



Pembroke Cricket Club Rules

1. The Club

The Club shall be called "Pembroke Cricket Club". The Club was founded in 1868 in Sydney Parade, Dublin.

2. Club Ethos

The object of the Club shall be to promote the game of cricket, which shall be played according to the laws laid down by the Marylebone Cricket Club. The Club is affiliated to the Leinster Cricket Union and shall be bound by the rules of the Union and the competition regulations laid down by the Union from time to time.

3. Membership Categories

(i) The Club shall consist of three classes of full member, one class of junior member and one class of social member as follows:

1. Male playing members.
2. Female playing members.
3. Non-playing members of both sexes.
4. Junior members playing and non-playing under the age of eighteen years on the 1st May in the relevant season.
5. Social members who shall be entitled only to use the club facilities in terms of attendance on the ground and availing of service in the bar but shall not be entitled to play or to attend or vote at any general meeting or to be elected to the Executive Committee.

(ii) The Club in general meeting may elect life members who will enjoy the rights and privileges of paid up full members. The Committee may from time to time grant temporary membership honorary or otherwise at its discretion for a period not to extend beyond the end of the relevant season.

4. Entitlements

The following shall be entitled to attend and vote at general meetings of the Club:

- I. Paid up male and female playing members.
- II. Paid up non-playing members of both sexes who have been paid up members for not less than three seasons (including junior membership). The three qualifying seasons to include the season in which the meeting is held if it be held after the 1st May in any year, or to include the previous season if the meeting is held prior to the 1st May in any year.

5. Committees

- I. The Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and shall consist of the officers of the Club together with the Chairmen of the Club's standing Sub-Committees. The Officers shall be the President of the Club, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, the First XI Captain, the Women's First XI Captain and the Chairmen of the standing Sub-Committees.
- II. The Standing Sub-Committees are as follows:
 1. Cricket and Grounds
 2. Finance
 3. Bar/Premises (incl. Liaison with Monkstown R.F.C. on these matters)
 4. Social
- III. In addition to the above, past Presidents who remain subscribing members of the Club or life members and the President elect-elected in accordance with Rule 6 (iv), are entitled to attend and vote at meetings of the Executive Committee.
- IV. All paid up members of the Club of both sexes, playing and non-playing shall be eligible for election to the Executive Committee or, to hold office in the Club, provided they have voting rights in accordance with Rule 5.
- V. No member in debt to the Club shall be eligible for election to the Executive Committee or to hold any office in the Club.
- VI. Following their election at the Annual General Meeting the Chairmen of the Standing Sub-Committees may select such persons to serve on those Sub-Committees as they think fit subject only to ratification by the Executive Committee.

6. The President & Executive Committee

- I. The Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club. The election of the Executive Committee shall take place at the Annual General Meeting of the Club held under Rule 15. The Executive Committee shall retire annually and shall be eligible for

re-election. Honorary Treasurer, the First XI Captain, the Women's First XI Captain and the Chairmen of the standing Sub-Committees.

- II. At meetings of the Executive Committee, five shall form a quorum and the President shall preside, or in his absence a member of the Committee to be elected by the meeting.
- III. The Executive Committee shall meet at least once a month during the playing season and at least twice during the closed season.
- IV. The President of the Club shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting for a term of two years. At the end of the first year, the Club in general meeting shall elect a President elect who shall be entitled to attend and vote at meetings of the Executive Committee in the year preceding his election as President of the Club. Should a candidate for President Elect not be identified, the sitting President may, with the approval of the AGM, remain in office until such time as a new President is elected.

7. Captains

- I. The Captains for all teams (men's and women's), the men's and women's Match (Team) Secretaries and the members of the men's (4) and women's (3) Selection Committees shall be elected at the AGM.
- II. Only those male members entitled to vote in accordance with Rule 4 of these rules shall be entitled to vote for the captains of the men's teams, the men's Match Secretary and the men's Selection Committee. Only those female members entitled to vote in accordance with Rule 4 of these rules shall be entitled to vote for the Captains of the women's teams, the women's Match Secretary and the women's Selection Committee.

8. Selection

- I. The Selection Committee comprising the Captains of the men's Club teams and four other members shall select the teams for all matches involving the male playing members. The Committee may at its discretion be divided into Senior and Junior Selection Committees. Where this occurs, the Captains of the First, Second and Third XI shall sit on the senior Selection Committee and the Captains of the other male teams on the Junior Selection Committee but in any case the four other members elected at the Annual General Meeting shall be common to both Junior and Senior Committees.
- II. The Match Secretary shall attend the Committee but shall not vote on any matter. Four members shall form a quorum of Committee and each team shall be selected at least one clear day before the date of the relevant match.

- III. A Selection Committee comprising Captains of the women's teams and 2 other members shall select the teams for all matches involving the women playing members. The Women's Match Secretary shall attend this Committee but shall not vote on any matter. Three members shall form a quorum on this Committee and each team shall be selected at least one clear day before the date of the relevant match.

9. Absent Committee Members

Any member of the Executive Committee or Selection Committee absenting themselves from three consecutive meetings without good reason shall forfeit their place on the Committee and the Committee shall have power to co-opt members to fill vacancies arising at any time from this or for any other reason and may co-opt members from time to time in any event to fulfil specific duties.

10. Duties of the Executive Committee

- I. The Executive Committee may, at its discretion, appoint ad hoc Sub-Committees from their numbers or from the numbers of the members of the Club to deal with any matter or matters, which they shall consider, can be dealt with to greater advantage by a Sub Committee or Sub-Committees to be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee.
- II. The Executive Committee shall have power to decide all questions not provided for in these rules and shall make such bye-laws and regulations as they shall deem necessary to deal with any contingency, but except as aforesaid no rule shall be repealed or altered nor any new rule made except at a General Meeting when a majority of two thirds of those present and entitled to vote will be required to bring about such repeal, alteration or new Rule.
- III. No decision to incur borrowings in excess of £x, to offer the Club premises for sale or to merge or amalgamate with any other Club, Society or Institution shall be taken without the consent of two thirds of those present and entitled to vote at a General Meeting of the Club duly called and held in accordance with these Rules.

11. Election

- I. The Executive Committee shall elect to members to the Club and such elections shall be by ballot except a majority of the Committee shall otherwise decide. The Executive Committee shall likewise deal with all resignations from membership of the Club.

- II. Each candidate for election as a member of the Club shall be proposed and seconded by two voting members of the Club, and name and residence of such candidate together with the names of his proposer and seconder shall be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary who shall submit the same to the Executive Committee for consideration and thereafter cause the name to be displayed in a prominent position in the pavilion and on the club website for at least 7 days prior to election.
- III. Once elected to membership the secretary, who may delegate such responsibility to an existing member, shall notify a new member accordingly. Such notification will include details of the subscription to be paid. No individual shall be considered for selection until this process is complete.

12. Disciplinary

In the event of any member wilfully acting contrary to the rules, bye-laws or regulation of the Club and after warning by the Executive Committee continuing so to act or in the event of any member conducting himself in such a manner as in the opinion of the Club to injure or discredit the character of the Club, such member may be called to appear before a Disciplinary Committee set up in accordance with Rule 10 (i) and the said Committee shall have power to suspend such member or call upon him to apologise verbally or in writing for such breach of the rules or misconduct or call upon him to resign or terminate his membership.

Provided always that no such decision shall be taken by the Disciplinary Committee without first giving to the member opportunity to explain verbally or in writing his actions and the decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be final subject only to the right of the member to furnish to the Honorary Secretary a Notice of Appeal, to the Executive Committee within seven days from the presumed delivery of notification of the requirements of the Committee. In the absence of the notice of appeal if the requirements of the Executive Committee have not been met, the Executive Committee shall have power to expel such member from the Club. The Executive Committee shall be under no obligation to refund any subscription to any member so expelled.

13. Club Property

The property of the Club shall be vested in the Committee for the time being, and the Committee shall hold members responsible for any damage to or loss of any property of the Club and may be called upon to make good to the Club for such damage or loss incurred of Club funds.

14. Meetings

- I. The Honorary Secretary shall call an Extraordinary General Meeting at any time that the Committee shall decide or upon receipt of a requisition signed by 10 members. Any member appealing from a decision of the Executive Committee shall proceed under

this rule, and at least seven days notice in writing shall be sent to each member of the Club of such General Meeting and only the business for which the meeting has been convened shall be discussed.

- II. No motion shall be brought forward at any General Meeting unless a notice specifying its object shall have been given in writing to the Honorary Secretary and posted in the pavilion at least two weeks previously. Such notice to be included in the agenda circulated to members convening the general meeting at which the motion is to be considered. This rule may be suspended by the concurrence of all of the members present and entitled to vote.
- III. Notice of the General Meeting shall be deemed to have been given when handed to a member in person or sent to their last known address by ordinary prepaid post or to an e-mail address for which the member has given approval for receipt of such material.

15. Annual General Meeting

A General Meeting shall be held on the third Wednesday in April or as soon thereafter as possible for the hearing of the Honorary Secretary's general report and the Honorary Treasurer's financial report for the previous season and for the transaction of any other business. The Annual General Meeting shall be held on the third Wednesday in August or as soon after as possible for the election of Officers and Committee and for the transaction of any other business. All nominations for election of Officers at the Annual General Meeting shall either be handed to the Honorary Secretary duly proposed and seconded or be orally proposed and seconded at the Annual General Meeting immediately prior to the election of officers provided always that nominations for the office of President, President elect and life member shall be duly proposed and seconded by notice in writing to the Honorary Secretary not later than seven days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

16. Subscriptions

- I. The annual subscriptions for each class of member as listed in Rule 4 shall be fixed at the Annual Financial Meeting and notice of their review shall be circulated to the members as part of the Agenda.
- II. The subscription of every newly elected member shall be paid to the Honorary Treasurer within fourteen days from the date of the presumed delivery to such a member of a notification of his election or the election shall be void.
- III. The Committee shall have power in special cases e.g. illness or enforced absence which prevents a member from enjoying their privileges of the Club to which his membership entitles them, to accept payment of a reduced subscription provided always that any member applying for a reduction in his subscription shall make his

case clear to the Committee. In no case should any subscription of any member liable for a subscription be reduced to a sum less than €1.00. (See Rule 18 below in relation to "leave of absence").

- IV. The Committee shall have power to debar from selection on any team any member whose subscription remains unpaid on the 1st June and to suspend from membership any member whose subscription remains unpaid on the 1st July.
- V. The Committee may from time to time vary the subscription required of full members under the age of 21 on the 1st May in the relevant season or over the age of 21 and not engaged in full time employment.
- VI. The Committee shall have authority in any given season to set an amount to be termed a "Family Subscription" which can be charged in respect of a number of members of a family – the amount being less than the total amount that would be paid if each individual was to pay separately. In setting such a figure in any given year, the Committee must define what a family availing of this concession will be in terms of the precise number of individuals and their categories of membership.

17. Leave of Absence

- I. Letter addressed to the Hon. Secretary must signify notice of resignation or application for leave of absence by any member. Where such letter is received before the 1st May in each year, the member will not be liable for a subscription for that year. In the case of a resignation or application for leave of absence received after that date, it shall be a matter for the Committee to determine what subscription should be paid. A resignation shall not be acceptable or leave granted in the case of any member in debt to the Club until such debt has been discharged unless otherwise decided by the Committee.
- II. The Committee may grant leave of absence for a period not exceeding one year to any member applying for same and shall have the power of retaining their name as an absent member on their books until they shall re-join the club or resign.

18. Ground Handovers

The Committee shall have authority to agree with Monkstown Football Club dates in April and September for the handovers of the premises and grounds.

19. Divisions

In divisions at meetings of the Club or Committees, in case of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have the casting vote in addition to his deliberative vote. All such divisions shall be entered in the Minutes.

20. Audits

At the General Meeting two Auditors not members of the Committee shall be appointed to examine the accounts of the Club which shall be prepared and submitted to them by the Hon. Treasurer at least one week before the first Wednesday in April, following which accounts shall be submitted to the Club with Auditors Report thereon, at the General Meeting to be held under. Rule 16.

21. Damage

The Committee shall keep a supply of cricket requisites as they may deem necessary and any member who wilfully damages any of the property of the Club shall be required to make good at their own expense, the injury or loss they may have occasioned and in the case of loss of any property taken out for practice from the grounds man or Pavilion they shall be responsible and shall indemnify the Club for such loss as the Committee deems fit. All personal belongings of members, visitors and others brought to or kept at or left on the premises of the Club (either in the Clubhouse or outside) shall be at the sole risk of the owner's, and the Club or Committee shall not be responsible for any loss or damage thereto however arising but this Rule shall not prejudice any claims by the Club or the owners against Insurance Companies in case of fire or when otherwise covered by Insurance.

22. Religion & Politics

Political or Religious topics to be strictly prohibited at all meetings of the Club.

23. The Honorary Secretary

- I. Shall cause to be kept books in which shall be entered records of every Committee, General and Special Meeting with the names of the members attending; and shall at each General Meeting read the Minutes of the preceding one and be prepared to state what resolutions of the Committee have been carried into effect and in the case of any that have not been, the reason why and when they will be. All letters written by the Hon. Sec. on Club business to be carefully copied and submitted to the Committee. He/she shall keep an accurate list of the names and residence of the members with date of their elections to be revised from time to time. He/she shall when notifying to a member his admission, enclose therewith a copy of the Club Rules.

He/she shall be most particular that all letters, challenges, etc. received from other Cricket Clubs shall be answered and acknowledged with the least possible delay and that circulars, notices etc. ordered by the Committee shall immediately be forwarded to their proper destination. He/she shall be the sole medium of communication between the members and the public except insofar as he shall, with the approval of the Committee designate responsibility for the maintenance of the club website or the production of any club newsletter to a specified member.

- II. In addition to the duties identified above, the Honorary Secretary shall maintain or be responsible for maintaining an inventory of club property.

24. The Honorary Treasurer

He/she shall keep correct accounts and books showing the financial affairs, receipts and disbursements of the Club and he shall furnish the Committee with returns of the same from time to time as they may require. He/she shall furnish at the General Meeting to be held under Rule 15 an Abstract of the Income and Expenditure and the arrears due to the Club (if any) said Abstract being duly audited as heretofore specified.

The Hon. Treasurer at the September General Meeting of the Club shall read out the name of any member who has not paid his/her subscription for the previous season. Any member whose name is read out shall be struck off the list of membership unless payment is made at the said meeting and shall not be eligible for re-election until all such arrears due by him/her to the Club are discharged.

25. Member Notices

Each member of the Club shall immediately communicate any change of postal or e-mail address to the Hon. Secretary and all notices, letters, etc. sent to such address shall be considered duly delivered.

26. Alcohol

- I. A visitor shall not be supplied with excisable liquor in the Club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member and that member shall, upon admission of such visitor to the Club premises, or immediately upon his or her being supplied with such liquor, enter his or her own name and the name and address of the visitor in a book which shall be kept for the purpose and which shall show the date of each visit.
- II. No excisable liquor shall be sold or supplied by the Club to any person under the age of 18 years.
- III. No person under the age of 18 years will be allowed into the licensed area of the Club after 9:00 p.m. However, a child who is accompanied by his or her parent or guardian may be allowed in to the licensed area between the hours of 10:00a.m. (12:30p.m. on Sunday) and 9:00p.m.
- IV. A child who is aged at least 15 years but under the age of 18 years and who is accompanied by his or her parent or guardian may be allowed into the licensed area of the Club on the occasion of a private function at which a substantial meal is served to persons attending the function.
- V. No excisable liquor shall be sold for consumption outside the premises of the Club except to members of the Club, between the hours of 8 o'clock in the morning and 10

o'clock at night.

27. Intoxicating Liquor Act

Subject to the exceptions mentioned in subsections 2 and 3 of section 56 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1927 as amended by section 6 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act 1962, and other amendments as may be made, no excisable liquor shall be supplied for consumption on the Club premises to any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises) or be consumed on the Club premises by any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises):-

- I. On any weekday before the hour of half past 10 o'clock in the morning or;
- II. On any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday after the hour of half past 11 o'clock in the evening or,
- III. On any Friday or Saturday after the hour of half past 12 o'clock in the morning on the following day or,
- IV. On any Sunday (except St. Patrick's Day which falls on a Sunday) before the hour of half past 12 o'clock in the afternoon or after the hour of 11 o'clock in the evening or,
- V. On St. Patrick's Day before the hour of half past 12 o'clock in the afternoon or after the hour of half past 12 o'clock in the morning on the following day or,
- VI. On Christmas Eve before the hour of half past 10 o'clock in the morning or after the hour of half past 11 o'clock in the evening or,
- VII. At any time on Christmas Day.

28. Private Sale

No member of the Executive Committee and no manager or servant employed in the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of excisable liquor therein or in the profits arising from such sale.

29. Registration of Clubs Act

Nothing contained in the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904 to 1999 or imposed only by virtue of the operation of subsection 2 of this section shall operate to prohibit the supplying for consumption on the club premises of excisable liquor to any person for the consumption of excisable liquor on those premises by any person:-

- A. On Christmas Day between 12 o'clock midday and 10 o'clock in the evening or,

- B. On any other day for one hour after the expiration of any period in respect of that day during which it is lawful for the club by virtue of subsection 2 of this section to supply any excisable liquor for consumption on the club premises, if in each case the excisable liquor is:
- I. Ordered by that person at the same time as a substantial meal is ordered by him.
 - II. Consumed at the same time as and with the meal.
 - III. Supplied and consumed in the portion of the club premises usually set aside for the supply of meals.
 - IV. Paid for at the same time as the meal is paid for.

30. Licensing Laws

The Executive Committee may alter or add to such Rule or Rules dealing with the supply or consumption of excisable liquor for the purpose of complying with the Licensing Laws for the time being in force, or for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of the members in accordance with such laws.

31. Amendments

In addition to the foregoing Rules and Clauses thereof the Clauses and Regulations embodied in the Registration of Clubs Acts 1904-1986 and the Acts extending and amending the same shall be deemed Rules of the Club.

32. Member Responsibility

As every member upon joining this Club becomes entitled to all the privileges and benefits which it can impart and as their joining is a voluntary act on his part, so their acquiescence in these Rules or in any part that may be hereafter enacted for the benefit of the Club is hereby implied as well as their submission to the restrictions enjoined and the penalties enforced according to the same.

33. Trustees

The members in General Meeting shall appoint from their number not less than two nor more than seven people to be Trustees of the Club. The Trustees shall hold office until death or resignation from office or until they cease to be members of the Club. The Committee pending ratification by an Annual General Meeting may fill any vacancy arising in the Club Trustees so that in no case may the Committee appoint a Trustee unless the number falls below two.