

CONSTITUTION

THE NAME OF THE CLUB AND ITS LOGO:



Barbados Association of Dragsters and Drifters

MOTTO: To promote sportsmanship, excellence and fairness in motorsports.

The Barbados Motoring Federation:

The Barbados Association of Dragsters and Drifters hereby recognizes the BMF as the governing body of motorsport and therefore will abide with the rules and regulations of the BMF. The club shall appoint two members to represent the clubs interest at the meetings of the BMF.

The headquarters of the club shall be varied from time to time and be determined by its committee herein after referred to as the committee.

1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- a. Safety at all costs.
- b. To promote motor sport in various disciplines.
- c. To promote the art of drag racing and drifting drivers in Barbados and to encourage safe competitive and courteous competitors.
- d. To allow all drivers to compete without discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, politics, social standing, religion, or creed.
- e. To conduct itself and take such decisions to further its legal obligations and be fair in pursuance of its objectives.

2. CLUB YEAR

The club year shall commence from the 1st of January in every calendar year and shall end on the 31st of December of the same year.

3. STEWARDS

The club may upon a motion by the general body and approved by a resolution at a general meeting, invite a person or persons believed to be in good standing to be Stewards of the club.

4. MEMBERSHIP

- a. Membership is open to all interested persons.
- b. Members should pay such fees to the treasurer as required by the Committee.
- c. Every member shall declare opposition to any discrimination on the grounds set out in section 1 prefix (d).
- d. There shall be four main classes of membership: competing, honorary, life and non-competing.
- e. Competing - A full member is a person over 16 years old (if under 16 years old, then they must hold a valid National BMF license) and who is accepted to the club and has paid their annual subscription.
- f. Honorary Member - Honorary members shall be appointed by the committee as it sees fit. Their qualifications shall include professional, public or sporting distinctions

related to the furtherance of the club's aims and objectives. Such members shall not be entitled to vote or hold office in the club. The number of members shall not exceed 2 appointed in any one year.

- g. Life Member - Life members will be appointed by unanimous vote of the committee providing proper notice of the item is served to every committee member 14 days prior to the meeting. Life members shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of individual members.
- h. Non-Competing Member - The committee shall admit any member to temporary membership of the club for a period of 1 year at a time, provided that such a person meets the requirements as set out. The temporary member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a full member except that he or she shall not be entitled to compete.

5. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

All applications for membership shall be in an official form and shall be accompanied by membership fees as the Committee shall from time to time prescribe. Every candidate for full membership of the club shall be proposed by one full member and seconded by another full member to both of whom he or she is personally known. Documents to be included are as follows:

- Application Form
- Entrance Fee
- Valid Driver's License or National BMF License
- Certified Proof of Their Blood Group

6. ENTRANCE FEE AND SUBSCRIPTION

The Committee reserves the right to change the membership fees from year to year. All fees are non-refundable.

Every person admitted to Competing membership shall pay an annual fee of \$100.00, non-competing membership is an annual subscription of \$50.00.

The annual subscription is due and payable on the 1st day of January of each year and any member whose subscription remains unpaid by the last day of January shall not take part in any club activities and shall forfeit all the rights of membership while his or her subscription remains unpaid.

Any member whose subscription remains unpaid and who is desirous of taking part in any club activities must first pay the outstanding subscription. Any member whose subscription remains unpaid for a period longer than 12 months shall thereupon cease to be a member and must re-apply for acceptance to the club.

All fully paid up members shall receive updates and free access to the spectator viewing areas on race day upon presentation of their BADD Identification Card. The pits shall not be considered a spectator viewing area and as such shall be reserved for officials of the club, drivers and their crews only.

7. *SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION*

The Committee shall have the power to suspend or expel from the club any member:

- a. Whose behaviour is in their opinion likely to bring discredit upon the good name of the club, or whose conduct is inconsistent with the aims and objectives of the club; or whose driving is in their opinion constituted to be dangerous or without due care and attention.
- b. Who has been convicted by a court of law for an offence for which he or she is liable to the cancellation or suspension of his or her driver's license.
- c. Who is in breach of the competition or other regulations of the club which may for the time being be enforced.
- d. Who may display un-sportsmanlike driving or willfully cause another competitor's vehicle to be damaged during competition by any means whatsoever.
- e. Who has been suspended from another BMF member club.
- f. Any member caught participating in illegal racing, his car driven by him or not and, found guilty by the disciplinary committee will be expelled for life.

Any person whom the Committee has decided to suspend or expel under these rules shall have the right within 14 days of notification to him or her of the Committee's decision, to appeal. The appeal must be given in writing to the secretary of the club.

Any member suspended from the club under this rule ceases to be a member of the club and shall be barred from all the privileges of membership and all rights to the property or funds of the club.

8. MANAGEMENT

The affairs of the club shall be managed by the management committee and be constituted of up to 4 titled members and 3 floor members.

The term of office shall be for 2 years.

The Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the club and shall hold office for the ensuing year until successors have been duly elected. Four members of this Committee shall make up a quorum.

- a) The Executive Committee shall have and exercise the following powers, authorities and functions concerning the club:
 1. The sole management of the affairs and business of the Club
 2. The appointment of any person(s) to represent the club in capacity.
 3. The appointment of such sub-committees as it may consider necessary and the delegation of all or any of its powers to any such committee.
 4. The Committee shall meet at any time that the Chairman prescribes or on a written request of 3 members of the Committee.
 5. Forty-eight hours' notice of any meeting shall be given by the Secretary to the members of the Committee.
 6. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the club and is entitled to sit in such a capacity at any sub-committee meeting.
 7. In the absence of the Chairman his responsibility shall fall on the next highest ranked Committee Member or whom he may designate.
 8. In the event that a committee member, after having been given due notice of each occasion, fails to attend 3 consecutive Committee Meetings the post shall be deemed vacant and a General Meeting called to fill that vacant post.
- b) The Committee shall recognize the Barbados Motoring Federation as the Governing body of motor sport in Barbados and shall have two members of its executive committee representing the Club at all sittings of the Board of Management of the Barbados Motoring Federation.

9. GENERAL MEETINGS

There shall be quarterly general meetings to discuss matters concerning the club.

Quorum - A Quorum shall consist of the number of members present at a meeting provided that such a number exceeds 30% of the financial members as per the previous year. However, only those members present who are financial will be allowed to vote or hold office.

10. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the club shall be held before the end of January in each year at which the business to be conducted shall be:

- a) Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting and matters arising thereof.
- b) The Chairman's review of the activities of the club over the past year.
- c) The consideration and adoption of an audited financial statement of the club.
- d) The election of the Executive Committee for the current year.
- e) This committee shall be elected for a period of 2 years.
- f) The appointment of an Auditor.
- g) The consideration of motions and resolutions which have been properly submitted in accordance with these rules.
- h) General Business.

The Secretary of the club shall give not less than 14 days written notice to all members of the date, time and place and business to be transacted at any meeting or otherwise. Any member desirous of having a motion, nominations or resolution placed on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall submit the same in writing to the Secretary of the club at least 7 days prior to the scheduled date of the Annual General Meeting.

11. SPECIAL MEETINGS

"A no confidence vote" can be brought against any member of the Committee supported by 1/3 of the financial members of the general body at a meeting and/or a special meeting called by a 1/3 of the members who would have to submit their request to the Secretary. Any such request

should specify the business which is proposed to take place at the meeting and no other business shall be considered at that meeting.

Any decisions taken at any meeting not formally convened are null and void.

12. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

As appointed by the Committee for such purposes as they see fit from time to time.

13. LAWS & BYLAWS

Any modifications of the present Laws or Bylaws must be proposed by a member or by the Executive Committee, must be in writing and must reach the Secretary at least one month before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting if so called.

The Secretary shall communicate any proposal in writing to every financial member in the notice of the meeting.

After such communication, a proposal may be withdrawn at any time by the member of Executive Committee who made it. Such withdrawals must be made in writing unless it is made by the member during the meeting called for consideration of the proposal.

The by-laws may be changed by a special majority of the votes.

14. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY

The Secretary shall perform such duties as determined by the Committee and shall:-

- a) Keep a register of all members of the club.
- b) As far as possible attend all general meetings and meetings of the Committee.
- c) Cause the minutes of the proceeding at all general meetings and meetings of the Committee to be kept and be the custodian of all papers and records pertaining to the affairs of the club.
- d) To notify members of all events in a timely manner.
- e) Responsible for all incoming and outgoing correspondence.

15. DUTIES OF THE RACE DIRECTOR

- a) To give adequate notice of all dates to all competitors of General Meetings, Race Meets and Driving Clinics in association with the Secretary.
- b) To co-ordinate all aspects of any event involving venues, dates, safety personnel and marshals to the end of executing a safe and efficiently run event.
- c) To see that each event starts on time.
- d) To liaise with competitors as to the planning of the next event.

16. DUTIES OF THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

- a) To circulate, enforce and create additional rules pertaining to the mechanical workings of competing vehicles.
- b) To organize all technical assistants, scrutineers and timing equipment.
- c) To apply in writing all applications and letters of permissions for all events.
- d) To maintain the clubs equipment in a proper working order.

17. DUTIES OF THE TREASURER

- a) Collect all dues, fees, levies, gate receipts and other monies payable to the club and deposit them in the club's account.
- b) Make all necessary payments on behalf of the club by cheque which must bear 2 authorized signatures.
- c) Submit a statement showing the current financial position of the club once a month to the Executive Committee in meeting.
- d) Plan and organize fund raising activities, prepare budgets, control expenditure and maintain proper accounting records of all financial activities pertinent to the club.
- e) Produce to each Annual General Meeting of the Council an audited balance sheet and an income statement made up to the 31st day of December.

18. HONORARY AUDITOR

At each Annual General Meeting an auditor shall be appointed to audit the accounts of the club for the current year.

19. FUNDS OF THE CLUB

The financial records of the club shall be kept by the Treasurer and shall be kept in the club's account. The accounts of the club shall be audited annually by an auditor appointed at the Annual General Meeting. A certified Balance Sheet shall be sent to each member at least 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting. The funds of the club shall at no time be used by or given to any member of the club regardless of standing for personal use.

20. INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

The Committee reserves the right to make or amend any rules relative to any of the club's activities

The constitution and laws of this club shall not be added to, revoked, amended, deleted or be replaced or altered and no changes made saved by a majority of members present and voting at a General Meeting. Thirty days' notice of the intention to propose any changes shall be given to the Secretary who shall send written notice of the same to every financial member at least one week before the General Meeting is to be held.

The Committee of the club is the sole authority for the interpretation of this constitution and the decision of the Committee upon any question of interpretation of any matter affecting the club and not provided for by this constitution shall be final and binding until such decision shall be overruled at a General Meeting.

Every member of the club shall be in possession of a copy of the constitution and laws of the club including all amendments, Vehicle Classifications and Championship Regulations.

21. DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

If upon dissolution of the club there remains after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, funds constituting a positive balance on the club's account, this balance shall be given to a charity of the members' choice.

BY LAWS

SPEED EVENTS

1. All speed events shall start at the time decided on by the Committee and/or approved by the Government Ministries.
2. Scrutineering should start no later than 2 hours before the start of these events.
3. Drivers shall be present with the car while the scrutineering process is in session.
4. All competitors should know the group and class that they are driving in and the same shall be entered on their entry form.
5. Drivers License and BMF License shall be presented at all events and in the case of public road events, insurance certificates shall also be presented.
6. Any driver who fails to provide such documents shall report to the Clerk of the Course of clearance before he/she is allowed to drive.
7. Driver's entry fees for the 2009 Championship events shall be \$75.00 per event. Any competitor entering or filling out an entry form after the closing off date for entries shall pay a late entry fee of \$100.00. All fees are non-refundable
8. The 2009 driver's fee shall be \$100.00 per year paid 14 days before the first event.
9. The Championship fee shall be \$150.00 per year paid by the briefing meeting of the second event. All fees are non-refundable
10. The Clerk of the Course is the sole manager and controller of the event His word is final.
11. The Chief Marshall is responsible for the placing of Marshalls, safety equipment, radios and flags.
12. No event shall start until the course and/or all known roads are marshaled and controlled.
13. Police and Island Constables shall be assigned at the entry and exit roads and in the pits at all events.
14. There shall be an official practice run and thereafter 3 official runs, which shall be timed, as well as the practice run.
15. Drivers shall make themselves available to participate in 3 official runs and it is their responsibility to know when their run is next.
16. Drivers should indicate to the starter or pit manager whether he/she is taking part in the practice run.
17. Any car that runs off the course break down in any way shall be scrutineered by 2 official scrutineers before making another run during the event.

18. Any driver who fails to get his car to the starting line for an official run shall forfeit his term for that official run and shall return during the next run (See ASRs).
19. Any car crossing the finish line must do so under its own power. Failure of a car to do this constitutes a non-finisher. Any competitor's car, which is deemed to be a non-finisher, shall not be given a placing in that particular race.
20. Times shall be available during and after each race and at any time during an event.
21. Championship points and positions shall be made available to all drivers not more than 14 days after each event.
22. A Chief Scrutineer shall head scrutineers and all other assistants shall take their directions from him. All Assistant Scrutineers shall report to the Chief Scrutineer who will then make a final decision on any matter arising.
23. The Chief Scrutineer shall report all decisions taken to the Clerk of the Course.
24. The Chief Scrutineer's professional opinion of the fitness of any vehicle to race is final.
25. Any Scrutineer is barred from his professional duties should he enter the competition to drive.
26. The Chief Marshall shall give account for the entire club's equipment especially any equipment on loan to the club (e.g., radios, fire extinguishers, barriers, etc).
27. Marshals shall meet before each event as a complete body to plan strategies and decisions to be taken for the safe running of the event.
28. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the Committee at the end of every event.