

CycleKarts GB Club Unincorporated Association

THE CONSTITUTION

1. INTRODUCTION.

CycleKarts are lightweight sports machines, individually constructed by using simple technology. They are not built to be serious race machines or show-cars. They're built purely for the personal satisfaction and fun of building and driving your own vehicle.

1. NAME.

The Club shall be known as the **CycleKarts GB**.

2. OBJECTS

The aim of the Club is to promote CycleKarting in GB. This will include, but not be limited to, providing a forum for all members who share an interest in the design, construction and driving of CycleKarts, holding meetings, and exhibiting CycleKarts.

3. REGULATIONS.

The income and property of the Club, howsoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objective of the Club as set forth in this constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid directly or indirectly, by way of profit, to the members of the Club. This does not restrict the payment in good faith of reasonable and proper remuneration in return for services actually rendered to the Club. The club's financial year shall run from 1st January. The Club is a non-profit making organisation.

A Club Handbook will supplement this constitution. Club Members will be expected to adhere to this Handbook.

NOTE Meetings may be either virtual or in person. Where a signature is required, this can be fulfilled electronically.

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The power of administration and financial control shall be vested in the executive committee. The executive committee shall be elected by ballot at the AGM and shall consist of not more than six persons. The Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Hon Secretary will be appointed from members of the executive committee at the first committee meeting after the AGM. The executive committee may co-opt not more than two additional members to serve on the committee for a period not exceeding beyond the next AGM. Three members of the committee shall comprise a quorum. It is a requirement of membership of the executive committee that all members of the executive committee attend at least 75% of meetings each year. Where this is not achieved the committee can ask that member to resign their seat.

If there are not enough members of the executive committee to form a quorum, the executive committee will have the power to call an extraordinary general meeting and to exercise such minimal powers as to fulfil the obligations of the Club.

5. ELECTIONS.

All members of the executive committee shall be elected annually. A member of the executive committee may not exceed six years continuous service but, after at least one year of absence from the committee, they are eligible for re-election. If all initial executive committee members remain in office for six years, two members may extend their service by a further one year to provide continuity.

Nominations in writing for new members of the executive committee may be made by any member, and must be:-

- a) Made using the 'Nomination for Executive Committee' form which can be downloaded from the club website.
- b) Accompanied by the signed consent of the nominee and seconder. Members can nominate themselves.

Meetings of the executive committee shall be called by the Chair or by three members of the executive committee when they consider the business of the club so warrants and not less than seven days' notice shall be given of all such meetings, emergencies excepted. Meetings are normally held bi-monthly.

The executive committee has the power to terminate membership in any case where the conduct of a member is, in their opinion, injurious to the character or interest of the Club

6. SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Membership subscriptions are due on the 1st January each year. Members whose subscriptions are unpaid on 1st April shall be deemed to have resigned.

7. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting shall be held within 20 weeks after the end of the financial year, for the following purposes:

- a) To elect, if thought appropriate, or confirm the members of the executive committee
- b) To receive from the executive committee a report, balance sheet and statement of accounts for the preceding year.
- c) To hear and decide on any resolution proposed by the ordinary members.

Any proposed resolution affecting this constitution must be notified in writing to the Hon. Secretary six weeks before the annual general meeting. Any resolution amending the constitution must be carried by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting.

8. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

Any four members of the executive committee or ten ordinary members of the club may, at any time, request the Chair to call a Special Meeting. An application for an extraordinary general meeting must be made in writing to the Chair. At least fourteen days' notice of such a meeting must be sent to all members and shall state the business of the meeting.

9. MINUTES.

Minutes shall be kept of all proceedings of the club in General Meetings and of all executive committee proceedings. These minutes shall be open to inspection by any member on application to the Hon. Secretary.

10. DISSOLUTION.

If, at any general meeting, a resolution for the dissolution of the club shall be passed by a majority of the members present and at a special meeting held not less than six weeks later, of which not less than four weeks written notice has been given to each member, that resolution shall be confirmed by a resolution passed by a majority of the members voting on such resolution, the committee shall immediately or at such future date as shall be specified in such resolution, proceed to realise the property of the club and, after the discharge of all liabilities, shall distribute the residue to independent charity/charities related to heritage motoring as agreed by the members at that meeting.

11 INSURANCE

The Executive Committee may, on behalf of club members, secure insurance policies. These policies can include, but are not limited to, public liability insurance and officer indemnity insurance.

12. ADDENDUM TO THE CONSTITUTION.

None

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