

South Yorkshire County Athletic Association.

(established 1992, reconstituted 2007)

Constitution

1.0 Title, Objects and Membership

1.1 The title of the Association shall be the “South Yorkshire County Athletic Association.”

1.2 The objects shall be

a) to encourage and develop athletics within the county through the promotion of athletic events under the competition rules of UK Athletics and in accordance with the policies and practices of UKA and England Athletics;

b) to co-operate with other organisations in the provision of athletic competition;

c) to select and manage representative teams.

1.3 Membership of the Association shall be open to athletic clubs situated within South Yorkshire and adjacent districts.

Such clubs must be affiliated to England Athletics.

2.0 Annual General Meeting

2.1 Notice of Meeting.

The Meeting will normally be held in September as determined by the County Committee.

The Secretary shall notify the Secretary of each member club as to

a) the proposed date, time and venue of the Meeting at least 42 days in advance requiring that any items of business for the meeting be notified at least 28 days before the due date;

b) the details of all business to be transacted at least 14 days before the date of the meeting.

2.2 Business of the Meeting.

The business of the meeting shall include only the following:-

a) to receive the Secretary’s Report;

b) to receive the audited accounts and balance sheet;

c) to consider any notified amendments to the Constitution of the Association;

d) to fix event fees and subscription for the following twelve months;

e) to elect the officers for the following twelve months as follows;

Honorary Officer: President

General Officers: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer;

Competition Secretaries: Cross Country League, Road Running League,

Track & Field League, Track Relay Championships, Indoor Series,

Track & Field Championships, Race Walking and Officials Secretaries.

f) to appoint two auditors;

g) to conduct any other appropriate notified business.

2.3 Voting Rights and Quorum

a) Each club shall be entitled to one voting representative.

b) A quorum shall consist of five persons entitled to vote.

3.0 Extraordinary General Meeting

3.1 An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by a) the General Officers

b) the County Committee. In addition the Secretary shall call a meeting on receipt of a written request from 5 member clubs stating the purpose of the meeting.

3.2 14 days notice must be given to all clubs stating the purpose of the meeting which shall be the only agenda item.

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- b) A quorum shall consist of five persons entitled to vote.

4.0 Management

- 4.1 The County Committee. The management of the County Association shall be vested in a committee consisting of all persons elected at the Annual General Meeting and one voting representative from each club.
- 4.2 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt additional members. Persons co-opted shall not be entitled to vote.
- 4.3 The Committee shall meet on at least four occasions in each twelve months.
- 4.4 Committee members are only entitled to a single vote on any one issue. Proxy votes are not permitted.
- 4.5 The quorum for a meeting of the County Committee shall be five voting members.
- 4.6 The General Officers together with the appropriate competition secretary shall have the power to take decisions on behalf of the Committee. The Secretary must report all such decisions to the next committee meeting.

5.0 Finance

- 5.1 The financial year shall commence on 1st May annually and the accounts of the Association shall be audited and presented at the Annual General Meeting.
- 5.2 The Treasurer shall make regular financial reports to the Committee.

6.0 Dissolution

In the event of the dissolution of the Association, all funds and property of the Association shall be dealt with by the General Officers as directed by the County Committee. Such funds shall be applied towards the furtherance of the objects of the Association or any other charitable purpose deemed suitable. Funds shall not be distributed among members.

7.0 Competition Eligibility

Athletes must be registered for competition with England Athletics and must be first or second claim members of a South Yorkshire Club defined in rule 1.3, affiliated to England Athletics, to be eligible for individual or team awards in League or Championship events organised by South Yorkshire County A.A. or allocated to its member clubs, provided that the first claim club of a second claim athlete is not also a South Yorkshire club. This is the sole qualification for any award in any Association event.

Guests are permitted in South Yorkshire League events at the discretion of the League Secretary on payment of the appropriate entry fee. Any guests must be registered for competition with England Athletics and must be members of a club affiliated to England Athletics. Unattached athletes are not allowed to compete.

Young athletes who are potential club members may compete for a club in all under 15 age groups, prior to completing the registration procedure.

An athlete in the process of changing club membership and not eligible to compete for their new South Yorkshire club in team competition will be eligible for individual awards.