

SLAMS

1. Title

The Association shall be called the "Sri Lanka Association of Motor Sports" hereinafter Referred to as the "Association".

2. Objectives.

The objectives of the Association are as follows :

- (i) To encourage, promote, control and develop all sports involving wheeled powered vehicles (hereinafter referred to as Motor Sports) in Sri Lanka.
- (ii) To formulate and enforce laws governing conduct of Motor Sports in Sri Lanka.
- (iii) To acquire, if necessary, moveable and immovable properties and apply both capital and income thereof, for or towards all or any of the objectives of the Association.
- (iv) Generally to carryout any other acts-conducive to promoting the objectives of the Association.
- (v) The Association by mutual consent of its constituent bodies pledges itself to respect the identity of each constituent Club or Association.
- (vi) Seek affiliation to any foreign or world controlling Bodies of Motor Sports or motoring. Any member Club seeking affiliation to any foreign or world controlling bodies shall obtain the approval of the Association.



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4. Membership and voting rights

- (i) The Association shall consist of legally and duly constituted Clubs or Associations, which have Motor sports as one of the primary objectives with a minimum paid up membership of 50 and Have been in existence for at least one year. Such member Clubs and Associations shall have voting rights as detailed under Rule 8 conferred upon them by the Executive Council after the satisfactory completion of a further probationary period of 12 months from the date of their admission. If the Executive Council should refuse to confer voting rights at the end of such probationary period, such Club or Association shall immediately cease to be a member. However, on fulfilling the requirements Subsequently, as per clause 23 herein such Club shall be eligible for re-application and re-Consideration for membership.
- (ii) Clubs and Associations not directly involved in competitive motor sports, i.e. organising competitive race Meets, hill-climbs, National/international Rallies, etc. (open to every competitor) are eligible to seek Associate Membership of the Association. Such will not be conferred with voting rights and will be subject to a probationary period of one year.

5. Membership Fee

- (i) Member Clubs shall pay an Annual Subscription as determined by the Council of the Association.
- (ii) Any member Club whose subscription has not been paid shall not be entitled to be present or vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Association or any subsequent Meetings until such subscriptions are paid.
- (iii) Any member Club owing any monies other than subscriptions to the Association shall be notified by the Honorary Secretary at least ten (10) days before the Annual General Meeting of the amount due and if such amount is not settled before the Annual General Meeting, such Clubs shall forfeit membership rights of the Association and these rights shall only be reinstated at the discretion of the Executive Council upon payment of all outstanding dues.

6. Patron and Vice Patron of the Association

Invitations to serve as Patron or Vice Patron of the Association shall be extended to suitable eminent persons by the Executive Council at the first Meeting after the Annual General Meeting.

7. The Executive Council

- (i) The affairs of the Association shall be maintained by an Executive council consisting of the following:
 - (a) The Office bearers of the Association who shall be the President, Two (2) Vice Presidents, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.
 - (b) Two (2) representatives from each of the member Clubs.

All Office Bearers and all members of the Executive Council of the Association shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and hold Office until they resign at the next Annual General Meeting.

Vacancies among Office bearers except that of the President, Secretary or Treasurer existing in the course of the year shall be filled at a Committee Meeting subject to ratification at a General Meeting.

A vacancy in the Office of the President, Secretary or Treasurer arising in the course of the year shall be filled at a General Meeting.

No Office Bearer or Member of the Council shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting, unless he is nominated by a Member Club and his nomination reaches the Honorary Secretary on or before the 31st January. Any such nominee must be a member of a Member Club. Nominations should be made on the appropriate form supplied by the Association for this purpose and shall be proposed by the President or Secretary of the nominating Club and seconded by the President or Secretary of another Member Club. Any Club proposing or seconding a nomination should have paid its subscription and any other dues up to and including the current year.

8. Voting Rights

- (i). President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall have the right to cast one Vote each at all Meetings of the Association.
- (ii) Member Clubs shall be entitled to cast two votes at all Meetings of the Association.
- (iii) Member Clubs may nominate up to five (5) of their members who will be eligible to attend any General Meeting of the association. Each such representative shall be entitled to cast one vote at General Meetings.
- (iv) Production of voting papers or paper issued to a recognised Member Club entitled to vote at a Meeting of the Association shall deem to be due authority for the bearer to vote on such member's behalf at that Meeting.
- (v) At all Meetings and General Meetings, voting shall be by the show of hands or if requested by a majority of those present by secret ballot. All decisions shall be taken by simple majority vote, the Chairman having a casting vote in addition to his original vote.
- (vi) At General Meetings of the Association all elections and decisions shall be by open vote and the details of the voting shall be recorded in the Minutes of such Meeting.
- (vii) If an elected representative of a Club is unable to be present at a Meeting of the Council, the Member Club is authorised to appoint an alternative representative to attend that Meeting of the Council.

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11. The office-bearers and committee members of a National Association shall consist of representatives of affiliates of such National Association and they shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. Any vacancy occurring in the office of President, Secretary or Treasurer may be filled at a General Meeting. Any other vacancy may be filled at a Committee Meeting subject to ratification at a

9. General Meetings.

- (i) The Annual General Meeting shall be held before 31st March of each year.
- (ii) A Special General Meeting shall be called as follows:
 - (a) By decision of the Council.
 - (b) On a written request from at least two (2) Member Clubs. Such requests shall state the business proposed for transaction at the meeting and the Honorary Secretary shall notify the members of such business at least 10 days prior to the date of the Meeting. No other business can normally be transacted at this Meeting.

10. Notice of Meetings

- (i) At least seven (7) days notice in writing of a Meeting of the Council shall be given to the Members
- (ii) The Honorary Secretary shall on the direction of the President or on a written request of three members of the Council, call an Emergency Meeting of the Council. For such a Meeting the seven- (7) days rule shall not apply, but the Honorary Secretary must furnish proof that an attempt had been made to inform all members of the Council of such a Meeting.
- (iii) At least six (6) weeks notice in writing of the date of the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting shall be given to the members.

11. Agenda at Annual General Meetings

- (i)
 - a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Meeting.
 - b) Council's Report to be tabled by the Secretary.
 - c) Audited statements of Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet to be tabled by the Honorary Treasurer together with the Auditor's Report.
 - d) Resolutions, of which due notice has been given.
 - e) President's Address.
 - f) Election of Office Bearers and Members of the Executive Council.
 - g) Any other Business of which prior notice has been given.

- (ii) Any resolutions proposed at an Annual General Meeting shall be sent to the Honorary Secretary to reach him at least four (4) weeks before the Annual General Meeting. The Honorary Secretary, not less than 2 weeks before the Meeting, shall issue to all members, the Agenda of the Meeting, Annual Report of the Executive Council, Audited Accounts, any Resolutions to be moved at the Meeting together with the list showing the names of members eligible to vote at such meetings.

12. Quorum at Meeting.

- (i) At Meetings of the Executive Council five (5) members personally present shall form a quorum.
- (ii) At an Annual General Meeting or Special general Meeting 50% of the membership personally present shall form the quorum.

13. Attendance at Meetings.

An Office Bearer, Council Member or Member of any Sub-Committee who Absents himself for more than three (3) consecutive Meetings shall be considered automatically to cease to hold such office, unless leave of absence has been given by the Council or by the Sub-Committee concerned.



14. Functions and Powers of the Executive Council

- (i) The management and finances of the Association shall be vested in the Executive Council who may exercise all such powers and do all such acts as the Association is, under the rules, entitled to exercise, and do all such acts as they are required to do by a majority of members qualified to vote and voting at a General Meeting. The decision of the Council on any question shall in every case be final and binding on all members until and unless such decision has been repealed by a General Meeting of the Association.
- (ii) Without prejudice to the general powers conferred or implied in the last preceding rule it is expressly declared that the Council shall be entrusted with, and may exercise and perform the following powers and duties.
- Appoint, direct and dismiss any employee of the Association and determine their wages and remuneration.
 - From time to time, make, alter and repeal such by-laws and regulations consistent with the rules, as the Council may consider expedient for the proper conduct, management and control of the Association and the Organisations of any meet, event or competition.
 - Write off in the accounts of the Association such sums as they may deem expedient in respect of bad and doubtful debts or otherwise.
 - Appoint such Officials as may be necessary for the carrying on of any function, meet or event.
 - Appoint any sub-committee and delegate to it, powers of the Council as they may think fit.
- (iii) The Council shall meet at least once a month.
- (iv) Every member of the Executive Council who ceases to hold Office, shall within fourteen (14) days of the date on which he ceases to hold Office shall hand over any property of the Association in his possession to and Office bearer or member of the Executive Council.

15. Honorary Treasurer

- (i) The Honorary Treasurer shall cause books of accounts to be kept of all income and expenditure, and of all dealings with the assets of the Association and shall present to the Annual General Meeting in each year a duly audited Income and Expenditure Account and a Balance Sheet for the previous financial year.
- (ii) All monies received by the Honorary Treasurer on behalf of Association shall be deposited in a Bank approved by the Council and all payments in excess of Rs. 1000.00 shall be made by cheque. The Honorary Treasurer may with the permission of the council maintain a Petty Cash impress.
- (iii) All cheques shall be signed by the President and Honorary Treasurer and if either of them owing to illness or other causes is unable to sign cheques cheques may be signed by another nominated by the Council. The Honorary Treasurer shall be authorised to endorse cheques, orders and the like to the credit of the fund in the Bank.
- (iv) A statement of Account with Bank certificates and outstanding liabilities shall be presented by the Honorary Treasurer at every Meeting of the Council.



16.1 Audit.

The account of the Association shall be audited by the Auditor General.

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The Financial year of the Association shall be from 1st January of one year to the 31st of December of the same year.

17. Honorary Secretary

- (i) The Honorary Secretary shall maintain a Register of all members Clubs of the Association.
- (ii) The Honorary Secretary shall on all occasions, in the execution of the Office, act under the control and direction of the Council. He shall summon and attend Meetings, take Minutes of proceedings, and keep the documents and papers of the Association in such a manner as the Council may from time to time decide.
- (iii) He shall circulate the Minutes of all Council Meetings to all members to reach them at least three (3) days prior to the next Meeting.
- (iv) He shall present the annual report of the Council at the Annual General Meeting.

18. Activities of the Association

- (i) All foreign teams or individuals visiting Sri Lanka for the purpose of National Motor sports shall do so only at the invitation of the Association or with the approval of the Association. Members are debarred from issuing invitations to such teams or individuals without the prior approval of the Association.

- (ii) All invitations for Sri Lanka teams or individual competitors from Sri Lanka to participate in any meet, event or competition organised abroad Representing Sri Lanka shall be made in the first instance to the Association. The Association shall have the final decision as to whether the invitation is to be accepted or not and as to the selection of the team or individuals.

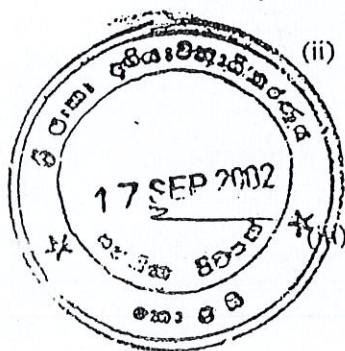
The Association, may, at its discretion, compile and maintain a register of names and performance record of drivers and other competitors approved by the Council who will be eligible for selection to teams sponsored by the Association. The Council may charge a registration fee for this purpose.

- (iv) The Council may, at their discretion, lay down National standards concerning conditions, safety regulations, methods of Classification of vehicles or any other rules by which all motor sports events, meets or competitions shall be conducted in Sri Lanka. Any member Club wishing to conduct or organise any event, meet or competition must obtain prior sanction of the Council concerning the proposed rules and regulations and other organisational details covering the proposed event. A person nominated by the Council shall be one of the Stewards at every authorised Meet. The Association may charge a fee for granting such approval.

- (v) The Council shall at their first Meeting after the Annual General Meeting call upon all member Clubs to submit their proposed calendar of events, and paying heed to the interests of all Member Clubs, draw up a National Calendar of Events, covering a period of one Calendar year from 1st January to 31st December of that year. No member Club shall deviate from the National Calendar of Events without prior approval of the Council.

- (vi) National titles and championship status shall only be granted by the Council.

- (vii) Registration of Clubs. The Council shall register Clubs which are affiliated to the Association.



19. Disciplinary Action

Three (03) members of the Council shall be appointed by the Council to a Disciplinary Committee of the Council which shall have the power to take any immediate action on behalf of the Council in respect of a Club, Official or Competitor against whom any complaint may be made to any member of the Council of any incident or matter on which the Disciplinary Committee may consider that immediate action is necessary. The decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be valid with immediate effect. The disciplinary Committee shall report within one (01) week to the Council on the action taken by it with respect to any such complaint. The decision of the Disciplinary Committee would be binding on the Association unless varied by 2/3 majority of those present and voting at the Council meeting where this matter is considered or upon instructions received from the Honorable Minister of Sports.

20. Suspensions.

- (i) The Council of the Association shall be empowered to suspend any Official, competitor or member of a member Club for a stated period after a proper inquiry.
- (ii) A Club may suspend one of its members or Officials for a stated period of time. In so far as such suspension is applicable to that Club alone, such suspension shall be called an "Internal Suspension".
- (iii) The suspension affected by a Club in which it stipulates that suspension should be recognised by member Clubs and/or the Association shall be called a "General Suspension".
- (iii) The President shall, on being notified of such "General Suspension", request the Disciplinary Committee to inquire into the matter in any manner they may consider suitable and to recommend to the council the course of action it will follow. The recommendation of the Disciplinary Committee shall only be varied by a 2/3 majority of those present and voting at the Council Meeting.
- (iv) The General suspension imposed by the Club shall remain valid until it is heard and disposed by the Council of the Association.
- (v) All suspensions whether internal or general shall be notified by registered letter within seven (7) days of the effective date of such suspension to the Honorary Secretary. If such a notification is not dispatched within the stipulated period of seven days, such suspension shall immediately cease to be valid.

21. Amendments to the Constitution

- (i) The Rules of the Association set out above can only be altered rescinded or added to at an Annual or Special General Meeting of the Association by a 2/3rd majority of the members being present and voting.
- (ii) In any matter affecting the Association for which no special rule has been laid down or in matters concerning the interpretation of this Constitution, the decision of the Council shall be final and binding.





22. Acceptance of Membership

It shall be presumed that every member's election signifies his acquiescence and agreement with the Rules of the Association and by-laws and regulations formulated by the Council and in particular the restrictions and penalties they enforce. This presumption extends to any future rules, by-laws and regulations and amendments. Ignorance of any Rules, regulations or by-laws will not be considered an excuse for their violation:

23. Membership

Any member Club which:

- (a) fails to hold, during a calendar year, at least two motor sports events recognised by the Association;
- (b) fails to hold the Annual General Meeting required by its Constitution;
- (c) fails to furnish the Audited Accounts and the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting where such Accounts were tabled;
- (d) fails or neglect to carry out any directives or instructions given him by the Association shall ipso facto lose membership other than in instances where such Club was prevented from doing so by circumstances reasonably beyond its control.

24. General

In any matter affecting the Association, where any regulation or law enacted by the Government of Sri Lanka is at variance with any provisions made in this constitution or deals with any matter not provided for in this constitution, such regulation or law always prevails.

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true photo copy of the Settlement dated 2002.08.28, filed of record in C.A. 438/99.

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