

## **CONSTITUTION**

### **1. Name of The Club**

The name of the club shall be the **Blairgowrie & Coupar Angus Shotokan Karate Club** (hereafter referred to as The Club).

### **2. Affiliation**

The club is affiliated to the **British Combat Karate Association** (BCKA).

Affiliation to a nationally recognised governing body means:

- access to insurance cover for instructors & students.
- access to grading ratification.
- allows the club to be recognised at regional, national and international level for competition events and provides access to courses for the club members.

The club reserves the right to transfer affiliation to a different nationally recognised governing body.

### **3. Aims and Objectives**

The Club's aims and objectives are to provide quality Karate training to the community at affordable rates, which shall include excellent instruction in all aspects of traditional Karate-do, as a science, art and mental/physical discipline, which will foster:

- self confidence
- self defence
- self-respect
- positive thinking
- compassion and respect for others
- resilience to adversity
- ability to face and surmount challenges
- ability to defend the right of law, justice, equality and fairness
- strength, stamina and overall fitness
- health and happiness
- co-operate with other bodies having similar aims
- ensure a duty of care to all members of the club
- provide all its services in a way that is fair to everyone
- ensure that all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment

### **4. Membership**

- a. Membership shall be open to all persons between the ages of 8 & 60 who subscribe to the Constitution and who abide by The Club rules and etiquette.
- b. Membership shall be obtained by completing the club membership application form, paying the appropriate club fees, attending regular classes, completing the governing body insurance application form and paying the appropriate governing body fees.
- c. The Club in accordance with the Data Protection Act shall keep a central register of membership details along with members grading records.
- d. The Club reserves the right to refuse membership without explanation.
- e. The Club reserves the right to terminate membership of individuals.

## 5. Club Officials

The Club is a privately administered enterprise that seeks to promote the aims and objectives of the constitution.

The Club will have the following officials and responsibilities:

- a. Owner
  - operates and administers The club in accordance with its aims, objectives and constitution on behalf of the membership
- a. Administrator
  - maintains an attendance register
  - facilitates the collection of class fees; membership fees; collection and transfer of governing body, insurance, and grading fees; return of insurance certificates to members; ordering and transfer of kit purchases
  - co-ordinates: information transfer to & from the members; all correspondence and recording keeping
  - informs the membership of events and activities of the club
  - co-ordinates the organisation of all club events, excluding training
  - promotes the club
  - maintains accounts and budgets.
- a. Chief Instructor
  - leads the instruction of club in accordance with the aims and objectives of the club and its constitution on behalf of the membership
  - demonstrates each and every technique that is being asked of the student
  - ensures the following is planned and executed:
    - Training
      - Class planning, preparation & execution
      - Guides, teaches, mentors, & advises students
        - Grading
      - Prepares students according to syllabus requirements
      - Selects grading candidates and advises those students not selected
        - Technique & Knowledge
      - Researches & applies from other sources thereby providing the students with a broad experience

## 6. Membership Fees

The Club is a privately administered enterprise that reserves the right to modify fees and is affiliated to an umbrella National Governing Body, where there are additional fees relating to that body.

Annual Club membership	£2.00
Governing body fees	Determined and controlled by the Governing body
Single/double class	£3.00/£4.50
Badge	£3.00
Annual License	£16 Junior £19 Senior
Replacement Grading book	£3.00
Grading fees	
Kyu	£ 10 Dojo/Belt/Certificate & Admin
Dan	£ 20 Dojo/Belt/Certificate & Admin