

Cumann Peil Gael na mBan

Bunreacht an Chumann

Cumann Peil Gael na mBan Naomh Séamas,
Cathair na Gaillimhe.

Ladies Gaelic Football Association (LGFA)

Club Constitution

St James' Ladies Football Club, Galway City

NAME OF CLUB: ST JAMES' LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB

TITLE, OBJECTS AND COLOURS

1. The Club shall be called 'Cumann Peile Peil Gael na mBan Naomh Séamus' and in English 'St James' Ladies Football Club' hereinafter called the Club.
2. The objects of the Club shall be the promotion of the aims of Cumann Peil Gael na mBan as outlined in the general rules of the organisation, and the membership and resources of the Club shall be utilised for and dedicated solely to these aims.
3. The colours of the Club shall be a Maroon & Green Jersey and White Shorts with Green trim.

MEMBERSHIP

4. The Executive Committee shall accept all classes of members of the Club, and such classes shall consist of Full Adult, Honorary and Youth.
5. Full Adult Membership of the club, which shall be for a period of not less than one year, shall be open to all persons of 18 years and over who subscribe to and undertake to further the aims and objects of Cumann Peil Gael na mBan and the Club. This membership may be sub- categorised into playing and non-playing Full Adult Membership. All playing Full Adult Members shall be registered with the County Registrar.
6. Honorary Membership shall be open to all persons who have rendered exceptional service to the Club or and / or activities of Cumann Peil Gael na mBan.
7. Youth Membership shall be open to all persons under 18 years of age. They shall have the same privileges as Full Adult Members.
8. Only Registered Full Adult and Youth Members shall be entitled to vote at meetings.
9. For a player to be eligible to play for the Club she must be a paid up Full or Youth registered member.
10. Application for Membership – The person seeking membership as a member of any class other than honorary shall complete and sign a prescribed application form that must be returned to the Registrar(s) appointed by the Club Committee. (a) The Executive Committee shall have the power to expel or suspend from Club activities any member of the Club whose actions are, in the opinion of the Committee, prejudicial to the interests of the Club. (b) Such persons, if Registered Full Members, shall have the right to appeal their expulsion / suspension to a Special General Meeting of the Club.
11. A non-member of the Club may seek election to any Committee of the Club providing that a Full or Youth Member of the Club nominates him. Should they be successful in being elected, they must, become, either Full or Youth Members of the Club within 7 days.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

12. The annual subscription of members other than Honorary members shall be decided by the Annual General Meeting; subscriptions are payable in advance on March 31st.

13. Any member other than Honorary whose subscription is not paid prior to May 31st shall cease to be a member on that date and shall not be eligible to participate in the games of any section of the Club. This will not apply to new members joining the Club for the first time on or after this date. On occasion The Executive Committee of the Club have power to grant membership, under such terms as it sees fit, to any person whose membership shall have lapsed under this rule.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

14. The business and affairs of the Club shall be under the management of an Executive Committee and it shall be the controlling body of the Club.

15. The Registered Full Members present shall elect the Executive Committee, entitled to vote and voting at the Annual General Meeting and nominations to serve on the Executive Committee shall be by any two such Registered Members.

16. The Executive Committee shall hold office for a period of one year or until the following Annual General Meeting whichever is the sooner.

17. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the Chairperson, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar, Children's Officer, and at least three Registered Full Members.

18. The Executive Committee shall have the sole right to appoint sub-committees and management teams and the Club Chairperson, Club Vice-Chair, Club Secretary and Club Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of all such sub-committees and management teams.

19. The Executive Committee may prepare byelaws for the proper control and management of the Club, which shall be submitted for ratification to an Annual, or Special General Meeting of the Club. Alterations, deletions or additions to such byelaws may be made only at the following Annual General Meeting or at a Special general Meeting called for the purpose.

20. The Executive Committee should meet monthly and not less than once a quarter and five members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

21. The Executive Committee shall administer the business affairs of the Club in accordance with the aims and objects specified in the Club Constitution and shall have all such administrative powers as may be necessary for properly carrying out the aims and objects of the Club.

22. Each registered Club Member shall have the right to be heard by the Executive Committee upon any complaint or representation sent by her/him in writing to the Club Secretary.

23. A special meeting of the Executive Committee may be called (a) by the Secretary, or (b) by the Secretary within three days of the receipt by her/him of a requisition, duly signed by 3 members of the Executive Committee. Such a requisition shall set out the purpose for which the special meeting is required.

24. The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings of the Executive Committee; in the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall preside. If both the Chairperson and the Vice-Chair are absent, the Committee may elect a member present to preside at the meeting.

25. Any member of the Executive Committee, who shall have absented themselves from three consecutive meetings without reasonable explanation, shall be deemed to have resigned from the Executive Committee.

26. Should any member of the Executive Committee resign, or her/his position otherwise lapse, the remaining members of the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy by co-opting from the body of the Registered Full Membership only.

VOTING

27. A Chairperson of a general meeting, Executive Committee meeting, or any sub-committee shall, in the event of a tie, have a casting vote in addition to her/his vote as a member.

28. All Registered Full Members whose subscriptions at the prescribed rate are not in arrears shall be eligible to vote at a General Meeting and voting shall be by a show of hands or by secret ballot at the discretion of such Registered Full Members.

GENERAL MEETINGS

29. The Annual General Meeting shall be held on or before 1st March. The secretary shall convey the notice of the time and place of such a meeting, or any other special general meeting, to members at least five days beforehand.

30. The following business shall be transacted at the Annual General Meeting;

(a) Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting. (b) Annual Report submitted by the Secretary. (c) Financial Statement submitted by the Treasurer. (d) Election of officers and members of the Executive Committee. (e) Notice of Motion. (f) General Business.

31. The Secretary shall call a Special General Meeting of the Club within fourteen days, if directed by the Executive Committee or demanded in writing by not less than twelve Registered Full Members who in their requisition shall state the object of such meeting. No other business shall be transacted at that Special Meeting. A minimum fee of €25.00 shall accompany the requisition by members calling for such meeting; this fee shall be forfeited to the funds of the Club if the matter were considered frivolous by the majority of those present and entitled to vote.

32. Twelve Registered Full Members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at a General or Special Meeting of the Club.

COMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF OFFICIAL GUIDE

33. This Club Constitution and Rules shall be read in conjunction with the general rules of Cumann Peil Gael na mBan/LGFA contained in the Official Guide as amended from time to time.

ALTERATIONS OF RULES

34. Alterations and additions to these Club Rules may be made at any Annual General Meeting or at a Special General Meeting called for the purpose, providing that the resolution proposing same is carried by a vote of two thirds of the members present and voting and that same do not conflict with Cumann Peil Gael na mBan.

35. Members wishing to propose alterations or additions to these Club Rules must send notice of the proposed alterations or additions in writing to the Secretary not later than fourteen days before the Annual General Meeting, or may do so, by calling a Special Meeting as provided for on these rules. The Executive Committee at their discretion may accept resolutions for proposed alterations or additions to Club Rules at a timescale less than the fourteen days stated above.

INTERPRETATION OF CLUB RULES

36. The Executive Committee shall be the sole authority for the interpretation of these Club Rules (with the exception of Club Rule 10), and any byelaws and regulations made thereunder; and the decision of the Executive Committee upon any question of interpretation or upon any matter affecting the Club and not provided for by these Club Rules or by the byelaws and regulations made thereunder shall be final and binding on the members subject to appeal to a General Meeting and shall not under any circumstances be subject to appeal to any Court of Law.

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CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF St James' Ladies Football Club as ratified at the Annual General Meeting of the Club held on

Cathaoirleach/Chair:

Rúnaí/Secretary:

Dáta/Date:

Bye Laws

1. The use of camera phones is strictly prohibited in all shower areas and dressing room areas of the club and in any other area when the use of such photo images could cause embarrassment or distress. The club committee will strictly enforce this bye law and any breach could result in dismissal from the club

2. The club will not tolerate any action – verbal or otherwise – that could constitute bullying of the players or mentors or by the players or mentors. Any such occurrence, if proven, will be dealt with severely by the club committee and may result in dismissal from the club.