

Swindon Sharks Touch Rugby Club

Articles of Association



1. Name of the Club
The name of the club shall be "Swindon Sharks Touch Rugby," hereinafter referred to as "the Club."
2. Objectives
The objectives of the Club are:
 - a) To promote and encourage the playing and enjoyment of the amateur sport of touch rugby.
 - b) To provide opportunities for members to participate in training, matches, and competitions.
 - c) To foster a sense of community, inclusivity, and sportsmanship among members.
 - d) To develop and improve the skills of all members, regardless of ability.
 - e) To uphold the values and standards of touch rugby.
3. Membership
 - a) Membership of the Club is open to all individuals interested in participating in touch rugby without discrimination.
 - b) Members must pay a monthly or pay as you go membership fee, the amount of which shall be determined by the Club Committee.
 - c) Members agree to abide by the Club's constitution, rules, and any code of conduct adopted by the Club.
 - d) The Club Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the club or sport into disrepute.
4. Management and Committee
 - a) The Club shall be managed by a Committee, which will be elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).
 - b) The Committee shall consist of the following roles:
 - i. Chairperson
 - ii. Team Manager
 - iii. Treasurer
 - iv. Secretary
 - v. Team Captain
 - c) Additional roles may be created as deemed necessary by the Committee or by majority vote at an AGM or Special General Meeting (SGM).
 - d) Committee members will serve for a term of one year but may be re-elected.
5. Meetings
 - a) The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM) each year, where members can vote on Club issues, elect Committee members, and review the Club's performance.
 - b) Special General Meetings (SGMs) can be called at any time by the Committee or by written request from at least 10% of the membership.

c) The quorum for AGMs and SGMs shall be 25% of the membership.

6. Finance

- a) The Club shall maintain a bank account in the Club's name.
- b) The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping accurate financial records and providing an annual report at the AGM.
- c) All income generated by the Club shall be used for the running of the Club and the promotion of its objectives.
- d) Any expenditure must be approved by the Committee and documented.

7. Code of Conduct

- a) Members are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that promotes respect, teamwork, and fairness.
- b) Any form of discrimination, harassment, or bullying will not be tolerated.
- c) The Club reserves the right to expel or suspend any member who violates the Club's code of conduct, following a fair disciplinary process.

8. Amendments to the Constitution

- a) Amendments to this Constitution may only be made at the AGM or an SGM, with a two-thirds majority vote of those present.
- b) Proposed amendments must be submitted to the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

9. Dissolution

- a) The Club may only be dissolved by a resolution passed at an AGM or SGM, with a two-thirds majority vote.
- b) Upon dissolution of the club any remaining assets shall be given or transferred to another registered CASC, a registered charity or the sport's governing body for use by them in related community sports. as determined by the Committee.