



SCRABO STRIDERS Club Constitution

1. Introduction
 - a. The name of the club shall be Scrabo Striders
 - b. The club colours shall be a Purple vest with green and white detailing and black shorts

2. Affiliation
 - a. The club shall be affiliated to the laws of Athletics Northern Ireland.

3. Membership
 - a. Membership shall be divided into the following categories
 - i. Senior Membership (18+)
 - ii. Junior membership (11 – 17)
 - iii. Affiliated membership
 - b. All members need to complete an application form; this needs to be returned with the appropriate fee to the club secretary or treasurer.
 - c. The club has adopted the British Athletics Safeguarding Children policies and procedures, a link to which can be found on our website www.scrabostriders.com

4. Objects
 - a. The object of the club shall be to promote athletics
 - b. The word athletics for the purpose of these rules shall mean road and cross country running

5. Management
 - a. The club shall be administered by a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, two Welfare Officers (one male and one female) and Committee.

 - b. A member must hold membership with the club for a minimum of 12 months before being appointed to an office bearer role, i.e., Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and Welfare Officer.

 - c. A member must hold membership with the club for a minimum of six months before being appointed as a general committee member.

 - d. The number of members of the committee will be kept to a maximum number of 12, but the committee can co-opt if necessary.



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- e. Members of the same family who are married or in a de facto relationship shall not be permitted to serve on the committee at the same time. Members of the same family shall not be permitted to serve on the committee at the same time.
- f. Members can only serve on the committee in a particular role for a maximum of five years.
- g. Committee meetings shall consist of a quorum of at least 50% of the committee (at least two office bearers). Meetings shall be called as and when the Committee feels necessary but not less than six per year.
- h. If a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes of the specified commencement time the meeting shall be adjourned.
- i. The chairperson shall be entitled to a casting vote in the event of a deadlock.
- j. The AGM shall be held on the 1st March each year, or as close to that date as possible, and the quorum shall be ten per cent of all paid up members.
- k. All paid up members of the club will be notified in writing by the secretary at least two weeks before the AGM.
- l. Membership of the club shall be open to anyone interested in the sport on application, regardless of sex, age, ability, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion, or other beliefs. The club may have different classes of membership and subscription on a non-discriminatory and fair basis. The club will keep subscriptions at levels that will not pose a significant obstacle to people participating. The club committee can refuse / revoke membership of the Club only for good and sufficient reason such as conduct or behaviour likely to bring the Club or sport into disrepute. This will include breaches of the Club's Code of Conduct and Harassment and Bullying Policy. The reason for the decision must be given to the applicant/member in writing. Appeal against refusal / revocation may be made to the membership and decided by majority vote, with the exception of Junior members, where it will be referred to Athletics NI instead.



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- m. All surplus income or profits are to be reinvested in the club. No surpluses or assets will be distributed to members or third parties.
- n. 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.
- o. Once elected at AGM the posts of Treasurer and Secretary will not be available for re-election until a term of three years has been served, unless the post holder resigns or is removed from the club. This is to ensure continuity over the management of both the finances and membership of the club.
- p. Interpretation of all the above rules must be consistent with the statutory requirements for CASCs (which means Community Amateur Sports Clubs as first provided by the Finance Act 2002).

6. Extraordinary General Meeting

An EGM may be called by the committee, or by 10 percent of the members acting in unison by giving written notice to the Chair and outlining the business to be transacted at that meeting. The Secretary shall notify all club members of the particulars of the EGM and of the matters on the Agenda. In the event of an EGM, only the business outlined on the Agenda for the meeting shall be discussed. An EGM will then be arranged giving four weeks' notice to the membership.

7. Subscription

- a. Membership fees will be fixed at the AGM and are payable at the time of joining and on the 1st April each year.
- b. Members who fail to pay fees will not be eligible to represent the club.

8. Alterations to the constitution

- a. The constitution shall be altered only at an AGM.



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Signed H. B. B. B. Chairperson

Signed [Signature] Secretary

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