

# All England Judo Federation



## Midland Region Constitution

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### **1. Title**

The region will be known as the Midland Region AEJF hereafter referred to as the region.

### **2.1 The aims of the region will be-**

- To provide, develop and support opportunities for participation in Judo throughout the Midlands in a non-political environment;
- To organise and/or participate in judo events at regional, national and international level;
- To ensure the practise of judo is carried out within a spirit of fair play and sportsmanship throughout the region.

### **2.2 In order to achieve these aims the region will-**

- Ensure that any persons operating as coaches or instructors within the region are qualified to do so;
- Ensure that judo is open to all persons irrespective of race, creed, colour, gender, sexual orientation, age or ability;

- Ensure that all costs levied on members are kept to a minimum;
- Ensure that every member, from the newest novice to the most experienced instructor, is valued as an individual and their talents and abilities recognised.

### **3.Membership**

**3.1** Membership will be open to any person holding a current AEJF License and who is resident or regularly participates in Judo in the area covered by the region.

**3.2** The region reserves the right to refuse or withdraw membership from any person where it is deemed they present a danger to other members or the reputation of the region.

**3.3** Any person having membership refused or withdrawn has the right to appeal against such action. This can be done in writing through the secretary of the region stating reasons for believing the decision to refuse or withdraw membership was unfair. The region will respond within two weeks of receiving any appeal giving reasons why the appeal was either approved or refused.

### **4. Accounts**

**4.1** The region will keep a clear set of accounts identifying all income and expenditure.

**4.2** The accounts will be kept and monitored by the treasurer and chairman.

**4.3** Two non-executive committee members will be selected to audit the accounts.

**4.4** Annual audited accounts will be presented to the members at each annual general meeting.

**4.5** The region's financial year will begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> April Each year.

## **5. Officers of the region**

**5.1** Officers of the region will consist of-

- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Regional Coach.

## **6. Election of officers**

**6.1** The officers of the region will be elected by and from the membership of the region.

**6.2** The officers of the region will be selected at the region's annual general meeting or at an extraordinary general meeting should the need arise.

**6.3** Once elected officers will stand for the following terms unless circumstances dictate otherwise-

- Chairperson -2 years
- Vice Chairperson- 2 years
- Secretary- 2 years
- Treasurer- 2 years
- Regional Coach - 2 years

## **7. The Executive committee**

**7.1** The elected officers for the region will make up the executive committee for the region.

**7.2**The executive committee may co-opt members of the region on to the committee for specific purposes or set times in order to help meet the aims of the region.

## **8. Meetings**

**8.1** There will be four types of meeting that will/may be held. These are-

- Meetings of the executive committee

- General meetings
- The annual general meeting
- Extra-ordinary general meetings

- 8.2** The executive committee will meet at least three times a year at intervals, and at a time and place to be decided by the committee.
- 8.3** General meetings will be held at least three times a year and will be open for any senior member of the region to attend and participate.
- 8.4** Where a vote is called for at a general meeting those eligible to vote shall be; all members of the executive committee without a vested interest in the outcome, and one representative of any club which may be in attendance.
- 8.5** The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in June each year with members being informed at least 28 days prior to the date of the meeting. Senior members will be allowed to submit items for inclusion on the agenda at the meeting providing this is done in writing up to 7 days prior to the date fixed for the meeting.
- 8.6** An extra-ordinary general meeting may be called by-
- The executive committee
  - Three or more senior members who request in writing, giving reason/s, that a meeting be called.
- 8.7** The executive committee may call an extraordinary general meeting provided that they feel there is sufficient reason to do so. Should the executive committee feel there is sufficient need the meeting may be called at shorter notice than in 7.5 provided that adequate notice is given to members.
- 8.8** Should three or more senior members request an extra-ordinary meeting the chairman acting on behalf of the executive committee will make arrangements for the meeting giving due consideration to the importance of the need for the meeting and how quickly it needs to be arranged. This should be within at least 28 days of receiving the request.

## **9. Alterations to the constitution**

Alterations can only be made to this constitution at an annual general meeting or an extra-ordinary meeting. Any proposed changes must be made in writing and circulated to the membership prior to the meeting at which they are to be considered. Changes to the constitution can

only be made if they are agreed upon by more than 70% of the senior members at the meeting.

## **10. Dissolution**

- 10.1** If at any executive committee meeting a resolution should be passed to dissolve the region the chairperson shall immediately convene an extra-ordinary general meeting to be held within 28 days to discuss and vote on the resolution.
- 10.2** If at the extra-ordinary general meeting the resolution is carried by at least two thirds of the members being present at the meeting the executive committee will proceed to realise the assets of the region and discharge all of its debts and liabilities.
- 10.3** After discharging all debts and liabilities of the region, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the members of the region but shall be given or transferred to the national body of the All England Judo Federation.
- 10.4** Any assets received from grants will be dispersed as directed by the grant body.
- 10.5** All such assets will be detailed in the annual accounts.

Approved on this day \_\_\_\_\_

Signed on behalf of the region \_\_\_\_\_ (Chair)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Secretary)