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**RULES OF**

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### **Schedule of Objects**

## **RULES OF QUEENSTOWN ALPINE SKI TEAM INCORPORATED**

### **1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

#### **1.1** In these Rules:

- a. words referring to persons include firms, partnerships, companies and corporations;
- b. where the context permits, words referring to the singular also refer to the plural and vice versa and words importing one gender refer to the other gender.

### **2. NAME**

- 2.1 The name of the Society is QUEENSTOWN ALPINE SKI TEAM INCORPORATED ("the Society").

### **3. OBJECTS**

- 3.1 The objects of the Society are those set forth in the Schedule to these Rules or such other objects as may be adopted by the committee from time to time.

### **4. MEMBERSHIP**

#### **4.1** Membership of the Society consists of:

- a. The signatories to these Rules who will be the first Members.
- b. Such persons as may be elected as Life Members by a simple majority of the Members present at a General Meeting and whether as Honorary Life Members or on such terms as are from time to time be fixed in Annual General Meeting.
- c. Full Members being:-
  - (i) A parent or legal guardian of an athlete currently enrolled in the training programme.
  - (ii) An athlete aged 18 years or over.
- d. Junior Members being athletes currently enrolled in the training programme and aged less than 18 years.
- e. Associate Members being such persons as may be elected by a simple majority of the Members present at a General Meeting. No person or incorporated body may be presented as a candidate for election without application in writing in the form prescribed from time to time by the Committee signed by the applicant and 2 financial Members being lodged in the hands of

the Secretary at least 21 clear days before such General Meeting.

Each Life Member, Honorary Life Member and Full Member will be entitled to 1 vote in accordance with clause 10.3 (a) of these rules.

Junior Members and Associate Members shall have no voting rights.

Each Member must pay upon request such entrance fees and annual subscriptions as the Society from time to time fixes in Annual General Meeting.

- 4.2 For the purposes of these Rules persons trading in partnership or as a corporation constitute 1 Member. No applicant can be admitted to associate membership if he or she is an individual purporting to represent such partnership or corporation. A partnership or corporation which is a Member of the Society must designate 1 of its partners or directors or permanent officers as its representative to act on its behalf in all matters concerning the Society.
- 4.3 Every Member of the Society is be deemed to have notice of the Rules and regulations of the Society and will be bound by those documents as if the Member had been an original subscriber to them.

## 5. **TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- 5.1 Any Member of the Society who fails in the observance of any law, rule, regulation, bylaw or Code of Ethics of the Society which for the time being Members are expected to observe, or whose character or business methods are considered by the Committee not to be in the best interests of the Society or whose business activities do not in the opinion of the Committee entitle that member to continue to be an associate Member may be removed from the Society by a resolution to that effect passed by a majority of at least 75 per cent of the Members, other than Life Members.
- 5.2 Any Member wishing to resign from the Society must give to the Society not less than 3 months' prior written notice of that Member's intention to resign and must pay all fees, subscriptions or levies up to the date of expiry of such notice. The resignation may then be accepted by the Committee.
- 5.3 Any person ceasing to be a Member of the Society for any cause whatsoever nevertheless remains liable to the Society for all subscriptions and other moneys which may have become due by such person prior to termination of such person's membership.
- 5.4 Any person ceasing to be a Member of the Society must upon demand from a Member of the Committee return to the Society any property of the Society then in that person's possession or under that person's control. No such person after ceasing to be a Member may

hold himself out as a Member of the Society or use any trademark, tradename, logo or other mark of identification of the Society, or disclose any confidential information relating to the Society to any person whatsoever.

6. **ENTRANCE FEES; ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS**

6.1 The Society in Annual General Meeting shall determine the amount of the entrance fee (if any) payable by any new Member of the Society (which amount until so determined is nil) and the amount of the annual subscription payable by Members (including Life Members) of the Society.

6.2 A Member is not entitled to vote or take advantage of membership in any way until such Member's subscription and/or arrears of subscription are paid.

7. **OFFICERS**

7.1 At the first meeting of the Society and at every Annual General Meeting held thereafter the Society must elect from the Society's financial membership a Committee consisting of the following officers: a Chairman, a Secretary and Treasurer (which office may also be held by the Secretary) and six Committee Members who will hold office until retirement or removal from office or election of successors to office.

7.2 The Committee has power to appoint a financial Member to fill any casual vacancy on the Committee until the next Annual General Meeting. Any Member so appointed must retire at the next Annual General Meeting together with the rest of the Committee but all or any of the retiring Committee are eligible for re-election.

8. **DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE**

8.1 It is the duty of the Committee generally to conduct the affairs of the Society, to keep usual and proper books of account properly posted up and other records of the business of the Society and to notify Members of intended meetings and the business to be transacted at those meetings and to prepare and submit to the Annual General Meeting a report, balance sheet and statement of account for the preceding year. Meetings of the Committee may be convened by circular letter at such times and places as the Chairman (or in the case of the Chairman's absence, inability or refusal to act, the Secretary) appoints and 4 Committee Members will be a quorum.

9. **ADDITIONAL POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

9.1 In addition to any power conferred by these Rules the Committee has the following powers and authorities:

- a. To co-operate with all interested parties in public relations in promotion of the objects of the Society.
- b. To enter into any arrangement with any institution or organisation which has objects similar to those of the Society.
- c. To solicit donations, gifts and bequests to the Society for promotion of the objects of the Society.
- d. To expend any money in pursuance of and incidental to any of the objects of the Society.
- e. To purchase, lease or otherwise acquire property and to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of property.
- f. To recommend the printing of publications and their issue to Members of the Society and others.
- g. To do all things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above powers and authorities or any of them.

## 10. **MEETINGS**

### 10.1 **Annual General Meeting**

The Society must hold an Annual General Meeting once in every calendar year no later than May at and on such date (not being more than 15 months after the holding of the last previous Annual General Meeting) at such time and place as may be decided upon at the previous Annual General meeting or if no such time or place for such meeting has been fixed then at such time and place as the Committee determines. The meeting must be called for the following purposes:

- a. To receive from the Committee a report, balance sheet and statement of account for the preceding year.
- b. To elect the Committee for the ensuing year and to appoint an accountant.
- c. To fix the annual membership subscription and entrance fee (if any) for the ensuing year.
- d. To decide on any resolution which has been duly submitted to the Secretary not less than 21 days prior to the date of such meeting.

### 10.2 **Special General Meeting**

The Chairman, or in the Chairman's absence or inability any other Member of the Committee, may at any time for any special purpose call a Special General Meeting and the Chairman must do so forthwith upon the requisition in writing of any ten Members stating

the purposes for which the meeting is required. Fourteen clear days notice must be given of any such Special General Meeting.

### 10.3 **Procedure at Meetings**

a. At all General Meetings the Chairman, and in the chairman's absence any other duly elected Chairman, must take the chair and every full Member is entitled on every motion to 1 vote exercised in person, by proxy or in writing. In the case of an equality of votes the Chairman has a casting as well as a deliberative vote. The mode of voting on all questions other than elections is by voices or if the Chairman or any 3 Members so require by a show of hands. On all elections voting is by secret ballot for which purpose no less than 2 scrutineers are to be appointed at the meeting.

b. At all General Meetings 5 financial Members constitute a quorum.

### 10.4 **Notice of business**

Two clear days before a Special General Meeting and 14 clear days before the Annual General Meeting a notice must be given of the date, place and time for and of the business to be transacted at that meeting together with a copy of the report and balance sheet in the case of the Annual General Meeting. The notice must be sent to every Member and no business other than that of which notice has been so given can be brought forward at such meeting.

## 11. **SERVICE OF NOTICES**

11.1 Every notice required to be given to the Members or any of them is deemed to have been duly delivered if posted to the Member in a prepaid letter addressed to the Member at the Member's last known place of business or residential address.

## 12. **COMMON SEAL**

12.1 The Society must provide a common seal which is to remain in the custody of the Secretary or such other person as may be nominated by the Committee. The use of the seal can be authorised only by resolution of the Committee and its application is to be witnessed by the Chairman and the Secretary or one other Member of the Committee.

12.2 Every application of the seal must be recorded in a register kept for that purpose and a copy of every document to which the seal has been affixed must be kept together with the register.

13. **CONTROL AND INVESTMENT OF FUNDS**

13.1 The funds of the Society are to be devoted solely to the furtherance of the objects of the Society as set out in these Rules and are to be under the control of the Committee.

13.2 All monies received by or on behalf of the Society must forthwith be paid to the credit of the Society in an account with such bank as is from time to time be fixed by the Committee. All cheques or withdrawal slips drawn on the account must be signed by any two of the Chairman, the Secretary or other Committee Member. The Society may from time to time invest and re-invest in such securities and upon such terms as the committee thinks fit the whole or any part of its funds which are not required for the immediate business of the Society.

14. **APPLICATION OF PROFITS**

14.1 The income and property of the Society from wherever derived, are to be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in these Rules and no portion of such income or property is to be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of profit to the Members of the Society.

15. **BORROWING POWERS**

15.1 In addition to the other powers vested in it the Society has a power to borrow or raise money from time to time by the issue of debentures, bonds, mortgages or any other security, founded or based on all or any of the property and/or rights of the Society or without any such security and upon such terms as to priority and otherwise as the Society thinks fit. The powers of borrowing or raising money cannot be exercised except pursuant to a resolution of the Society passed in General Meeting.

~~16. **AUDITOR**~~

~~16.1 The books of the Society must be audited annually and reported upon by an auditor appointed at the annual general meeting of the Society.~~

~~16.2 Such auditor cannot hold any other office in the Society and is to receive such fee as may be fixed from time to time by the Committee. If a vacancy occurs in the office of auditor during any year the Committee is to appoint an auditor to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.~~



17. **REGISTERED OFFICE**

17.1 The registered office of the Society is to be at such place as the Society from time to time determines in General Meeting. Due notice of any change of office is to be given to the Registrar of Incorporated Societies.

18. **WHERE NO RULE APPLIES**

18.1 If any case arises which in the opinion of the Committee is not provided for in these Rules it is decided by the Committee which must act in what it considers to be the best interests of the Society but whose decision is final.

19. **REGULATIONS**

19.1 The Society may from time to time by resolution in general meeting make amend or cancel regulations not inconsistent with these Rules governing procedure at its meetings and conduct of its activities in pursuance of its objects.

20. **ALTERATION OF THE RULES**

20.1 These Rules may be altered, added to or cancelled by resolution at a General Meeting of the Society of which at least 14 days notice has been given.

21. **WINDING UP AND DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS ASSETS**

21.1 The Society must be wound up if the Society, at a General Meeting of its Members, passes a resolution by a simple majority requiring the Society to be wound up and the resolution is confirmed at a subsequent General Meeting called for that purpose and held not earlier than 30 days after the date on which the resolution so to be confirmed is passed.

21.2 In the event of the Society being wound up the surplus assets after payment of the Society's liabilities and the expenses of the winding up are to be distributed in accordance with a resolution at a general meeting of its members in a manner which will promote ski racing in New Zealand.

22. **CONFIDENTIALITY**

22.1 All information in any way relating to the affairs of the Society or of any Member of the Society which is received by a Member is to be treated as secret and confidential. This obligation of secrecy and confidence continues indefinitely notwithstanding the termination of such Member's membership of the Society.

23. **INDEMNITY**

23.1 No action in law or other claim may be taken by Members or their executors or administrators against any other member of the Society or Committee or officer in pursuance of the provisions of these Rules notwithstanding any irregularity or informality occurring in or about the doing or omitting or suffering of any act, matter or thing. No member of the Committee is liable for any loss or expenses of the Society or any Member unless it occurs as a result of wilful default.

24. **LIABILITY OF MEMBERS**

24.1 No Member is under any liability in respect of any contract, debit or other obligation made or incurred by the Society.

## Schedule of Objects – updated 2014

- **Vision** – to provide the best alpine youth ski racing programme in the southern hemisphere and be respected in the community as a leading development club
- **Recruitment, Training And Racing** - to appoint a high quality coaching team and deliver effective programmes to all athletes at all levels and to increase the number of athletes in ski racing
- **Finance** – to achieve financial sustainability through fees, funding and fundraising to allow the club the break even after annual costs
- **Internal/External Relations and Communication** - to maintain and foster a close working relationship and communications with internal and external stakeholders including NZSki, SnowSports NZ, sponsors, athletes, committee, parents and coaches
- **Team Work** – to work as a team to achieve the potential of each athlete through passion, support, determination and persistence while also providing an environment of friendship and fun
- **Internal Planning (Goal Setting, Objectives, Review)** – Reviewing the strategic plan and the QAST Road Map on an annual basis to ensure that the program retains its leadership status and delivers against its core objectives