



DALKEY DEVILS VOLLEYBALL CLUB

CLUB CONSTITUTION

RULES

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1. SUBSCRIPTIONS

There will be an annual club registration fee for all members joining the club and who wish to participate in the National League and Cup Competitions, and to cover Public Liability Insurance. This fee is set prior to the commencement of the season at the Annual General Meeting. The fee is payable throughout August or September, or at the time of a new player joining the Club.

Each member is also required to pay an annual membership, used in order to cover cost of renting the training facilities, cover coach and referee fees, etc. The annual membership must be paid at the time of the member joining the Club. Members can avail of the option to spread the annual membership cost over 4 smaller payments (payable on the 1st of September, December, March, and June). The fee will be set at the Annual General Meeting.

Should members fail to pay their membership at the agreed time, they will be expected to settle their arrears at the next training session they attend.

In the event that a player misses one or more training sessions, for whatever reason, their membership is still payable. A balancing statement can be made available upon request from the Club treasurer.

A reduction of membership fees, or an alternative payment structure, may be allowed in the following circumstances, and at the discretion of the Committee:

- Unemployment
- Long term illness/injury

The member seeking the reduction must make their request to the Club Committee in writing, by emailing the Club Secretary on info@dalkeydevils.com

2. ABSENTEEISM

In the event of absenteeism from training and/or matches, each player must:

- Notify the coach (or the team captain, in the coach's absence) 24 hours prior to training/match.
- After the training/match: contact the team captain to determine if there are any time/venue changes to upcoming events.

3. FUND RAISING

The appointed Committee may organise fundraising events throughout the year. It is expected that all members will participate in the Club fundraising events.

4. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

The elected Committee may organise social activities throughout the year for the good of the Club and its members. It will be expected that all members will participate in these activities, where possible.

5. GENERAL CONDUCT

It is expected that players will demonstrate good sportsmanship when participating in training and matches.

In the event of any inter-player grievances, a Club member may approach another Club member with a view to resolving the matter informally, and amicably. If the grievance is not resolved in this way, the Club member should approach any member of the Club committee to raise the grievance formally.

Player – Coach grievances should be raised directly with the coach. If the grievance is not resolved in this way, the Club member should approach any member of the Club committee to raise the grievance formally.

Club members must respect all fellow teammates / opposing teams / coaches and match officials.

Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. (The following is an excerpt from the official FIVB rules).

SPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

Participants must know the official Volleyball Rules and abide by them. Participants must accept referees decision with sportsmanlike conduct, without dispute. In case of doubt, clarification may be requested only through the game captain.

Participants must refrain from actions or attitudes aimed at influencing the decisions of the referees or covering up faults committed by their team.

FAIR PLAY

Participants must behave respectfully and courteously in the spirit of FAIR PLAY, not only towards referees, but also towards other officials, the opponents, team-mates and spectators.

The coach's decision is final.

There is a designated Children's Officer within the Club. This Officer will have completed all the necessary courses and achieved the appropriate qualifications required to deal with any child-welfare related issues that may arise.

The Club has adopted the Irish Sports Council's "Code of Ethics" and "Good Practice for Children in Sport Guidelines". Copies of these documents are available upon request.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. CLUB MEMBERS

2. COMMITTEE MEMBERS

3. COACHES

1. CLUB MEMBERS

Club members may be required to help officiate for some matches; this may include refereeing duties (where necessary qualifications have been obtained), score-keeping duties and lines-keeping duties.

The Club is a voluntary, and not for profit organisation. In order for the Club to function, members must assist in the running of the Club, and may be required to fill Committee positions for a period of one year.

Alternatively, they may be required to act as the Club's designated person to fulfil the VAI's requirement for a VAI Commission member.

Players are required to look after the upkeep of any Club supplied attire.

Team attire and equipment remains the property of Dalkey Devils Volleyball Club. A security deposit of €25 is to be paid to the Club's equipment manager upon receipt of the Club's uniform. This security deposit is refundable, and is returned to members at the end of each season, provided their match uniform is returned, and is in good condition.

At the end of each season, and in the event of members leaving the Club, players are required to return their official team attire, and any other Club equipment, to the Club.

The security deposit will not be returned to a player should any of the Club attire be damaged, lost or not returned when requested.

All players must be 12 or over to join the Club.

2. COMMITTEE MEMBERS

It is the aim of the Committee to:

- Hold regular meetings
- Take responsibility for any Club equipment
- Arrange venues for training and matches
- Provide match gear for each team
- Organise fundraising events
- Liaise with coaches, players, VAI and other bodies
- Organise social events
- Notify coaches and players of upcoming events
- Collect fees and oversee all financial duties
- Complete registration of players with VAI
- Arrange match officials where appropriate
- Provide club contact list for all members
- Look after the recruitment of new players
- Provide and maintain a First Aid kit for each team

3. COACHES

All coaches must comply with the following:

- All coaches must complete a Garda clearance process and Code of Ethics Course prior to registration.
- Be present for every training session and all matches. Absences must be advised to the team captain at least 24 hours in advance.
- A suitable replacement should be provided by the coach, if possible.
- Maintain a good level of fitness.
- Coach and train their team to the best of their ability, and in the best interests of the Club.
- Select a match team prior to each game.
- Nominate a captain.
- Liaise with the captain with regard to the team.
- Fill out and complete score sheet and rotation slips during matches
- Make sure the team is wearing the correct match gear.
- Promote the game of Volleyball and the Club wherever and whenever the Club travels.

OWNERSHIP OF ASSETS

- All assets (including but not limited to moneys received through subscriptions, grants, fundraising and sponsorship) are the property of the Club, and not any persons.
- All equipment (including but not limited to balls, uniforms, scorekeeping equipment) are the property of the Club
- In the event of the dissolution of the Club, all assets remaining after clearance of any debt outstanding to creditors will be donated to the Volleyball Association of Ireland.

AGREEMENT

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE CONSTITUTION OF DALKEY DEVILS VOLLEYBALL CLUB. I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THIS CONSTITUTION WHILST BEING A MEMBER OF THE CLUB.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____