

NGUNGURU SPORTS & RECREATION SOCIETY (INC)

RULES OF MEMBERSHIP (Bylaws)

Section 21 of the Society's constitution empowers the committee to make, alter and repeal bylaws for the governing or conduct of its members and the use and control of the Society's property.

1. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Any person 18 years of age or more shall be entitled to apply for membership.
- b. Provided that the applicant has paid a subscription for the current year and the applicant is accepted by the committee, then that person shall become a member of the Society.
- c. A member shall cease to be a member of the Society on any of the following events:
 - i. If having paid the then current year's and all previous years' subscriptions the member shall tender his/her resignation, this shall be in notice in writing to the Society.
 - ii. If having failed to pay any subscription for three months after the date of appointed payment thereof, his/her name may be removed from the Society's register of members with the authority of the Committee.
 - iii. If he/she shall be expelled from membership by the resolution of the Committee.
- d. Each member shall pay to the Society such subscription as shall from time to time be determined by the Committee.
- e. Any person aged 18 or over who is a member of an affiliated sports or recreational club shall, so long as he/she remains a fully paid up member of that club, be obliged to become a financial member of the Society.

2. PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership cards **MUST** be carried at all times and shown at the request of the management, executive or staff. The membership card must relate to the current financial year.

3. DRESS STANDARD

The standard of dress required must be clean and tidy at all times. Casual clothing such as T-shirts with sleeves and football jerseys are acceptable for males, while casual, tidy and neat clothing for women is acceptable – this includes fashion apparel. Clothing which may be considered as underwear e.g. singlets and tank tops without sleeves will not be tolerated. Greasy or excessively dirty clothing is not an acceptable standard of dress in our club. Footwear **MUST** be worn at all times. Gumboots, hobnail boots and dirty footwear is not acceptable.

4. BEHAVIOUR

Behaviour likely to lead to trouble or such as may cause offence to other members will not be tolerated, this includes the use of excessive foul or obscene language.

5. COMPLAINTS

Complaints of a nature requiring settlement shall be orally directed to the manager or committee member for action or attention. No member or permitted visitor shall personally reprimand any servant of the club. Complaints requiring the committee's attention shall be in writing in a sealed envelope addressed to the secretary. A written complaint is not valid unless signed.

6. VISITORS

Under no circumstances shall any person or persons who are permanently resident within a distance of sixteen (16) kilometres by road from the club, be admitted as a visitor on more than three occasions (3) in any one (1) year. In every case, a visitor must be introduced by a member who shall ensure that the visitor's book is signed in the proper manner. The member bringing the visitor must remain at the club while the visitor is present. Any member knowingly introducing a visitor to the club under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be immediately suspended from the club.

Non-resident members of affiliated clubs are welcome to visit but they must present their own club membership credentials to the management, executive or staff, on request. When inviting a guest to come to the club with you, always ask whether he/she has been another member's guest in the past. This could save you and your visitor embarrassment. You are responsible for your guest's behaviour while at the club. All visitors **MUST** sign the club visitor's book.

7. INSOBRIETY

If in the opinion of the manager, or assistant, the club reserves the right to refuse service to any member or visitor deemed to be intoxicated.

8. ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPLEX

Members are expected to assist the manager, stewards and committee by returning used glasses, jugs, handles, bottles etc. to the bar. They are also expected to obtain a cloth from the bar to wipe up any drink inadvertently spilt on furniture, fittings or floors.

9. RAFFLES, GAMBLING AND APPEALS

No member shall canvas or conduct any subscription list or raffle in the club premises without the permission of the manager or committee. Playing any games whatsoever for money is strictly forbidden.

10. ANIMALS

No animals shall be allowed on club premises.

11. PROTECTION OF COMPLEX PROPERTY

Members are required to take every possible care to protect the club premises, contents, facilities and surroundings. The removal or defacing of club property without authority renders members or visitors liable for prosecution.

12. CONTROL OF COMPLEX OPERATIONS

The manager, or in his/her absence, the acting manager has control over the running of the club and its facilities and has the power to suspend any member or visitor not complying with the club rules. The President or Vice President or two members of the committee shall have the power to suspend any member for misconduct, such suspension is to be notified in the next meeting of the committee.

11. CHILDREN IN THE CLUB

Children are welcome but are restricted as follows:

- a. Children must be accompanied by their parents or guardians at all times whilst on the complex premises.
- b. No children are allowed in the designated bar area beyond 7.30pm each day.
NB: During the hours of daylight saving the 7.30pm deadline is extended for 1 hour provided the children are well behaved, supervised and not running around the bar.
- c. No children are allowed in the gaming machine area.
- d. No children under the age of fifteen (15) are allowed to play on the pool tables.

14. LAST ORDERS AND BAR CLOSURE

The liquor licensing laws require liquor to be consumed within fifteen (15) minutes of the bar closing with the premises vacated no later than thirty (30) minutes from the bar closure. Closing time will be announced by the bar staff five (5) minutes prior to closing. Members shall be reminded that non-compliance places the liquor license in jeopardy.

15. FORBIDDEN SUBSTANCES (Drugs)

Under no circumstances are forbidden substances to be consumed, used or traded in the complex or surrounding complex grounds. Members found to be using or dealing in these substances will be immediately expelled from membership for life. Similarly, a member's guest found to be using or dealing in these substances will be immediately banned and deemed to be ineligible for future membership of the society. There will be no right of redress.