

CONSTITUTION

(Approved and passed on 18 May 2013)

1 NAME

The name of the Association shall be AMATEUR MUAYTHAI ASSOCIATION SINGAPORE, herein referred to as "The Association". The Association shall be the national body for MuayThai in Singapore and shall be affiliated to the Singapore National Olympic Council and such other bodies as the Executive Committee may deem necessary in the interest of MuayThai.

2 PLACE OF BUSINESS

The Association shall be based at 70, Anson Road, Hub Synergy Point, Singapore 079905, or at such other place as the Executive Committee may decide and approved by the Registrar of Societies.

3 OBJECTS

The objects of the Association shall be:-

- (a) To uphold, as the Singapore national organization for MuayThai, the laws of MuayThai as adopted by the World MuayThai Council/International Federation of MuayThai Amateur as may be varied from time to time;
- (b) To promote the sport/Art of MuayThai in the Republic of Singapore;
- (c) To arrange and organize tournaments, training both locally and on an international level;
- (d) To regulate and control the conduct of athletes, instructors, masters, clubs, gyms and schools in the Republic of Singapore;
- (e) To take all steps it may deem necessary in order to prevent the infringement of its constitution as well as of the Regulations of AMAS and World MuayThai Council and International Federation of MuayThai Amateur; and
- (f) To prohibit and to make sure there is no area of political, religious or racial discrimination among its members.

4 **MISSION**

To promote and develop MuayThai into the leading local and international combat sport by generating awareness and encouraging participation, inculcating the virtues of respect, confidence, self-discipline and perseverance, inherent in the art.

5 **VISION**

A local and international appreciation of MuayThai as both an art and as a sport, as well as sporting excellence in the administration and competition of MuayThai.

6 **VALUES**

Integrity, transparency, and professionalism

7 **PROPERTY**

7.1 Subject to Rule 7.2, the Association shall have power to own property of all kinds.

7.2 If the Association at any time acquire any immovable property, such property shall be vested in trustees subject to a declaration of trust.

7.3 The trustees of the Association shall:-

- (a) not be more than 4 and not less than 2 in number;
- (b) be elected by a general meeting of members;
- (c) not effect any sale or mortgage of property without the prior approval of the General Meeting of members.

7.4 The office of the trustee shall be vacated :-

- (a) if the trustee dies or becomes a lunatic or of unsound mind;
- (b) if he is absent from Singapore for a period of more than one year;
- (c) if he is guilty of misconduct of such a kind as to render it undesirable that he continues as a trustee;
- (d) if he submits notice of resignation from his trusteeship.

7.5 Notice of any proposal to remove a trustee from his trusteeship or to appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy must be given by posting it on the notice board in the Association's premises at least two weeks before the General Meeting at which the proposal is to be discussed. The result of such General Meeting shall then be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within two (2) weeks of the change.

7.6 The address of each immovable property, name of each trustee and any subsequent change must be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within two (2) weeks of the change.

8 PATRONS

Prominent persons who have made a contribution to MuayThai may be invited by the Executive Committee to become Patrons of the Association and it may designate one such person to be a Patron-in-Chief. The Patron-in-Chief does not have the right to vote and to hold office.

9 HONORARY MEMBERS

Any person who has served continuously for a period of not less than five years on the Executive Committee and/or who has rendered outstanding service to the Association, or has excelled in MuayThai, may, on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, be appointed an Honorary Member of the Association. They do not have a right to vote or hold office.

10 MEMBERSHIP

10.1 Membership of the Association shall consist of Ordinary Members, associate members and honorary members. Persons who are below 18 years of age shall not be accepted as members without the written consent of their parent or guardian.

10.2 Only members who are 21 years of age and above shall have the right to vote and to hold office.

10.3 Ordinary Members shall include entities which are registered with the Singapore Registry of Societies, or which are entities within the Singapore government or statutory boards.

- 10.4 Ordinary Members must have a minimum of 30 valid paying members and be directly related to promoting MuayThai through youth development programmes and participation in competitions and/or other related programmes.
- 10.5 Ordinary Members enjoy full membership privileges, including voting at AGM/EGM. Each entity will have only one representative and 2 voting counts.
- 10.6 The Association/National Sports Association, being the governing body for the designated sport, cannot simultaneously operate as a sports club affiliated to the NSA.
- 10.7 Associate members shall include persons who are supporters and well wishers of the Association. An Associate member may be recommended to hold office through nomination. Each Associate member is given a count of one vote.
- 10.8 Membership shall be by application and the applicant may be required to give such details in writing as the Association shall stipulate.
- 10.9 A new member must be proposed and be seconded by existing members. His name will then be posted on the notice board in the Association's premises and/or website for one week at the end of which time the Committee will decide on membership, taking into consideration any objection raised.
- 10.10 A copy of the Constitution shall be furnished to every approved member by the Secretary General.
- 10.11 The Executive committee shall have power to accept or reject any application for membership of the Association without assigning any reason therefor. Any rejected applicant shall have the rights to appeal in accordance with the process and procedure of appeal as may be set out in the standard operating procedures ("SOP") of the Association or determined by the Executive committee from time to time.

11 MEMBERSHIP FEES

- 11.1 Upon acceptance as a member, he shall pay a fee as determined by the Executive committee from time to time. Membership fees shall be payable in the sum of, ranging from \$50.00 to \$500.00, in respect of each year. Any member who fails to pay the membership fee within one month from the due date may be deprived of his membership by the Executive Committee.
- 11.2 Annual subscriptions are payable in advance within the first month of the financial year. If a member falls into arrears with his subscription or other dues, he shall be informed immediately by the Treasurer. If he fails to settle his arrears within 3 weeks of their becoming due, the President may order that his name be posted on the Association's notice board and that he be denied the privileges of membership until he settles his account. If he falls into arrears for more than 3 months, he will automatically cease to be a member and the Committee may take legal action against him provided that they are satisfied that he has received due notice of his debts.

12 ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS

Any member shall not take part or compete in any competition, tournament or game (other than friendly games) not organized or sanctioned by the Association without the approval of the Association.

13 ATHLETES

- 13.1 Athletes of Ordinary Members shall be bound at all times to represent the Association in any tournament, match or competition when called upon to do so.
- 13.2 Any athlete selected to play for the Association shall not compete for any club or organization on the date of the event for which he has been selected or a period prior to such event as the Association or its duly appointed Committee dealing with such matters may decide.
- 13.3 The Association may take disciplinary actions including suspension of any athlete for misconduct and for any breach of the constitution. Such suspended athlete shall not compete in any match with or against an athlete representing an Ordinary Member.

14 **TOUR**

- 14.1 No Ordinary Member shall take part in MuayThai tournaments and competition outside Singapore without the prior sanction of the Association.
- 14.2 An Ordinary Member wishing to train and/or compete in MuayThai in Singapore against foreign teams/athletes shall obtain prior approval of the Association.

15 **BREACH**

Any member or a member of an Ordinary Member who commits a breach of these rules, or who encourages or instigates any member to commit a breach of these rules, may be subject to disciplinary proceedings.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

16 **COMPOSITION**

- 16.1 The Association shall be governed by an Executive committee which shall consist of a President, two (2) Vice-Presidents, a Secretary General, an Honorary Treasurer and eight (8) Committee members. The President, Vice-Presidents, the Secretary General and the Honorary Treasurer shall be Singapore Citizens. The eight (8) Committee members can be permanent residents of Singapore or Singapore citizens.
- 16.2 The Executive committee may co-opt not more than five (5) persons to be members of the Executive committee. Such persons shall be permanent residents of Singapore or Singapore Citizens.
- 16.3 The Executive Member may co-opt members of the outgoing Executive Committee who have reached the maximum accumulative tenure for the purpose of representing the Association in any regional or international federation or equivalent entities. This would be required if the President is occupied with other business or if the representation is exhausted in the Executive Committee.
- 16.4 Members of the Executive Committee shall not hold any salaried position within the Association and receive no compensation for his/her services rendered as a member of the Executive Committee.

- 16.5 Any changes in the Executive Committee members shall be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within two (2) weeks of the change.
- 16.6 Preferably, the Executive Committee member should not be an immediate family member related by blood or marriage to any other Committee member. (In any event, not more than half of the Committee shall be family members related by blood or marriage.)

17 APPOINTMENT/ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 17.1 All elected members of the Executive Committee shall hold office for two years.

Subject to this Constitution, a retiring member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for re-election at the meeting at which he/she retires. An individual, representing an Ordinary Member, may be elected to serve in the Executive Committee for a maximum accumulative tenure of 8 years other than as the President (Non-President Tenure). An individual may be elected to serve as the President for a maximum accumulative tenure of 6 years excluding the Non-President Tenure of such individual.

- 17.2 The Executive Committee shall comprise the following :-

The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary General, the Honorary Treasurer and eight Committee members who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

- 17.3 No individual may be elected to serve as the Honorary Treasurer for more than 2 consecutive terms.
- 17.4 The positions of the President, Vice Presidents, Secretary General, Honorary Treasurer and 8 Committee members shall be open for nominations by all representatives of the Ordinary Members and an election by secret ballot shall be held at a General Meeting.
- 17.5 All nominees for the election of the Vice Presidents, Secretary General, Honorary Treasurer and the 8 Committee members shall be representatives of the Ordinary Members except the President who need not be a representative of the Ordinary Members. Such nominations are to reach the Secretary General no later than 14 days before the date of the Annual General Meeting where elections of all such posts are involved.

- 17.6 After the closing date and for the purpose of paragraph 17.5, in the event that there is only 1 nomination for each of the respective positions of the President, Vice-Presidents (2 nominations), the Honorary Treasurer and not more than 8 nominations for the positions of the Committee members, such nominees will be declared and deemed to be elected at the Annual General Meeting.
- 17.7 In the event that there are more than 1 nomination for each of the respective positions of the President, Vice Presidents (2 nominations) and the Honorary Treasurer, there shall be election for the respective positions. For the Committee members, there shall be elections if there are more than 8 nominations. However, in the event that the nominations for the Committee members are less than 8, then the remaining number of Committee members shall be nominated and elected by the Ordinary Members present. If there is no such nomination for the remaining number of Committee members by the Ordinary Members present, the number of the Committee member shall be that deemed elected under paragraph 17.6 above and no further nomination and election of Committee member will be required.
- 17.8 In the event that there is no nomination for a position, nominations for such position shall be made and election shall be held by Ordinary Members present.
- 17.9 If there is no nomination for all the positions, the annual General Meeting shall be postponed for another 14 working days. The date of this deferred Annual General Meeting shall be communicated to all Ordinary Members by the next working day. This notice shall also inform the Ordinary Members that new nominations can be accepted, but such nominations shall reach the Secretary General no later than 3 working days prior to the rescheduled Annual General Meeting.

18 POWER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 18.1 The Executive Committee shall have the power to act in all respects for and in the name of the Association including the following powers :-
- a. to carry out the objects of the Association;
 - b. to appoint sub-committees to assist the Executive Committee in carrying out the objects of the Association;
 - c. to receive and approve reports from sub-committees;
 - d. to consider applications for membership;
 - e. to approve expenditure;

- f. to decide on appeals against any decisions of any Sub-Committee set up to deal with disciplinary matters; and
- g. to do all other acts as are consistent with the objects and interests of the Association.

19 **MEETINGS**

The Executive Committee shall meet as often as it may decide but not less than once in 3 months.

20 **ABSENCE FROM MEETINGS**

Any member of the Executive Committee absenting himself from three consecutive committee meetings, without giving good and sufficient reason in writing shall cease to be a member unless the Executive Committee decides otherwise.

Absent members of the Executive Committee may write or call in to vote on any voting matters or proposed resolutions in the meetings in such manner as determined by the Executive Committee.

21 **REPLACEMENT**

In the event of any person (other than the President) ceasing to be a member of the Executive Committee for whatever reason during his term of office, the Executive Committee may appoint any other person to fill the vacancy and that person shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the person who had ceased to be a member of the Executive Committee. In the event the post of the President is vacant, a Vice President shall act as the President until the Executive Committee appoints a President. (Supercede para 8 of old Constitution)

22 **QUORUM**

At least one-third of members of the Executive Committee with voting rights shall be present to form a quorum. Provided always that two of those present are amongst these 5 office bearers :

- a. The President
- b. The Vice Presidents
- c. The Secretary General; and
- d. The Honorary Treasurer

23 **VOTING**

- 23.1 Voting at Executive Committee meetings shall be by a show of hands except by election which shall be governed by clause 32.2 stated herein. Each member of the Executive Committee shall have one vote except that the President shall have a casting vote where there is an equal division of votes cast.
- 23.2 All non-elected members shall have no voting rights at the Executive Committee meetings.
- 23.3 Proxy voting may be allowed (in such manner as determined by the Executive Committee) if formal authorisation for a particular meeting of the Executive Committee has been given in advance.

24 **CHAIRMAN**

The President shall chair all Executive Committee meetings. In his absence, the Vice President shall chair the meeting.

25 **DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS**

The duties of the office-bearers shall be as follows:-

- 25.1 The President shall be the Executive Head of the Association and shall preside at all General and Executive committee meetings and shall represent the Association in all matters.
- 25.2 The Vice President shall deputise for the President when the President is absent and shall take on such responsibilities as directed by the President from time to time.
- 25.3 The Vice-President shall take on such responsibilities as may be designated by the President from time to time.
- 25.4 The Vice President shall:-
- a. Fulfill the President's duties in his/her absence;
 - b. Coordinate all club activities and events;
 - c. Work with the President to develop new programs and events; and

- d. Perform other such duties as the membership or Constitution may specify.

25.5 The Secretary General shall :-

- a. Arrange all meetings of the Executive Committee;
- b. Record the minutes of such meetings;
- c. Maintain and keep up to date all records and registers of the Association;
- d. Keep in proper custody all papers and documents pertaining to the Association;
- e. Carry out the business of the Association;
- f. Attend to or deputise an executive staff of the Association to attend to all correspondence on behalf of the Association; and
- g. Prepare the Annual Report for submission to the Annual General Meeting.

25.6 The Honorary Treasurer shall :-

- a. Be responsible for all funds of the Association;
- b. Keep an account of all monetary transactions and shall be responsible for their correctness;
- c. Report on the financial position of the Association at every Committee Meeting and render a Statement of Account and Balance Sheet at the Annual General Meeting;
- d. The Honorary Treasure shall cause to be deposited in a regular business bank or trust company a sum not exceeding \$1,000.00 and the balance of the funds of the organization shall be deposited in a savings bank except that the Management committee may cause such funds to be invested in such investments as shall be legal for a non-profit corporation in this state;

- e. The Honorary Treasurer must be one of the officers who shall sign cheques or drafts of the organization. No special fund may be set aside that shall make it unnecessary for the honorary Treasurer to sign the cheques issued upon it; and
- f. The Honorary Treasurer shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Honorary Treasurer.

26 SIGNATORIES

The President, the Vice President and the Secretary General may act in the name of the Association and any two of them may sign documents on behalf of the Association except that the Honorary Treasurer shall be one of the two signatories in respect of all Accounts and all financial documents.

27 COMMITTEES

27.1 The Executive Committee shall at its first Executive Committee meeting, or at the earliest opportunity thereafter, appoint the following Sub-Committees to assist it in its work:-

- a. Finance and Corporate Services Sub-Committee
- b. Technical/Competitions/Exhibition Sub-Committee
- c. Development and Selection Sub-Committee

Only members of the Executive Committee shall be appointed to be the chairman of each of the above-named Sub-Committees. The secretary of each Sub-Committee shall be appointed by that Sub-Committee. In addition, each chairman may co-opt members to their respective Sub-Committee.

27.2 Membership of Sub-Committees and all such Committees as the Executive Committee may sanction, need not be confined to members of the Executive Committee.

27.3 The Executive Committee shall have power to remove a member, including a co-opted member from a Committee or Sub-Committee without giving reasons.

27.4 Three members, one of whom must be a member of the Executive Committee, shall constitute a quorum at all Sub-Committee Meetings.

In the case of the Standing Sub-Committee two members shall constitute a quorum. A Standing sub-committee will be a committee formed under any

of the departments should the need requires and the manpower is available to aid in the administration of that particular department.

28 SCOPE OF DUTIES OF SUB-COMMITTEES

28.1 The duties of Sub-Committee shall be as follows :-

(a) **Finance and Corporate Services Sub-Committee :**

The Sub-Committee shall be responsible for all financial matters, all matters relating to the use, upkeep and maintenance of all the Association premises and such other matters as may be directed by the Executive Committee.

(b) **Technical/Competition/Exhibition Sub-Committee :**

This Sub-Committee shall be responsible for :-

Organising and managing all competitions and tournaments including the appointment of officials, umpires, judges and referees and any other such matters as may be directed by the Executive Committee.

(c) **Development & Selection Sub-Committee :**

The Sub-Committee shall be responsible for:-

- i) the coaching, training and selection of athletes to represent the Association in competitions and tournaments in Singapore and abroad;
- ii) the development of all programmes and activities which promote MuayThai and improve the quality and standards of MuayThai in Singapore; and
- iii) all matters relating to MuayThai coaches and training and development of officials.

(d) **Disciplinary Committee :**

A Disciplinary Committee shall be constituted as and when necessary by the Executive Committee and its composition and terms of reference shall be decided by the Executive committee.

(e) Independent Appeals Committee (“IAC”)

The Executive committee shall form an Independent Appeals Committee to deliberate queries and appeals lodged by athletes. The IAC shall comprise of individuals not involved in the original athletes selection Committee.

- (f) An Audit Committee shall be formed to ensure cost effectiveness, independence and objectivity of the appointed external auditors. Additionally the Audit Committee will review the effectiveness of the Association’s internal and financial control systems annually.

28.2 The President, the Vice President and the Secretary General shall have the right to attend all Sub-Committee meetings. Notice of all meetings together with all supporting papers shall be sent to the Association at least 3 days before any meeting of the sub-Committee.

29 AUDITOR

29.1 An external Auditor who shall not be a member of the Executive Committee, shall be appointed at each annual General Meeting. He will be required to audit the annual accounts and present his report to the Annual General Meeting. The President may ask the Auditor to audit the Association’s accounts for any other period and make a report to the Executive Committee.

29.2 The Governing Council/Management Committee shall appoint an external audit firm to carry out an annual audit of its accounts as well as internal control systems.

29.3 The External Auditors shall be changed at least once in every (5) years.

30 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held not later than June in each year.

31 NOTICE OF MEETINGS

31.1 At least 14 days' notice in writing specifying the place, date and time of an Annual General Meeting shall be sent to members. The agenda for the meeting shall be posted on the Associations' notice board 4 days in advance of the meeting.

31.2 Any Ordinary Member wishing to propose any resolution or resolutions must forward such resolution or resolutions to the Secretary General at least 14 days before the date fixed for the General Meeting.

31.3 The business to be transacted at the Annual General Meeting shall be:

- a. to receive and approve the Annual Report and Accounts of the Association for the preceding year;
- b. to elect members of the Executive Committee whenever due;
- c. to elect an auditor; and
- d. to transact any other business of which at least 14 days' notice in writing shall have been given to the Secretary General by any member.

31.4 Persons entitled to vote at General Meetings shall be :-

- a. The delegate from each Ordinary Member;
- b. Each person entitled to be present at a general meeting shall have one vote only irrespective of the fact that he is present at the meeting in more than one capacity; and
- c. The names of the delegates of Ordinary Members shall be notified to the Secretary General at least one week before the date of the general meeting.

31.5 The outgoing President will chair the election process unless he/she is seeking re-election in which case the next most senior outgoing key appointment holder will take the chair.

31.6 In the event that the President and the next most senior outgoing key appointment holder or holders are seeking re-election, a Chairman shall be elected from those delegates present. However, he/she shall not be a person who is seeking election to the Executive Committee.

31.7 Once elected, the newly elected President will then oversee the election process.

31.8 The Chairman chairing the election process under paragraph 31.5 or 31.6 above shall have no casting vote in relation to the election.

32 GENERAL MEETINGS

32.1 The supreme authority of the Association is vested in the General Meeting of the members. The quorum for any general meeting shall not be less than one third of persons entitled to vote.

32.2 In the event there being no quorum at a general meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned for half an hour, members present at the adjourned meeting shall be deemed to constitute a quorum.

32.3 Provided that such adjourned meeting shall have no power to alter, amend or make additions to any of the existing rules.

33 EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

33.1 An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened by the Executive Committee or on receipt of a written requisition by at least one third of the total number of Ordinary Members of the Association. The requisition shall be signed by the President or the Secretary of the Ordinary Members and shall state the reasons for requesting such a meeting.

33.2 Upon receipt of a requisition, the Executive Committee shall call for an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held within 21 days from the date of receipt of such requisition.

33.3 If the Executive Committee does not within two (2) months after the date of the receipt of the written request proceed to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting, the Ordinary members who requested for the Extraordinary General Meeting shall convene the Extraordinary General Meeting by giving ten (10) days' notice to voting members setting forth the business to be transacted and simultaneously posting the agenda on the Association's notice board.

34 VOTING

34.1 Voting at any general meeting shall be by a show of hands. Subject to paragraph 31.8 above, the chairman shall have a casting vote.

34.2 Notwithstanding paragraph 34.1 above, voting for the election of the Executive Committee as mentioned in paragraph 17 above shall be through secret ballot.

35 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The governing Council/Management Committee will formulate a “Conflict of Interest” policy specifying the types of business conduct or transactions that may raise concerns of partiality. This policy will provide clear procedures for disclosure of actual or potential conflict/s, including the review of such business conduct or transactions by neutral governing Council/Management Committee Members.

36 CHAIRMAN

Subject to paragraph 31.5 and 31.6 above, the Chairman at all general meetings shall be the President, or if he is not present ten minutes after the time specified for the meeting, the Vice President shall chair the meeting.

37 FINANCIAL YEAR

The financial year of the Association shall end on the 31st March in each year.

38 PRESS RELEASES

Only the President or the Vice President or the Secretary General or other person authorized by the President or Deputy President, shall be entitled to make press releases.

39 EMPLOYEES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- a. The Federation may at its discretion employ employees to support the administration, finance and operation of the Association.
- b. No members of the Management Committee are allowed to be an employee of the Association.
- c. If any Management Committee members wish to be an employee of the federation, the said members shall relinquish his position as a Committee Member.

40 **SELECTION AND COMPENSATION**

Once the need for a contracted official has been justified and approved by the Management Committee, the position will be opened to all qualified applicants. The selection of the final candidate must be approved by a majority vote of the Management Committee. The Management Committee will determine the rate of compensation for the employee in accordance with the guideline provided by the Ministry of Manpower.

41 **DUTIES OF ASSOCIATION EMPLOYEES**

The duties of all employees will be to support and promote the efficient operation of the Association.

42 **TERMINATION**

The term of employment will continue as long as the needs are justified and the employee is satisfactorily accomplishing those needs.

43 **PROHIBITION**

43.1 The funds of the Association shall not be used to pay the fines of any member who has been convicted in court of law.

43.2 The Association shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.

43.3 Gambling of any kind, excluding the promotion or conduct of a private lottery which has been permitted under the Private Lotteries Act Cap 250, is forbidden on the Association's premises. The introduction of materials for gambling or drug taking and of bad characters into the premises is prohibited

43.4 The Association shall not engage in any trade union activity as defined in any written law relating to trade unions for the time being in force in Singapore

43.5 The Association shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the Association or its office-bearers, Committee or members unless with the prior approval of the relevant authorities

43.6 The Association shall not raise funds from the public for whatever purposes without the prior approval in writing of the Assistant Director Operations, Licensing Division, Singapore Police Force and other relevant authorities

43.7 The Association shall not operate as a sports club affiliated to the Association.

44 **ALTERATIONS (AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION)**

No alterations, amendments or additions to these Rules shall be made except at a general meeting by a resolution which shall be carried by a majority of at least two thirds of the votes properly recorded at the meeting. Such alterations, amendments or additions shall only take effect after approval from the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities has been received.

45 **FINAL DECISION**

In all matters not provided for in this Constitution, the decision of the Executive Committee shall be final.

46 **ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

In the event of any dispute(s) arising out of and/or from any event and/or contracts signed between AMAS and any and/or all parties, such disputes would be referred to an alternative dispute resolution process which will be presided over by a relevant party. Such relevant party shall be a person duly agreed upon by all parties or the majority of the parties in the dispute. Parties to such dispute shall use all attempts to amicably resolve any differences without recourse to legal action.

47 **VISITORS AND GUESTS**

Visitors and guests may be admitted into the premises of the Society but they shall not be admitted into the privileges of the Society. All visitors and guests shall abide by the Society's rules and regulations

48 **DISSOLUTION**

48.1 The Association shall not be dissolved except with the consent of not less than three-fifths of those entitled for the time being to vote at general meetings.

48.2 In the event of the Association being dissolved the funds of the Association shall be used for the settlement of all its debts and liabilities and any surplus shall be distributed to other charities or Institutions of a Public Character (IPCs) approved under the Charities Act.

48.3 A Certificate of Dissolution shall be given to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within seven days of the dissolution.