



# **CONSTITUTION**

# **BERNE CRICKET CLUB**

1. The name of the association is Berne Cricket Club, and its domicile is in the city of Berne (Civil Code Article 60).
2. The purpose of the association is to promote and maintain interest in Cricket in Switzerland and develop the cricket playing skill of its members by organizing practice and training events and arranging matches and exhibitions.
3. The association tries to encourage in its members a spirit of fair play and good-fellowship. To finance its activity, the association can organize festivities, fund-raising campaigns and accept donations and wills.
  - Any person of good repute interested in cricket can join the association by applying to the committee for membership.
  - A person may resign at any time in writing.
4. The association's financial year shall be the calendar year.
5. Membership fees are collected annually. Fees are determined at the annual meeting.
6. The annual general meeting of the association is held by the end of March, and it considers the following items:
  - the committee's annual report, the treasurer's report and the auditor's report;
  - acceptance of treasurer's report;
  - granting of freedom of responsibility to the committee;
  - election of committee members;
  - election of two auditors
  - confirmation of the membership fee;
  - any other items.
7. Invitations to the association's annual general meeting or other general meetings are transmitted to members at least 14 days (about 2 weeks) prior to such meetings by physical or electronic mail or by other established electronic media.
8. The committee may call an extraordinary general meeting when it considers this necessary, or when at least half the association's members have with a written request to the committee demanded it for a specific purpose.
9. The association's affairs are run by the committee elected at the annual general meeting for one year at a time. The committee consists of between 7 and 9 members, including chairperson, secretary, treasurer and club captain.
10. A quorum is constituted by the presence of 4 committee members.
11. If a member of the committee dies or resigns, the committee may appoint a new member in his place for the rest of the year.
12. The committee can, when necessary, set up sub-committees from amongst the members of the association. These committees are automatically dissolved before the annual general meeting.

13. The chairperson of the committee shall call at least one committee meeting each year as well as the association's annual general meeting.
14. In corresponding with State authorities, the chairperson alone or any two of the committee members, secretary and treasurer may sign on behalf of the association.
15. The committee can, in its decision, require the resignation of a member of the association.
16. If the committee does require the resignation of a member, and if he refuses, the committee can exclude him from the activities of the association. In this case the member has the right to appeal to a general meeting of the association to decide on the matter. He must notify the secretary of his intention to appeal within 14 days of the committee's decision.
17. Berne CC is committed to healthy, clean, respectful, fair, and successful sport. It exemplifies these values by treating others - as well as its bodies and members – with respect and acting and communicating transparently. [Name of club] recognizes the current "Ethics Charter" of Swiss sport and disseminates its principles among its members.
18. 2 Berne CC and its direct and indirect member organizations and all those mentioned in Article 1 paragraph 4 of the Ethics Charter of Swiss Sport ("Ethics Charter") are subject to the Ethics Charter. Berne CC shall ensure that all such persons, insofar as they belong to or are attributed to the Berne CC, recognize and comply with the Ethics Statute.
19. 3 Suspected violations of the Ethics Statute will be investigated by Swiss Sport Integrity. The Disciplinary Chamber of Sport (hereinafter: Disciplinary Chamber) shall be responsible for assessing and sanctioning of identified violations of the Ethics Code. The Disciplinary Chamber applies its procedural rules. Any decision of the Chamber may be appealed to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), at the exclusion of any recourse to ordinary courts, within 21 days of receipt of the reasoned decision of the Disciplinary Chamber.
20. These rules can be amended by a two-thirds majority of votes at the association's annual general meeting. Proposed amendments shall be lodged in writing no later than the date of the annual general meeting. The amended rules shall come into immediate effect. The association is disbanded if its members decide by a two-thirds majority of votes at two consecutive general meetings with an interval of at least one month.
21. If the association ceases its activity, its funds are transferred in accordance with a decision of the general meeting to the Swiss Sports Federation to promote sport in Switzerland.

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