



**Constitution of the Scottish Power Kite Association**  
(revised at EGM of 10<sup>th</sup> December 2006)

1. Name

- 1.1 The club shall be called the Scottish Power Kite Association (Hereinafter referred to as the Club).
- 1.2 The name Scottish Power Kite Association and its logo shall be the reference and property of the Association.

2. Objects

- 2.1 The objects of the Club shall be to encourage the promotion of the sport of power kiting in Scotland, the United Kingdom and Worldwide and undertake other activities as incidental or conducive to the furtherance of these objects.
- 2.2 The committee is committed to encouraging the highest ethical standards. All individuals involved in the Club should conduct themselves with integrity, transparency, accountability and in a fair and equitable manner.

3. Membership

- 3.1 The membership shall consist of the following categories
  - i) Full
  - ii) Family
- 3.2 Members in each category shall pay membership fees as fixed at each Annual General Meeting. The Club in general meeting may also require members to contribute to the funds of the Club by way of a special levy.
- 3.3 All members joining the Club shall be deemed to accept the terms of this Constitution and any Bye-Laws from time to time adopted by the Club, in particular without prejudice to the foregoing generality, the requirement to conduct themselves in accordance with the Club's ethical framework and the bye-laws as to discipline set out therein.
- 3.4 Any person seeking to join the Club shall submit an application to the

executive committee. Members shall be admitted by the Executive Committee. Membership is open to all and no application for membership will be refused on other than reasonable grounds. There will be no discrimination on grounds of race, occupation, sex or religious, political or other opinion.

#### 4. Management

- 4.1 The affairs of the Club shall be conducted by an executive Committee which shall consist of the Officers of the Club plus a maximum of eleven ordinary members, all of whom shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- 4.2 The officers of the club who shall be honorary shall be the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary. Officers may only be re-elected up to a maximum of three consecutive years. If the post of any officer or ordinary committee member should fall vacant after such an election, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy until the succeeding Annual General Meeting. ,
- 4.3 All Executive Committee Members must be members of the Club.
- 4.4 The said Officers shall also be the trustees ex officiis of the Club who shall hold any property belonging to the Club in their name and shall further be entitled to sue and be sued on behalf of the Club as trustees ex officiis. They shall be entitled to personal indemnity out of the funds of the Club where they are acting bona fide in their capacity as Officers of the Club.

#### 4.5

The Executive Committee shall have full power to deal with all matters relating to the Club not reserved to a general meeting in terms of this Constitution, including power to make public and enforce such bye-laws as the committee feel necessary to govern the activities of the Club [including bye-laws relating to discipline].

#### 5. General Meetings

- 5.1 Annual General Meeting

The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting within 18 months of the previous Annual General Meeting but no more than 8 months after the end of the Clubs financial year.:

Approve the minutes of the previous years AGM.  
Receive reports from the Chairperson and Honorary Secretary.  
Receive a report from the Honorary Treasurer and approve the annual accounts.  
Elect the Executive Committee.  
Appoint someone reasonable for certifying the Club's accounts.  
Fix the subscription for the ensuing year.  
Consider changes to the Constitution.  
Review and consider any Bye laws.  
Deal with other relevant business.

#### 5.2 Extraordinary General Meeting

An extraordinary general meeting shall be called by an application in writing to the Secretary supported by at least 15 of the members of the Club. The executive Committee shall also have the power to call an Extraordinary General Meeting by decision of a simple majority of its members.

#### 5.3 Notices At least 14 days' notice and the Agenda shall be given to all voting members of any general meeting. No business shall be conducted unless fair notice thereof is contained in the Agenda.

#### 5.4 Voting - With the exception of changes to the Constitution, decisions put to a vote shall be resolved by simple majority at General Meetings. All members are entitled to one vote excluding the National Instructor and Associate Members who have no voting rights.

The Chairperson of the Club shall hold deliberative as well as a casting vote at general and committee meetings, in each case at the time the meeting commences its business.

#### 5.5 Quora

The quorum at General Meetings shall be 2/3 of the committee members and the quorum for Committee meetings shall be 2/3 of the committee members.

#### 5.6 Changes to the Constitution

Any change to the Constitution shall require a two thirds' majority of those present, eligible to vote and voting at a general meeting.

A proposal to change the Constitution must be submitted in writing to the secretary who shall circulate the proposal to all members and allow seven days for submission of any amendments before calling a meeting in accordance with Rule 5.3 above.

All proposals for changes to the Constitution shall be signed by two members eligible to vote at a general meeting.

6. Finance and Accounts

6.1 The financial year shall run from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 31<sup>st</sup> August each year.

6.2 The honorary treasurer shall be responsible for the preparation of Annual Accounts of the Club.

6.3 The accounts shall be certified by an appropriate independent person elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

6.3 All cheques drawn against the Clubs funds up to and including the value of £250.00 shall only require one nominated signatory, cheque values greater than £250.00 shall require two nominated signatories.

6.4 All members of the Club shall be jointly and severally responsible for the financial liabilities of the Club.

7. Dissolution

7.1 The Club is a non-profit making organisation. All profits and surpluses will be used to carry out the objects of the Association. No profit or surplus will be distributed other than to another non-profit making body on a winding-up or dissolution of the Club.

7.2 If, upon winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall be transferred to some other organisation or organisations having objects similar to the objects of the Club, such organisation or organisations to be determined by the members of the Club by Resolution passed at a General Meeting or in the absence of such resolution (or that the extent to which it cannot be given effect) to the Association to which the Club is affiliated.