

**RINGBALL SOUTH AFRICA**

**PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION**

**CONSTITUTION**

## **1. NAME**

The name of the association is Ringball South Africa Players' Association, hereinafter referred to as RSAPA.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

- 2.1 To affiliate with Ringball South Africa (RingballSA).
- 2.2 To represent all players and convey their wishes and needs to the RingballSA executive management.
- 2.3 To act as coordinating body between the various provincial and districts' players' associations.
- 2.4 To make sure that the various provincial and district players' associations function properly.
- 2.5 To ensure that the objectives of RingballSA are complied with and respected.

## **3. MEMBERSHIP**

Membership of RSAPA can be obtained by affiliation to:

- 3.1 All districts' players' associations which are affiliated with their relevant provincial federation which is affiliated with RingballSA
- 3.2 A representative from each district which is affiliated with their respective provincial federation which is affiliated with RingballSA and which does not have a players' association in their district.

## **4. MANAGEMENT**

- 4.1 The management is elected at the annual general meeting and consists of the following five (5) members:
  - 4.1.1 Chairperson
  - 4.1.2 Vice-chairperson
  - 4.1.3 Secretary
  - 4.1.4 Two members
- 4.2 A maximum of two (2) members of the same district may serve on the management.
- 4.3 The chairperson has a normal as well as a casting vote.
- 4.4 Management members must be active, playing members.
- 4.5 Management members serve for a period of two (2) years.
- 4.6 Management members must serve on their own district's players' association.

## **5. ANNUAL AND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

5.1 The annual and special general meetings are constituted as follows:

- 5.1.1 The chairperson
- 5.1.2 Two representatives of each province's players' associations or one representative registered member per provincial federation.
- 5.1.3 Two representatives of each district's players' associations or one representative registered member per district.

5.2 The annual general meeting will be held annually before 31 July at a time and place as determined by management.

5.3 Notice must be given to the provincial federations and districts in writing 21 days before the Annual General Meeting, with the date, time and place as determined by management.

5.4 Discussion points for the Annual General Meeting must reach the secretary in writing 10 days before the Annual General Meeting. Discussion points will also be accepted at the Annual General Meeting.

5.5 Voting about persons takes place by means of closed ballot. Any other matters are voted about by means of a show of hands, except where required otherwise.

## **6. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

6.1 A special general meeting can be requested by management or at the written request of at least one-third of the affiliated provincial federations and/or districts.

6.2 Notice is given in the same manner as in section 5.3 and with mention of the objective of the meeting.

6.3 Only the issue for which the meeting has been convened may be discussed.

## **7. MANAGEMENT MEETING**

Management meets as often as is necessary for the execution of its duties and objectives or at the request of three of the management members or at the request of the chairperson.

## **8. QUORUM**

### **8.1 Annual and special general meetings**

- 8.1.1 A quorum is formed by one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) of the persons with voting powers as described in section 5.1.2 and must be personally present for the full meeting.
- 8.1.2 Should a quorum not be present, the meeting is adjourned for 15 minutes after which the representatives present form a quorum.
- 8.1.3 Representatives must submit letters of credence from their provincial federations or districts. Letters of credence must be signed by the provincial federation or district chairperson or secretary.

### **8.2 Management**

- 8.2.1 Three (3) members personally present form a quorum.

## **9. POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF MANAGEMENT**

- 9.1 When the annual meeting is not in session, management must ensure that the activities of the association are executed diligently in all respects.
- 9.2 If requested, the association assists players who are investigated by RingballSA in a disciplinary manner.
- 9.3 Must at all times strive for a healthy spirit between players, as well as their needs, which may be in the interest of the sport.
- 9.4 Co-opting in any vacancy which may exist in its midst.
- 9.5 Must ensure that management members who are absent from two consecutive meetings without apology, are replaced by co-opting somebody.
- 9.6 Report to the Annual General Meeting of RSAPA annually, as well as RingballSA, about the activities of the association.

## **10. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 10.1 Each provincial federation's and district's players' association is responsible for its own constitution and the execution thereof. Such constitution must be submitted to the RSAPA management and may not be in contradiction to the constitution of RingballSA.
- 10.2 RingballSA players liaise with RSAPA as far as RingballSA matters are concerned, but with the provincial federations as far as provincial matters are concerned and with districts as far as district matters are concerned.
- 10.3 All affiliated provincial federations' and districts' players' associations must submit annually on or before 31 May a report on the past season's activities, as well as an address list of their persons responsible for the new season.
- 10.4 The RSAPA receives its extent of activities and competencies from RingballSA.

## **11. REPRESENTATIVES**

Two (2) representatives from the RSAPA to the annual general meeting of RingballSA are appointed annually.

## **12. FINANCES**

The financial matters of RSAPA are handled by the RingballSA executive management. A budget of income and expenditure must be submitted to RingballSA for approval annually.

## **13. CONSTITUTION**

Amendments to this constitution can be made at an annual general meeting or a special general meeting, provided that one-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) of the members present (which must be a quorum) vote in favour thereof.

#### **14. WORD DESCRIPTION**

- 14.1 Management - The management of Ringball South Africa Players' Association
- 14.2 RingballSA - Ringball South Africa
- 14.3 RSAPA - Ringball South Africa Players' Association