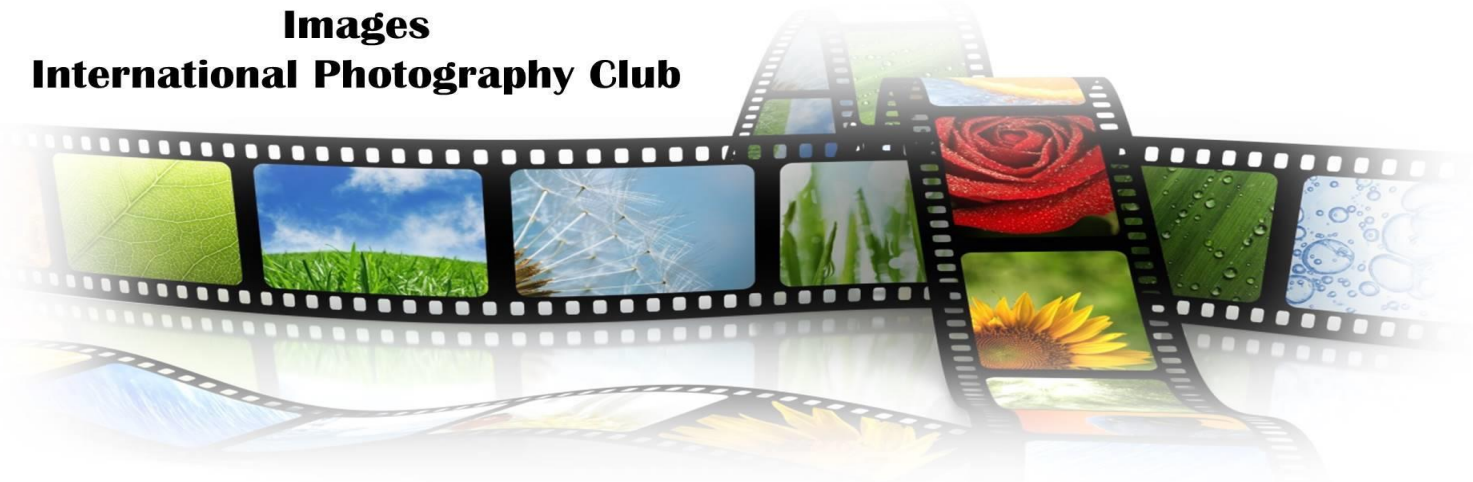


Images International Photography Club



IMAGES International Photography Club Constitution

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Article 1) Name and Object

- 1) The name of the club shall be IMAGES International Photography Club, the official language of the club being English.
- 2) The object of the Club shall be to promote the advancement of photographic techniques and artistic expression among the Members by the exchange of ideas and information, critiques, speakers, competitions, workshops and the like.
- 3) The Club year shall run from 1 September to 31 August.

Article 2) Membership

- 1) Membership shall be open to those persons who, having accepted the Club's purposes and rules, contribute an annual donation where the minimum amount for the following year shall be decided during the AGM (Annual General Meeting).
- 2) Applications for membership shall be made by completing the membership form, in its totality, on the website and submitting it for processing by the Membership Secretary. After receipt of the donation, the membership is active.
- 3) The membership of an existing Member who does not refresh his/her donation by 30 September of each Club year will automatically be terminated, including all rights and privileges.
- 4) In cases of unsuitable conduct, the Committee may terminate a membership. This is to be completed in writing.

Article 3) Management of the Club

- 1) The affairs of the Club shall be controlled by the Committee. The Committee shall consist of a minimum of four members and the following roles should be covered: Chairman; Vice Chairman; Secretary; Treasurer; Membership Secretary; Website Editor.
- 2) Members of the Committee shall be elected annually to hold office for the ensuing year and shall be eligible for re-election.
- 3) Elected Committee Members may be dismissed by a majority vote at a General Meeting.
- 4) The Committee must approve all expenditure except for the routine operating expenses.



Article 4) Elections

- 1) Each year, during the AGM at the end of the club year, there will be elections for the next year's Committee positions.
- 2) Nominations may be made by informing the Committee of the Nominee and the role he/she wishes to fulfil, at least two weeks prior to the AGM.
- 3) In the event that only one candidate has been nominated for a Committee position, election shall take place by acclamation.
- 4) Where more than one candidate has been nominated for the same position, the election shall take place by closed ballot.
- 5) Any Member wishing to vote by proxy should advise the Committee by e-mail of the name of their proxy voter one week prior to the meeting.

Article 5) General Meetings

A. General

- 1) Only paid-up Full Members have the right to vote at any General Meeting.
- 2) Members have the right to propose a resolution by sending it to the Committee at least two weeks prior to the meeting.
- 3) Resolutions at the AGM or EGM are considered to be approved with a majority vote of those present at the AGM or EGM.
- 4) The resolutions passed at either AGM or EGM shall be adopted by the Club.

B. Annual General Meetings (AGM)

An Annual General Meeting shall be held at the end of each club year, the purpose of which shall be as follows:

- 1) To receive from the Committee a report on its activities of the Club during the past year;
- 2) The Committee will render an account of the management of finances during the past completed financial year and will have a financial report available for inspection by members. In this respect, the financial year shall run from 1 July to 30 June. If necessary, a request may be made by the Committee, or from the Members present, to appoint an Honorary Auditor.
- 3) To elect Committee Members for the ensuing year.

C. Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM)

These may be convened:

- 1) By the Committee.
- 2) At the request of one-third of the Members, addressed to the Committee stating the reason for the Meeting.

D. Dissolution

- 1) A resolution to dissolve the Club can only be adopted at a General Meeting, when there is a majority vote of the membership present for the resolution.
- 2) In the event of a dissolution, the liquidation of the club and its assets shall be entrusted to the Committee.

Article 6) Donations

- 1) All donations shall be payable annually, and the level shall be fixed at the preceding AGM
- 2) Donation renewals shall be paid no later than 30 September.
- 3) Persons who become Members after 31 January shall pay reduced donations for the current year of membership.



Article 7) Amendments of the Rules

- 1) The rules of the Club may be amended or expanded by a vote at a the AGM. Notice of such amendments or additions must be circulated to all members not less than one week before such a meeting.

Article 8) Membership Lists

- 1) Are to be completed in full on the website, for membership to be activated.
- 2) The membership list shall be for the personal use of Club Members only and may not be used for commercial purposes by the Club or Club Members.

Article 9) Indemnity

- 1) The Club shall not be responsible for personal injuries, or damage to or loss of Members' property during Club functions.

