



**CONSTITUTION
OF
WESTERN PROVINCE DEEP SEA ANGLING
ASSOCIATION.
(Founded 1968)**

The Basic Philosophy of the Sport of Deep Sea Angling.

“Game fish species (any fish specie identified and accepted because of it’s fighting characteristics, related food and their habitat) are Economic-, Social-, Recreational- and Aesthetic Assets which must be maintained, wisely used and perpetuated.

*The sport of Deep Sea Angling is an important Recreational, Competitive and Social activity, which the public must be educated and made aware of to pursue in a **MANNER CONSISTENT WITH SOUND SPORTING AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES.***

Sport fishing transcends all political, racial, social and ideological boundaries. An amateur Sport Angler is ever respectful of the fishery (the fish’s habitat and its environment, the management regimes and the sound and sporting practice of sport fishing”).

A. DEFINITIONS.

“The Association”

Shall be the Western Province Deep Sea Angling Association as presently constituted notwithstanding a future change of name or area that may be designated by the relevant authorities from time to time.

“Shortened Name”

WPDSAA

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“Active Angler”	Shall mean one who is active in deep-sea game fishing both in an administrative and/or physical sense.
“Council”	Shall comprise the Executive Officers and delegate nominated by each Member Club.
”Days”	Shall mean calendar days including weekends and holidays.
“Executive Officers”	Shall mean the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and Safety Officer
“IGFA”	Shall mean International Game Fish Association.
“GFU”	Shall mean Game Fish Union of Africa.
“Individual members”	Shall mean paid up members of a member club.
“Member Club”	Shall mean those Clubs that are affiliated to the Association in the region of their existence within the designated area of the Association and duly accepted by the Association.
“Notices”	Shall mean by registered post, e-mails or faxes.

“SADSAA” Shall mean the South African Deep
Sea Angling Association.

B. LEGAL CONFIGURATION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Name, Headquarters and Address:

The name of the Association shall be:

**THE WESTERN PROVINCE DEEP SEA ANGLING
ASSOCIATION** (hereinafter referred to as “the Association”)

*The Headquarters and postal address of the Association shall be
decided from time to time in General Meeting.*

- 1 The signatories to this **Constitution**, being the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Association by virtue of their signatures hereto, record that this Constitution has been unanimously approved and ratified by the **Annual General Meeting** which was held at Hout Bay on July 10th 2003.
- 2 The Association is liable only for it’s own debts and any assistance granted to any person or body whether corporate or incorporate should not render it liable for the debts of such a person or body.
- 3 The liability of the members of the Association shall not be unlimited and the members shall not be liable for the debts of the Association of whatsoever nature or howsoever incurred, save only to the extent of any unpaid membership subscriptions and any other debt incurred directly with the Association.
- 4 The Association may only sue, and/or be sued in the name of it’s Chairman as the representative of the

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Association, described as: "**THE WESTERN PROVINCE DEEP SEA ANGLING ASSOCIATION** duly represented by the Chairman of the time being i.e.: "Full Names and Surname of the Chairman" in any Court of Law in the Republic of South Africa having competent jurisdiction in respect of the Headquarters of the Association as it may be fixed from time to time pursuant to the provisions of **Clause B 2** above and all legal processes, notices and the like shall be regarded as properly served on the Association if served personally upon the Chairman, or his duly authorized agent in writing. It being recorded, that neither these persons shall be regarded in any manner as being personally liable for debts of the Association.

- 5 The Association binds itself to ensure that membership of the Individual Member thereof will be recorded in an Association Register and shall be available to any Individual Member, Member Club and **SADSAA** after approval by the **Council**.

C. OBJECTIVES.

The Objectives of the Association shall include:

- 1 To be and to function as the Governing Body of the sport of Amateur Game fish angling from craft at sea in the Western Province, in the Republic of South Africa. For the purposes of this clause, a "craft" shall comply with the laws of the Republic of South Africa.
- 2 To promote, control and foster the sport of game fish angling in conformity with National and/or International rules laid down from time to time by **IGFA** and/or other Internationally accepted rules and regulations as may be directed by **Council** as herein described.

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- 3 To keep accurate records of game fish caught in accordance with **IGFA** rules within the Association's area of jurisdiction and to accumulate reliable piscatorial information, which shall be available to members and any other, interested bodies?
- 4 To evolve guidelines of angling rules made to regulate the holding of Tournaments and the keeping of Tournament records.
- 5 To organize Inter-Provincial and Provincial game fish angling contests at venues stipulated by the Association from time to time and to approve Interclub tournaments.
- 6 To select qualified anglers to represent **Western Province** or the Association in Inter-Provincial, Provincial and/or other game fish competitions.
- 7 To promote competence in handling craft, including the enforcement of rules to govern the operation of craft and all requirements of safety as laid down by the Association from time to time, as when such laws of the Republic of South Africa is gazetted in the Government Gazette and of which members shall be obliged to observe.
- 8 To liaise and co-operate with all levels of government, **Marine and Coastal Management, National Marine Parks, ORI**, private enterprise and other concerned and interested bodies for the protection and/or furthering the conserving of marine fish, their habitat and their food fish and/or sport fishing grounds.
- 9 To maintain the Association as a non political and non racial body, abiding by the laws of **SADSAA**, the laws of the Republic of South Africa and to preserve it's amateur status and of it` Member Clubs and Individual members.

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- 10 To design, register and award the right to colours, badges or uniforms as required or stipulated from time to time.
- 11 To use the revenue and property of the Association from whatever source derived to further the interests and objects of the Association and for such purposes as the Association may deem necessary or desirable.
- 12 To purchase, improve, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any movable and immovable property and rights or privileges whatsoever may be deemed necessary, suitable or convenient for the implementation of the objects of the Association and to sell, let or hire, or otherwise dispose of the whole or any part of the assets of the Association for such consideration and upon such terms and conditions as the Association may from time to time deem fit.
- 13 To engage the services of such persons, professional individuals and/or professional Associations, companies or concerns upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed to give effect to and further the Objectives of the Association and/or to ensure the Associations rights.
- 14 To refrain from carrying on any business that has for it's objects any acquisition or gain by individual members of the Association.
- 15 To affiliate to the **South African Deep Sea Angling Association**, the African Game Fish Union, the **International Game Fish Association** and any other national/international body that may be deemed relevant or beneficial from time to time to the interest and/or objectives of the Association, *and/or to further the objectives of the Association.*

- 16 To maintain a comprehensive register of individual anglers of member clubs of the Association and to update such register from time to time and at least before each **Annual General Meeting** of the Association.
- 17 To encourage compliance by the members with all the requirements, which it may stipulate from time to time in regard to the rendering of catch returns in terms of any required legislation.
- 18 To undertake and/or support, where relevant or necessary, any scientific and economic research and studies to determine the economic and scientific impact of the sport of game fish angling on the economy, environment and fish reserves.
- 19 To promote the harmonious interaction in competitions and otherwise of all craft of whatsoever nature, owned or operated by the individual anglers referred to in **clause C 2**.

D. MEMBERSHIP.

- 1 The Member Clubs shall be properly constituted Western Province Boat Angling Clubs within the boundaries of the Western Province, having the philosophy and objectives similar to the Association and recognize or qualify as Clubs in terms of the Rules and Regulations of **SADSAA**.
- 2 The full membership of the Association shall be open to amateur Boat Angling Clubs in the Western Province which have as their objects the participation of offshore /inshore deep sea game fishing from craft at sea in the Western Province in terms of the law of the land.
- 3 **An amateur boat-angling club shall be defined as one:**

- 3.1 Which is run, for no individual gain?
- 3.2 Whose committee is elected by members and shall consist only of club members.
- 3.3 Which has at least **10 (TEN)** registered and active boats that are not registered with another club.
- 3.4 Whose ordinary membership has a minimum of **20 (TWENTY)** full paying members individual to that club.
- 3.5 Is in good financial standing with the Association.
- 3.6 Which has and retains a written constitution, which has been approved by the Association and notify in writing all such changes from time to time?
- 3.7 Member clubs shall abide by the rules and decisions of this Association.
- 3.8 Prospective clubs applying for affiliation to the Association will serve a **6 (SIX)** month probationary period.
- 4 Any prospective member club applying for membership of the Association shall do so in writing to the Secretary and shall enclose a copy of its Constitution with its application as well as the following documents:
 - 4.1 The names of all members affiliated to such prospective Member Club including addresses and I.D. Numbers with the names and addresses of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of each Club.
 - 4.2 A list of all individual craft including the name of the registered owner of each craft, his I.D. Number the name and registration number of the craft and the name of the

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Club, where the craft is registered.

- 4.3 A declaration signed by the prospective member clubs Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, stating unequivocally that both the prospective member club and all members affiliated to it subscribe and undertake to abide by the philosophy, objectives and Constitution of the Association.
- 4.4 All member clubs shall provide and update the information stipulated in **Clause 4.3 above** in writing to the Secretary of the Association not less than **30 (THIRTY)** days before each **Annual General Meeting** of the Association.
- 4.5 The Association shall incorporate the information contained in the documents referred to more fully referred to in **Clauses 4.1 and 4.2 above**, for which the Secretary of the Association shall maintain a Register.
- 5 **Each Member Club shall:**
- 5.1 Maintain a constitution in writing which shall in no way conflict with this Constitution and/or that of **SADSAA's** shall be approved by the Association prior to the adoption thereof by such member club.
- 5.2 Advise the secretary of the Association in writing of any amendments to it's Constitution.
- 5.3 Ensure that it adopts and /or ratifies a **Constitution** which is not in conflict with this **Constitution** and/or that of **SADSAA's**.
- 5.4 Maintain at all times it's good financial standing with the Association.

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- 5.5 Advise the Secretary of the Association in writing of all changes in the appointment of office bearers of such member clubs within **30 (THIRTY) days** of such change occurring.
- 5.6 Maintain accurate minutes of regular meetings, which shall be made available to the Association on request.
- 5.7 Attend at least **2 (TWO)** meetings *per annum*.

E. MANAGEMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION.

- 1 The Council shall comprise of the Executive, emanating from at least **2 (TWO)** clubs in the Offices of: Chairman, Vice-chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Tournament officer, Radio & Safety Officer, Records Officers, Resource Management Officer and Pro. & Development Officer plus the Chairman of each Member Club or his duly appointed nominee.
- 2 The Council shall administer and manage the affairs of the Association and have the power to delegate any function to any Sub-Committee.
- 3 The Council will not meet less than **8 (EIGHT)** times in a **calendar year**, provided that not more than eight weeks lapse between any two meetings.
- 4 The **Executive Officers** shall be elected at the Annual **General Meeting** of the Association at which time the names of delegates from each Member club shall be recorded. All delegates shall be anglers in good standing of the Member Clubs nominating them.
- 5 **The Executive Officers of the Association shall be:**
The Chairman,
The Vice-Chairman
Hon. Secretary

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Hon. Treasurer
Tournament Officer
Radio & Safety Officer
Records Officer
Resource Management Officer
P.R.O Development Officer

- 6 **The Chairman** shall:
- 6.1 Preside as Chairman of all **Executive Council, Special and Annual General Meetings** and shall have no vote, save a casting vote when necessary to maintain the ***status quo***.
- 6.2 Present a written report to the **Annual General Meeting**.
- 6.3 Not be an Officer bearer of any member club or any other Club or Association or body affiliated to **SADSAA**.
- 6.4 Conduct, institute or defend legal proceedings on behalf of the Association and be empowered to take evidence on commission of an urgent nature, subject to ratification by the **Council**.
- 6.5 Be empowered to make all announcements, press releases and other communications with the press, media and other bodies, organizations on behalf of the Association, subject to his right to delegate, the writing to the parties referred to in this ***clause***.
- 6.6 Shall not serve in such capacity for more than **3 (THREE) years** consecutively. This period can only be extended in the event of a **90 % (ninety percent)** vote in favour.
7. **The Vice Chairman** shall:

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- 7.1 In the absence of the Chairman, preside alternatively as the Chairman of all **Council** and **Annual General Meetings** and shall then assume the functions of the Chairman as defined.
- 7.2 When attending **Council** and **Annual General Meetings** in his capacity as Vice Chairman, have no vote save as set out in **Clause 6 above**.
8. **The Hon. Secretary shall:**
- The Association shall incorporate the information contained in the documents referred to more fully referred to in **Clauses 4.1 and 4.2 above**, for which the Secretary of the Association shall maintain a Register.
- 8.1 Keep minutes of all the proceedings of all **Executive Committee, Council, Special General** and **Annual General Meetings** and send copies thereof to all Member clubs within seven days of such meetings.
- 8.2 Keep and maintain all secretarial and administrative records as may be necessary and as determined by the **Council** from time to time.
- 8.3 Maintain a register as referred to in **Clause C16**.
- 8.4 Shall have no vote at any regular **Council Meetings**, but shall have the rights to speak on all matters and motions tabled.
9. **The Hon. Treasurer shall:**
- 9.1 Be responsible for the collection of and due and proper administration of all monies and funds of the Association.
- 9.2 Give effect to and be guardian of the approved budget.

- 9.3 Be responsible for their maintenance and updating of books of account and other documents of the Association, including those relating to all Investments of the Association of whatever nature.
- 9.4. Prepare statements and accounts, which shall be audited in accordance with sound accounting practice, copies whereof shall be circulated by the Secretary to all member cubs no less than **30 (THIRTY) days** prior to the date of the **Annual General Meeting** for ratification at the **Annual General Meeting**.
- 9.10 Deposit all monies belonging to and received by the Association in a Banking account nominated by the **Council** from time to time for the credit of the Association.
- 9.11 Have no vote at any regular **Council Meeting**, but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.
- 9.12 **It shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer to:**
- 9.12.1 Ensure that all payments made by the Association are made by cheque signed on behalf of the Association by the Treasurer and either one of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, and shall be drawn on the aforementioned banking account of the Association
- 9.12.2 Ensure that all the assets (including trophies) of the Association are properly insured in accordance with the directives of the Council.
- 9.12.3 Keep proper books of account reflecting all transactions of the Association.
- 9.12.4 Hold all property, funds and other assets in the name of the Association and keep a Property Register.

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9.12.5 Serve notice by registered post on any member club, which is **30 (THIRTY)** calendar days in arrear with its subscriptions and levies.

10. **The Tournament Officer, Radio and Safety Officer, Records Officer, Resource Management Officer, PRO and Development Officer** shall:

10.1 Have no vote and any **Council Meeting** but shall have the right to speak on all matters and motions tabled.

11. **A Member Club** shall:

11.1 Be represented at all council and annual general meetings of the Association

11.2 Be allowed to participate in Council deliberations and to vote on all Council matters.

12. **Special powers of the Council:**

Without in any way derogating from the general powers of the Council, the following powers shall be exercisable by Council:

12.1 Power to discipline any member club or any individual angler of such member club which or who as the case may be, has in its opinion, been guilty of misconduct warranting such action. Which power shall include the right to suspend for such time as it deems fit, such member club or individual angler or to cancel temporarily or permanently the membership of such member club or individual angler.

12.2 To deal in whatever fashion it considers necessary, with any member club or individual angler who, in its sole

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discretion has not conformed strictly to the philosophy, objectives and rules of the Association or has conducted itself, himself or herself in a manner, which the council considers to be detrimental to, or not in the best interest of the Association.

- 12.3 To exercise the powers granted to it, subject to the holding of a **Disciplinary Hearing** prior to any action being taken, the date and place and method of the hearing being as determined by the Chairman from time to time.
- 12.4 To accept or reject the budget as tabled and to approve or direct income and expenditure as it deems fit and to fix honoraria of officials.
- 12.5 To deal with the affiliation to and membership of the Association.
- 12.6 To engage for any purpose whatsoever the services of such persons, professional individuals and/or professional Associations, companies and concerns upon such terms and conditions as may be expedient.
- 12.7 To accept, amend and ratify the tournament calendar submitted by the **Tournament Committee**, which after ratification, shall be binding for the ensuing year upon both the Association and all member clubs.
- 12.8 To accept and approve recommendations from the appointed Fishery resource delegate pertaining to its discipline.
- 12.9 To lease or hire or purchase movable and immovable property in the name of the Association where it shall appear to be in the best interest of the Association and upon such terms, as it may deem expedient.

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Without in any way derogating from the general powers of the Council, the following powers shall be exercisable by the Council but only at a Special General Meeting:

- 13 To receive, table and consider any proposed alteration, amendment addition or deletion to the constitution it being recorded that no change to this **Constitution** shall be of any force or affect unless adopted by no less than **2/3rds (TWO/THIRDS)** of the member club delegates present and entitled to vote.

General Powers of the Council:

- 14.1 To safeguard and protect the beliefs and the **Constitution** of the Association and to carry out the Objects of the **Constitution** and/or further the Objectives of the Constitution, to ensure compliance with the Rules of the Association.
- 14.2 To manage and control the affairs of the Association and to deal with all matter, as it deems fit and expedient.
- 14.3 To delegate in writing to any Sub-Committee below mentioned such of its powers and obligations, as it deems necessary and expedient from time to time to convene meetings.

Tournament Committee:

Tournament Committee will comprise:

The Western Province Tournament Officer, The Records Officer, the Tournament Officers of all Members clubs, participating in either the Inshore or Offshore League.

The functions and responsibilities of the Tournament Committee will include the following:

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- 1 It shall compile scoring systems and competition rules and regulations and Specify game fish surface - and bottom fish (where necessary in consultation with Marine and Coastal Management, National Marine Parks and/or ORI) eligible for every competition, and the scoring system and the line classes, which shall apply of every such fish.
- 2 All **WPDSAA** angling activities shall fall under jurisdiction of the **Tournament Committee** of the Association.
- 3 It shall annually compile a Tournament Calendar for submission to and approval by the **Council**, which Tournament Calendar shall be submitted to the Council for approval by the 31st of August of each year for submission and approval to the National Body in October of each year. Any member club shall hold no other provincial or other competitions unless included in such Tournament Calendar.
- 4 It shall at all times endeavor to promote tournament sponsorship as well as Provincial and Inter - Provincial participation.
- 5 It shall ensure that the Marine and Coastal Management and/or ORI be furnished with written data embodying the results of competitions fished in the WPDSAA.
- 6 It shall arrange all necessary licenses and all necessary exemptions to any bag limit regulations required by the relevant legislation.

Selection Committee:

1. Shall be a fully autonomous subcommittee of the Association comprising of **6 (SIX)** experienced anglers who shall not be active members of the Association's

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Executive but **who have competed in a representative capacity at Provincial and National level.**

2. Shall be elected at the **Annual General Meeting** of the Association as described in **Clause E4 above** providing that no more than **2 (TWO)** may emanate from any one member club
3. Any **4 (FOUR)** of the **6 (SIX)** elected members shall form a **quorum**. Shall at the first opportunity after the **Annual General Meeting** elect one of their members to act as the official **Convener of the Committee**.
4. Any selector serving on the committee mentioned in **Clause 1 above** who has nominated himself/herself or if any of his/her relatives has nominated, must excuse himself / herself from all deliberations of the meeting where the team is selected.
5. The **Convener of the Selection Committee** will be **Ex Officio** at any official meeting of the Association and will have the right to talk on all matters tabled but will have no vote.
6. **The duties and responsibilities of the selection committee will include:**

Compilation and updating of the nomination form to form part of the byelaws of this **Constitution** after approval by Council.

7. **Selection of the Association and Western Province Teams:**

Selection shall be strictly on merit based on a system approved by **Council** taking into account, past performance and general fishing ability as well as character and conduct of the nominated angler to ensure

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that the angler will be a worthy representative of Western Province Deep Sea Angling and the Association.

8. The verification of nominations received for National Colours and is responsible for the grading of such anglers abilities as required for National selection.
9. Attend executive and council meetings when necessary to table and discuss issues which impact on their duties and make themselves available to assist in any way possible to maintain and elevate ethics, standards and understanding of deep sea angling and the role of **WPDSAA** therein.
10. Members of the selection committee may not divulge any names of nominees or any content of deliberations at the selection meetings nor may they enter into discussion or correspondence with any nominees.
11. The Chairman of the Association will announce teams.

Financial Committee:

The financial committee will comprise:

The Hon Treasurer

The Chairman

The Vice-Chairman

1. The financial committee will be responsible for an annual budget and other financial advice which is to be presented at the **Annual General Meeting** and shall also assist the Treasurer in fulfilling those other obligations imposed upon him elsewhere in this Constitution.
2. The financial Committee shall be responsible for the administration of any Tournament fund subject at all times to the ratification by **EXCO** with **90 % (ninety percent)** approval of the member clubs.

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3. The financial year of the Association shall expire on the **31st December** each year.

Auditor :

1. The auditor shall have access to all books, records, monies, funds, property and assets whatsoever of the Association.
2. The Auditor shall be obliged to report in writing to the **Council** at the **Annual General Meeting**.
3. The Auditor shall not be an office bearer of the Association nor an office bearer or Committee Member of any Association affiliated to the **South African Deep Sea Angling Association**.

Safety Committee:

The Safety Committee shall comprise:

The Western Province Safety Officer and one selected Safety Officer nominated by each member club.

The duties and responsibilities of the Safety Committee will include:

1. Ensure adherence to the standards for the skippers' examinations as set by the National Body / **South African Deep Sea Angling Association**.
2. Issuing and recording skipper's tickets.
3. Ensure the maintenance of standards of boat safety.
4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere contained, the **Safety Committee** shall pass and accept

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all craft whose safety requirements comply with the required legislation of the Republic of South Africa, notwithstanding the fact that they may differ from those referred to previously.

Resource Management Officer:

The duties of the Resource Management Officer will be:

1. Representing the Association on any bodies set up to manage fisheries, conserve fish habitats, act against pollution and drafting recommendations for the betterment of the resources of anglers for the consideration of the **Council** from time to time. Liaise in particular with **Marine and Coastal Management**, National Marine Parks and/or ORI and other Research Institutes and **SADSAA**.

Records Officer:

It is the responsibility and duty of the Records Officer to maintain an information library to record catches and submit All World (IGFA), All Africa (GFU), South African and Western Province record claims to the National Records Officer and to return all approved record certificates to the **Council** via the Tournament Officer.

In addition, the Records Officer shall be charged with the responsibility of maintaining and updating a comprehensive list of catch returns for the purposes of submitting it on a regular basis to **Marine and Coastal Management** and/or ORI.

Public Relations Officer:

The Public Relations Officer will be elected by the **Council** and will work under direct instruction of the Chairman and/or the Executive Committee, as directed by the **Council**.

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Annual General Meeting.

The Council shall convene the Annual General Meeting of the Association on or before the 30th June each year.

1. Notice of the **Annual General Meeting** shall be served in writing to all member clubs not less than **30 (THIRTY) days** prior to such meeting.
2. Nominations for Office Bearers and Selection Committee must be received by the Secretary of the Association in writing not less than **21 (TWENTY ONE) days** prior to the date of the **Annual General Meeting**.
3. The following Office bearers shall be elected at the **Annual General Meeting**.
The Chairman
The Vice Chairman
Hon Secretary
Hon. Treasurer
Tournament Officer
Records Officer
Environmental Officer
4. An Auditor may be appointed at an **Annual General Meeting** who shall remain in office until the next **Annual General Meeting**.
5. All votes for any position shall be by show of hands unless a specific request by at least two delegates is made, in which event a secret ballot will be held.

Special General Meeting

A **Special General Meeting** of the Association shall be convened at any time by the **Council** or by written requisition served on the Secretary of at least **3 (THREE) member club's**,

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which requisition shall set out clearly the object/s for which the meeting is called.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained elsewhere in this **Constitution**, no alteration, amendment or addition or deletion to this **Constitution** shall be made except at a **Special General Meeting** called specifically for that purpose. **30 (THIRTY) calendar days** notice shall be given to all member clubs and members of Committees together with full details and motivation of any proposed amendment. No such alteration or amendment shall be adopted unless **2/3rds (TWO THIRDS)** of all those present and entitled to vote at such a meeting shall vote for its adoption.

Committees:

Each Committee shall deliberate on matters pertaining to its discipline on behalf of its Committee but all Executive decisions of any Committee shall be subject to ratification or rejection by the **Council** in ordinary meeting.

1. No member of any committee may make any statement to the media on matters concerning the Association or its functions or related matters.
2. No person other than a member of the Committee may attend Committee meetings except as a result of an invitation by the Committee. All decisions shall be considered by all members of the Committee and signed in submission to the **Council Committees** shall communicate directly with the Council and not with or through Member Clubs.

Meetings :

Notice of Ordinary meetings shall be given at least **7 (SEVEN) days** prior to the Meeting to all Member Clubs and parties concerned.

1. Items for the Agendas of the meetings referred to in the above clause shall be posted to reach the Secretary not later than **10 (TEN) days** before the date of each meeting, save that only Member Clubs, Committees and Committee members can submit items for inclusion by the Secretary on any Agenda.
2. The Secretary shall post copies of the Agenda for meetings to Member Clubs, Committees and Committee members as the case may be, not less than **7 (SEVEN) days** before the date of the meeting.
3. No person shall be entitled to act as delegate for more than one member club and no Executive Member of the Association shall be entitled to act as a delegate for any member club.
4. At any **Special General Meeting** or **Annual General Meeting**, delegates representing **6 (SIX)** of the member clubs shall form a **quorum**. In the event of a **quorum** not being present at any meeting, such meeting shall stand adjourned to a date, time and place as may be agreed (and failing agreement on the **14th day** after the date of the adjourned meeting) and such delegates as then attend shall be deemed to form the necessary **quorum**.
5. At any **Council Meeting**, delegates representing **1/3rd (ONE THIRD)** of the Member Clubs shall form a **quorum**.
6. All individual anglers of member clubs shall have the right to attend all **Special General Meeting** and **Annual General Meetings** and shall have the right of observer status only and only accredited delegates shall have the right to propose and second any motion and to vote. No proxies will be allowed under any circumstances. An official letter from each club appointing its accredited

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delegates must be handed to the Secretary immediately prior to the commencement of the **Special General Meeting** and **Annual General Meetings**.

7. At each **Council** and **Annual General Meeting**, the Minutes of the previous **Council** or **Annual General Meeting** shall be read and confirmed.
8. At all meetings, Minutes of the previous meetings may by resolution be taken as read.
9. In the event of the office of the Secretary or Treasurer becoming vacant, the **Council** shall appoint a successor/s who shall hold office until the next **Annual General Meeting**.
11. The provisions of **Clause** shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to all meetings of the **Council** and any **Special General Meeting**.
12. The vote of the majority shall at all times bind the minority.
13. “**The Procedures of Meetings**” by **Van Zyl Hattingh** shall govern the conduct, procedure and parliament of meetings.
14. No delegate of a member club may speak or vote in the proceedings of any meeting or Committee in the event of a member club which he/she represents being under suspension.
15. **The voting shall be as follows:**
One vote, per fully paid up member club.

Indemnity

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Executive Officers members of the **Council**, Committee Members, Tournament Officers, Auditor and Hon. Officers shall respectively be indemnified by the Association against all liabilities incurred by them in the execution of their duties, save for those acts of omission or commission where personal liabilities attached in law.

Subscriptions and Levies

Amounts payable by each member club shall be as follows:

- Annual Subscriptions-as determined by the council
- The **Council** shall determine individual levy of each registered member of each member club.

It shall be the responsibility of each member club to collect all funds and pay all monies due to the Association by **30th April** of each year but not later than **14 (FOURTEEN) days** prior to the **Annual General Meeting**.

The amount of fees falling due and payable on the **1st January** of each year shall be based on the membership of each Member Club at that date

Date of Correspondence

The post mark of a Government Post Office or dated facsimile or e-mail message shall be taken at all times as the date on which all communications, notices or such like are sent or have been sent either by or to the Association.

Boundaries of Province

The boundaries of the Province controlled by this Association shall be determined by the **South African Deep Sea Angling Association** from time to time.

Amateur Status

The amateur law as defined by the **South African Deep Sea Angling Association** shall be binding on the Association and the member clubs thereof.

Interpretation

Should any doubt arise as to the interpretation of any of the **Constitution** Articles, Rules and Regulations or Contest and Angling Rules of the Association, the interpretation placed thereon by the council shall be final and binding. The English version will apply in court of Law.

Representation and Negotiations

No representations or negotiations with any public authority or body or any persons, shall be made or carried on behalf of the Association without authority of a **Council Meeting** or **Annual General Meeting**, and accordingly nothing of that nature shall be done by any Member Club or any officer or member thereof, except under specific authority of a resolution of a **Council** or **Annual General Meeting**.

Foreign Tours

No tour within the area of jurisdiction of **SADSAA** by any anglers from outside the area of jurisdiction of **SADSAA** shall be arranged or organized by any member club or individual angler without the prior written consent of the **Council**.

No individual angler of any member club may participate in or nominate for any Tournament or competition outside the area of jurisdiction of **SADSAA**, save with the prior written approval of the **Council**.

Any member club or individual angler who contravenes the provisions of the preceding clauses under the heading "**Foreign Tours**" shall be deemed to be guilty of misconduct and liable to

disciplinary action pursuant to the provisions as set out under "**Special Powers of the Council**".

Arbitration

Any dispute (other than a dispute in respect of which urgent relief may be obtained from a court of competent jurisdiction), which may arise with regard to:

- The application, interpretation, implementation or enforcement of this constitution or
- Whether any part thereof is void or voidable, or
- Any dispute between members of the Association *inter se*, or between any member of the Association and the **National Council**, or between any members of the Association and the **National Sports Council** shall be referred to the **Arbitration Foundation of S.A. (AFSA)** for resolution through mediation and expedited arbitration in terms of the prevailing **Rules and Procedures for the Resolution of Disputes in Sport**. The Parties record that in the event of arbitration there shall be no right of appeal as provided for in **Article 22** of the aforesaid rules, and that such resolution shall be final and binding upon the parties.

Dissolution

In the event of the Association being wound up or resolved for whatsoever reason, and/or by a resolution passed at a duly constituted special general meeting in terms of this constitution by no less than **75 % (SEVENTY FIVE PERCENT)** of the members present and entitled to vote, provided that at least **2 (TWO) calendar months** notice of such meeting shall be given to members specifying the object of the meeting.

The **Special General Meeting** by a simple majority vote shall:

- (1) Appoint **1 (ONE)** or more persons who shall be responsible for the dissolution of the **Association (WESTERN PROVINCE DEEP SEA ANGLING ASSOCIATION)**.

- (2) then all the assets of the Association of whatsoever nature and whosoever, shall be distributed in terms of the requirements of the **Commissioner of Revenue** and/or the **Income Tax (As Amended)**, to transfer the said assets of the Association of whatsoever nature and whosoever to any other recreational, and/or sporting body and/or to a public benefit organization as defined by the **Income Tax (As Amended)**.

Colours and Badges

The Association shall design, adopt, register and issue any badges or uniforms as required from time to time.

Western Province Deep Sea Angling

Western Province Deep Sea Angling colours will be awarded at **Councils** discretion to Executive Officers after serving two full terms of office, in recognition of their work

Use of Association's Name

The use of the name of the Association by any member or person whatsoever in any manner, which may in any matter whatsoever involve the Association in any possible unpleasant or contentious matter, is strictly prohibited.

Receiver of Revenue:

The **Council** undertakes to submit to the **Commissioner of Revenue** a copy of any amendment to the **Constitution of Western Province Deep Sea Angling**.

All Other Matters

It is recorded that any other matter not specifically provided for in this **Constitution**, nothing whatever accepted, shall be resolved by the **Council** at a **Special general Meeting** convened specifically for that purpose.

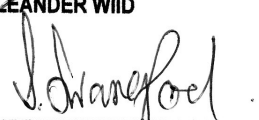
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