

SADSAA CONSTITUTION

1. PREAMBLE

This association adheres to the following principals:-

- 1.1 That recreational deep sea sport angling from a vessel at sea should be practiced, administered and promoted on a non-racial, non-political and democratic basis;
- 1.2 That all persons, irrespective of race, colour, creed or gender, should have the right in whatever capacity to participate, in the sport of deep sea angling;
- 1.3 That the Association will endeavour to adhere to the requirements of the Sport and Recreation Act and other legislation applicable to the Association.

Therefore

- 1.4 This Association shall in all its activities and functions, observe the principles set out above, and shall encourage all its members and Associated Deep Sea Anglers, to adhere to the said principles;
- 1.5 The Association shall, in all its activities forbid any form of discrimination based on race, religion, colour creed or gender.
- 1.6 This Association shall, at national, provincial, club and at all other levels, encourage policies and programs aimed at creating a non-racial, non-political and democratic dispensation, such policies and programs aimed at achieving, expeditiously, the non-racial, non-political and democratic structuring of this Association and all its constituent elements.
- 1.7 This Association also endorses and supports SASACC, SACOC and SRSA policies and priorities to get more deep sea anglers involved in the sport of deep sea angling both in the competitive and recreational spheres of the sport.

2. DEFINITIONS

In this Constitution, unless the context indicates otherwise:

“Executive Committee” means the body that manages the day to day affairs of this Association;

“Annual Report” means the Annual Reports of Office Bearers as approved on the Annual General Meeting of the Association;

“Associated Deep Sea Angler” an individual deep sea angler in good standing and affiliated to this Association, its Associated Provincial Member Bodies, and the constituent clubs of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies;

“Associated Provincial Member Bodies” which includes the 14(fourteen) regions operating within the nine (9) Geopolitical provinces;

“**Association**” means SADSAA or the South African Deep Sea Angling Association;

“**CIPS**” means Confederation Internationale de la Peche Sportive;

“**Constitution**” means the Constitution of SADSAA, including its rules and regulations;

“**Day**” means a working day, excluding a Saturday, Sunday and a public holiday;

“**Delegate**” means a delegate appointed by an Associated Provincial Member Body (ies) to represent it at any meeting;

“**Discipline**” means the use of punishment to correct failure to adhere to the Association’s constitution, rules and resolutions, or to correct a member’s unworthy conduct or unacceptable demeanour;

“**General Meeting**” means any general meeting of the Association and includes an Annual General Meeting, or quarter yearly Meeting or a Special General Meeting;

“**Income Tax Act**” means the Income Tax Act 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962);

“**International Controlling Bodies**” means the relevant body coordinating Sport Angling on an International level;

“**Majority**” means fifty percent (50%) plus one (1) of the Members of the Association as defined in section 22.1.12 below;

“**Member**” means an Associated Provincial Member Body, and/or Associated Deep Sea Angler, and/or a Recreational Member, in good standing with the Association:

“**Promotion of Access to Information Act**” means Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000 (Act No. 2 of 2000);

“**Recreational Member**” means such a member who has joined this Association, primarily view to have his boat registered with this Association, and being surveyed annually by an authorised and accredited surveyor;

“**Republic**” mean the Republic of South Africa;

“**Rules and Regulations**” means rules and regulations of the Association approved and implemented by the National Council and in force from time to time, which shall be applicable to, and binding upon all Associated Provincial Member Bodies, Associated Deep Sea Anglers and Recreational Members, and be recorded by way of resolutions of the National Council, and, if the National Council in its discretion deems it appropriate or expedient, by way of a published set of such rules;

“**SADSAA**” means South African Deep Sea Angling Association;

“**SASACC**” means the South African Sports Anglers and Casting Confederation;

“**SASCOC**” means South African Sports Association and Olympic Committee;

“**Sport and Recreation Act**” means Sport and Recreation Act (Act No. 110 of 1998 as amended in Act .no 18 of 2007);

“**Sport Angling**” means all facets of recreational deep sea sport angling, of which the rules and regulations are approved by the relevant National and/or International bodies;

“**SRSA**” means Sport and Recreation South Africa;

3. INTERPRETATION

In this Constitution:

- 3.1 The interpretation of this Constitution and all Rules and Regulations made hereunder shall rest entirely with the National Council, whose interpretation shall be final and binding on all Associated Provincial Member Bodies, their members, and Associated Deep Sea Anglers;
- 3.2 A reference to a function includes a reference to a power, authority and duty;
- 3.3 A reference to the exercise of a function includes, where the function is a power, authority or duty, a reference to the exercise of the power or authority of the performance of the duty;
- 3.4 Words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa;
- 3.5 Words importing any gender include the other gender;
- 3.6 References to persons include corporations and Political bodies;
- 3.7 References to person include the natural and legal person;
- 3.8 A reference to a statute, ordinance, code or other law includes regulations and other statutory instruments under it and consolidations, amendments, re-enactments or replacements of any of them (whether of the same or any legislative authority having jurisdiction) be it recorded by way of resolutions of the National Council, and, if the National Council in its discretion deems it appropriate or expedient, by way of a published set of such by-laws;
- 3.9 A reference to "writing" shall unless the contrary intention appears, be construed as including references to printing, lithography, photography and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form, including messages sent by electronic mail.

4. SEVERANCE

If any provision of this constitution or any phrase contained in it is invalid or unenforceable, the phrase or provision is to be read down if possible, so as to be valid and enforceable, and otherwise shall be severed to the extent of the invalidity or unenforceability, without affecting the remaining provisions of this constitution.

5. NAME

The name of the association is and shall be the South African Deep Sea Angling Association or its abbreviation SADSAA, hereinafter referred to as “the Association”.

6. OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 6.1 To be recognised and to function as the national autonomous controlling and co-ordinating body governing the act of sport fish angling from craft at sea in the Republic of South Africa;
- 6.2 To be and to function as the sole representative of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies and Associate Deep Sea Anglers at SASACC, or at any other authority under the authority of SRSA ;
- 6.3 To be and to function as the co-ordinating sporting body for all Associated Provincial Member Bodies and Associated Deep Sea Anglers interested in the promotion, protection and sustainable utilisation of sport angling resources in South Africa, according to the laws of the Republic;
- 6.4 To promote and foster a healthy relationship between Associate Member Provincial Member Bodies and to affiliate with any other body having similar objectives in Southern Africa or elsewhere including *inter alia* national or international bodies;
- 6.5 To adopt and enact such measures which, in the sole opinion of the Association will foster, promote, regulate and encourage deep sea angling amongst all persons, irrespective of race, colour, creed or gender, and to eliminate any discrimination and inequality amongst participants and administrators alike.
- 6.6 To promote, control and foster the act of sport fish angling in conformity with national and international practices including the practice of release of fish and the international rules and regulations laid down from time to time by IGFA and/or such other internationally accepted rules and regulations as may be determined by the Association;
- 6.7 To keep accurate records of sport fish caught in accordance with IGFA rules within the borders of the Republic of South Africa and to accumulate reliable piscatorial information which shall be available to members and/or any other interested bodies approved by the National Council;
- 6.8 To develop guidelines and angling rules for the holding of tournaments and the keeping of tournament records;
- 6.9 To organise national and international sport fish angling competitions at such venues as may be determined by the Association from time to time;
- 6.10 To approve and encourage inter-provincial, national and international competitions and to submit to the relevant officers of the Association, a record of catches of individual members in approved competitions;
- 6.11 To select qualified anglers to represent the Republic of South Africa or the Association in international, national and other sport fish angling competitions;
- 6.12 To design, adopt, register and award colours, badges or uniforms of the Association as may be required from time to time;
- 6.13 To support and promote sport fish angling as a recreational pastime at all levels and to ensure that the aspirations of all anglers are recognised;
- 6.14 To promote competence in the handling of craft including the promulgation of rules governing the operation of craft and all safety requirements and regulations, and to enforce compliance therewith by all members;
- 6.15 To liaise and co-operate with all levels of government, private enterprise and other concerned and/or interested bodies for the protection and/or conservation of marine fish, their habitats and food fish and/or sport fishing grounds;

- 6.16 To maintain the Association as a non-political and non-racial body abiding by the laws of the land and to preserve its status and that of its members;
- 6.17 To organise and participate in seminars, meetings, conferences and symposia approved by the Association;
- 6.18 To undertake and/or support, where relevant or necessary, scientific and economic research and studies to determine the economic and scientific impact of the act of sport fish angling on the economy, environment and reserves of fish;
- 6.19 To encourage and enforce compliance by the members with all requirements relating to the rendering of catch returns which may be stipulated from time to time;
- 6.20 To maintain a comprehensive register of all members of the Association, as well as all Associated Clubs and their members;
- 6.21 To maintain a comprehensive register of members participating in the development programmes of Associated Provincial Member Bodies of the Association;
- 6.22 To raise funds in order to achieve the objectives of the Association;
- 6.23 To establish a tournament fund for the funding of competitions and/or competitors;
- 6.24 To support the implementation of development programs for sport angling in the Republic of South Africa;
- 6.25 To refrain from carrying on any business that has for its main objectives any acquisition or gain by members of the Association;
- 6.26 To encourage its Members to adhere to all programs of development and transformation as laid down by SASCOC or SRSA;
- 6.27 To prohibit any Executive which, in the sole opinion of the Association, incites or may incite racial, ethnic, religious, linguistic or political hatred, or provokes or may provoke violence, or insults, degrades or defames or may insult, degrade or defame, or encourages or may encourage abuse of any racial, ethnic, religious, linguistic, gender or political group;
- 6.28 To be a member of, or affiliated to any other organisation whose aims and objects are compatible to those of the Association, and to appoint representatives thereto;
- 6.29 To obtain such funds, to accrue such assets and to incur such liabilities as may be deemed expedient by the Association, pursuant to the Constitution and for these purposes to enter into such contracts, deeds and agreements as may be deemed necessary.
- 6.30 To support SASACC in redressing the inequalities in deep sea angling sport;
- 6.31 To ensure members discipline as it deems fit;
- 6.32 To employ personnel and advisors, full time or part time, as the association deems fit;
- 6.33 To open a banking and investment accounts in the name of the Association and to deposit therein all moneys not immediately invested and to withdraw therefrom any moneys required for the purposes herein mentioned;

7. LIMITATIONS

The income and property of the association, howsoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objectives of the association as set forth in the constitution. No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of a bonus or profit or otherwise, to any individual person except as remuneration for services rendered or expenses incurred by a member federation or office bearer of the association.

8. HEAD OFFICE AND POSTAL ADDRESS

The address at which the head office is situated shall be decided upon at the Annual General Meeting of the Association. In the absence of such a decision the postal and physical address of the head office shall be that of the Secretary.

9. AFFILIATIONS TO INTERNATIONAL CONTROLLING

This Association shall be obliged to affiliate to their respective International Controlling bodies.

10. AFFILIATIONS TO GOVERNING SPORT BODIES

This Association shall affiliate to SASACC and any other sport governing and controlling bodies prescribed by the National Sport and Recreation Act, including all provincial sport councils, and other sport bodies as required by law.

11. POWERS & DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 11.1 This Association is a legal persona, it exists autonomously and independently from its members and office bearers, is entitled to own property, and to conclude legal transactions and enter into legal transactions. The Association will continue to exist independently of changes in its membership or office bearers;
- 11.2 This Association has jurisdiction within the borders of the territory of South Africa and over its members, officials and participants through SADSAA membership, wherever they might be at the time while engaging in SADSAA member activities or national team activities. The Association has the power to act and be acted against in its own name and sue or be sued in its own name;
- 11.3 To buy, sell, hire, let, legally obtain, own, donate, mortgage or in any other legal manner deal with movable and immovable property of rights and title herein or thereon, in the name of the Association and for the realisation of its objectives;
- 11.4 To invest monies and funds of the Association in South Africa at the discretion of the Executive Committee and to draw, to accept and to issue cheques, issue debentures and borrow monies against such security as may be determined and or require in the execution of its objectives;
- 11.5 To make rules and regulations in relation to the Association and the conditions under which the sport of sport fish angling from a craft at sea is conducted, to annul or vary any, rules or regulations so made, and to bind its members to all rules and regulations so made and for the time being in force;
- 11.6 The National Council shall, in addition to any other powers and/or authority granted to it under this constitution, have the power and authority to perform the following duties and responsibilities:

- 11.6.1 to safeguard, uphold and protect the beliefs and Constitution of the Association and to carry out the objectives of the Association and to ensure compliance with any rules or regulations;
- 11.6.2 to manage and control the affairs of the Association and to deal with all matters as it deems fit and expedient;
- 11.6.3 to delegate in writing to the Executive Committee below mentioned, any of its powers, be it disciplinary or otherwise, and obligations as it deems necessary and/or expedient from time to time;
- 11.6.4 to convene meetings;
- 11.6.5 to accept or reject all budgets submitted to it for approval as tabled, and to approve or direct income and expenditure as it deems fit and to fix honorariums of officials;
- 11.6.6 to consider with the affiliations to membership of the Association in general, but also to decide whether to associate with an Associated Deep Sea Angler/Recreational Member or not;
- 11.6.7 to engage for any purpose whatsoever the services of such persons, companies, and concerns upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed expedient;
- 11.6.8 to accept amend and ratify the tournament calendar submitted by the respective tournament officers, which after ratification shall be binding for the ensuing year upon both the Association and all member bodies;
- 11.6.9 to accept, amend, ratify and approve recommendations from the Environmental Officer pertaining to his portfolio;
- 11.6.10 to ratify and confirm Executives and decisions as well as recommendations taken by the Executive Committee or any other Committee of the Association;
- 11.6.11 to use its best endeavours to resolve in whatever fashion it considers expedient, any disagreement or dispute between the National Council, and the Office Bearers, or an Associated Deep Sea Angler, relating to any matter as a measure of first resort, before following the provisions of section 31 hereunder;
- 11.6.12 to receive and consider and deal within any manner deemed expedient, including a proposed change in the Rules;
- 11.6.13 to formulate and approve Rules and Regulations, and any amendments thereto;
- 11.6.14 to determine all membership and capitation fees, and such other levies and subscriptions as it may consider appropriate to be paid by Associated Provincial Member Bodies, Associated Clubs and Associated Deep Sea Anglers;
- 11.6.15 to amend the Constitution of the Association;
- 11.6.16 to maintain and enforce discipline on its members in a manner that it deems fit;
- 11.6.17 to appoint attorneys, or practitioners, and counsel nominated by it, to institute or defend legal and /or arbitration proceedings;
- 11.6.18 to appoint a deputy for any office bearer, as and when it deems fit;
- 11.6.19 to ensure compliance of all the Associated Provincial Member Bodies constitutions to this constitution.

12. OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

The official language of the Association in the case of any dispute will be English.

13. FINANCIAL YEAR

The financial year of the association shall be from 1 January of one year to the 31 December of that same year.

14. MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION

14.1 Membership of the Association shall comprise:

14.1.1 Each of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies who, subject to paragraph 14.2 shall have the right to vote at all meetings of the National Council;

14.1.2 Associate Deep Sea Anglers, being every member of an Associated Club who:

14.1.2.1 has not been disassociated by this Association; and

14.1.2.2 is in good standing with the Associated Club, Associated Provincial Member Body and of which he is a member, and;

14.1.2.3 has paid to this Association's the annual affiliation fee for the current year, as determined by the National Council from time to time;

14.1.2.4 shall be deemed to be allocated to that Associated Provincial Member Body of which his Associated Club is a member;

14.1.2.5 shall be entitled to all of the privileges and benefits associated with membership of the Association, but not be entitled to vote meetings of the National Council;

14.1.3 A Recreational Member, but shall not be entitled to vote at meetings of the National Council.

14.2 The membership of any Associated Deep Sea Angler or Recreational Member:

14.2.1 is automatically suspended for:

14.2.1.1 such period as the Associated Deep Sea Angler concerned is in arrears with the payment of any association fee or any other amount due to the Association; or

14.2.1.2 has been found by the National Council to be in breach of any rule and or regulation or any of the provisions of this Constitution; or

14.2.1.3 until finalization of disciplinary processes against him.

14.2.2 shall be deemed to have been cancelled if:

14.2.2.1 the Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member concerned ceases to be a member of an Associated Provincial Body for any reason;

14.2.2.2 such membership has been temporarily suspended by the Executive Committee consequent in anticipation of disciplinary procedures referred to in section 16.3 herein below;

- 14.3 Any Associated Deep Sea Angler and/or Recreational Member of the Association shall be entitled to resign as a member upon 30 days' written notice to the National Council, subject to the proviso that a member so resigning shall not be entitled to a refund of any, affiliation or other fees or levies paid by the member to the Association up to the date of such resignation.
- 14.4 The Secretary shall keep and maintain a register containing the names of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies and Associated Deep Sea Anglers of the Association, and all other information referred to in sections 15.3.2, 15.3.3 and 15.3.4, who shall keep such information confidential, and only make such information available upon resolution by the National Council.

15. ASSOCIATED PROVINCIAL MEMBER BODIES

- 15.1 The National Council shall, from time to time, determine the geographic boundaries of prospective Associated Provincial Member Bodies, and the minimum number of Associated Clubs which are required to be members of a prospective Associated Provincial Member Body in order to qualify for recognition as an Associated Provincial Member Body. It is recorded, that ideally, the geographic borders should be similar to than the 9 geographic borders as set out in the National Legislation, but it need not be;
- 15.2 No Associated Provincial Member Body shall be recognised by the Association as such unless:
- 15.2.1 it is a properly constituted deep sea angling body which complies with the requirements and stipulations of the Association as to the geographic boundaries of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies recognised by the Association from time to time;
- 15.2.2 it has lodged with the National Council a written copy of its constitution, and the same has been approved by the National Council, provided that any constitution so submitted to it shall be approved if the constitution concerned includes:
- 15.2.2.1 no provision which conflicts with any of the provisions of the constitution of the Association;
- 15.2.2.2 a provision to the effect that in the event of there being any such conflict, or a conflict with any existing or future rule or regulation, the constitution of this Association shall prevail, in which event, the offending part of Associated Provincial Member Body's constitution shall be deemed to be unenforceable;
- 15.2.2.3 a requirement that all Associated Clubs, in order to qualify for membership of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body, shall comply with all of the provisions of the constitution of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body, and of the Association, and all rules and or regulations promulgated by it;
- 15.2.2.4 procedures for the democratic election of SADSAA Office Bearers;
- 15.2.3 its constitution complies with this constitution, and /or does not contain any conflicting provision.

- 15.3 Any prospective Associated Provincial Member Body applying for recognition by the Association shall do so in writing to the Secretary in such form as may be determined by the Association from time to time, and shall submit, together with such application, the following:
- 15.3.1 a copy of its constitution;
 - 15.3.2 the names of all Associated Clubs which are members of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body concerned, together with the names and addresses of the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer of each such Associated Club;
 - 15.3.3 a schedule reflecting the names, addresses and identity number of every member of each Associated Club which is a member of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body;
 - 15.3.4 in respect of all individual craft owned by members of the Associated Clubs concerned, a schedule reflecting the name, type of craft, its description and registration number, the name and of the registered owner, identity number and the name of the club at which the craft is registered;
 - 15.3.5 a declaration signed by the chairman, secretary and treasurer of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body, as well as the chairman of each of the Associated Clubs which are members of the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body, that they, and the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body or Associated Club represented by them, subscribe unequivocally to, and undertake to abide by, the constitution of the Association.
- 15.4 The National Council shall, after receipt of an application by the prospective Associated Provincial Member Body, consider the same and notify the applicant in writing as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, of its decision.
- 15.5 If the application is rejected, an applicant shall have the right to appeal against such rejection to the National Council at its next general meeting, in accordance with such procedures as may be stipulated in the by-laws from time to time. The applicant shall be entitled to attend and address the meeting of the National Council at which the application is to be reconsidered, and to make written submissions in support of its application. At such meeting the previous decision of the National Council shall be deemed to be rescinded and a vote shall be taken afresh in respect of the application.
- 15.6 Each Associated Provincial Member Body shall:
- 15.6.1 appoint, and nominate as its authorised representative at their Annual General Meetings a person ("Delegate") who is a member in good standing of an Associated Club of the Associated Provincial Member Body concerned, provided that no Delegate shall be entitled to represent more than one Associated Provincial Member Body, unless he is acting under proxy from another Associated Provincial Member Body;
 - 15.6.2 furnish to the Secretary, in writing with the name, address, telephone number and email address of its Delegate;
 - 15.6.3 advise the Secretary, in writing, of all changes in the identity of its office bearers and/or Delegates within 30 (thirty) days of such changes occurring.
 - 15.6.4 annually, by not later than 90 (ninety) days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Association, or at such other times as it may be requested by the Secretary, furnish updated schedules of the information referred to in sections 15.3.2, 15.3.3 and 15.3.4;

16 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

This constitution acknowledges five types of termination and/or suspension of membership, by resolution of the National

Council, by written notice from a member, as a result of disciplinary action taken by the Association against a member, as a result of non-payment of capitation/affiliation fees, or by disassociation.

By Resolution

16.1 The National Council may, by resolution at Special General Meeting, suspend or terminate the membership of an Associated Provincial Member Body in the manner and upon grounds set out in sections 23.1 - 23.3 below.

By Notice

16.2 In the event of an Associated Provincial Member Body wishing to terminate membership at its own will, it shall inform SADSAA of its termination with at least 90 days written notice, and on condition that 75% of its constituent clubs voted in favour of such a termination of affiliation to SADSAA, to enable it to consider the affiliation or continued affiliation of the Associated Deep Sea Anglers that wish to remain as members with the Association. In the event of an Associated Deep Sea Angler wishing to terminate membership at his own will, it shall inform SADSAA of its termination with at least 30 days written notice.

By Disciplinary Action

16.3 As a result of disciplinary action, in accordance with sections 23.4- 23.10 below.

By non-payment of capitation fees

16.4 As a result of an Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member not paying his annual capitation/affiliation fees timeously.

By right of disassociation

16.5 If the National Council at a duly constituted general meeting, and by a two thirds majority, resolves to disassociate with an associated Deep Sea Angler/Recreational Member

General

Any member, whose membership is suspended temporarily or terminated, shall remain responsible for all its financial obligations towards the Association prior to the date of termination of membership.

17. SUBORDINATE STATUS OF MEMBERS

17.1 Members shall be subordinate to this Association and must comply with this Constitution, the rules and regulations, and any directives issued by SADSAA or its Office Bearers from time to time provided that any directive shall not be in conflict with any requirement of the relevant international body to which the Member is affiliated.

17.2 Associated Provincial Member Bodies' constitutions and any rules or regulations formulated there under shall not be in conflict with this Constitution and their International Body's Constitution.

- 17.3 In the event of an Associated Provincial Member Body failing to adhere to sections 17.1. & 17.2 above be entitled to invoke the process set out in section 16.1 above.

18. HONORARY LIFE PRESIDENT AND HONORARY LIFE VICE PRESIDENT

- 18.1 The Association may, as a token of appreciation for long, outstanding or meritorious services rendered in the advancement of the objects of the Association, by unanimous resolution of the National Council passed at an Annual General Meeting, elect as an Honorary Life President or Honorary Life Vice President any number of persons.
- 18.2 An Honorary Life President or Honorary Life Vice President shall be regarded as a member in his own right and be entitled to all the benefits of ordinary membership without paying any fees, subscriptions or levies, and shall be entitled to attend and address meetings of the Association, but shall have no voting powers.

19 OFFICE BEARERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

19.1 Office Bearers

- 19.1.1 The Office Bearers of the Association shall be:

- 19.1.1.1 The PRESIDENT;
- 19.1.1.2 The VICE PRESIDENT;
- 19.1.1.3 The SECRETARY;
- 19.1.1.4 The TREASURER;
- 19.1.1.5 The TOURNAMENTS OFFICER,
- 19.1.1.6 The ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER;
- 19.1.1.7 The RECORDS OFFICER;
- 19.1.1.8 The PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER;
- 19.1.1.9 The SAFETY OFFICER;
- 19.1.1.10 The DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- 19.1.2 In order to promote continuity, the President shall hold office for an initial term of 2 (two) years and thereafter be eligible for re-election of a final and successive term of 2 (two) years in office, subject to a maximum of 4 (four) years of uninterrupted presidency;

- 19.1.3 The Vice-President shall hold office for an initial term of 2 (two) years and thereafter be eligible for re-election of a final and successive term of 2 (two) years in office, subject to a maximum of 4 (four) years of uninterrupted vice- presidency;

- 19.1.4 All other Office Bearers referred to in 19.1.1.3 to 19.1.1.11 shall hold office for an initial period of two years and thereafter be eligible indefinitely for re-election for successive two-year terms of office;

- 19.1.5 The position of the Secretary may be a paid position or that of an honorary position. Should the Secretary be that of a paid position the contract shall be renewable on annual basis, and if an honorary position, the Secretary shall hold office for an initial term of two years, and thereafter be eligible for re-election;

- 19.1.6 The Office Bearers shall:

- 19.1.6.1 be members of the Association;
- 19.1.6.2 be elected at Annual General Meetings, or co-opted by the Executive Committee;
- 19.1.6.3 assume office at, and with effect from, the Annual General Meeting;
- 19.1.6.4 *ipso facto* be members of the National Council.

19.2 Responsibilities

19.2.1 The President shall:

- 19.2.1.1 preside as chairman at all National Council and Executive Committee meetings but shall have no vote, save that he shall have a casting vote unless otherwise specified;
- 19.2.1.2 present a written report to the Annual General Meeting;
- 19.2.1.3 not be an office bearer of any Associated Provincial Member Body or Office Bearer of the Association;
- 19.2.1.4 conduct, institute or defend legal proceedings on behalf of the Association and be empowered to take evidence on commission of an urgent nature, subject to ratification of the National Council;
- 19.2.1.5 be empowered to make all announcements, press releases and other communications with the press, media and other governing bodies, organisations and the world at large on behalf of the Association, subject to his right to delegate in writing the parties referred to in this section;
- 19.2.1.6 be the custodian and be responsible for the safekeeping of SADSAA memorabilia;
- 19.2.1.7 administer the applications of the national colours from the appropriate sport's governing body.

19.2.2 The Vice President shall:

- 19.2.2.1 in the absence of the President preside as the chairman of all National Council meetings, and Executive Committee meetings;
- 19.2.2.2 when attending such meetings in the capacity as chairman, have no vote, save that he shall have a casting vote unless otherwise specified.

19.2.3 The Secretary shall:

- 19.2.3.1 keep minutes of the proceedings of all National Council meetings and if necessary, Executive Committee meetings, and send copies thereof to all Associated Provincial Member Bodies within thirty (30) days of such meetings;
- 19.2.3.2 keep and maintain all Secretarial and administrative records as may be necessary and as determined by the National Council from time to time;
- 19.2.3.3 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak to on all matters and motions tabled;

19.2.4 The Treasurer shall:

- 19.2.4.1 be responsible for the collection of and due and proper administration of all monies and funds of the Association;
- 19.2.4.2 give effect to, and be guardian of, all approved budgets;
- 19.2.4.3 be responsible for the maintenance and updating of books of accounts and other documents of the Association, including those relating to all investments of the Association of whatever nature;
- 19.2.4.4 prepare financial statements which shall be audited in accordance with sound accounting practice, copies whereof shall be circulated by the Secretary to all Associated Provincial Member Bodies no less than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting for ratification at such meeting;
- 19.2.4.5 submit interim financial reports at all National Council Meetings or as called upon for by the Executive Committee;
- 19.2.4.6 deposit all monies belonging to and received by the Association to the credit of such banking account in the name of the Association as may be nominated by the National Council from time to time;
- 19.2.4.7 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled;
- 19.2.4.8 be responsible for ensuring that all payments made by the Association are made by cheque drawn on the Association's banking account, signed by the Treasurer and either one of the President or Vice President, or members of the finance committee;
- 19.2.4.9 ensure that all the assets (including trophies) of the Association are properly insured in accordance with the directives of the National Council;
- 19.2.4.10 keep proper books of accounts reflecting all transactions of the Association;
- 19.2.4.11 hold all property funds and other assets in the name of the Association and keep an asset register;
- 19.2.4.12 serve notice by registered post on any Regional Associate that is thirty (30) calendar days in arrears with its subscriptions and levies;
- 19.2.4.13 check and finalise all budgets submitted and draw to the attention of the respective Committees and Officer Bearers should those budgets be exceeded;
- 19.2.4.14 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak to on all matters and motions tabled;

19.2.5 The Tournament Officer shall:

- 19.2.5.1 be responsible for all international tournaments, all inter-provincial, national, juniors and special tournaments and like activities;
- 19.2.5.2 secure and negotiate for participation of SADSAA and national teams against international teams;
- 19.2.5.3 call for participant nominations after invitations have been secured;

- 19.2.5.4 take full responsibility for all tournaments to be hosted by the Association and ensure all tournaments comply with SADSAA rules and by-laws;
- 19.2.5.5 invite teams from foreign countries to participate against South African teams in tournaments;
- 19.2.5.6 arrange tournaments, and work with and through the member body or committees hosting the tournament;
- 19.2.5.7 advise the captain of national teams the rules and regulations and contact details of the tournament hosts and his/her responsibility relating thereto;
- 19.2.5.8 advise the hosts of the participation of the duly elected team, their status and names;
- 19.2.5.9 if deemed necessary from time to time, form a tournaments committee;
- 19.2.5.10 endeavour to obtain the appropriate media coverage of international and local events;
- 19.2.5.11 liaise with the Environmental Officer as to the recreational limitations;
- 19.2.5.12 compile scoring systems and competition rules and regulations and specify game fish surface and bottom fish eligible for every competition and scoring system and the line classes that shall apply and present to National Council for ratification;
- 19.2.5.13 be responsible for all international and special tournaments which will be under the jurisdiction of the Tournament Officer and/or committees constituted for such purpose;
- 19.2.5.14 submits all budgets to National Council for ratification;
- 19.2.5.15 if deemed necessary from time to time, form a tournament's committee.
- 19.2.5.16 compiles annually, a tournament calendar for approval by the National Council at the Spring meeting of the Association;
- 19.2.5.17 approve, prior to circulation, all local rules and regulations pertaining to inter-provincial and national tournaments;
- 19.2.5.18 have overriding jurisdiction at all inter-provincial and national tournaments hosted by the Association to interpret and maintain and monitor tournament rules and to settle any dispute which may arise, of whatsoever nature;
- 19.2.5.19 arrange all necessary authorities, applications, licenses and all necessary exemptions to any bag limit regulations covering all recognised tournaments;
- 19.2.5.20 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak to on all matters and motions tabled;

19.2.7 The Environmental Officer shall:

- 19.2.7.1 act on behalf of the Association on all environmental affairs including negotiations with all government departments;
- 19.2.7.2 represent the Association at all committee meetings regarding environmental affairs and resource management;
- 19.2.7.3 convene and hold meetings with the resource and environmental officers of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies when necessary;

- 19.2.7.4 act on behalf of the Association on any environmental matters deemed necessary from time to time;
- 19.2.7.5 represent the Association on any bodies set up to manage resources and the environment;
- 19.2.7.6 draft recommendations for the betterment of the resources;
- 19.2.7.7 liaise with, and make recommendations to, bodies pertaining to the management of the resources;
- 19.2.7.8 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

19.2.8 The Records Officer shall:

- 19.2.8.1 be responsible for the control, awarding and issuing of meritorious certificates;
- 19.2.8.2 maintain a library of ratified record catches;
- 19.2.8.3 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

19.2.9 The Public Relations Officer shall:

- 19.2.9.1 work under the direction of the National Council of the Association;
- 19.2.9.2 be responsible for media releases under the direct instructions of the President or the Executive Committee;
- 19.2.9.3 liaise with all appropriate bodies and promote the interests of the Association;
- 19.2.9.4 liaise with, and ensure that the requirements, of the Association's sponsors are adhered to;
- 19.2.9.5 maintain and update with the assistance of all member bodies, the National Council's business plan;
- 19.2.9.6 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

19.2.10 The Safety Officer shall:

- 19.2.10.1 act on behalf of the Association on all safety matters;
- 19.2.10.2 administer and control all Safety Officers courses, examinations and appointments in accordance with the regulations required by the South African Maritime Safety Authority;
- 19.2.10.3 administer standards for Skipper's examinations;
- 19.2.10.4 issue and record Skipper's tickets;
- 19.2.10.5 administer the standards of craft safety;
- 19.2.10.6 notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere contained herein, shall pass and accept all craft whose safety requirements comply with all applicable legislation;

- 19.2.10.7 meet with the safety officers of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies at least once a year;
- 19.2.10.8 set and revise when necessary the standard charges relating to the duties of the safety portfolio;
- 19.2.10.9 consider nominated Safety Officers, surveyors, lecturers and examiners from the Associated Provincial Member Bodies, and recommending such candidates to the National Council from time to time, as laid down by the authorities and applicable legislation;
- 19.2.10.10 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

19.2.11 The Development Officer shall:

- 19.2.11.1 submit development reports at each National Council meeting;
- 19.2.11.2 submit a summary of all development programs hosted during the year to the National Council;
- 19.2.11.3 collect and collate all details of the development programs organised and run by the member bodies and submit the same to the appropriate authorities;
- 19.2.11.4 submit timeously to the Public relations officer the National Council's development plans to be incorporated in the National Council's business plans;
- 19.2.11.5 have no vote at any meetings, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

20. NATIONAL COUNCIL

20.1 Composition and functions

- 20.1.1 The general management of the affairs of the Association shall be controlled and administered by a National Council, which shall comprise:
 - 20.1.1.1 the Office Bearers referred to in Section 19.1;
 - 20.1.1.2 the Delegates;
- 20.1.2 When a vacancy occurs amongst the Office Bearers, a successor shall be appointed by resolution of a general meeting of the Association, to fill the vacancy.
- 20.1.3 Should a member of the National Council be absent from 3 (three) consecutive National Council meetings without leave of absence, his election to that position shall be deemed to be null and void.
- 20.1.4 The National Council by unanimous decision shall have the power and authority to delegate any of its functions, powers or authority to the Executive Committee. Ideally in exercising its aforementioned powers of delegation, such a delegation should be obtained at a National Council's meeting, however such a delegation may even be obtained telephonically or via e-mail from the Delegates in deserving circumstances;

21. **RESIGNATION, SUSPENSION AND DISQUALIFICATION OF COUNCILLORS**

A member of the National Council shall cease to hold office as such: -

21.1 upon receipt by the National Council of his resignation in writing;

21.2 upon the sequestration or surrender of his estate as insolvent;

21.3 upon his absenting himself without leave from three consecutive meetings of the National Council;

21.4 if the Councillor in question is an Associated Deep Sea Angler:

21.4.1 upon his membership as such terminating for any reason, or;

21.4.2 for such period as his membership as such is suspended for any reason

22. **MEETINGS OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL**

22.1 **General Provisions**

The following general provisions shall apply to all meetings of the National Council unless expressly stipulated to the contrary in sections 22.2, 22.3, 22.4 and 22.5:

22.1.1 Meetings shall be held on such dates as the National Council may decide;

22.1.2 Not less than 60 (sixty) days before any meeting is held, the Secretary shall forward to each Office Bearer, Associated Provincial Member Body, and Committee member, a notice giving the date and time of the meeting and the intended business to be transacted thereat;

22.1.3 The secretary shall, not less than 30 (thirty) days before any meeting, e-mail a copy of the agenda to Office Bearer, Associated Provincial Member Body, and Committee member;

22.1.4 Any Office Bearer, Associated Provincial Member Body, or Committee forwarding to the Secretary a notice in writing of its intention to bring any subject or motion stated in such communication before any meeting for discussion or decision, shall be entitled to have such notice circulated to all Office Bearers, Associated Provincial Member Bodies, and Committee members, and to bring the subject or motion before the meeting, subject to the proviso that such notice reaches the Secretary not less than 14 (fourteen) calendar days before the meeting;

22.1.5 At all meetings of the National Council one half of the Delegates present in person or by proxy and eligible to vote shall form a quorum. In the event of a quorum not being present at any such meeting, the same shall stand adjourned, for one hour on the same day at the same venue. If, at such an adjourned meeting, a quorum is still not present, those Delegates present and eligible to vote shall be deemed to constitute a quorum;

22.1.6 No business other than that specified in the notice convening the meeting, or a notice in terms of Section 22.1.4, shall be discussed at any general meeting of the Association;

22.1.7 At all meetings of the National Council, the President shall preside as chairperson. In his absence the Vice President shall preside, and in the absence of both of them, a chairperson elected by the meeting shall preside, and shall confine the proceedings to the objects of the meeting;

22.1.8 The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to any of the members, or the non-receipt of such notice, shall not invalidate any resolution passed at any such meeting;

22.1.9 Only Office Bearers, Committee Members by invitation, Delegates, all in good standing shall have

the right to attend meetings of the National Council, and to address in the meeting. Only Office Bearers and Delegates may propose and or second motions. An Associated Deep Sea Angler/Recreational Angler shall only be entitled to attend National Council's meetings, if the chairman of the Associated Provincial Member Body to which he is affiliated to, invites him, and he receive prior approval from the President. In this regard the chairman of the Associated Provincial Member Body to which the invitee is affiliated to, forward such a request in writing to the President at least 14 days prior to the National Council's meeting, and set out the basis for such a request. The President shall then in his sole discretion, determine approval and having regard to the proposed basis of the invitation, with or without limitations, and whether or not such invitee having more than observer's status or being allowed a limited address the National Council on a specific topic. In the event of the President approving the attendance of such an invitee, the Associated Provincial Member Body who has invited the invitee shall be liable for all costs of such an attendance;

- 22.1.10 Subject to section 22.1.11, only Delegates shall have the right to vote at any meeting of the Association;
- 22.1.11 No Delegate whose Associated Provincial Member Body which he represents:
 - 22.1.11.1 failed to pay timeously to the Association all moneys due by it to the Association (notwithstanding that such moneys were paid after the due date there for, and prior to the meeting in question), or;
 - 22.1.11.2 failed to deliver timorously to the Association any reports, returns, nominations or other documentation required of it in terms hereof, or in terms of any by-law (notwithstanding that such documents were delivered after the due date there for, and prior to the meeting in question),shall have the right to vote at any general meeting of the Association;
- 22.1.12 Each Delegate whose Associated Provincial Member Body is in good standing with the Association, present in person or by proxy at a general meeting of the Association shall have the right to vote, and shall have one vote only;
- 22.1.13 Any Delegate eligible to vote shall, at any meeting, by written notice delivered to the Secretary at or prior to the meeting concerned, be entitled to appoint a proxy provided that such proxy shall be another Delegate;
- 22.1.14 Resolutions, to be passed, shall require a simple majority of the votes cast by the Delegates present and voting;
- 22.1.15 The chairperson at any meeting shall not have the right to vote, save in the event of a deadlock or tie in voting in which event the chairperson shall have one casting vote;
- 22.1.16 All voting shall take place by show of hands, subject to the proviso that at the request of any one Delegate entitled and eligible to vote at the meeting in question, voting shall take place by secret ballot;
- 22.1.17 Associated Deep Sea Anglers shall, only with the prior written consent of the Associated Provincial Member Body to which he belongs, be entitled to attend all meetings as an observer of the National Council, but shall not be entitled to vote, nor address the National Council, unless invited to do so;
- 22.1.18 At all meetings, the minutes of the previous meeting shall:
 - 22.1.18.1 be deemed to have been read;
 - 22.1.18.2 be confirmed (subject to such amendments thereto as the meeting may agree upon) by the meeting.

22.2 Special Meetings

22.2.1 The Executive Committee, or at least 3 (three) Delegates, may by written notice delivered to the Secretary, requisition a special meeting ("Special Meeting") of the Association upon 21 (twenty one) calendar days written notice to each Office Bearer, Associated Provincial Member Body, and Committee member, setting forth the object of the meeting;

22.2.2 The provisions of section 22.1.4 shall not apply;

22.2.3 Resolutions, to be passed at this meeting, shall require a two-thirds majority of votes cast by those Delegates present in person or by proxy and voting;

22.3 Annual General Meeting

22.3.1 The Annual General Meeting of the National Council shall be held on a date not later than 30 June of each year;

22.3.2 At the Annual General Meeting of the Association:

22.3.2.1 the President shall present his annual report for adoption;

22.3.2.2 all other Officer Bearers and Committees shall table written reports of their activities for the preceding year;

22.3.2.3 the Treasurer shall present, and propose for acceptance and ratification:

22.3.2.3.1 the financial report and balance sheet of the Association for the past year;

22.3.2.3.2 proposed capitation and affiliation fees and any other levies payable by Associated Provincial Member Bodies and/or Associated Deep Sea Anglers for the forthcoming year;

22.3.2.4 the Association's auditors for the forthcoming year, who shall be a registered and practising chartered accountants who shall remain in office until the next Annual General meeting shall be appointed;

22.3.2.5 the Office Bearers referred to in Section 19 shall be elected in accordance with the procedures stipulated therein.

22.4 Election of Office Bearers

22.4.1 The Secretary shall call for nominations to the chairmen of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies, at least 90 (ninety) days prior to the Annual general meeting, requesting nominations for Office Bearers of the Association for the ensuing term;

22.4.2 The person nominating any nominee shall, prior to his nomination, approach such nominee to establish his willingness to accept office, and the completed nomination form including the nominee's signature, shall be returned to the Secretary of the Association at least 60 (sixty) days prior to the Annual General meeting. The Secretary shall then contact all nominees by e-mail in writing to confirm acceptance of his nomination and his willingness to accept office if elected, and thereafter circulate the confirmed list of nominees to the Associated Provincial Member Bodies timeously in order to afford them a reasonable opportunity to distribute the confirmed list of nominees to its constituent clubs;

22.4.3 The following office bearers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting:

- 22.4.3.1 the Office Bearers referred to in section 19.1;
- 22.4.3.2 three additional members to the Executive Committee;
- 22.4.3.3 two additional members to the Finance Committee;
- 22.4.3.4 two additional members to the Tournaments Committee;
- 22.4.3.5 the members of the Selection Committee;
- 22.4.3.6 a Deputy Office Bearer.

22.4.4 In addition, there may be elected, an Honorary Life President and/or an Honorary Life Vice President of the Association;

22.4.5 Each Delegate shall have one vote, and the election of the persons referred to in 22.4.3 and 22.4.4 shall be by way of a simple majority of votes cast by those Delegates present, or by proxy, and voting;

22.4.6 In the event of deadlock:

22.4.6.1 the chairman of the meeting shall not have a casting vote;

22.4.6.2 a re-vote shall take place by secret ballot;

22.4.6.3 any further deadlock shall be decided by the flip of a coin.

22.5 Amendments to the Constitution

No resolution amending the Constitution of the Association shall be binding unless passed at a meeting of the National Council, called upon with at least 60 (sixty) days written notice to all Office Bearers, Associated Provincial Member Bodies and Committee Members at which:

22.5.1 each Delegate shall have one vote, and;

22.5.2 the resolution in question has been approved by a two-thirds majority of votes cast by those Delegates present in person or by proxy and voting;

22.5.3 in the event of a deadlock the chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

23 MISCONDUCT AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

Associated Provincial Member Bodies

23.1 Every Associated Provincial Member Body, shall make itself conversant with, and ensure compliance thereof by its constituent clubs, and it shall *ipso facto* be bound by these provisions of this Constitution and any rules and regulations in force from time to time;

23.2 The membership of any Associated Provincial Member Body which materially departs:

23.2.1 from any of the provisions of this Constitution, or any resolution adopted by the National Council, or rule and /or regulation, and remains in breach 21 days after the despatch of written notice calling upon the member to remedy the same, and in particular:

23.2.1.1 fails to submit the required documentation as requested;

23.2.1.2 not meeting their financial obligations to the Association;

- 23.2.1.3 not attending National Council Meetings;
- 23.2.1.4 contravening of prescribed behavioural and disciplinary codes and/or conflicting Constitutional practices considered to be in conflict with the interest of the Association;
- 23.2.1.5 a failure to pay timeously, any capitation fees or any other amounts due to the Association;
- 23.2.1.6 fails to ensure that its own constitution complies in all material aspects to this constitution;
- 23.2.1.7 is, or has been guilty of any conduct which in the opinion of the National Council renders the Associated Provincial Member Body, unworthy of membership of the Association,

may by resolution, after debate at a Special Meeting of the National Council, be cancelled, or suspended on such terms and conditions and for such period as the National Council may determine, or may, or may have any of its privileges it is entitled to by virtue of its membership removed or suspended for such period as may be determined by the National Council, which decision shall be final. Any Associated Provincial Member Body shall be entitled to attend and address the Special Meeting of the National Council at which the decision is to be taken, and to make prior written submissions in support of the same, but it shall not be entitled to legal representation.

- 23.3 Notice of such suspension, fine or expulsion shall be forwarded by the National Council within 7 (seven) working days to the Associated Provincial Member Body by e-mail and registered letter.

Associated Deep Sea Angler & Recreational Member

- 23.4 It is recorded that, in the event of an Associated Deep Sea Angler and/or Recreational Member acting in material non-compliance of this constitution, its rules and or resolutions or despite his continued non-compliance thereof or failing to comply with an instruction by the Executive Committee, calling upon such a member to do so with at least 7 days written notice to do so, may be subjected to a disciplinary process.
- 23.5 The Executive Committee by majority decision, and in their sole discretion, and without having to comply with the provisions of section 23.4 above, shall have the authority to suspend an Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member without a formal disciplinary enquiry, pending finalization of the disciplinary process. The aforesaid decision shall not be appealable.
- 23.6 The Executive committee shall in its sole discretion determine, whether it should further delegate the disciplinary authority to:
 - 23.6.1 a disciplinary committee, consisting of the President, a Delegate where the Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member is affiliated to, and any Office Bearer, and any other suitable person for hearing within 30 days; or
 - 23.6.2 to refer it to the National Council at the next National Council's meeting, provided that in neither instance, legal representation shall be allowed at the disciplinary hearing.
- 23.7 The said disciplinary committee, or the National Council (as the case may be) after hearing evidence and arguments for, and/or against the charges, shall have the power to determine such punishment, including, but not limited to the uplifting or enforcing of the suspension, the expulsion of such Associated Deep Sea Angler and/or Recreational Member for a period, termination of membership, or any other punishment it deems fit, and their decision, save and except of termination of membership (which shall be appealable) shall be final. At the disciplinary hearing (whether before a disciplinary committee or the National Council's meeting) such an Associated Deep Sea Angler/Recreational Member shall be afforded a fair opportunity to present his evidence and arguments.
- 23.8 Any Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member has a right of appeal only against the decision of the disciplinary

committee if his membership has been terminated, to the National Council, and such aggrieved member shall exercise the right to his appeal by giving 30 days written notice to the Secretary, which appeal shall be heard at the next full council's meeting, unless the Executive committee deems it appropriate in its sole discretion, to be heard at another time.

23.9 Should an aggrieved Associated Deep Sea Angler/ Recreational Member fail to appeal as provided in section 23.8 above, he shall have no-further right of appeal, or should the disciplinary committee's findings and punishment be upheld, the Secretary shall forthwith notify such decision to the aggrieved member, his Associated Provincial Member Body and it may also be sent to other interested persons or bodies, or published, at the discretion of the National Council.

23.10 In the event of the suspension or expulsion of any member he/she shall have no claim against the Association or any of its members in respect thereof.

24. COMMITTEES

24.1 The standing Committees of the Association shall be:

24.1.1 the Executive Committee

24.1.1.1 The Executive Committee will comprise:

24.1.1.1.1 the President

24.1.1.1.2 the Vice President

24.1.1.1.3 the Secretary

24.1.1.1.4 the Treasurer

24.1.1.1.5 3 (three) persons who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting

24.1.1.1.6 a co-opted Associated Deep Sea Angler, as provided for in section 24.1.1.3.11;

24.1.1.2 The Executive Committee shall act for and on behalf of the Association in terms of such mandates as may be given to it by the National Council from time to time.

24.1.1.3 Until further mandates are given by the National Council, the Executive Committee shall be regulated by the following provisions which shall regulate the powers, functions and duties of the Executive Committee:

24.1.1.3.1 to deal with all matters of a routine nature during the periods between General Meetings of the Association and which matters are not specifically required to be dealt with by the Association in Annual General meetings in terms of this Constitution, unless delegated for execution;

24.1.1.3.2 in particular, to be responsible for the purchase of stationery, office equipment and other movable property such as insignia, badges, other colours, certificates and the like as may be reasonably required for the purposes of carrying on the affairs of the Association;

24.1.1.3.3 to give rulings within its powers on matters referred to the Association by its Members Bodies;

24.1.1.3.4 to deal with, ratify or reject all matters pertaining to duly elected Committees of the Association;

24.1.1.3.5 to act in accordance with sections 23.4 – 23.6 above, and to deal with all minor cases of misconduct and any dispute about what constitutes a case of misconduct to be dealt with by the Executive Committee, as opposed to the envisaged process set out in sections 23.6.1 – 23.6.2 above;

- 24.1.1.3.6 to ensure that all persons selected or appointed to represent South Africa or the Association both locally or abroad abide by the approved dress code in the case of SADSAA as per the dress code laid down by National Council and national dress as laid down by the appropriate authority;
- 24.1.1.3.7 to employ part-time secretarial, technical, public relations and clerical assistance and to call upon outside expertise if so required;
- 24.1.1.3.8 to liaise, consult and if necessary manage the other Committees of the Association;
- 24.1.1.3.9 to oversee and correlate all press statements relating to the Associations and its functions;
- 24.1.1.3.10 in the event of the portfolio of any Office bearer or other portfolio becoming vacant, to appoint/or co-opt a successor who shall hold office until the next General Meeting, when the National Council shall finally resolve the vacancy;
- 24.1.1.3.11 to co-opt an Associated Deep Sea Angler/s to the Executive Committee in deserving circumstances.

24.1.2 **The Selection Committee**

- 24.1.2.1 Only experienced anglers who have represented South Africa in national colours and who are in good standing with the Association shall qualify for appointment to the Selection Committee which shall comprise eight (8) persons elected at the Annual General meeting and shall not include more than two (2) members per member body. A quorum for any meeting will be half of the elected selectors plus one;
- 24.1.2.2 All Selectors will be elected for a period of 3 (three) years where after 4 (four) selectors will automatically stand down but will be eligible for re-election for a further period of 3 (three) years;
- 24.1.2.3 The Selection Committee will elect a convenor to chair the selection meetings;
- 24.1.2.4 If deemed necessary the Convenor of the Selection Committee will approach the National Council to replace selectors whose positions have been vacated during their term of office;
- 24.1.2.5 Any Selector serving on the Committee who has nominated himself or if any of his relatives have nominated must excuse themselves from all deliberations of the meeting at which that team is selected;
- 24.1.2.6 The duties and responsibilities of the Selection Committee shall be:
 - 24.1.2.6.1 the compilation of a nomination form acceptable to the National Council;
 - 24.1.2.6.2 the selection of Development, SADSAA and national teams shall be strictly on merit, taking into account the fishing record and ability of the nominated angler and also his character and conduct to ensure that members of teams will be worthy representatives of South Africa and the Association;
- 24.1.2.7 The members of the Selection Committee shall not divulge any names of nominees selected or any names nominated for selection or any content of deliberation at the Selection Committee meetings;
- 24.1.2.8 Team(s) will be announced by the President of the Association. In the case of national teams announced by the President of the Association will only become official once ratified by the appropriate governing sporting body.

24.1.3 **The Finance Committee**

24.1.3.1 The Finance Committee will comprise:

24.1.3.1.1 the Treasurer;

24.1.3.1.2 2 (two) members elected at the Annual General Meeting;

24.1.3.2 shall be responsible for an annual budget and other financial advice that is to be presented at the Annual General Meeting and shall also assist the Treasurer in fulfilling those other obligations imposed upon him;

24.1.3.3 shall be responsible for the administration of any tournament fund subject at all times to the direction and control of the National Council.

24.1.4 The Safety Committee

24.1.4.1 The Safety Committee will comprise:

24.1.4.1.1 the Safety Officers and at least three of the respective Regional Member Bodies to be elected at the National Safety Committee's Regional Safety Officers meeting by the members attending that meeting once a year;

24.1.4.1.2 the National Safety Officer;

24.1.4.1.3 the National Deputy Safety Officers';

(both of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting)

24.1.4.2 The Duties and responsibilities of the Safety Committee shall be:

24.1.4.2.1 to administer the standards of safety as set down by the Authorities;

24.1.4.2.2 the certification of the seaworthiness of all craft under its control as laid down by the Authorities that go to sea or any of the waters connected to the sea;

24.1.4.2.3 to meet at least once a year during their term of office;

24.1.4.2.4 to issue safety colours to member safety officers in accordance with applicable rules and/or regulations;

24.1.4.2.5 the registration of all craft;

24.1.4.2.6 the issue of all skipper's tickets;

24.1.4.2.7 the conducting of all practical tests;

24.1.4.2.8 the conducting of all surveyors' course and in-house examinations;

24.1.4.2.9 the conducting of all examiners courses;

24.1.4.2.10 standardisation of all national examinations;

24.1.4.2.11 surveys on all vessels owned or utilised by Associated Deep Sea Anglers, and/or registered with Associated Clubs;

24.1.4.2.12 the annual reassessment of charges for all items referred to in this section 24.1.3.5 - 24.1.3.5.9.

24.1.4.4 In the event of any dispute on safety matters, a committee comprising the National Safety Officer,

National Deputy Safety Officer and any two safety officers from the Associated Provincial Member Bodies shall determine the dispute.

24.1.5 Environmental Management Committee

24.1.5.1 The Environmental Management Committee will comprise:

24.1.5.1.1 an Environmental Management Officer who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting;

24.1.5.1.2 additional members of the coastal Regional Member Bodies of the Association, each of which members shall be nominated by the Associated Provincial Member Body which he represents, and whose nomination shall be ratified at the Annual General Meeting.

24.2 Each Committee shall deliberate on matters pertaining to its discipline but all decisions shall be considered by all members of the Committee concerned.

24.3 No member of a Committee may make any statements to the media on matters concerning the Association.

24.4 No person other than a member of the Committee or the President or the Vice President may attend a Committee Meeting, except as a result of an invitation by the Committee.

24.5 Each Committee chairman shall submit to the Treasurer of the Association at least two months prior to the Annual General Meeting a budget of his/her Portfolio for the ensuing year.

25. FINANCE

25.1 At an Annual General Meeting there shall be appointed an Auditor who shall be registered and practising Chartered Account who shall remain in office until the next Annual General meeting.

25.2 The financial year of the Association shall commence on the first day of January in every year and terminate on the last day of December in the same year.

25.3 The funds of the Association shall be used in furtherance of the objects of the Association. Profits or gains made by the Association shall not be distributed and shall be accumulated as part of the funds of the Association. Any surplus funds of the Association shall be invested as determined by the National Council.

25.4 Auditors shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting in each year whose duty it shall be to audit the books of the Association at least once a year between the last day of December and the date of the Annual General Meeting. Such audited financial reports of the Association shall be tabled and approved at the Annual General Meeting and be open for inspection thereafter by any member of the Association.

25.5 The Auditors:

25.5.1 shall have access to all books and records of the monies, funds, property and assets of the Association;

25.5.2 shall be obliged to submit their report in writing to the National Council at the Annual General meeting.

25.6 No Office Bearer or Committee member of the Association, nor an Office Bearer or Committee Member of any Associated Provincial Member Body may be appointed as auditor of the Association.

26. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND LEVIES

- 26.1 Each Associated Provincial Member Body shall be liable to pay to the Association an Annual Affiliation Fee as determined at the Annual General Meeting from time to time, which fees shall fall due for payment by each Associated Provincial Member Body by not later than 31st January of each year.
- 26.2 Each member of an Associated Provincial Member Body, or Associated Club, shall, in order to be (or remain) registered as an Associated Deep Sea Angler, shall be required to pay annual Capitation Fee as determined at the Annual General Meeting from time to time, which fee shall:
- 26.2.1 be paid to the Associated Provincial Member Body of which such person is a member, and;
- 26.2.2 be remitted to the Association by each Associated Provincial Member Body concerned, by not later than 31 March of each year.
- 26.3 It shall be the responsibility of each Associated Provincial Member Body to collect all capitations due by its members.
- 26.4 No person shall be recognised by the Association as an Associated Deep Sea Angler unless his Capitation fee has been remitted to the Association by the date referred to in 26.2.2.

27. RECORDS AND DOCUMENTATION

- 27.1 Each Office Bearer shall retain the relevant source documentation and records of his activities.
- 27.2 The Chairman of each Committee will give a written report of the activities of the Committee between meetings, at each National Council meeting and will present at the Annual General Meeting a written overview of such reports for the preceding year.
- 27.3 All documentation including minutes, recordings, financial statements under the control of an Office Bearer or Committee must be handed to the incoming Officer Bearer and/or Committee within (30) thirty days of election of the retiring Officer Bearer or Committee.
- 27.4 All documentation including minutes, recordings, financial statements is the sole property of the Association and may not be given to parties outside of the Association without prior consent of the Executive Committee.

28. NOTICES

Any notice addressed by the Association shall: –

- 28.1 if delivered by hand be deemed to have been duly received by the addressee on the date of delivery;
- 28.2 if transmitted by telefacsimile or e-mail be deemed to have been received by the addressee on the day following the date of dispatch, unless the contrary is proved.

29. FOREIGN TOURS

- 29.1 No tours within the area of jurisdiction of the Association by any angler/s from outside the area of jurisdiction of the Association shall be arranged or organised by any Associated Provincial Member Body or Associated Deep Sea Angler without the prior written consent of the National Council.
- 29.2 No Associated Provincial Member Body or Associated Deep Sea Angler may participate in any tournament or competition outside the area of jurisdiction of the Association under the pretext of representing the Association, save with the prior written approval of the Tournament Committee in consultation with National Council.

- 29.3 All foreign tours within the area of the Association's jurisdiction shall be carried out only with the prior official permission from the governing body of the sport.
- 29.4 Any Member Body or Associated Deep Sea Angler who contravenes the provisions of this section 29 shall be subject to a disciplinary process in terms of sections 23.3 - 23.10 above.

30 **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The National Council shall have the authority to make Rules and Regulations from time to time, in order to give effect to this constitution of the Association are contained in the Resolution Register. The Rules and Regulations may be amended by a simple majority at any at a National Council Meeting. Notice of the intention to amend, rescind or add to the Rules and Regulations must be given by Associated Provincial Member Bodies in writing, to the Secretary not later than 60 days prior to the date fixed for such meeting. The Secretary shall in turn give written notice of the intended amendment, rescission or addition to all Member Federations, Associate Members and Executive Board members and to all the persons entitled to notice and to attend such meeting and vote thereat, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the relevant meeting.

31 **DISPUTE PREVENTION AND RESOLUTION**

- 31.1 This Association and/or any associated Provincial Member Body and/or any Associated Deep Sea Angler falling under the jurisdiction of the Association shall ensure that any dispute, other than disciplinary action as provided for in herein above, that it/he/she has with another body or individual falling under the jurisdiction of SASCOC, shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute prevention and resolution procedures set out in the SASCOC Constitution and the Sport and Recreation Act.
- 31.2 Where no specific dispute prevention or resolution procedure is set out in the SASCOC Constitution, Rules or Regulations, disputes shall be resolved by arbitration in terms of the Rules of the Arbitration Foundation of Southern Africa (AFSA) or its successor or, if appropriate, by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in terms of CAS's Rules and Regulations. The decision of the arbitrator or of CAS shall be final and binding on all parties, in all manners whatsoever.
- 31.3 Subject to the Constitution of the Republic, and in circumstances where there is a need for urgent relief which cannot be obtained through the dispute resolution procedures contemplated by this Section, no body or individual falling under the jurisdiction of SASCOC shall approach a Court of Law to decide on a dispute it has with a body or individual affiliated to SASCOC.

32. **INDEMNITY**

Members of this Association are indemnified against all losses, charges, costs, damages and all other expense and liabilities that the National Council or Executive Committee may incur or be put to, concerning the bona-fide execution of their duties as office bearers of this Association.

33. **ANTI-DOPING**

- 33.1 The Association and its Members agree to comply, and be bound by and to ensure that their members comply with the World Anti-Doping Code and World Anti-Doping Program presently in force and adopted by the Government of South Africa and the IOC arising out of the World Anti-Doping convention declaration adopted in Copenhagen in March 2002.

33.2 The Association and its Members shall also comply and be bound by the CIPS Anti-Doping Rules which rules was officially approved by the World Anti-Doping Agency.

33.3 The purposes of the World Anti-Doping Code are:

33.3.1 To protect the Associated Deep Sea Anglers' fundamental right to participate in doping-free sport and thus promote health, fairness and equality for Athletes worldwide, and

33.3.2 To ensure harmonized, coordinated and effective anti-doping programs at the international and national level with regard to detection, deterrence, and prevention of doping.

33.4 The Code is the fundamental and universal document upon which the World Anti-Doping Program in sport is based. The purpose of the Code is to advance the anti-doping effort through universal harmonization of core anti-doping elements. It is intended to be specific enough to achieve complete harmonization on issues where uniformity is required, yet general enough in other areas to permit flexibility on how agreed-upon anti-doping principles are implemented.

34. **ITEMS NOT COVERED IN THIS CONSTITUTION**

Subject to the Constitution of the Republic, should this Constitution be silent on any matter or matters that may arise, the Executive Board of SASACC shall give a ruling on such matter or matters, which shall be binding.

35. **DISSOLUTION**

35.1 The Association may be dissolved by a resolution passed at an Special General Meeting called for that purpose, provided that such resolution is passed by a majority of two thirds of the members present and entitled to vote at such a meeting.

35.2 In the event of closing down or being wound up or dissolved then all assets of the Association of whatsoever nature and where situated, after paying off all its debts, shall not be distributed amongst the Associated Provincial Member Bodies, but shall be held in trust by the President for and on behalf of a non-profit body to be formed with similar objectives as underlie this Association as decided at and directed by a Special General Meeting of the Associated Provincial Member Bodies called specifically for the purpose of establishing such a new body or give in some way to another non-profit organization that has similar objectives.

35.3 The Association may not give any of its money or property to its members or office bearers. The only time that it can do this is when it pays for work that a Member or office bearer has done for the Association. The payment must be reasonable and proportionate to the work that has been done. Members or office bearers may however claim money back from the Association for expenses paid for or on behalf of the Association.

36. **DECLARATION**

The Constitution was approved on the Annual General Meeting of this Association that took place on the

_____ day of _____ 2014 at _____.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

WITNESSES

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Amendments: