

BELLVILLE TYGERS BASEBALL CLUB

CONSTITUTION

1. NAME

The name of the club shall be: -

BELLVILLE TYGERS BASEBALL CLUB



Hereafter referred to as the Club.

2. OBJECTS

The Club shall be a non-profit making sports club that operates for the benefit of its members in accordance with its constitution.

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- (a) To advance the interest of baseball and ladies' softball particularly in the Bellville Tygerberg area.
- (b) To provide its members with the facilities to play baseball and ladies softball.
- (c) To do all the things that may directly or indirectly be conducive to these objectives.

3. POWERS

The Club shall have the power: -

- 3.1 To engage staff, acquire assets and enter into commitments for the promotion of Its aims and objectives.
- 3.2 To enter into donor funding arrangements with companies or individuals and to solicit and accept fees, donations, bequests, contributions for the funds of the Club, provided however, that the Club shall ensure that no donor will derive any monetary advantage from any money paid to or on behalf of the Club.
- 3.3 To take on lease, purchase or otherwise acquire premises, equipment, vehicles,

furniture and other property or assets, whether moveable or immoveable which may be deemed necessary or convenient for any of the purposes of the club and in order to provide suitable equipment, accommodation and facilities.

- 3.4 To improve, manage, exchange, lease, mortgage, sell, dispose of, turn to account and grant options, rights and privileges in respect of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property and rights of the Club.
- 3.5 To make rules, to adopt Bye-laws and /or to pass resolutions which shall not be inconsistent with the terms of the Constitution.
- 3.6 To appoint such standing-committee(s) and/or sub-committee(s) upon such terms as It may consider necessary to give effect to its powers.
- 3.7 To reprimand, suspend, fine or to terminate the membership of a member, or otherwise deal with any member of the Club for infringing the Constitution, rules, policies, principles and resolutions of the Club, or for engaging in acts of misconduct, improper practices, misdemeanor, acts of defiance, or bringing the Club or the sport of baseball, or softball into disrepute.

4. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Club shall consist of: -

- 4.1 Life members elected upon which life membership have been conferred by an Annual General Meeting.
- 4.2 Playing members who are registered as such with the Baseball (CTBF - Cape Town Baseball Federation), or Softball (CTSA - Cape Town Softball Association).
- 4.3 Social members.
- 4.4 Junior members who shall be playing members under the age of 18 years.

5. OFFICE BEARERS

5.1 The office bearers of the Club (The Committee) shall consist of a:

- Honorary President
 - Chairman
 - Vice-Chairman
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Club Captain
 - Additional Members not exceeding six (6) consisting of the positions: -
 - Junior Chairman
 - Junior Secretary
 - Compliance Officer
 - Events Co-Ordinator
 - Fundraising Co-Ordinator
 - Fixtures/Results/Website Officer
- 5.2 All office bearers shall be elected at the annual general meeting by the then existing members, but excluding junior members, for a period of 2 years.

- 5.3 Any vacancies which may arise before the next annual general meeting may be filled by the remaining members of the committee.
- 5.4 An office bearer may only be removed from office by a majority two-third of the votes of the members present and entitled to vote at a special general meeting convened for that purpose.

6. MEETINGS

6.1 Annual General Meeting

6.1.1 The Annual General Meeting shall be held on or before 30 September at such time and place as determined by the committee.

6.1.2 At least 30 days preliminary notice of the pending Annual General Meeting shall be forwarded to all members soliciting nominations of elected office Bearers and proposed modifications to the Constitution and/or By-laws.

The final notice together with:

- The Agenda
- The collated list of nominated elected office bearers
- The collected and verified changes to the Constitution and/or By-laws, if any
- A statement of the financial affairs of the Club
- A copy of the annual reports and
- Any other relevant information shall be posted to all members not later than 10 days before the due date of the Annual General Meeting.

6.1.3 The president of the Club shall chair the Annual General Meeting. In the absence of the President, the executive committee shall appoint a chairman from amongst its members.

6.1.4 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be proceeded with in the following order:

- To read and confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- To read and confirm the minutes of the previous Special General Meeting, if any.
- To read and confirm the Annual Report.
- To read and confirm the Financial Statement.
- To elect office bearers for the ensuing year.
- To fix membership fees.
- To consider any other competent business as enumerated in the notice of the meeting.

6.2 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

6.2.1 A Special General Meeting shall be convened by the committee as may be deemed expedient.

6.2.2 A preliminary notice soliciting relevant information should be forwarded to all members 30 days before a proposed Special General Meeting if such

meeting requires collective input from the members. Any epistle in response thereto shall be received by the secretary at least 14 days prior to the meeting for input in the final notice.

At least 10 days' notice of every Special General Meeting specifying the object(s) of the meeting shall be forwarded to the members.

6.3 COMMITTEE MEETING

6.3.1 The Committee shall meet at times and places as designated by the secretary. Any matters to be discussed shall be advised to the members prior to the meeting.

6.3.2 No voting by proxy shall be allowed at any committee meeting.

6.4 Failure to attend meetings.

A member of the committee or sub-committee, failing to attend three consecutive meetings without an adequate reason, shall be deemed to have vacated his seat automatically and shall be advised by registered post of the termination of his membership of such committee.

6.5 Only members who have paid their membership fees within such times as decided at the Annual General Meeting will be entitled to vote at a meeting.

7. QUORUM

7.1 No minimum number of members attending is required at the Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting.

7.2 The quorum required of a meeting of the committee shall be 50%.

7.3 Failing such quorum, the meeting will stand adjourned for one week when the members attending will form a quorum.

8. FINANCE

8.1 The financial year of the club shall commence on the 1st June and close on the 31st May of the following year.

8.2 Financial statements shall be prepared by the treasurer or such other member as designated by the committee and verified by a person designated at the Annual General Meeting.

9. LEGAL PERSONALITY

9.1 The Club shall be a body with legal rights capable of suing and being sued and no member shall have any right to its assets, nor liability, for its obligations.

- 9.2 The Club will not accept liability for any injuries sustained by any member, player, official or spectator, caused during the practice or performance of a game of baseball or softball within its jurisdiction or otherwise.
- 9.3 The Club will not accept liability for theft, damage or injury to the property of any members, players, officials or spectators committed within its jurisdiction or otherwise.

10. DISSOLUTION

The Club retains the right to dissolve itself by an act of its own resolution taken at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose. Any resolution taken in terms of this article to become effective shall require a majority two-thirds (2/3) vote of the votes of the delegates present and entitled to vote and upon adoption of such resolution.

All assets of the Club will vest in the Cape Town Baseball Federation of Western Cape.

Any revision changes of this Constitution shall be recorded in the table below:

REV	DESCRIPTION OF REVISION	DATE
1.0	First version of the Constitution	
2.0	Revision and restructure of Financial Year – 8.1	Aug 2018
4.4	Junior members who shall be playing members under the age of 18 years.	Aug 2019
2 (c)	To do all the things that may directly or indirectly be conducive to these objectives.	Aug 2019
5.1	<u>Additional Members not exceeding six (6) consisting of the positions</u>	Oct 2020
5.2	Revision to include period length of 2 years	Oct 2022