

KEMPSEY CRICKET CLUB RULES & CONSTITUTION

1. The name of the “club” shall be “Kempsey Cricket Club” and will be affiliated to the “Worcestershire Cricket Board” (WCB) and the “England and Wales Cricket Board Limited” (ECB).
2. The colours of the Club shall be green, gold and blue.
3. The intention and aims of the Club will be that cricket shall be played in a spirit and practice Commensurate with the requirements of the ECB and the WCB, to offer coaching and competitive opportunities in cricket, to promote the Club within the local community at all levels, to manage land leased from Kempsey Parish Council, to ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB ‘Safe Hands – Welfare of Young People in Cricket’ policy and any future versions of the policy, to provide all its services in a way that is fair for everyone, and, to ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment and the club shall adhere to and follow the Directives, Guidance and other policy’s of the ECB and WCB and any future versions of the policy.
4. The officers of the Club shall be the President, Chairman, Sunday Captain, Saturday Captain, Evening League Captain, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, Welfare Officer and Junior Manager, who shall be elected annually at a General Meeting. Where possible, a captain should only be elected as Captain for one team, and will be required to attend the “Equity in Coaching” (or equivalent) course as soon as practically possible. Should an officer resign their post, then a replacement can be elected by a majority at a committee meeting until a request for an EGM (see rule 7) or the following AGM (see rule 6).
5. The management of the Club shall be vested in the Executive Committee, which shall consist of the Officers and five other members elected annually at a General Meeting. The Hon. Secretary shall notify all committee members of the date, time and venue of all meetings. The committee shall appoint a Vice-Chairman at their first meeting. Five members shall form a quorum. If on any matter there shall be an equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second casting vote.
6. A General Meeting shall be held annually (AGM) for the election of Officers and Committee and to receive a balance sheet and statement of accounts for the year ended the previous 31st October. The meeting shall also appoint an Auditor. The Annual General Meeting shall be held as soon as conveniently possible after the last day of October. Any member proposed as an Officer or Committee member, his proposer and seconder shall have fully paid up membership. The Hon. Secretary shall give 28 days notice of the meeting to all members. If more than one candidate stands for a Committee post, a ballot shall be held to decide the appointment. Any person may become a Patron of the Club on payment of a suitable donation to Club Funds. However, they will not be allowed to vote at the AGM or EGM. The Club President and Vice Presidents shall not be required to pay the Annual Subscription.
7. A Special or Extraordinary Meeting of the Club may be called at any time upon a Requisition, in writing, of any eight members of the Club. A notice specifying the object, time and place of such meeting shall be sent to all members at least fourteen days before the date of the meeting. Matters to be decided by a majority of those present and voting at the meeting.
8. The Executive Committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees as required to meet the exigencies of the Club and to appoint any Club member to fill a vacancy on the Executive Committee, which may have occurred since the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee shall have power to co-opt or invite to any Committee or Sub-Committee meeting, members or non-members, of the Club to discuss matters, which are in the interests of, or to meet the exigencies of the Club. The executive Committee will be responsible for disciplinary hearings of members who infringe the Club Rules/ Regulations. The Executive Committee will be responsible for taking any action of suspension or discipline following such hearings

9. The Selection Committee shall consist of all Captains and Vice-Captains, and, shall be empowered to play any prospective or non-member at their discretion, subject to the non-availability of fully paid up members.
10. Annual Subscriptions and match fees for Senior, Junior and Non-playing members shall be approved at the Annual General Meeting. Annual Subscriptions shall be paid before and not later than, 1st May each year, or in the case of new members, on election. Failure to do so may result in that player not being considered for selection. A new player shall be invited to become a member and pay the Annual Subscription. If after playing in three games, he has not attempted to pay the Annual Subscription, then he shall not be considered for selection. The Annual General Meeting may also resolve, by a simple majority, that persons in default shall forthwith cease to be members.
11. In the interest of Health and Safety, any player who is unfit to play must not play – Captain's decision is final.
12. A copy of these rules will at all times be available to any member. Any amendment to these rules shall be by a majority of those present and voting at a General Meeting. Proposals should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, in writing, at least 14 days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
13. Finance. All monies will be banked in an account in the name of the Club. The Hon Treasurer will be responsible for the finances of the Club. The financial year will end on 31st October. The Treasurer will present an audited statement of annual accounts, to the Annual General Meeting. Any Cheques drawn against Club Funds should hold the signature of any two of the following: - Chairman, Hon Secretary and Hon Treasurer.
14. The Executive Committee shall have power to decide any questions not covered by the foregoing Rules and in such respect the decision of the Executive Committee shall be final.
15. The Club shall raise and maintain a Junior Cricket Section, under the separate control of a Junior Manager and shall provide coaching to a standard approved by the Worcestershire Cricket Board & England and Wales Cricket Board Limited. The Manager to be elected to the Executive Committee to represent the disposition of the Junior Section. The Junior Members (those not playing in any senior games during the current season) will not be permitted to vote at the AGM or EGM.
16. Discipline and Appeals. All complaints regarding the behaviour of members should be submitted in writing to the Secretary within 14 days. The Executive Committee will meet to hear complaints within seven days of a complaint being lodged. The Executive Committee has the power to take appropriate disciplinary action including the termination of membership. The outcome of a disciplinary hearing should be notified, in writing, to the person who lodged the complaint, and the member against whom the complaint was made, within five days of the hearing. There will be the right to appeal to the Executive Committee following disciplinary action being announced. The Committee should consider the appeal within seven days of the Secretary receiving the appeal.
17. Dissolution, A resolution to dissolve the Club can only be passed at an A.G.M or E.G.M by a majority of those present and voting at the meeting. In the event of dissolution, any assets of the Club that remain will be frozen for a minimum of five years, when, after a further E.G.M a decision will be made to dispose of those assets to Worcestershire Cricket Board or other cricket club with similar objectives of those of this Club, to be decided by a majority of those present and voting at that meeting.

Declaration – Kempsey Cricket Club hereby adopts and accepts these Rules as a current operating guide regulating the actions of members.

Signed _____ Date 13th January 2008
Name Maurice Smith Chairman at date of meeting.

Signed _____ Date 13th January 2008
Name David Harrison Club Secretary