

These Official DDO Constitution are written and published by the Deaf Darts Organisation.

## CONSTITUTION

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## **INTERPRETATION - Glossary of terms**

In the Constitution the following terms have the meanings set opposite hereto:

DDO Means the Deaf Darts Organisation

PRESIDENT Means the elected President at a DDO General Meeting for

the purpose of conducting the business of the organisation

during the time between such Meeting.

SECRETARY Means the Secretary General of the Organisation.

**OFFICE** Means the Registered Office of the Organisation.

REPRESENTATIVE means the person appointed by a Member of the Deaf Darts

Organisation to act on its behalf.

YEAR means the official year of the Federation, which shall extend

from the first day of January in one year until the thirty first

day of December in the same year.

MASCULINE masculine gender pronouns shall include feminine.

SINGULAR singular terms shall, where necessary, include the plural.

PLAYING MEMBER means a person who is affiliated with the Member Darts

Body of his or her country of residence.

**ELIGIBLE** means that a person, or Member Darts Body, is able to

comply with the appropriate rules and regulations adopted by

the Federation.

#### 1. NAME

The organisation shall be called the Deaf Darts Organisation (DDO).

#### 2. OBJECTIVES

- To promote and develop the sport of darts within the Deaf community.
- To organise inclusive darts events, tournaments, and training opportunities.
- To encourage the participation of Deaf individuals of all ages and abilities.
- To identify and support Deaf talent to compete at national and international levels.
- To foster sportsmanship, inclusivity, and camaraderie among participants.

## 2. STRUCTURE & GOVERNANCE

The DDO shall be managed by an Executive committee consisting of:

PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, GENERAL SECRETARY, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, TREASURER, ASSISTANT TREASURER, EVENT COORDINATOR.

#### PRESIDENT

 2.1 One who conducts the business of General Meetings and has a casting vote. In addition, he shall coordinate overall Executive activity and the external presentation of the DDO including public relations, sponsorship and the website.

#### VICE PRESIDENT

- 2.2 One who has responsibility for assisting with the management of DDO administration.
- 2.3 The Vice President may also conduct DDO General Meetings in the absence of the President and in such instances shall have a casting vote.

#### TREASURER

 2.4 One who administers the finances and all other financial business relating of the Deaf Darts Organisation.

#### ASSISTANT TREASURER

 2.5 One who has responsibility for assisting the Treasurer and other financial business relating Deaf Darts Organisation.

#### **GENERAL SECRETARY**

2.6 one who has the responsibility of reviewing and maintaining the contact details of the DDO executive and members. He/she is also responsible for all duties regarding the DDO meetings, including but not limited to invitations, agenda and minutes. His/her duties also include the review and maintenance of the rules and regulations and all other governance documents.

# 3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall:

- Oversee the organisation's activities and ensure alignment with its objectives.
- Manage finances and resources responsibly.
- Plan and execute events, tournaments, and outreach initiatives.
- 4. Represent the organisation in external partnerships and collaborations.
- Uphold the welfare of all participants and stakeholders.

### 4. ELECTIONS & TERM OF OFFICE

- Executive Committee members shall be elected or appointed during a Technical Meeting.
- Committee members will serve for five years and can continue in their roles unless changes are agreed upon at the Technical Meeting. Oversee the organisation's activities and ensure alignment with its objectives.
- Manage finances and resources responsibly.
- Plan and execute events, tournaments, and outreach initiatives.
- Represent the organisation in external partnerships and collaborations.
- 9. Uphold the welfare of all participants and stakeholders.

## 5. DDO TECHNICAL MEETINGS

A Technical Meeting shall be held annually to:

- Review and plan the organisation's activities, events, and initiatives.
- Discuss operational issues and improvements.
- Confirm or appoint the Executive Committee.
- Address any other matters affecting the DDO.

## **6. EXTRAORDINARY TECHNICAL MEETINGS**

Extraordinary Technical Meetings may be convened by the Executive Committee to address urgent issues.

### 7. ATTENDANCE

The Technical Meeting is open to Executive Committee members and invited stakeholders involved in DDO activities.

#### 8. DECISION MAKING

Decisions at Technical Meetings shall be made by majority vote.

### 9. FINANCE

- The Treasurer shall oversee all financial matters, including maintaining a bank account in the name of the organisation.
- 2. The funds of the organisation shall only be used to achieve its objectives.
- Any expenses exceeding an amount agreed upon by the Executive Committee must be approved in advance.
- 4. A financial summary shall be presented at the annual Technical Meeting.

#### Bank Account Signing Rules

#### **Authorised Signatories**

The following positions are authorised signatories for the bank account:

- Matthew Calloway Treasurer
- James Mevers Assistant Treasurer

### 10. CODE OF CONDUCT & RULE OF PLAY

All individuals participating in DDO activities shall:

- Treat others with respect and fairness.
- Adhere to the rules and spirit of the game.
- Refrain from actions that could harm the reputation of the organisation or its participants.
- 4. Commit to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment.

#### 11. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

- Proposals for amendments may be submitted by the Executive Committee or stakeholders involved in DDO activities.
- Any amendment requires a two-thirds majority vote at the Technical Meeting to be adopted.

## 12. DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution:

- Any remaining funds shall be donated to a Deaf-related charity or organisation that aligns with the DDO's objectives.
- The decision to dissolve the organisation must be made by a two-thirds majority of the Executive Committee

## 2. ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION

This constitution was adopted by the Deaf Darts Organisation on  $12^{\text{th}}$  December 2024. Signed:

President: Ryan Mitchell

Secretary: Max Patton

Treasurer: Matthew Calloway



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