



# **RULES OF THE SINGAPORE GUN CLUB**

## **(2016 Edition)**

Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided by a show of hands, and in the case of an equality of votes, the person entitled to take the Chair shall have a casting vote in addition to the vote which he may be entitled to as a member.

Each of the Office Bearers shall be elected for a two year term from amongst the Members of The Club at each alternate Annual General Meeting.

The retiring Members shall be eligible for re-election, except the Treasurer who shall not be eligible for re-election.

The Funds and all other properties of The Club shall vest in, and be under the control of The Committee.

The Committee shall have power to fill vacancies on the Committee occurring during the year, and may transact its business either by Meeting or by Circular and may appoint sub-committees for special purposes.

The Committee's interpretation of these Rules and any Bye- Laws framed under these rules shall be final.

Bye-Laws as necessary shall be framed by the Committee from time to time, they shall be deemed to be properly promulgated when posted in The Club House or the official website of The Club or they have been sent by post to Members registered addresses.

### Membership

#### 4. Membership of The Club shall be opened to either sex.

The spouse of any member shall be deemed a member, but shall have no voting right and no voice in the affairs of The Club. No person below the age of 12 shall be eligible for membership of The Club.

Membership shall be of seven classes :-

- (a) Life Members
- (b) Honorary Members
- (c) Ordinary Members
- (d) Associate Members
- (e) Affiliate Members
- (f) Junior Members
- (g) Term Members

Of these, Life Members and Ordinary Members only shall vote or take part in the Management of The Club. The Ordinary Membership of The Club shall be unlimited.

The power to elect or reject any candidate from any category of membership shall be vested in The Committee. The Committee's decision shall be final and it shall not be required to give any reason whatsoever for its decision.

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- Life Membership 5. With effect from 1st April 1984 there shall be no more new acceptance of Life Membership. However, the existing group of Life Members shall continue to enjoy the benefits of membership of the old constitution so long that The Club can offer them.
- Ordinary Membership 6. Ordinary Membership shall be opened to only citizens of Singapore.
- Ordinary Membership shall be on payment of an entrance fee of \$3,000.00 or such other sums as may be determined by the Committee from time to time and an annual subscription of \$300.00 or such other sums as may be determined by The Club in general meeting.
- Honorary Membership 7.1 Honorary Membership shall be offered to distinguished men and women or to such persons who may have rendered valuable services to The Club or to ordinary and associate members who are not less than 60 years of age and who have been members for at least 25 continuous years at the discretion of the Committee. Such Honorary Members shall be precluded from voting and holding office. An ordinary or associate member upon accepting an honorary membership shall be deemed to have resigned as an ordinary or associate member, as the case may be.
- 7.2 The Management Committee of the Singapore Gun Club is empowered to revoke an Honorary Membership at its discretion. Such revocation must be unanimously approved by 2/3 of the Management Committee.
- Associate Membership 8. Shooting enthusiasts of any Nationality may become Associate Members on payment of an entrance fee of \$3,000.00 or such other sums as may be determined by the Committee from time to time and an annual subscription of \$300.00 or such other sums as may be determined by The Club in general meeting.
- Associate Members enjoy all benefits of Ordinary Membership except the right to vote. The Associate Members are allowed to hold office, only in the capacity of Committee Members.
- Affiliate Membership 9. Other shooting Clubs or Associations in the Republic of Singapore shall become Affiliate Members on payment of an affiliation fee of \$3,000.00 or such other sums as may be determined by the Committee from time to time.
- Junior Membership 10. Any child of a member who has attained the age of 12 years old, but has not yet reached the age of 18 years old, may apply to be Junior Member. No entrance fee is required but an annual fee of \$150 will be charged. Upon reaching the age of 18 years old, he will join The Club by being an Ordinary or Affiliate Member, upon payment of the existing entrance fee and annual subscription.

A child who has attained the age of 12 years old, but has not reached the age of 18 years old, and whose parents are not members of The

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Club, may apply to be a Junior Member upon payment of an entrance fee of \$1,000.00. Upon reaching the age of 18 years old, he shall cease to be a Junior Member. He may continue to enjoy the facilities of The Club by being an Ordinary or Affiliate Member, upon payment of the difference between the existing entrance fee and the Junior Membership entrance fee already paid, and annual subscription.

A Junior Member shall enjoy all benefits of an Ordinary Member except the right to vote. He must always be accompanied by his parent, Club Coach or any adult member elected by his parent, when handling a gun.

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| Term Membership    | 10A. The Committee shall have power to admit Term Members of The Club for any period not exceeding 12 months, on such terms as they may determine. Term Members shall not be called upon to pay any entrance fee and shall be entitled to enjoy the privileges of membership except that they shall not be entitled to participate in any non-shooting activities, to firearm ownership, to vote at any general meeting or to hold office or to claim any share of the property of The Club upon its dissolution.  |
| Guests             | 11. Subject to any Bye-Laws, member may introduce Guests on entering their names in Guest Book. Guests must bear the costs of shooting and other dues as decided by the Committee.   |
| Control of Members | 12. A register of Members shall be kept by the Honorary Secretary. A member's name may be struck off the Register and he shall cease to be a member if :-<br><br>(a) He, not being indebted to The Club, resigns by letter to the Honorary Secretary.<br><br>(b) He is reported to a general meeting of The Club by the Committee for some or any form of misconduct, and is thereupon expelled by a majority, voting in secret, at such Meeting. Persistent refusal or failure to pay any monies due to The Club ("Club Dues") shall be one of the forms of misconduct for which a member can be expelled.<br><br>(c) Any Member whose subscription for the current year is unpaid shall not be eligible to participate in any competition or event organised by The Club or vote at any general meeting of The Club.<br><br>(d) The Committee may strike out of the list of members the name of any Member whose subscriptions are more than two months in arrears.<br><br>(e) Any Member who acts against the good standing and interests of The Club, can, by a two-thirds majority vote by the Committee, be suspended of all privileges as a member of The Club until the next General Meeting of Members for conducting himself or herself in a manner which brought disrepute to The Club, jeopardized or caused any loss of privileges to The Club, committed The Club without proper authority by misrepresenting himself or herself as a duly authorised official of The Club, committed acts of theft, |

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cheating or fraud against The Club or any act which has caused detriment to The Club. The President shall convene a Board of Inquiry and should the BOI find the Member guilty of the allegations, the Member will be expelled subject to the agreement of the Majority Vote at the next General Meeting of Members.

- (f) Any Member in good standing may be nominated for a single post on the Singapore Gun Club Committee. Nominations for more than one post will not be permitted. The nominations will only be accepted if the Proposer and Secunder are Members in good standing within The Club.

Meetings of  
Members

13. (a) The supreme authority of The Club is vested in a General Meeting of the members. The annual general meeting of The Club shall be held by the last day of June each year, and at least fourteen days notice shall be given to all Members either by letters or emails. Resolutions to be proposed at the meeting shall be given to Honorary Secretary in writing at least SEVEN days before the meeting.

The Annual Report and Accounts shall be considered at the General Meeting.

- (b) An extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the President on the request of not less than 25% of the total voting membership or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, and may be called at anytime by order of the Committee. All Members shall be given at least seven days notice of the special matter to be considered at such a meeting.

- (c) The quorum shall be as follow:

- (i) One quarter of the total members entitled to vote, or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, at a General Meeting. In the event of there being no quorum the meeting shall be adjourned for one hour and should the members be still insufficient to form a quorum, those present shall be considered a quorum but they shall have no power to alter, amend or make additions to any of the existing rules.

Liability

14. It is a condition of Membership of this Club, that The Club shall not be held responsible for any accident and/or injury incurred by Members or Visitors.

Finance

15. Except for a working cash balance of \$500.00, the funds of The Club shall be deposited with a Bank as authorised by the Committee.

The Honorary Treasurer shall keep the accounts of The Club and shall prepare the annual statement thereof.

Bye-Laws.

16. The Committee shall have the power to make such Bye-Laws (not inconsistent with these Rules) as they may consider conducive to the good of The Club, the attainment

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of any or all of its objects and for ensuring safety in dealing with firearms.

Every resolution passed by the Committee at its Meetings shall in fact be regarded as Bye-Laws.

Any such Bye-Laws shall be deemed to be promulgated when posted in the Club House, or circularised to Members. Proof of receipt is NOT essential.

In case of any emergency not provided for in these rules, the Committee shall make whatever resolution meets the particular case.

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| Alteration of Rules          | 17. These Rules shall NOT be altered except by resolution at a General Meeting of The Club as provided in clause 13 and approved by the Registrar of Societies.  |
| Validity of upon these Rules | 18. Any alterations to these Rules shall only come into force upon the approval of the Registrar of Societies.   |
| Office-Bearers               | 19. The duties of the office-bearers as follows :- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) The President shall act as Chairman at all general and committee meetings. He shall also represent The Club in its dealings with outside persons.</li><li>(b) The 1st Vice-President and in his absence, the 2nd Vice-President shall deputise for The President in latter's absence.</li><li>(c) The Honorary Secretary shall keep all records, except financial, of The Club and shall be responsible for their correctness, He will keep minutes of all general and committee meetings</li><li>(d) The Honorary Treasurer shall keep all funds and collect and disburse all moneys on behalf of The Club and shall keep an account of all monetary transactions and shall be responsible for their correctness. He is authorised to expend up to \$500 per month for petty expenses on behalf of The Club. He will not keep more than \$500 in the form of cash and money in excess of this will be deposited in a bank to be named by the Committee.</li><li>(e) The Field Captains shall conduct and regulate all shooting events.</li><li>(f) Any member of the Committee absenting him-self from three meeting consecutively without satisfactory explanation or leave of absence from the Committee shall be deemed to have with-drawn from the Committee, and a successor may be co-opted by the Committee to serve until the next annual general meeting.</li></ul> |

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- Audit
20. (a) The Club will elect a firm of Public Accountants and Chartered Accounts at the Annual General Meeting to audit each year's account and present a report to the Annual General Meeting. The appointed chartered accounting firm will hold office for one year and may be re-elected.
- (b) The financial year shall be from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- Prohibitions.
21. (a) The Club shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of The Club or its office-bearers, Committee or members.
- (b) The Club shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.
- (c) (i) Gambling of any kind and the playing of paikow or mahjong, whether for stakes or not, are forbidden on The Club's premises.
- (ii) The introduction of materials for gambling or drug taking and of bad characters into the premises is prohibited.
- (d) The funds of The Club shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in Court.
- Dissolution.
22. (a) The Club shall not be dissolved, except with the consent of not less than 3/5 of the members of The Club entitled to vote expressed in person at a general meeting convened for the purpose.
- (b) In the event of The Club being dissolved as provided above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of The Club shall be fully discharged, and the remaining funds except the proceeds from fruit machines which shall be donated to any charitable organisation, shall be disposed of as decided at the Meeting
- (c) Notice of dissolution shall be given within 14 days of the dissolution to the Registrar of Societies.