5. Those members present for the Extraordinary General Meetings and are eligible to vote as per Article 37 – Extraordinary Annual General Meetings, Clause 3, shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon every matter raised. In the case of equality of voting, the Chairperson of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
6. The Secretary shall take minutes of the proceedings at all Extraordinary General Meetings of the Club.
7. No new rule or alteration of any existing rule shall be made without a majority of two-thirds of a General Meeting of at least ten (10) members.

Article 38 – NOTICE - EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

1. All notices of Extraordinary General meetings issued by the Committee of Management must be signed by the Secretary and posted on the Club notice board at least fourteen (14) days before the day of the meeting.
2. A copy of the notice shall be sent by ordinary post or such other electronic means to all members on the same date.

Article 39 – QUORUM - EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

1. To constitute an Extraordinary General Meeting there must be at least thirty (30) members present except as provided for in Article 42, clause 1. Provided that if the requisite number of members be not present fifteen (15) minutes after the time fixed for the meeting, the meeting shall be held forthwith, and all business on the agenda may be transacted, irrespective of the number of members present and every decision arrived at shall be binding on all members of the Club as though a full quorum of members had been present and voted at the meeting except as provided for Article 40, clause 1.

Article 40 – RESOLUTIONS – EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

1. Any resolution laid before an Extraordinary General Meeting, shall be decided by a majority vote, except as provided for in Article 41 clause 4.
2. All resolutions laid before the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by a show of hands, unless five (5) members request that the motion be so decided by a secret ballot.
3. All resolutions passed by an Extraordinary General Meeting, shall be posted in the Club for a period of not less than seven (7) days from the day following the Extraordinary General meeting.
4. At any Extraordinary General Meeting, any resolution or motion shall be read to the meeting immediately before a vote is taken.
5. No new Rule or alteration of an existing Rule shall be made without a majority of two-thirds of any Extraordinary General meeting of at least thirty (30) members.
6. When a motion has been put to the vote at an Extraordinary General Meeting, it shall not be competent for any member or members other than the Committee of Management to call an Extraordinary General Meeting on the same motion, or on any subject bearing upon it, within a period of three (3) months.

Article 41 - DISPOSAL OR TRANSFER OF CLUB PREMISES

1. Any resolution regarding the disposal or transfer of the Club premises or the granting of any real rights thereof, must be made the subject of an Extraordinary General Meeting called specifically for these purposes.
2. Notice specifying the object of such a meeting must be sent fourteen (14) days before the day of the meeting by ordinary post or such other electronic means to all members on the same date.
3. Any member wishing to propose an amendment to the resolution must notify the Secretary in writing, of such proposed amendment at least seven (7) days before the meeting in time to enable such amendments to be posted on the Club notice board.

4. Any resolution or amendment thereto shall be decided by at least a two-thirds majority vote

Article 42 – QUORUM – DISPOSAL OR TRANSFER OF CLUB PREMISES

1. Any meeting held under this Article shall have a quorum of one hundred fully paid up members.
2. If a quorum is not reached, the meeting shall be held after fourteen (14) days when, irrespective of the members present any resolution taken in accordance with Article 41, clause 4, will be valid and binding on all members.

Article 43 - CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

1. Any member/s, junior/Minor Member, who shall take away any item that is the property of the Club, without the sanction of the Secretary shall be charged for the value of the item and fined at the discretion of the Committee of Management and will be called to attend a disciplinary meeting. The Disciplinary Board, as appointed by the Committee of Management, will decide on the ruling and their decision shall be final.
2. Any person, who in the opinion of any member of the Committee of Management or the Secretary, is misbehaving and/or whose actions are injurious to the character or interests of the Club, may be asked to leave the Club immediately, and at a later date be dealt with, in accordance with Article - 43, clause 7 & 8.
3. Any member/s, junior/Minor Member who shall destroy or damage any article or fixture, the property of the Club, shall at the discretion of the Committee of Management, pay a sum not exceeding the current replacement value or cost of repair of such item or fixture and may be called to attend a disciplinary meeting. On the recommendation of the Disciplinary Committee, the Committee of Management will decide on the ruling and such decision shall be final.
4. Member/s and junior/Minor Members are liable as in Article 43 clause 3, for damage caused by their guests and/or children.
5. The current replacement value or cost of repair only may be charged for any article or fixture broken or damaged accidentally.
6. The replacement value of any article damaged or destroyed shall be decided by the Committee of Management, whose decision shall be final.
7. In the case where the conduct of any member/s or junior/Minor Member either in or out of the Club, shall, in the opinion of the Committee of Management, be injurious to the character or interests of the Club, the Committee of Management shall direct such case to the Disciplinary Committee who shall call a meeting with the defendant/s to hear and adjudicate each case separately and to report their findings to the Committee of Management in accordance with Article 44 clause 3. The Committee of Management may also alternatively request a report from the person in writing.
8. Should any case arise, which in the opinion of the Disciplinary Committee is not sufficiently serious to be dealt with under Article 44, clause 3, the Committee of Management shall be authorised to suspend any member/s, or junior/Minor Member for a period not exceeding six months.
9. The period of suspension shall, at the discretion of the Committee, be enforced during the member/s, or junior/Minor Member's presence in Malta and the fact of suspension shall not affect liability to pay subscription.
10. Cases relating to any violations mentioned in Article 3.3, will lead to the immediate suspension, until such time that a disciplinary meeting is held to adjudicate the case which could lead to a possible termination of the club's membership with no recourse to reapply and join the club for a minimum of 5 years. If the evidence proves to be accurate the club will be obliged to report each and every case to the relative authorities.

Article 44 – DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE (composition)

1. The Disciplinary Committee will be composed of the club Chairperson plus two (2) full voting members who are independent of the Committee of Management. They will hold their post for a period of one (1) year. The Committee of Management will appoint the two members who will sit on the Disciplinary Committee during the first meeting of the Committee of Management held after the Annual General Meeting.
2. If the Chairperson or any of the other two members respectively have a conflict of interest or is otherwise unable to hear a particular case, the Committee of Management may appoint an ad hoc replacement for that particular case.
3. The Disciplinary Committee will only have the power to recommend but not pass judgement. They are to put forward their recommendations to the Committee of Management, who shall have the power to pass judgement for each case and request such member/s, or junior/Minor Member to resign. If the aforesaid member/s, or junior/Minor Member shall not comply with such request he/she shall be expelled.
4. Members who have been expelled from the Club by the Committee of Management shall not be allowed to reapply for membership of the Club.

Article 45 - OPENING HOURS

1. The Club shall open daily, apart from Christmas day for the use of members as determined by the Committee and notified on the Club notice board.

Article 46 – BILLS for MEALS

1. Monies owed by members or their guests to the Club Caterer, shall not be the responsibility of the Club and shall be dealt with directly with the said Caterer.
2. Any complaints as to charges must be dealt with directly with the caterer.

Article 47 – FOOD OR BEVERAGE

1. Members are not allowed to bring in their own food or beverage, including alcohol, ice-creams and snacks into the Club unless specific dietary items are required, not provided by the caterers.
2. All such consumptions mentioned in Article 47 clause1, must be purchased from the various catering outlets available on the club premises.
3. Baby food is excluded from the list of consumptions listed in Article 47 clause 1.
4. Any special requests for dispensation from article 47 with regards to a particular diet, must be made to the caterers.

Article 48 – COMPLAINTS

1. Members are not permitted to reprimand the employees of the Club. Any complaint against them must be made in writing to the Secretary.

Article 49 – SUGGESTIONS

1. Any suggestions or complaints concerning the Club must be made to the Secretary, in writing.

Article 50 – ANIMALS/PETS

1. No animals or pets shall be admitted into any part of the Club or grounds, even if on a lead. Any member, or junior/Minor Member contravening this rule will be liable to disciplinary action in accordance with Article 43.

Article 51 - ACCEPTANCE OF RULES

1. The payment of entrance fees and subscriptions entitles members and junior/Minor Members to the various privileges of the Club. Such payment shall be an acknowledgement on their part that they accept and are bound by the Rules and Bye-laws of the Club, and all alterations and additions duly made to them. No member or junior or minor member shall be absolved from the effect of these Rules and Bye-laws.

Article 52 - ANCILLARY CLUBS AND SPORTS SECTIONS

1. The Club incorporates within its organisation, the following ancillary Club and Sports Sections:
 - The Royal Malta Golf Club
 - The Tennis/Padel Section
 - The Squash Rackets Section
 - The Cricket Section
 - The Croquet Section
 - The Indoor Games Section,
 - Tigné Beach
 - The Fitness Centreand such other Clubs or Sections that may be formed to further the interest of a particular sport or amenity.
2. Each of the above ancillary Club or Section is governed by its own Constitution and bye-laws, with the approval of and under the overall control of the Committee of Management of the Club .
3. Membership of the Club is a prerequisite for membership of any of the above ancillary club or section/s.
4. A full member of the Club shall not be refused membership of any of the above ancillary club or sports section. Cases of dispute in the implementation of this clause, and cases of discipline which might be considered to fall under Article 43 and 44, shall be reported to the Secretary for a decision by the Committee of Management of the Club.
5. A member of the Club, who is also a member of any of the above ancillary club or section, shall be required to pay such additional entrance fees, annual subscriptions or other fees as may be authorised in accordance with Article 52 clause 2.

Article 53 – MEMBERSHIP/MAILING LIST

1. The membership list of names and addresses may not be passed onto any ancillary club/sport section or third party as per the GDPR guidelines mentioned in Article 19.
2. Any sports section/ancillary club/fully paid-up member, wishing to send correspondence to the members of the Club are subject to the following conditions:
 - a) On a written request to the Secretary, prior approval must be obtained from the Committee of Management of the Club who reserves the right to refuse any request which is considered to be injurious and contrary to the interest of the Club member.
 - b) A copy of the contents which relates to the correspondence must be submitted to the Club Committee of Management for their approval prior to mailing.
 - c) The Club's Administrative Office will carry out all related work pertaining to the preparation and mailing of the correspondence. Any expenses incurred will be reimbursed and borne by the requesting sports section/ancillary club/fully paid-up member.

Article 54 - BYE-LAWS

1. The Committee of Management may make such bye-laws as they deem expedient for the benefit of the Club. These shall be regarded as temporary until they have been confirmed at the Annual General Meeting. Such bye-laws shall come into force from the date they are published on the notice board.

Bye-Laws of the Marsa Sports Club

OPENING HOURS

1. The Club is open daily, apart Christmas day for the use of members as decided by the Committee of Management and notified on the Club notice board.
2. After closing time, no game of any sort will be played, nor any refreshments supplied, nor will any member be permitted to enter the Club, or linger therein, on any pretext whatsoever.

PUBLIC LIABILITY

3. The Club does not accept any liability for the loss, damage or safety of property to members or their guests, within the confines of the club premises or grounds.

CLUB STAFF

4. Members are not permitted to issue any orders or instructions to the Club Staff. Attention is drawn to Article 48 clause 1, regarding complaints.
5. Honorary Secretaries of affiliated Clubs and Sports Sections requiring any special work done for their Club or Section are to contact the Club Secretary.

FINANCIAL POLICY

6. Each sports section is responsible for spending any surplus funds arising out of its own activities during the previous financial year, under the following conditions: -
 - a) That should the Main Club at any time be short of funds, this policy can be rescinded, as decided by a majority vote of the Committee of Management.
 - b) That full and proper accounts of each sports section be submitted to the Committee of Management at the end of each month.
 - c) That any losses incurred by any Section will be made good by the Section itself.
7. The Accountant will send a Profit and Loss Account at the end of every quarter of each sports section separately, so as to enable them to know their exact financial position.
8. No expenditure shall be incurred by any sections without prior reference to the Secretary or Accountant, for consideration by the Finance Sub-Committee.
9. The Finance Sub-Committee will only authorise the expenditure if it appears to them to be justified and within the Section's financial resources.
10. Any expenditure not allowed by the Finance Sub-Committee may be referred to the Committee of Management for their decision.

PUBLICITY – PRESS AND BROADCASTING MEDIA

11. There is no objection to the publishing in the Press or any broadcasting media of any fixtures list and competition results of sporting events held at the Club, so long as the information given is factual.

12. Sports Sections wishing to publish an article in the press or to broadcast on Radio and television any other material must first obtain the sanction of the Committee of Management, either through the Secretary or through their representative on the Main Committee.

DRESS CODE

13. Members and their guests, may wear any respectable dress during the day, including shorts, shirts with open collar and short sleeves, or conventional sportswear, but sleeveless leisure vests, bathing costumes and bikini tops are excluded. Members may use bathing wear only around the swimming pool area. The wearing of a burkini around the pool area is strictly prohibited.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

14. The dress for social functions shall be as laid down in the notice for the particular occasion.

GAMES AND SPORTS

15. Tennis, Squash, and Cricket

Conventional sportswear is to be worn. Hard soled shoes are not allowed on the tennis courts whilst squash players must wear non-marking soles when utilising the squash courts.

16. Golf

Reference should be made to the Royal Malta Golf Club statute with regards to dress code.

LITTER

17. Litter bins are provided to ensure that the Club grounds and gardens are kept tidy. No litter and/or empty bottles should be left in any part of the grounds. Empty bottles should not be thrown in the litter bins but returned to the Bar.

FLOWERS AND GREENERY

18. It is not permitted to pick flowers or greenery.

THE CRICKET GROUND

19 The Cricket ground may be used for picnics when cricket matches are not being held, but all food and drink must be purchased from the club caterer as per Article 47.

20. Children may play football on the cricket ground, but football boots must not be worn. This rule applies only when cricket matches are not being held. Any other activity on the said Cricket pitch shall first be sanctioned by the Secretary upon request.

21. Playing of loud music is prohibited in any part of the Club grounds and gardens.

THE ROYAL MALTA GOLF CLUB

22. Only fully paid-up members of the club are permitted to join the Royal Malta Golf Club.

THE CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

23. The children's playground is reserved for the use of children under the age of twelve (12).

24. Children under the age of ten (10) must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

25. All users of the equipment do so entirely at their own risk.

Children

26. For the purpose of this bye-law, children under the age of sixteen (16) shall be regarded as the dependants of Members or Temporary Members, who are always responsible for their supervision to ensure that: -

- a) They behave in an orderly manner.
- b) They do not cause any damage to Club property
- c) They do not cause annoyance to other Members and their guests.
- d) These bye-laws are strictly enforced.
- e) Children under the age of 8 shall never be left unattended.

Minors are to strictly abide by this bye-law

27. The Committee reserve the right to expel or suspend a child who does not comply with these bye-laws, or to take such other disciplinary measures against the parents concerned as deemed necessary.

CHILDREN OVER 18

28. Children between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-two (22) should be enrolled as Junior Members under the terms of Article 17. If they are not so enrolled, they may only use the Club as guests, under Article 16.

GUESTS

29. Members may not bring any children, other than their own, as guests to the Club.

30. Junior/Minor Members may not invite guests to the Club.

UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN

31. Unaccompanied children under the age of eight (8) are not allowed in the Club under any circumstances.

32. Unaccompanied children, between the ages of eight (8) and sixteen (16) are only allowed in the Club when participating in officially organised sport. For the purposes of this bye-law children falling under the category of minors shall be governed under Article 17. Unaccompanied children, between the ages of fourteen (14) and sixteen (16) may be allowed in the Club provided that the Club shall not be held responsible for their welfare

RESTRICTED AREAS

33. Children under fourteen (14), whether accompanied or not, are not allowed in

- a) The Billiards Room
- b) any other areas as determined from time to time by the Main Committee.

34. Children are allowed access to the bar until 18:00 as long as they are supervised by their parents / guardians at all times.

35. Parents are warned not to allow young children to wander alone in the woods around the cricket ground, in the squash courts and on the tennis courts.

36. Children of any age are allowed in the main hall provided they sit quietly with their parents or a responsible adult. Running in and out of or playing in the main hall is prohibited. Children should be encouraged to use areas specifically designated to them.

PRAMS, PUSH CHAIRS, ETC

37. Prams, pushchairs and carry-cots may, at the discretion of the Club Secretary be allowed in any part of the Clubhouse except in those parts provided for in the Bye-Laws clause 33,34, 35 & 36.

TOYS

38. Children's toys such as bicycles, pedal cars, scooters, and roller skates etc. are not allowed in any part of the clubhouse.

BAR

39. Children under fourteen (14) may use the Restaurant. Children under fourteen (14) must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

DRESSING ROOMS

40. Boys under fifteen (15) and girls under thirteen (13), are strictly forbidden to use the adult dressing rooms. Separate dressing rooms for boys and girls are available.

41. Parents are requested to ensure that this bye-law is strictly enforced, and to use the Boys' and/or Girls' facilities provided when taking children to the dressing rooms.

42. Food & drinks are not to be taken into the children's dressing rooms.

OPENING HOURS – Bar and Restaurant

43. The opening and closing times of the bar and restaurant shall be determined by the Committee from time to time and posted on the Club notice board.

GUESTS

44. Members are not allowed to bring their children or other guests under the age of eighteen (18) to 'the Club's social functions unless authorised by the Committee of Management for the said social function.

CAR PARKING

45. Cars are to be parked in the areas specifically provided for this purpose and nowhere else. Access roads are to be kept clear for moving traffic. Cars are strictly prohibited from parking in 'No Parking' areas. Members and visitors abusing of this rule will have their vehicle clamped and liable to a fine as established by the Committee of Management.

46. Only cars bearing a Club car sticker on the windscreen may be driven into Club premises unless prior permission has been obtained by the Club Secretary
47. Car stickers are available to club members from the Secretary's office at an annual fee as determined by the Main Committee and posted on the Club notice board.
48. No cars are to be parked in such a way as to obstruct the entrance and exit of the Car Park.
49. Cars should be locked when parked and any valuables left inside remain the full responsibility of their owners.
50. Vehicles are parked in the Club grounds at their owner's risk.
51. The speed limit in the Club grounds is 20km per hour.

SWIMMING POOL

52. The swimming pool complex is open to members and junior/Minor Members, and children of members. The Committee may at its discretion grant a concession for the operation of the swimming pool to a third party who shall be bound by the statute and bye- laws drawn up by the Committee of Management.
53. The Committee shall always be the sole authority for governing charges and use of the pool.
54. Deckchairs and similar equipment as well as any charges for guests making use of the swimming pool.
55. All users of the swimming pool do so entirely at their own risk.
56. Horseplay, in or out of the pool, and running around the surrounds is strictly prohibited.
57. Lilo's, spring guns, beach balls, or any similar item/s that can cause an inconvenience to the other patrons using the pool is strictly prohibited.
58. Loud Music is not allowed.
59. All users of the pool must use the showers BEFORE entering the pool.
60. All sun-tan lotions or creams must be removed before using the pool.
61. Sun-loungers, umbrellas and chairs are available. It is strictly prohibited to bring your own sun-loungers, umbrellas, etc. into the complex.
62. Users are prohibited to bring their own food and drink into the complex in accordance with Article 47.
63. Users are not allowed to change around the pool area. Dressing rooms in the Main Club should be used for this purpose.
64. Members are not allowed to reserve any sun-loungers and/or umbrellas.
65. If the pool has reached the maximum number of users as allowed by law, sun-loungers shall only be available for the sole use by adults. Children under the age of sixteen (16) will not be allowed to take up a sun-lounger in these circumstances.
66. Smoking in or around the pool surroundings is prohibited, except for those areas specifically identified as smoking areas.
67. No food or drinks can be consumed whilst using the pool itself and glass tumblers are prohibited from being utilised when bathing in the pool,
68. Members may invite up to one guest at a time from Monday to Fridays excluding weekends and public holidays to make use of the pool. A charge determined by the Main Committee of Management will apply. Children from the age of eight (8) years and over will be liable to this charge.

69. Junior and Minor members under the age of fourteen (14) years cannot make use of the pool unattended.

70. Minor members cannot invite guests to make use of the pool.

The Statute of the Tigne Bathing Beach

Article 1 - NAME

The name of the Beach shall be "Tigne Bathing Beach"

Article 2 - ADDRESS

The official address shall be:

C/O Malta Union Club
1, Tigne Street,
Sliema SLM 3170

Article 3 - MISSION STATEMENT

The Tigne Bathing Beach is an amenity providing the best beach facilities as well as a warm and welcoming environment for the members, guests and visitors of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club. It is committed to provide a friendly environment with a recreational space for the elderly, families and their children to relax in a safe, child friendly and equitable atmosphere.

Article 4 - OBJECTIVES

The Tigne Bathing Beach shall have the following objectives:

1. To provide the best possible environment for their members and their guests.
2. To generate income to cover the annual running costs by means of sales from season tickets, day tickets and parking fees or otherwise, for all the purposes and objectives of the beach in such amounts and in such manner as may be authorised by the Beach Committee.

Article 5 - GENERAL POLICY

1. The Tigne Bathing Beach shall be managed alternately by the two (2) clubs, i.e., the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club for a term of one (1) year. The management of the bathing beach is governed by a partnership agreement dated 01/04/21 which forms an integral part of this statute.
2. The Management of the Tigne Bathing Beach shall be vested in a committee, appointed by the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club, to be known as the 'Beach Committee'. The Chairperson shall chair the meetings and in his/her absence the Vice-Chairperson shall take his/her stead. The position of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall rotate between the clubs every year as per Article 9
3. A year shall mean 1st April to 31st March of the following year.
4. The Tigne Bathing Beach shall be and voluntary.
5. The Tigne Bathing Beach shall be non-profit making and any excess of funds received or generated from its activities should preferably be reinvested back into the beach.
6. The Tigne Bathing Beach financial statements shall be reviewed or audited and published on a yearly basis.
7. The audited accounts are to be approved by the respective clubs.
8. The Tigne Bathing Beach shall not have any political or trade union affiliation and it shall not indulge in party politics.

Article 6 – DISSOLUTION

1. The Tigne Bathing Beach may, jointly through the Marsa Sports Club and The Malta Union Club call an Extraordinary General Meeting which shall, by a majority comprising of ninety per cent (90%) of all the eligible voters present for the meeting, vote on the resolution of its intention to dissolve the beach.
2. For clarities sake, only the Committee of Management of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club can call such an Extraordinary General Meeting to dissolve the beach. No member shall have the right to submit a resolution to vote on the subject.
3. On approval by the members, the Committee of Management of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club, shall take immediate steps to dispose of all the moveable assets, which profits will be utilized to settle all debts owing to third parties and the remaining balance, if any, to be distributed as determined by the members at the said Extraordinary General Meeting.
4. Any assets considered to be immovable will have to remain the sole property of the lease holder.
5. In the event, that for any reason, upon the dissolution of the beach, the Committee of Management of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club, shall fail to act in the manner herein provided, the moveable assets shall be distributed in accordance with the Laws of Malta, governing the distribution of assets of non-profit organizations.

Article 7 – SEASON TICKETS

1. The Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club shall sell season tickets to their respective members once they have paid the current year membership at either the Marsa Sports Club or the Malta Union Club. The beach committee, at its discretion, may at any time limit the total number of season/day tickets issued.
2. The price of beach tickets will be decided by the Joint Beach Committee of the two clubs. All beach users must be prepared to produce their tickets on request by a member of the beach committee or a person appointed by the said committee.
3. Members/Guests or Day Visitors must be informed that beach tickets are strictly non-transferable and are issued for their personal use.
4. The following are eligible to make use of the Bathing Beach:
 - a) All members of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club holding annual beach tickets.
 - b) Children of the above (not eligible for membership of either club) holding annual beach tickets, which will be issued free of charge.
 - c) Temporary members of both Clubs holding beach tickets.
 - d) Guests of members holding an annual beach ticket.
 - e) Caregivers employed by members provided that their names have been registered with either of the Club Secretaries and they are in possession of beach tickets.
 - f) Tourists from hotels up to a maximum of fifty (50) at any given time in accordance with the terms of the Government lease.
5. The Joint Tigne Bathing Beach Committee shall at its discretion establish fees for the use of the bathing beach in consonance with the financial requirements of the beach. Such fees shall be permanently posted on the clubs notice boards. Annual season tickets shall be established for the following categories:
 - Family (to include children under 16 years who are free of charge)
 - Single
 - Non-Member Family Season Ticket
 - Non-Member Single Season Ticket
 - Member's Guest Season Monthly Ticket
 - Junior Guest Tickets (16 to 18 years)
 - Students (16 to 23 years)
 - Daily Ticket Adult

- Daily Ticket (incl. Children under 16 years who are free of charge, insofar they are accompanied by an adult)

The Tigne Beach Club Committee is empowered to alter, add or delete any of the above categories of membership and the respective fees.

Article 8 – GDPR

1. In accordance with the GDPR Regulations EU 2016/679, all members of the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club shall have access, upon demand, to the club's private policy which can be requested in hard copy format from the club's administrative offices or from the club's web-site 'marsasportsclub.com/maltaunionclub.com', or from any other electronic medium as may be indicated from time to time. Members will be required to state that they are aware of the contents of the club's private policy and provide their consent to allow the club's administration to maintain their personal information within the parameters established by the GDPR until such time that they resign as a member of the club, when all information will be deleted.

Article 9 – THE JOINT AND TIGNE BATHING BEACH COMMITTEE

1. The Chairmen of both the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club shall automatically form part of the Committee of the Tigne Beach Club (as per Article 9 – Clause 3) and will be referred to as the Joint Beach Committee.
2. This Joint Beach Committee will be responsible for matters of policy and finance, but not in the Day-to-Day running, which responsibilities will fall under the Beach Committee, (as per Article 5 Clause 2).
3. The Committee of the Tigne Bathing Beach shall consist of five (5) members. The club holding the reigns for the year as per Article 5 – clause 1 & 2, will have a representation of three (3) members whilst another two (2) will be chosen from the other club. Each club shall have the option to co-opt one (1) other non-voting members.
4. The method of selecting the Beach Committee members shall be the concern of their parent clubs.
5. All members who form part of the Tigne Bathing Beach Committee as per Article 9 – clause 3, must be a fully paid-up member with their respective club.
6. Should the Chairperson of the Beach Committee be unable to attend a meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall take his/her place.
7. The Committee of The Tigne Bathing Beach shall be organised as follows: -
 - Chairperson
 - Vice-Chairperson
 - Members X 3
 - Non-Voting Co-Opted members (as per Article 9 clause 3).

When a Joint Beach Committee is convened, the Chairperson from the two clubs, i.e., Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club shall be in attendance. The Chairperson of the club holding the reign will chair the meeting.

Article 10 – QUORUM

1. Four (4) members shall form a quorum and all decisions taken shall be binding.
2. No remuneration (except by way of reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses, if any) shall be paid to any member of the committee.

Article 11 - SECRETARY

1. The Secretary of the clubs, i.e., the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club will hold this position in accordance to the club holding the Chair as per Article 5 – clause 1 & 2.

Article 12 – PROCEEDINGS OF THE BEACH COMMITTEE

1. Subject as hereinafter provided, the beach committee may meet for the dispatch of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate their meetings as they think fit as per Article 10 – Quorum.
2. Meetings may also be held in a virtual environment in exceptional circumstances.
3. Matters decided at any meeting of the beach committee shall be decided by a simple majority of votes.
4. On the request of the Chairperson or the Vice-Chairperson, the Secretary shall, at any time, summon a meeting of the Beach Committee by notice (stating the time and place of such meeting) served upon the several members of the beach committee giving a notice of at least five (5) working days. Any accidental failure to give such notice to any member of the beach committee entitled thereto shall not invalidate any of the proceedings of such meeting so long as a quorum is present there at.
5. A meeting of the Beach Committee at which a quorum (Article 10) is present shall be competent to exercise all the authorities, powers and discretion by or under the regulations of the Marsa Sports Club or the Malta Union Club.
6. The Beach Committee shall keep proper minutes of the proceedings of all meetings.
7. All business transacted at such meetings, and any such minutes of any meeting, if purporting to be signed by the Chairperson and Secretary of such meeting, or by the Chairperson and Secretary of the next succeeding meeting, shall be sufficient evidence without any further proof of the facts therein stated.
8. Approved minutes of the Beach Committee meetings shall be available for perusal by all members of both the Marsa Sports Club and the Malta Union Club.
9. The club holding the chair shall be responsible for hosting the meeting.

Article 13 – ACCOUNTS

1. The annual audited accounts are to be drawn up for a financial period commencing on 1st January and ending on the 31st December of each year as prescribed by law.
2. The Beach Committee shall be responsible for its own finances and payment for expenses, not exceeding €500. Anything above this amount shall be subject to the approval of both Chairmen respectively All income deriving from the beach concessions shall be paid directly into the funds of the beach account.
3. No major change concerning the administration or finance of the beach, including the catering facilities, shall be taken unilaterally by either parent club. Any matter considered by beach committee to warrant reference to the parent clubs shall be decided by the Joint Beach Committee.
4. By the 31st December each year, the beach committee will prepare a statement of its accounts for that year. These accounts will be audited by the professional auditors appointed by the Joint Beach Committee.
5. Before 15th February of each year, the audited accounts together with the Auditors' comments and any observations by the Beach Committee will be submitted to the Main Committee of the two parent clubs for approval. The Secretaries of the two clubs will collate the Main Committees' findings and communicate them to the beach committee.
6. After approval of the accounts, but not later than the last day in February, the beach committee will place its budget for the coming season before the Joint Beach Committee for approval.

Article 14 - CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

1. Members of the Beach Committee (including co-opted members) are empowered to bring to the notice of any user of the beach, breaches of conduct which in their opinion are injurious to the character and usages of the clubs and to report such breaches to the Beach Committees, who thereafter may take action as they think fit. The Beach Committee is authorised to suspend any person guilty of breaking the rules and regulations of the beach. Individual Committee Members are authorised to suspend temporarily any user of the beach provided the beach committee is informed of this action at the earliest possible opportunity but in any case, not later than 24 hours after such suspension has been made. Such suspension shall stand, subject to a final decision by the beach committee insofar due diligence has been observed.
2. Children under the age of ten (10) will not be permitted on the beach if unaccompanied by an adult.
3. Parents or adults in charge of children will be held responsible for the behaviour and safety of the children under their charge.

Article 15 – OPENING & CLOSING HOURS

1. The beach club shall open and close as determined by the beach committee and notified on the club notice boards as well as the notice boards at Tigne Beach.
2. All users of the bathing beach outside the official opening hours must do so with full regard to the fact that the area is a residential one and that noise calculated to disturb the inhabitants must not be made.

Article 16 – BILLS for MEALS

1. All bills for meals must be paid before leaving the beach except by prior agreement with the caterer.
2. No reduction or alteration is to be made by patrons of the beach to their bills.
3. Any complaints as to charges must be dealt with directly with the caterer.

Article 17 – FOOD OR DRINKS

1. Patrons are not allowed to bring in their own food or drinks, including alcohol, ice-creams and snacks into the Club.
2. All such consumptions mentioned in Article 17 – clause 1, must be purchased from the various catering outlets available on the club premises.
3. Baby food is excluded from the list of consumptions listed in Article 17 clause 1.
4. Any special requests for dispensation from article 17 with regards to a particular diet, must be made to the caterers.

Article 18 – COMPLAINTS

1. Patrons are not permitted to reprimand the employees of the beach club. Any complaint against them must be made in writing to the Beach Committee.
2. Complaints must be referred to the Beach Committee.

Article 19 – SUGGESTIONS

1. Any suggestions concerning the beach club must be made to the Beach Committee, in writing.

Article 20 – ANIMALS/PETS

1. No animals or pets shall be admitted into any part of the beach club, even if on a leash. Any patron contravening this rule will be liable to disciplinary action in accordance with Article 16.
2. Guide dogs are exempt from this article.

Article 21 - MISCELLANEOUS

1. Showers - to avoid unnecessary waste, members are to ensure that the freshwater showers are turned off immediately after use.
2. Spring guns - Spring guns and elastic sprung harpoons are prohibited on the beach and may not be used in the vicinity of the beach.
3. Music devices, musical instruments and similar disturbers of the peace are prohibited unless they can only be heard by the member themselves.
4. Boats - Members and their friends are not to navigate their boats among the bathers in the vicinity of the beach and are to keep at least fifteen (15) metres from the shore. Landing on the beach from powered boats is prohibited. Any craft hired or leased by an approved contractor must abide by any rules laid down by the committee.
5. Changing on beach - Members are not allowed to change their costumes on the beach, but must always use the changing rooms provided.
6. Litter - Members are to use the litter bins and not to throw garbage into the sea or on the beach area.
7. Private Parties - Private parties may be held on the beach by agreement with the Beach Committee and the caterer, preferably after 6:00pm.
8. Deck chairs, Sun Beds and sun umbrellas may be hired from the beach caterer at the charges defined on the notice board on the beach. In conditions of high wind, the beach caterer is empowered to withdraw sun umbrellas from use and to refund the charge provided the umbrella has not been in use for more than two (2) hours.

Article 22 – LIABILITY

1. Neither club will hold itself responsible for any damage and/or loss caused to either person or property while on the beach premises or while bathing.
2. Bathing should be considered dangerous while the red flag near the main entrance is flying and members are advised not to swim under these conditions.

Article 23 - ACCEPTANCE OF RULES

1. The payment of the season and/or day tickets shall be an acknowledgement on their part that they accept and are bound by the rules of the Beach Club and all alterations and additions duly made to them. No patron shall be absolved from the effect of these rules.
2. Members are expected to assist the beach committee in their task of enforcing these rules.

REGULATIONS OF THE TENNIS AND PADEL SECTION OF THE CLUB

1. The name shall be the Club Tennis and Padel Section, hereafter referred to as the Section.
2. The section shall be managed by its own committee within the overall framework of the CLUB.
3. The objective of the Section shall be the furtherance of the interests of Tennis and Padel and the active encouragement of the playing of the game at the Club, Marsa.
4. The affairs of the section shall be administered by a Committee consisting of a Chairperson, vice Chairperson, Secretary and up to seven (7) other members.
5. Membership shall be open to Members and Temporary Members of the Club.
6. The financial management of the Section shall be the responsibility of the Club.
7. The Club will make available to the Secretary a statement of receipt and payments as required.
8. Visitors may play on payment of the appropriate fee but must first obtain temporary membership of the Club. A guest may play three (3) times in a year, the appropriate fee being paid, without first obtaining temporary membership of the Club but must always be accompanied by a member.
9. The Constitution may only be amended by a General Meeting of the Section

Tennis and Padel BYE - LAWS COMMITTEE

10. The Chairperson, or any other Section Committee member nominated by the Section Committee will represent the Section on the Main Committee.
11. Elections for the Committee shall take place at the Annual General Meeting. Any member of the Tennis & Padel Section fully paid up for the immediately preceding thirty-six (36) consecutive months is eligible for nomination for a seat on the Section Committee.
12. The Committee shall normally meet once a month and in any case once a quarter.
13. The Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote.
14. The Secretary shall keep minutes of these meetings, a copy of which shall be sent to the Secretary, CLUB.
15. The quorum for a meeting shall be five (5) members.

POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

16. The Committee may co-opt members onto the Committee.
17. The Committee may expel from the tennis and padel section membership or take such action as is deemed necessary against any player, official or members of the Section or for conduct which, in the opinion of the Committee, is prejudicial to the interests of the Section or the Game.
18. The Committee shall be responsible for organising competitions during the season.
19. The Committee shall have the sole power of admitting participants in competitions or eliminating any of those taking part therein.
20. The Committee may draw up or alter regulations for competitions.
21. The Committee may take decisions on all matters within its competence not specifically covered by these byelaws.

22. The Committee may change these bye-laws with the approval of the CLUB Main Committee.

MEMBERSHIP

23. Applications for membership shall be made to the Section Committee, or Club Secretary.

24. The CLUB Secretary shall keep a list of members and their membership numbers.

25. Members will be entitled to:

i) Participate in Section Competitions, (which will be open to members only)

ii) Book courts.

GENERAL

26. Courts may only be booked by members of the CLUB who may not book more than one court for same session and the booking member must be one of the players taking part in the match.

27. Courts may be booked seven days (7) in advance by means of the online facility and through the receptionist. Bookings are open daily as from midnight of the preceding days.

28. On any day, members who may have booked a court over the previous seven (7) days shall be entitled to make further bookings of any court session that may have remained unbooked on the day the member is booked to play.

29. A Court not occupied within fifteen (15) minutes of the time booked may be re-allocated unless previous notice is given to the Front Desk of late arrival.

30. Court bookings may be cancelled or postponed up to eight (8) hours before the scheduled session.

31. Suitable tennis attire must be worn on the courts. Non marking tennis shoes should be worn.

32. Court fees must be prepaid at the Front Desk or by Telephone or through the online facility before the start of play and the relative receipts must be produced at the demand of a Committee or Administrative Staff member.

33. Names of all the players must be given when booking a court. If not, all players are known at the time of booking, these must be given to the Receptionist on duty before play.

Court fees for 1½hr session

i) The Committee shall at its discretion establish playing fees for Tennis and Padel Section members and for Non-Section Members, Guests and Visitors. Such playing fees will be permanently posted on the Website.

ii) Block bookings. The Tennis and Padel Section shall establish block booking rates at its discretion, and these can be obtained through the Secretary of the Tennis and Padel Section.

34. Block bookings may only be made in the case of official league matches and Tennis and Padel Section sponsored events at the discretion of the Tennis and Padel Section. In all cases, such bookings must be made through the Club Administrative Office or by any one of the members of the Tennis and Padel Section Committee sufficiently in advance.

35. Membership fees (per year) of the Tennis and Padel Section of the CLUB shall be established by the Tennis and Padel Section Committee. Children of members under the age of eighteen (18) are free.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING JUNIOR PLAYERS

36. Children of the CLUB members who have not yet attained the age of eighteen (18) years, hereafter referred to as Juniors, shall be governed by the following regulations.

i) Juniors will not be allowed to book courts but may play on unbooked courts, free of charge insofar they are accompanied on court by an adult, either a parent or guardian. In such instances rule 2 above will not be enforced.

ii) Juniors 14 years and older will be eligible to take part in all Tournaments organised by the Tennis and Padel Section.

iii) Juniors will be eligible to represent the CLUB in all competitions organised by the Malta Tennis Federation unless specifically debarred by the rules of the competition.

37. The Section does not accept any liability for loss, injury or damage to persons or property in the CLUB building or courts.

38. An EGM shall be called at the request of the Committee or any twenty-five section members.

39. All members are required to be acquainted with the etiquette and rules of the game.

REGULATIONS OF THE SQUASH RACKETS SECTION OF THE CLUB

1. The name shall be the Club Squash Rackets Section, hereafter referred to as the Section.
2. The section shall be controlled by its own committee within the overall framework of the Club.
3. The object of the Section shall be the furtherance of the interests of Squash Rackets and the active encouragement of the playing of the game at the Club, Marsa.
4. The affairs of the section shall be administered by a Committee consisting of a Chairperson, a Hon Secretary and three other members.
5. A copy of the minutes of each General and each Committee Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary of the Club.
6. Membership shall be open to Members and Temporary Members of the Club.
The Committee shall budget to cover all expenditure by current income and shall submit this budget annually by the 4th week of September to the Main Club Committee.

The Committee may charge entry fees for any competitions it organises.
7. The financial management of the Section shall be the responsibility of the Club.
8. The Club will make available to the Hon Secretary a statement of receipt and payments as required.
9. Visitors may play on payment of the appropriate fee but must first obtain temporary membership of the Club. A guest may play three (3) times in a year, the appropriate fee being paid, without first obtaining temporary membership of the Club but must always be accompanied by a member.
10. The Club Secretary shall have overall control of the staff which is allotted to the Section. He will be responsible for the engagement, discharge, discipline, pay, conditions of service and contracts.
11. The Committee shall draft bye-laws covering entry fees, subscriptions, General Meetings, composition and power of the Committee for approval by the Club Committee.
12. The Committee shall draft bye-laws covering all aspects of the game.
13. The Constitution may only be amended by a General Meeting of the Section and with the agreement of the CLUB Committee.

SQUASH RACKETS SECTION BYE - LAWS

COMMITTEE

14. The Chairperson, or any other Section Committee member nominated by the Section Committee will represent the Section on the Main Committee.
15. Elections for the Committee shall take place at the Annual General Meeting which will be held during August.
16. The term of office of the Committee shall run from 1st September to the following 31st August, this period being the Squash Season.
17. The Committee shall normally meet once a month and in any case once a quarter.
18. The Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote.
19. The Secretary shall keep minutes of these meetings, a copy of which shall be sent to the Secretary, CLUB.
20. The quorum for a meeting shall be three (3) members.

21. The Committee may appoint a President of the Section. Such an appointment will be filled by a leading personality with an interest in the sport.

POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

22. The Committee may co-opt members onto the Committee.
23. The Committee may expel from membership or take such action as is deemed necessary against any player, official or members of the Section or for conduct which, in the opinion of the Committee, is prejudicial to the interests of the Section or the Game.
24. The Committee shall be responsible for organising competitions during the season.
25. The Committee shall have the sole power of admitting participants in competitions or eliminating any of those taking part therein.
26. The Committee may draw up or alter regulations for competitions.
27. The Committee may take decisions on all matters within its competence not specifically covered by these bye-laws.
28. The Committee may change these bye-laws with the approval of the Club Main Committee.

MEMBERSHIP

29. Applications for membership shall be made to the Section Committee, or Club Secretary.
30. The CLUB Secretary shall keep a list of members and their membership numbers. One copy of this list shall be given to the Hall Porter and another posted on the Club Notice Board periodically.
31. Members will be entitled to:
 - i) Participate in Section Competitions, (which shall be closed to non-members).
 - ii) Book courts 30 days in advance. When making such bookings the member's number must be given.

FINANCE

32. Members shall pay an annual subscription to the Club as established by the Committee from time to time. This shall be due on the 1st January of each year. New section members shall pay a one-time entrance fee as established by the Committee from time to time. Junior members joining the section shall not be entitled to pay the section entrance fee.
33. The Committee may charge entry fees for any competitions it organises.
34. The CLUB will make available to the Hon Secretary a statement of receipt and payments as required.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND SALES

The Squash Rackets Section Committee will determine, subject to the approval of the Club Committee, charges to be made, if any e.g.: -

35. Membership subscriptions
36. Tournament entry fees
37. Hire charges or fees for courts.
38. The Committee shall at its discretion establish playing fees for Section members and non-section members.

39. Section promotion material
40. Coaching fees
41. Junior members up to the age of eighteen (18) years shall be entitled to a 50% reduction on the current adult fee.

ALL ENTRANCE FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND PLAYING FEES WILL BE PERMANENTLY POSTED ON THE CLUB NOTICE BOARD.

GENERAL

42. Except for Section Members (see Rule 3 d ii) no one shall book a court more than twenty-four (24) hours ahead.
43. No one, including Section Members, shall book more than one court either concurrently or consecutively. Block booking may only be made by the Committee or with the Committee's permission.
44. The Section does not accept any liability for loss, injury or damage to persons or property in the CLUB building or courts.
45. An EGM shall be called at the request of the Committee or any six section members.
46. All members are required to be acquainted with the etiquette and rules of the game.
47. The Secretary will be ex-officio a member of the SRA and his subscription will be paid from Club funds. The SRA handbook supplied annually by the SRA will be available to members at the CLUB Office.

THE CRICKET SECTION OF THE CLUB

1. The name shall be 'The Club Cricket Section'.
2. The object of the Club Cricket Section shall be the furtherance of the interests of Cricket the active encouragement of the playing of the game, at the Club, Marsa and the provision of a good standard for the enjoyment of Section Members and Club spectators.
3. The Committee shall consist of the Chairperson of the Club, who will be ex-officio president, the Chairperson of the Cricket Section, the honorary secretary, and such other members as are authorised in the bye-laws of the Cricket Section.
4. A copy of the minutes of each General and each Committee Meeting shall be sent to the Secretary of the Club.
5. The Committee shall budget to cover all normal expenditure by current income and shall submit this budget annually by the 1st week of November to the Main Club Committee.
6. The expenditure of funds available to the Cricket Section shall be regulated in accordance with the policy of the CLUB Main Committee.
7. The Club will make available to the Cricket Section Secretary a detailed statement of receipts and payment when required.
8. Only members of the Club are eligible to be members of the Cricket Section.
9. Visitors may play, application having been considered and approved by the Cricket Section Committee.
10. The Club Secretary shall have overall control of the Staff which may be allotted to the Section. He will be responsible for the engagement, discharge, discipline, pay, conditions of service, and contract of all employees.
11. The Committee shall draft bye-laws covering fees, subscriptions, General Meetings, composition and power of the Committee for approval by the Club Committee.
12. The Committee shall draft bye-laws covering all aspects of the game.
13. The Constitution may only be amended by a General Meeting of the Club Cricket Section and with the agreement of the Club Committee.

COMMITTEE

14. The Committee shall consist of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, the Club Captain and the Grounds man who shall be elected at every other Annual General Meeting of the Section by the members of the Section. The Committee may co-opt up to three non-voting additional members. The positions of the Club Captain and Club Vice-Captain, cannot be held by the same person for more than two consecutive years. The positions of the Vice-Captain and Playing Members shall no longer be elected positions. All nominations must be for one specific post on the Committee from the positions mentioned above. If more than one person is nominated for a particular post, than an election must be held.
15. The Annual General Meeting of the Cricket Section shall be held before the Annual General Meeting of the Club at the conclusion of each year, fourteen days' notice having been given of such meeting.
16. The Secretary shall keep minutes of meetings, execute the decisions of the Committee and liaise with the committee of the Club. The Secretary of the Cricket Committee shall keep minutes of these meetings and will arrange for copies to be sent to the Secretary of the Club and all Committee members within seven (7) days.
17. Details of duties of individual Committee members will be agreed or varied by the CLUB Cricket Section Committee, and such duties will be carried out subject to the Committee's control and direction.

6. The Cricket Committee shall normally meet monthly and at least quarterly.
7. The Cricket Section Chairperson, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairperson, shall chair all CLUB Cricket Section Committee Meetings, and shall have a second or casting vote.
8. Bye-laws can be amended by the Cricket Section Committee pending approval by CLUB Committee.
9. An Extraordinary General Meeting can be called at the request of the Committee, or fifteen (15) members or a third of the full membership whichever is the lower.

POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

10. The Committee shall have the power to decide whether any member is ineligible to become, or continue to be, a member of the Committee. In the event of a vacancy occurring on the Committee, the Committee shall co-opt another member.
11. The Cricket Committee may co-opt members as it thinks fit.
12. The Committee shall have the power to take such action as may be necessary against any player or member of the Club Cricket Section for infringement of any bye-laws of the Section or for any conduct which is prejudicial to the interests of the Club Cricket Section, or the game.
13. The Cricket Committee shall be responsible for organising competitions during the season and may, upon payment of a 'hiring fee' allow other teams participating in such competitions the use of the Club pitch providing that such use does not conflict with the requirements of the Cricket Section.
14. The Cricket Committee shall have the sole power of admitting participants in competitions, or if necessary, eliminating them.
15. The Committee shall have the right to make or vary the regulations for Section Competitions.
16. The Committee shall have the power to appoint one or more sub-committees to deal with the affairs of the Section which such powers as the Committee may determine.
17. The Committee shall have the power to agree, and issue from time to time as necessary, appropriate regulations to cover items not covered in the bye-laws (competitions, rules for play, etc.)

MEMBERSHIP

18. Members of all categories of the Club are eligible to be members of the Club Cricket Section.
19. Applications for membership shall be made to the Committee. All applicants for membership must be proposed and seconded by full members of the Club Cricket Section.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND SALES

20. The Club Cricket Section will determine, subject to the approval of the Club Committee, charges to be made, if any e.g.: -
 - a) membership subscription
 - b) entry fees
 - c) pitch hire fees
 - d) price of sports gear
 - e) coaching fees

FINANCE

21. Members of the Section taking part in matches shall each pay a match fee as established by the Committee every time they play. Junior members and students will pay 50% of the above fee.
22. The Cricket Committee may charge fees for any competitions which it organises.
23. Where the Cricket Committee has authorised the use of the pitch by visiting teams, a 'pitch hire' fee is to be levied.
24. The Cricket Committee shall budget to cover all expenditure by current income and shall submit this budget annually by the first week of November to the Club Committee.
25. All Monies collected by the Section in respect of 'match fees' and 'pitch hire fees' shall be accounted for and such accounts be held for inspection upon request.

GENERAL

26. The section does not accept liability for any personal injury, or damage to property occurring within the premises of the Club.
27. No visiting teams will be permitted to make their own independent 'team arrangements' for the provision of food and drinks to be consumed on the Club premises.

THE INDOOR GAMES SECTION OF THE CLUB

1. The name shall be the 'Indoor Games Section'.
2. The object of the Indoor Games Section (IGS) shall be to further the interests of indoor games and the active engagement of the playing of these games of the Club.
3. The Committee shall consist of the Chairperson of the Club as an ex-officio President, the Chairperson of the IGS, the Hon Secretary and such other members as are authorised in the bye-laws of the IGS.
4. The Annual General Meeting of the IGS shall be held between mid-January and the end of February of each year, for the purpose of: -
 - a) Chairperson's report
 - b) Financial statement
 - c) Discussing any resolutions of which due notice had been given as hereinafter provided (clause 6)
 - d) Considering and confirming or rejecting all new bye-laws, and amendment to bye-laws, which the Committee may have passed since the last AGM
 - e) Receiving the resignation of the Committee
 - f) Election of new Committee
5. A notice of the date fixed for the AGM shall be exhibited on the IGS notice board, twenty-one clear days beforehand.
6. Notice of any resolution to be proposed at the AGM shall be given to the Hon Secretary in writing signed by the proposer at least fifteen (15) clear days before the AGM and shall be posted forthwith on the IGS notice board. No amendments to such resolutions shall be submitted to the AGM unless they shall have been notified to the Hon Secretary in enough time to be posted on the notice board at least ten (10) clear days previous to the AGM.
7. The AGM shall appoint an Election Board of three members to conduct annual elections. Members of the Election Board shall if possible, not be candidates for election.
8. The names of members proposed and seconded for election and the name of members of the retiring Committee offering themselves for re-election shall be posted on the IGS notice board ten clear days before the AGM.
 - a) Only members of the Club are eligible to become members of the Club IGS. Members of the Club who are not members of the IGS may play, but they must conform to the bye-laws for the playing of any particular game.
 - b) Guests may play three times a year if accompanied by a member of the Club; they must also observe the bye-laws of the Club and of the Section or Game.
9. The Club Secretary shall have overall control of the Staff which is or may be allotted to the IGS. He will also be responsible for the engagement, discharge, discipline, pay, conditions of work and service and contracts.
10. The IGS shall draft bye-laws covering entry fees, subscription, composition and power of the Committee for approval by the Club Main Committee.
11. The IGS Committee shall draft bye-laws covering all procedures and aspects of the indoor games played within the Club.
12. The Constitution may only be amended by a General Meeting of the Section and with the agreement of the Club Main Committee.

13. BYE-LAWS OF THE INDOOR GAMES SECTION COMMITTEE

14. The Committee will consist of five (5) members elected at each AGM. The Committee may co-opt up to three non-voting additional members, if so required. Only full members of the IGS will have voting powers or stand for election of the Committee.
15. The Chairperson and Hon Secretary will be elected by the Committee from amongst themselves. The Hon Secretary will keep minutes of meetings, execute the decisions of the Committee and liaise with the Secretary of the Club. The Chairperson or Hon Secretary will attend the meeting of the Club Main Committee, but if both are unable to do so, another Committee Member may be delegated to attend.
16. Details of duties of individual Committee members will be agreed or varied by the Section's Committee and such duties will be carried out subject to the Committee's control and direction.

REGULATIONS OF THE CROQUET SECTION OF THE CLUB

1. The Croquet section of the Marsa Sports Club was formed in 2010. The section will be controlled by its own committee within the provisions of the constitution.
2. The committee shall consist of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and a minimum of three other members. It shall be formed by those members, who, during the annual election shall obtain the largest number of votes. If no such members are available, the committee shall be formed by co-opting fully paid-up members of the section and shall have the power to vote in the committee. The committee shall draft regulations and byelaws covering fees, competitions and general playing rules. The committee shall have the power to appoint one or more sub-committees to deal with affairs of the section with such powers that the committee may determine. Proposals to alter the constitution shall require a two thirds majority at a general meeting.
3. In order to form part of the section committee, it is necessary to be a paid-up member of the Croquet section of Marsa Sports Club and Marsa Sports Club. Four members shall form a quorum for committee meetings. The posts of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer cannot be retained by the same member for more than four consecutive years.
4. **THE AIMS OF THE SECTION.** The object of the section shall be to promote the game of croquet at the Marsa Sports Club and encourage the younger generations to take up the game.
5. **POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE.** The committee shall have the powers to issue and amend appropriate regulations or byelaws to govern rules of play and behaviour in the interest of the game; these must be approved firstly at the next AGM of the section and secondly at the next AGM of Marsa Sports Club.
6. **THE CHAIRPERSON.** Shall be elected from amongst the elected committee members. In his/her absence, he/she will be substituted by the Vice Chairperson.
7. **THE SECRETARY.** Shall be elected from amongst the elected committee members. He/she will keep minutes of the meetings, follow up decisions of the committee and liaise with the secretary of Marsa Sports Club. He/she will attend the Main Committee meetings of the Marsa Sports Club or delegate another member of the committee in his/her absence.
8. **THE TREASURER.** Shall be elected from amongst the elected committee members. He/she is responsible for all matters of finance pertaining to the section and liaise with the club's management. At the Annual General Meeting of the section, he/she shall present a statement showing the financial position of the section.
9. The AGM will be held in November of each year.
10. Members will be notified 3 weeks in advance of this date, time, and place of the meeting. This allows opportunity for any resolutions/amendments to be forwarded, in writing, to the committee. Only those resolutions/amendments received one week prior to to the meeting can be included in the agenda.
11. A quorum of one third (1/3rd) of the membership is required for the AGM to proceed. Failing this, after a wait of 15 minutes from the time notified, the meeting will continue with those members present.
12. An EGM can be called at the written request of 50% of the fully paid-up members.
13. A Copy of the minutes of the AGM is to be forwarded to the Secretary of Marsa Sports Club.
14. A copy of the sections committee meeting minutes to be forwarded to the secretary of Marsa Sports Club

GENERAL INFORMATION

15. The committee at its discretion establish section membership fees, playing fees and playing times for members. Such fees will be permanently posted on the club notice board.

16. Children between the ages of 8 – 12 are permitted to play if accompanied by a club member.
17. Any loss or damage done by players has to be made good by the player or the responsible member.
18. The club and section officials are not responsible for any personal accidents or losses incurred by players or persons within the playing enclosure.