



Cleveland Orienteering Klub
AFFILIATED TO THE NORTH EAST ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION
AND THE BRITISH ORIENTEERING FEDERATION



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Constitution – revised October 20, 2016

1. TITLE AND PURPOSE

The club shall be called the Cleveland Orienteering Klub “the club”
The objective of the club shall be the furtherance of the sport of orienteering

2. MEMBERSHIP

The classes of membership shall be those determined by British Orienteering

3. MANAGEMENT

The officers of the club shall consist of a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer who shall all be British Orienteering members. The affairs of the club shall be conducted by an Executive Committee, which shall consist of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer and at least four and up to nine other members of any class of the club. The Executive Committee shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. In the event of an officer’s post being vacant, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill the post until the next Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt to the Committee as it deems necessary
Meetings shall be held whenever necessary, either by arrangement at a previous meeting, or at the discretion of the Secretary or Chairman
The quorum required for business at the Executive Committee shall be seven, and only elected members are eligible to vote.

4. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

An Annual General Meeting shall be held within four weeks of the financial year end. 14 clear days notice of the AGM will be given by the club secretary to all paid up members. In special circumstances, an Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at the request of any seven members, providing that 14 days notice of the meeting is given in writing or electronically to every paid up member.

5. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions shall be at the rate fixed annually at the Annual General Meeting

6. FINANCE

The financial year shall run from the 1st of October to the 30th of September. The accounts of the club will be balanced at the 30th September each year and submitted, after audit by an auditor elected at the Annual General Meeting, to the Annual General Meeting which follows the audit. Any cheques drawn against club funds must have the signatures of two designated signatories, and any online payments must be authorized by two designated signatories.



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7. VOTING

Voting at all meetings shall be by a show of hands, except in the case of alterations to the Constitution when proxy votes will additionally be accepted. To be valid, proxy votes must be registered with Secretary or Chairman twenty-four hours before the start of the meeting.

Individual members in classes M/W 18 and above have the right to vote at Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings. The quorum required for an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting shall be twenty members eligible to vote, except in matters involving alterations to the Constitution, when the quorum shall be 20% of the total membership of the club eligible to vote.

In all cases, a proposition, duly seconded, shall be carried by a simple majority of members eligible to vote at a quorate meeting. Voting at all meetings shall be by a show of hands. In the case of alterations to the Constitution proxy votes will also be considered and a simple majority of total votes cast shall determine whether or not the proposition is carried.

8. DISSOLUTION

If the Executive Committee decide at any time that it is necessary to dissolve the club it must call an Extraordinary General Meeting, at which 20% of the total voting membership must be present in person or by proxy. The Executive Committee's decision must be approved by a majority of votes cast. After such a decision, the Executive Committee shall have the power to dispose of all the assets held by or in the name of the club. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of any proper debts and liabilities shall be transferred to one or more voluntary associations or clubs with objectives (was objects) similar to those of the club.

9. POLICIES

The club agrees to adopt the up to date British Orienteering Policies, Procedures, Rules and Regulations as published on the British Orienteering website.

All individuals involved in orienteering through the club, in any capacity, are deemed to have assented to and abide by and adhere to the British Orienteering Policies, Procedures, Rules and Regulations as published on the British Orienteering website.

Both the club and its members agree to abide by the final outcome of any disciplinary and appeal proceedings.

Signed Duncan Archer, Chair

Date: 20th October 2016