

KIDDERMINSTER GUN CLUB CONSTITUTION

- 1) The name of the Club shall be Kidderminster Gun Club (KGC).
- 2) The shooting ground shall be at Blackstone Rock, Off Stourport Road, Bewdley, Worcestershire.
- 3) The aims of the KGC shall be to foster and encourage the support, of safe clay pigeon shooting, and to improve the standard of shooting among the membership.
- 4) The Management Committee of the KGC shall number a maximum 14 members, elected by the general membership, at the annual general meeting (AGM). The Management Committee will comprise; the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, and six Committee Persons elected annually at the AGM, the President who after election will serve for two years and three Trustees who after election will serve for life or until resignation. In addition, the members will appoint, annually, a Club Secretary, who may or may not be a member. The members of the retiring Management Committee shall be eligible for re-election.
- 5) The Management Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies that arise during the year.
- 6) The Management Committee shall meet at least bi-annually. Seven members of the Management Committee shall form a quorum.
- 7) On a petition, signed by a least one quarter of the members of the KGC, being presented in writing to the Chairperson, an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) shall be called within fourteen days of the date of presentation of the petition, to consider the matters contained therein.
- 8) The Management Committee shall have the power to form such by-laws, as they consider necessary for the good of the KGC.
- 9) The Management Committee shall have the power to request the resignation of any member if it is proved to their satisfaction that his / her conduct warrants such action.
- 10) All monies received on behalf of the KGC shall be paid into the account of the KGC. The Treasurer shall have the power to draw on this account.

- 11) Should it ever become necessary to wind-up the KGC, the net disposable assets shall be distributed to a charity or charities nominated by the serving Management Committee. This process shall be under the control of the Trustees.
- 12) The accounts of the club shall be prepared annually by the Treasurer and presented to the members at the AGM. The financial year of the KGC shall be from 1st November to 31st October each year.
- 13) The joining fee and annual subscription shall be fixed each year at the AGM for the following year. The Management Committee will decide upon the shooting fees for both members and non-members prior to the start of each season. The AGM of the KGC shall be held in November each year. Two weeks' notice shall be given to all Members. Resolutions to be discussed at any meeting must be given in writing to the Chairperson seven clear days before the date of the meeting. Only fully paid up members, or officers of the club, are allowed to attend and vote at the AGM or EGM.
- 15) KGC shall be affiliated to the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association (CPSA).
- 16) Each member shall have the right to introduce visitors to the KGC. Any member of the Management Committee shall be entitled to refuse any visitor permission to shoot without giving reason.
- 17) No drinking of alcohol or any organised betting will be permitted at any time during club shoots.
- 18) Only an AGM or EGM may change these rules. A quorum for this meeting will be one quarter of the membership.
- 19) Life members will be made from time to time. Successful candidates will have been proposed and seconded by fully paid members, and unanimously voted for at an AGM.
- 20) New members must apply to the Club Secretary and be proposed and seconded by fully paid members. Membership will be granted once sanctioned by the Management Committee.
- 21) Non-members shall not be entitled to enter any club competition or win any prizes.
- 22) KGC handicaps will be calculated by the Treasurer for each discipline. The method of calculation will be by average of the most recent five entered scores for that discipline. The Treasurers decision is final. KGC classes will be as follows; Skeet ABT & DTL - Class A = or > 80%, Class B < 80%. All other disciplines - Class A = or > 65%, Class B < 65%.

23) Young persons (Under 18 years) will be allowed to shoot at KGC subject to them shooting with, and in the presence of, a fully paid member. Shooting fees for young persons will be discounted by 50%. Young persons do not have to pay membership subscriptions.

24) At The Shooting Ground

- a) The Shoot Organiser will be solely responsible for the layout of the traps.
- b) The Management Committee will be jointly responsible for Safety and have the power to remove anyone from the ground for any breaches whatsoever.
- c) All shooting must finish by 9.00pm on Thursday evenings and by 7.00pm on Saturdays.
- d) In club competitions, the scorer's decision on all targets is final. Scorers will follow the CPSA's rules on birds broken or lost. Members must submit only one card (the first card) for club competitions.
- e) Dogs or animals brought to the ground will be the responsibility of the owner and must be under control at all times.

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