

SHENFIELD CRICKET CLUB

CLUB RULES

(As adopted at Annual General Meeting on
Tuesday 14th December 2010)

Preliminary

1. The name of the club is SHENFIELD CRICKET CLUB
2. The objects of the club, which is a members club, are
 - i) To provide facilities for the playing of cricket and such other ancillary activities for the benefit of members as the committee may decide;
 - ii) To manage, maintain and improve the Club ground and buildings at Courage's Playing Field, Chelmsford Road, Shenfield
 - iii) To do all such other acts and things as may be incidental and conducive to the attainment of the above objects, including the provision of refreshments, the organisation of sporting functions and activities and the borrowing and raising of funds on loan or overdraft
3. The Clubs colours are blue and gold

Membership

4. All persons who are members of the club at the date of the adoption of these Rules shall continue as such without further election, subject to the payment of the appropriate annual subscription
5. Membership is open to all members of the public wishing to be part of the club in the categories of Full Members, Junior Members or non-playing members.
6. A list of the names and addresses of all members indicating their categories of membership shall be at all times kept in the bar
7. There shall be the following categories of membership, viz. Full members, Junior members, Non-playing members, and Vice Presidents.
8. Spouses of full members, non-playing members, Vice-Presidents, the President, the Chairman, and parents of Junior members shall have equal rights of access to the facilities of the Club as full members. They shall not have any voting rights unless they become full members, for their duration of the visit to the club on match days.
9. Members, officials and spectators of all visiting clubs shall have equal rights of access to the facilities of the Club as full members, for the duration of their visit to the Club on match days.

10. A junior member is a member who is less than 18 years of age on the 31st May of the current year
11. Non-playing members must be persons who, although not wishing to play cricket, are interested in, and sympathetic with, the objectives of the club.
12. Vice-Presidents may be appointed from those who have rendered noteworthy services to the Club which in the opinion of the General Committee is deserving of such recognition.
13. A member shall cease to be a member if he shall submit his resignation to the Hon. Secretary in writing or if he shall fail to pay any subscription or match fee due to him for 28 days after it falls due.
14. A member can be expelled for any gross breach of the rules for conduct, which in the opinion of the General Committee, is or may be liable to bring the club into disrepute; providing that before expelling any member the General Committee shall notify him of the complaint made against him and give him reasonable opportunity to attend before them and state his case.
15. To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB “Safe Hands” – Cricket Policy for Safeguarding Children, and any future versions of the policy.
16. To ensure a duty of care to all members of the club by adopting and implementing the ECB Cricket Equity Policy and any future versions of the policy.

Committee and Officers

17. The affairs of the Club, in all matters not in these rules reserved for the Club in General Meeting, shall be managed by the General Committee of the Club, which shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Club and shall consist of the Officers of the Club and 5 members, with power to co-opt and appoint sub-committees.
18. The Officers shall be the President, Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, Facilities Manager, Colts Chairman, Bar Manger, Club Welfare Officer, Captains and Vice Captains.
19. If the Club shall at any time be entitled to any property which requires to be vested in trustees, the appointment of suitable persons to act as trustees shall be by the General Committee who shall also be entitled to remove any trustee and appoint some other person in his place to fill any vacancy. For that purpose, the Chairman may execute any such Deed on behalf of the Committee and a statement of fact appearing in any such Deed shall in favour of any person dealing bona fide and for value be conclusive. The Trustees shall be indemnified against risk and expense out of the Club property.
20. The Hon. Secretary shall keep proper minutes of all meetings of the General Committee.
21. At all meetings of the Committee all Officers and members shall have one vote each. In the event of equality of votes the Chairman (or in his absence, the person appointed to take the chair) shall have the second or casting vote. The Quorum at any Committee Meeting shall be 6 members present.

The General Meeting

22. An Annual General Meeting shall be December of each year to transact the following business.
 - i) To receive the reports of the Officers
 - ii) To consider the audited accounts
 - iii) To fix the subscriptions for the ensuing season
 - iv) To appoint the Officers and Committee
 - v) To appoint the Officers and members of the bar committee
 - vi) To appoint the Auditor(s)
 - vii) To transact any other business specified in the notice convening the meeting
23. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time by The General Committee and shall be called upon the requisition of not less than 10 members. Such meetings shall be to transact only the business specified in the notice or requisition.
24. Each member shall be entitled to at least 14 days notice of any General Meeting, and notice of every General Meeting shall be displayed in the Club Premises for the same period; but accidental omission to give notice to any member shall not invalidate a meeting.
25. The Quorum at any General Meeting shall be 15 members present, but no member under 16 years shall be counted in the quorum or have a vote.

Subscription, Finances and Accounts

26. Notice of the subscriptions and match fees for the coming seasons shall be displayed on the notice board.
27. All subscriptions are payable by the 31st May in each year or upon election to membership.
28. The financial year of the club shall commence on 1st October annually
29. The Hon, Treasurer shall keep proper books of account as will enable him to present at any Annual General Meeting, or at any other time as requires (on reasonable notice to him) by the General Committee, an accurate report and statement concerning the finances of the Club, making a separate statement with regard to the purchase and supply of tobacco and intoxicating liquor for the proceeding year or current year as the case may be, and shall present such report and statement accordingly.
30. The Clubs Bankers are HSBC Limited, Shenfield Branch. The signatories shall be as such as may from time to time be decided by the General Committee.

Intoxicating Liquor

31. The Supply of intoxicating liquor in the Club premises shall be permitted during the General Licensing hours as follows; -

11.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. MON – SAT

12.00 noon to 10.30 p.m. SUNDAYS AND GOOD FRIDAY

12.00 noon to 3.00 p.m. and 7.00 p.m. to 10.30 p.m. CHRISTMAS DAY

Unless an extension from the council has been applied for and granted from the local authority.

32. No intoxicating liquor shall be supplied to members or to any other person on the Club premises otherwise than by or on behalf of the Club. Intoxicating liquor shall not be supplied to any other person under the age of 18 years.
33. The club may sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises to bona fide visitors attending the Club premises for the purpose of participation in games or social activities organised by the club.
34. The internal organisation and operation of the bar will be managed by the Bar Manager appointed for the purpose at the Annual General Meeting.
35. No person shall be paid at the expense of the Club any commission percentage or similar payment on or with reference to purchase of intoxicating liquor by the Club; nor shall person directly or indirectly derive any pecuniary benefit for the supply of intoxicating liquor by or an behalf of the Club to members or guests, apart from any benefit accruing to the Club as a whole.

Visitors

36. Members may with the consent of the Committee introduce and entertain guests at the Club up to a maximum of 2 guests per member at any one time. Members may, with prior consent of the Committee, be allowed to use the Club for non-profit making private functions e.g. birthday parties etc., where an agreed extra number of guests will be permitted.
37. At the discretion of the General Committee, the Clubhouse may be hired by members and non-members alike, for private functions no more than 12 times in total in any one year. Members will be allowed full access to the Clubs facilities during such functions.

Alteration of Rules

38. These Rules may be revoked, added to or altered by a majority comprising two thirds or more of the members present and entitled to vote at any Committee Meeting of the Club. Any rule change would subsequently be ratified at the next General Meeting of the Club.

Dissolution

39. If the number of ordinary members of the Club shall at any time fall below 10, or if at any time the Club shall pass in General Meeting, by a majority comprising two thirds or more of the members present and entitled to vote, a resolution of intention to dissolve, the General Committee shall take immediate steps to convert into money all the property of the club with power however to postpone or delay the conversion of any particular property if the Club in General Meeting shall so authorise. The General Committee shall discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club, and any balance remaining in hands will be disposed of by them as the Club in General Committee shall resolve, and thereupon the Club shall for all purposes be dissolved.