

BORDER LINERS ORIENTEERING CLUB CONSTITUTION

NAME

The name of the club shall be the BORDER LINERS ORIENTEERING CLUB which shall be abbreviated to BL where necessary.

OBJECTS

The objects of the club shall be to encourage the sport of orienteering and such sports of a similar nature as may be decided by the committee.

AFFILIATION

The club shall be affiliated to the North West Orienteering Association and British Orienteering. Any other affiliations may be made with the agreement of the Annual General Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to all. All members shall abide by the rules of British Orienteering. The classes of membership shall be the same as those recognised by British Orienteering except that local family membership shall include all members of a family normally resident at the same address.

ADHERENCE TO British Orienteering Policies

Border Liners Orienteering Club has agreed 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 Border Liners Orienteering 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 Border Liners Orienteering Club and its members agree to abide by the final outcome of any disciplinary and appeal proceedings.

FEES.

Membership fees shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting.

FINANCE.

The financial year will normally be a period of twelve months but in no case shall exceed a period of fifteen months.

A statement of accounts shall be submitted for approval to the Annual General Meeting.

The statement of accounts shall be audited before submission by an auditor to be appointed by the committee.

Monies received by the treasurer on behalf of the club may be deposited by the treasurer in a bank and/or building society convenient to the treasurer.

Cheques paid by the treasurer shall be signed by any two of the treasurer, the chairman and the secretary.

In the event of the club being disbanded or ceasing to function for a period of twelve months all net assets shall be transferred to British Orienteering.

COMMITTEE

The management of the club shall be carried out by a committee consisting of a chairman, secretary, treasurer and up to seven members. The committee shall be elected at the annual General Meeting. Motions may be put to the committee by any of its members and shall be determined by a simple majority vote with the chairman of the committee meeting having only a casting vote.

A quorum shall consist of four members of the committee.

The committee shall have the power to co-opt up to two additional members and to appoint replacement members in order that the committee may fulfil its functions efficiently.

All committee members shall have voting rights.
The committee shall meet at least six times a year.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be sent to all members at least four weeks before it is due to take place.

Amendments to the constitution and items for inclusion in the agenda must be received in writing by the secretary at least fourteen days before the meeting.
Nominations for the committee will be accepted at the Annual General Meeting.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A Special General Meeting may be called by the committee or by a request submitted to the secretary in writing and supported by ten per cent of the voting membership of the club. The meeting shall be held within twenty-one days of its being called and shall only discuss the business for which it is called.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Amendments to the constitution shall only be taken at a Special or Annual General Meeting when at least twenty-five per cent of the voting membership are present. Motions for the amendment of the constitution must have a majority of at least two-thirds of the voting membership present.

VOTING RIGHTS.

The minimum age for voting at a General Meeting shall be fourteen years. All club members eligible to vote shall have one vote and may only vote if they are present at the meeting. All motions shall be decided by a simple majority with the chairman of the meeting having only a casting vote.

INTERPRETATION

Requests for a decision on, or interpretation of, any matter not covered by this constitution shall be referred to the committee.

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(Photocopy of Original available on request to Secretary)

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UPDATED NOV 2016: 'Adherence to BO Policies' added and 'Federation' removed from 'British Orienteering Federation' throughout.