



# **NATIONAL DARTS FEDERATION OF CANADA**

## **CONSTITUTION**

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## INTRODUCTION

Unless **identified**, the Constitution Item # was ratified and/or changed at:

**1993 AGM - St John's Newfoundland - June 13, 1993**

## GLOSSARY

In the Constitution the following terms shall, if not inconsistent with the subject or context respectively, have the meanings set opposite hereto.

'FEDERATION'	The National Darts Federation of Canada.
'EXECUTIVE'	The Committee elected at the National Darts Federation of Canada General Meeting for the purpose of conducting the business of the Federation during the time between such meetings.
'SECRETARY'	The General Secretary of the National Darts Federation of Canada.
'OFFICE'	The Registered Office, National Darts Federation of Canada.
'REPRESENTATIVE'	The authorized individual of the Provincial/Territorial Member Darts organization which is affiliated to the Federation.
'YEAR'	The official year of the Federation which shall extend from the first day of January until the last day of December each year.
'MASCULINE'	Masculine gender pronouns shall include feminine.
'SINGULAR'	Singular terms shall, where necessary, include the plural.
'SHALL'	An action verb in the imperative mood, meaning application is MANDATORY.
'SHOULD'	Application is RECOMMENDED only.
'MAY'	Application is optional.
'WILL'	Futurity, not a requirement for application.
'BALLOT'	Shall always mean 'secret' ballot.

## BREACH OF CONSTITUTION

*In the event the NDFC Constitution is breached by any member of the NDFC Board of Directors (refer to 1.3), without previous arrangements or notification provided, the executive member or, in the case of a member darts body representative, the member darts body will receive a "monetary fine" of \$150.00. The member darts body, with copy to their secretary and president, will receive notification of the breach of constitution and the amount of the fine from the General Secretary. In the event of a breach by the NDFC General Secretary, this notification shall be issued by the NDFC President.*

*In the event that a Member Darts Body notifies the applicable NDFC Executive Member and the NDFC General Secretary at least seven (7) days in advance of the deadline, then the NDFC will extend the deadline by seven (7) days. If this extended deadline is not met, deadline and fines will stand.*

***The \$150.00 fine must be paid within 14-days. Failure to meet this time frame will result in an additional fine of \$200.00, to be paid within 14-days.***

***And failure to pay, the total amount, within the above time frame will result in voting rights, at the Annual General Meeting, being revoked.***

*The executive member or, in the case of a member darts body representative, the member darts body will receive notification of "the fine and voting rights suspension" from the NDFC General Secretary. This notification shall be sent to their member darts body contact with a copy to their secretary and president. In the event of a fine or a voting rights suspension of the NDFC General Secretary, this notification shall be issued by the NDFC President.*

*Any executive member or member darts body shall be responsible for all costs associated with attending meetings during any period of "voting" suspension.*

Amended at the 2013 AGM – St. John's, NL - June 9, 2013

## **1. NAME**

1.1 The name of the CORPORATION shall be the NATIONAL DARTS FEDERATION OF CANADA, hereinafter called the NDFC.

1.2 The National Executive Officers of the NDFC shall be:

- a) President
- b) Vice President
- d) General Secretary
- e) Financial Director
- f) Membership Director
- g) Youth Development Director
- h) Immediate Past President

The above officers shall act as the Executive Committee on behalf of the Board of Directors.

*Amended at the 2008 AGM – Winnipeg, MB - June 8, 2008*

1.3 The Board of Directors of the NDFC shall be comprised of the National Executive Officers of the NDFC plus the Provincial and/or Territorial Directors of the Member Darts Bodies.

1.4 The Board of Directors has asked that the NDFC be in power to obtain a person who would be in charge of searching for sponsorship. This person would work on a percentage basis and report back to the NDFC preferably within 3 months.

*2000 AGM – Gander, Newfoundland - June 11, 2000*

## **2. OFFICE**

2.1 The Registered Office of the NDFC shall be that at which its administrative business is conducted.

## **3. OBJECTIVES**

3.1 To form a corporate federation of darts bodies representing provinces and territories throughout Canada.

3.2 To safeguard the official status of those darts bodies representing their various provinces and territories.

3.3 To encourage and promote the sport of darts throughout Canada and to institute, promote and regulate national championships and national tournament programs.

3.4 To represent Canada and promote Canadian interests internationally through membership of the World Darts Federation.

3.5 To promote and encourage Youth programs in each province and territory.

3.6 To be non-political and non-racial at all times.

3.7 To be a non-profit corporation.

## **4. MEMBERSHIP**

### **MEMBER DARTS BODIES**

4.1 Member Darts Bodies of the NDFC shall be the properly constituted darts body of their respective province or territory and shall have been officially accepted as Members of the NDFC.

Each Member Darts Body shall be a non-profit organization and shall submit the following to the General Secretary as part of their registration with the NDFC.

- a) A copy of their constitution. (NOTE - If a Member Darts Body does not have a published constitution, it shall adopt the NDFC constitution in the interim.)
- b) A copy of their letters of incorporation or letters patent as registered with their respective Provincial or Territorial government.
- c) A copy of their letters of registration as a recognized governing body for the sport of darts within their respective Province or Territory. (NOTE - Where a Member Darts Body is in the process of applying for registration/recognition, or has applied and such application has been rejected, a copy of all relevant correspondence shall be submitted.)

Each Member Darts Body shall provide an updated copy of their Constitution (or Bylaws) within 60 days of any change taking effect.

*Amended at the 2007 AGM – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan – June 10, 2007*

4.2 The darts body of any province or territory from which there is not already a Member Darts Body may make application to the General Secretary for membership of the NDFC. Such an application may be given an interim approval by the Executive Committee. The question of the official acceptance of such membership shall be determined at the following Annual General Meeting.

4.3 Each Member Darts Body shall elect or nominate an individual who shall represent that Member Darts Body as the Provincial or Territorial Director for general meetings of the NDFC, and for Board of Directors' meetings and shall liaise with the General Secretary on all matters.

The election or nomination of this individual shall occur in sufficient time for the individual to take office on July 1st of each year.

The name of the individual shall be submitted in writing to the General Secretary within 30 days of being elected or nominated. Any changes shall be submitted within 30 days thereof.

*1996 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 9, 1996*

- 4.4 Each Member Darts Body shall have one vote.
- 4.5 Each Member Darts Body shall submit a list of elected officials to the General Secretary within 30 days of their election. Any changes shall be submitted within 30 days thereof.
- 4.6 All Member Darts Bodies shall be encouraged to publicize their membership on letter headings and other promotional material.
- 4.7 All Member Darts Bodies shall officially recognize only other Member Bodies when involved in inter-provincial representative matches and tournaments, and shall make representation for such events through their officially constituted Darts Bodies and not through any individual.
- 4.8 Any Member Darts Body wishing to promote a national or international tournament shall seek official approval from the NDFC.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

- 4.9 The NDFC may suspend or terminate the membership of a Member Darts Body, upon being satisfied that such Member Darts Body has been guilty of conduct prejudicial to the character and interests of the NDFC or the sport of darts.

Any related disciplinary action will be performed as per Section 21.

All Member Darts Bodies shall be informed of such suspensions, terminations or ineligibility subject to the right of appeal.

**Amended at the 2010 AGM – Gander, NL - June 13, 2010**

#### **INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP**

- 4.10 Membership of the NDFC through the Member Darts Body shall be open to any individual throughout Canada who has an interest in the sport of darts.

In the event that there is not a Member Darts Body governing that Province/Territory, individuals may apply for membership through the NDFC.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

- 4.11 The NDFC may suspend or terminate the membership of an individual or deem an individual ineligible for membership upon being satisfied that such individual has been guilty of conduct prejudicial to the character and interests of the NDFC or the sport of darts.

Any related disciplinary proceedings against an individual member shall be performed in accordance with Section 21.

All Member Darts Bodies shall be informed of such suspensions, terminations or ineligibility subject to the right of appeal.

If an individual holds office anywhere within the NDFC organization structure, that is, at the national level and/or throughout the provincial/territorial structures, he or she shall be removed from their position(s) when the suspension, termination or ineligibility is upheld by the NDFC.

**Amended at the 2010 AGM – Gander, NL - June 13, 2010**

- 4.12 In the event a Member Darts Body suspends or terminates the membership of an individual or deems an individual ineligible for membership in accordance with Section 21 they shall notify the NDFC no later than 30-days after the completion of their appeal process.

The NDFC will only uphold such suspension, termination or ineligibility after a thorough review of the case.

**Amended at the 2010 AGM – Gander, NL - June 13, 2010**

- 4.13 Membership fees shall be paid annually for or by each member with the amount to be set each year at the Annual General Meeting of the NDFC, to become effective the following year on October 1st. Member Darts Bodies shall set their own fees.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

#### **ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP**

- 4.14 Membership of the NDFC via the Member Darts Body shall be open to any association throughout Canada which has an interest in the sport of darts.

In the event that there is not a Member Darts Body governing that Province/Territory, associations may apply for membership through the NDFC.

Member bodies may elect to submit League Association Memberships to the NDFC at a cost of \$0.25 per member with limited member benefits.

**Amended at the 2010 Board of Directors Meeting – Toronto, ON – January 23, 2010**

- 4.15 The NDFC may suspend or terminate the membership of an association upon being satisfied that such association has been guilty of conduct prejudicial to the character and interests of the NDFC or the sport of darts. The association shall be informed, by means of a registered letter to their membership address, of said suspension or termination and shall have the right to appeal such decision within 30 days of receipt of the registered letter, (refer to 21). All Member Darts Bodies shall be informed of such suspensions or terminations and shall uphold such suspensions subject to the right of appeal.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

- 4.16 In the event a Member Darts Body suspends or terminates the membership of an association, the NDFC shall uphold such suspension or termination subject to the right of appeal.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

- 4.17 Membership fees shall be paid annually for or by each association. The amount to be set each year at the Annual General Meeting of the NDFC Member Darts Bodies shall set their own fees.

**1995 AGM - Regina, Saskatchewan - June 11, 1995**

## **5. ELECTION AND DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

5.1 The Executive Committee (refer to 1.2), with the exception of the Immediate Past President, shall hold office for two years commencing the July 1st following their election and shall be eligible for re-election as follows:

- a) In the years ending with an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 and 9) the following positions shall be open for election:
- President
  - Membership Director
  - Financial Director

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- b) In the years ending with an even number (2, 4, 6, 8 and 0) the following positions shall be open for election.
- Vice President
  - General Secretary
  - Youth Development Director

*Amended at the 2008 AGM – Winnipeg, MB - June 8, 2008*

5.2 For the purpose of electing the Executive Committee, voting rights shall be as follows:

- a) Each member of the current Executive Committee shall have the right to vote, whether or not they are seeking re-election.
- b) Each Member Darts Body represented at the meeting shall have (1) one vote regardless of the number of delegates in attendance.

*Amended at the 2007 AGM - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan - June 10, 2007*

5.3 The nominations for the election of NDFC Officers shall be in accordance with the Code of Practices on Nominations for Election of Officers and Duties of the Board of Directors.

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5.4 In the event of mid-term vacancies occurring, the Executive Committee shall have the power to fill such vacancies, until the next NDFC Annual General Meeting.

5.5 The duties of the Executive Committee shall be in accordance with the Code of Practices on Nominations for Election of Officers and Duties of the Board of Directors.

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## **6. DUTIES OF PROVINCIAL/TERRITORIAL DIRECTORS**

6.1 The duties of the Provincial/Territorial Directors shall be in accordance with the Code of Practices on Nominations for Election of Officers and Duties of the Board of Directors.

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6.2 The Provincial/Territorial Director shall be a member of the Member Darts Body's Executive.

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## **7. FINANCES**

7.1 The funds of the NDFC shall be disbursed by the Executive Committee only in the pursuance of the objectives of the NDFC.

7.2 Three authorized signatories for the general account of the association shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting. Two of these three signatures shall be required for all transactions of this general account. They shall be responsible for the settlement of NDFC commitments.

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7.3 The Financial Director, as sole signatory, shall be responsible and accountable for an NDFC Petty Cash account in the amount of \$3,000.00. This account shall be used for the payment of NDFC accounts.

The only deposits permitted to this account shall be cheques made payable to the Financial Director. The status of this account shall be reviewed annually, and scrutinized continuously by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is empowered to terminate this account at any time if deemed in the best interests of the Association.

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7.4 The books of the NDFC accounts are to be reviewed by the Accountant on an annual basis and the results of this review are to be reported to the Board of Directors at the following Annual General Meeting.

*Amended at the 2005 AGM – Victoria, BC – June 5, 2005*

7.5 The Financial Director shall also present with the Accountants Report an additional report that provides a breakdown of the revenue & expenditures for each of the events / programs managed by the NDFC.

*2005 AGM – Victoria, BC – June 5, 2005*

## **8. GENERAL MEETING**

8.1 An Annual General Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the Annual Adult National Championships.

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8.2 A member of the Executive shall be elected to chair the meeting.

- 8.3 The President or appointed Chairperson of the Annual General Meeting may, with the consent of the meeting adjourn same from time to time, and from place to place, but no business shall transact or be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 8.4 The General Secretary shall advise each Member Darts Body, of such meetings at least 90 days prior, giving the date and venue.
- 8.5 Each Member Darts Body may be represented by not more than THREE (3) representatives at a NDFC Annual General Meeting.
- 8.6 The business of the NDFC Annual General Meeting shall be:
- to receive and consider the reports of the Board of Directors, a financial statement, and any matters incidental thereto
  - to elect by Ballot the Officers of the Executive Committee (refer to 5.1)
  - to determine the Annual Subscriptions and Fees
  - to consider such other business as the Executive Committee or Member Darts Bodies shall place before the meeting, (refer to 8.7, 10.1 and 12.1)
- 8.7 Submissions by any Member Darts Body for consideration at any NDFC Annual General Meeting shall be given in writing to the General Secretary no later than 60 days prior to such meetings.
- Submissions by any Member Darts Body for consideration at any regularly scheduled NDFC Board Meeting (other than the AGM), shall be given in writing to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to such meetings.
- The General Secretary shall distribute the agenda to all Member Darts Bodies no later than 30 days prior to the meeting.
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- 8.8 Any Member Darts Body whose financial obligations to the NDFC are in arrears shall not be entitled to vote at any NDFC Meetings.
- 8.9 The official languages of the NDFC shall be English and French.
- 8.10 The President or Vice President may call additional Meetings as deemed necessary.
- 8.11 Observers, including press representatives, may be allowed access to NDFC General Meetings subject to the prior approval of the NDFC Executive Committee. Their presence shall be acknowledged.
- 8.12 The minutes of the AGM will be distributed to the Provincial and Territorial Directors, within 60 days of the meeting.
- 1998 AGM – St. Hyacinthe, Quebec - June 14, 1998*

## **9. MEETING AND VOTING PROCEDURES**

### **MEETING PROCEDURES**

- 9.1 The President or appointed Chairman shall preside over the Annual General Meeting.
- 9.2 Although each Member Darts Body in attendance may have three representatives, only one shall have the right to vote on matters under discussion for any matter requiring a majority vote. Each member of the Executive Committee shall have the right to vote. All motions requiring a 2/3 majority vote, each member body shall have one vote, regardless of the number of representatives in attendance, and each Executive Member shall have one vote. Members **shall not** be entitled to vote by Proxy.
- Amended at the 2007 AGM –Saskatoon, SK - June 10, 2007*
- 9.3 Any person entitled to vote at any General Meeting may request that a ballot be taken on any items of business.
- 9.4 In all cases procedures at meetings shall be governed by normal rules of debate, as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.
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- 9.5 Members desiring to speak on any matter shall raise their hand, and their wish shall be noted by the Chairperson, who will call upon them in order. Once acknowledged by the Chairperson they may lower their hand, and still retain their precedence.
- 9.6 All discussion shall be to the matter presently under debate, and the Chairperson shall rule any other discussion out of order.
- 9.7 In general no member may speak more than once on any matter of debate, but it must be remembered that the purpose of the meeting is to serve the declared purposes of the NDFC. In general, as such debates occur infrequently, over-rigidity in the application of this particular rule can serve to defeat the basic reasons for the meeting. The Chairperson, therefore, may, at his discretion, allow freer discussion than would be possible by rigid application of the "one time speak" rule, but may, after the matter has been fully debated, announce that he will allow only one further contribution from each member before putting the matter to a vote. The mover of the motion shall have the right to speak last, but such final statement shall be his "one further contribution".
- 9.8 No discussion on any motion, allowing discussion and/or requiring a seconder, shall be allowed until it has been duly seconded.
- 1994 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 12, 1994*
- 9.9 Amendments to a motion shall require a seconder before being debated. All amendments shall be listed in order of presentation, and shall be voted upon in reverse order. An amendment that has the effect of overriding a previous amendment, shall, if accepted, result in the striking of that previous amendment. No amendment, whose purpose is the negative of the original motion, or of a previous amendment, shall be accepted, as the original matter may be defeated by majority vote.
- 9.10 After a motion has been decided, either for or against no other motion of the same substance may be put forward at the same meeting unless a request is made in the form of a motion to "Reconsider the Vote" as defined in Robert's Rules of Order.
- 1994 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 12, 1994*

## **10. REPORTS**

- 10.1 The President and General Secretary shall furnish a written "Executive Committee" report to the Annual General Meeting on the activities of the NDFC during the year. This report shall be compiled no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and shall be attached to the agenda for that meeting
- 10.2 The Vice President and Past President shall each furnish a written report to the Annual General Meeting on the activities pertaining to their responsibilities of office. Such reports shall be submitted to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and shall be attached to the agenda for that meeting. (A report from the Past President is not mandatory).
- 10.3 The Financial Director shall furnish a brief written report to the Annual General Meeting pertaining to the responsibilities of this office. This report shall be submitted to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and shall be attached to the agenda for that meeting. The Financial Director shall furnish a complete financial statement to all members of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting. In addition, the Financial Director shall forward a financial statement to the members of the NDFC Executive on a quarterly basis.
- 10.4 The Membership Director shall furnish a written report to the Annual General Meeting pertaining to the responsibilities of this office. . This report shall be submitted to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and shall be attached to the agenda for that meeting. The Membership Director shall furnish a complete statistical report on membership to all members of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.5 The Youth Development Director shall furnish a written report to the Annual General Meeting pertaining to the responsibilities of this office. This report shall be submitted to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and shall be attached to the agenda for that meeting. The Youth Development Director shall also provide a report on the Youth National Championships at the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.6 The Member Darts Bodies shall each furnish a written report to the Annual General Meeting on the activities of their Member Darts Body during the year. Such reports shall be submitted to the General Secretary no later than 45 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.7 The General Secretary shall distribute these reports to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 10.8 Any breach of these requirements shall be considered as a Breach of the Constitution and shall be dealt with accordingly.

*Amended at the 2000 AGM – Gander, Newfoundland - June 11, 2000*

## **11. QUORUM**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS**

- 11.1 Three-fifths of the Member Darts Bodies and at least three officers of the Executive Committee, including at least one (1) Presidential Officer (President or Vice President) shall constitute a quorum for Annual General Meetings.

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

- 11.2 Three-fifths of the Board Members, including at least one (1) Presidential Officer (President or Vice President), shall constitute a quorum for Board of Directors Meetings.

*1994 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 12, 1994*

### **EXECUTIVE MEETINGS**

- 11.3 Fifty (50) percent of the elected members, including either the President or Vice President, shall constitute a quorum for Executive Meetings.

*1994 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 12, 1994*

## **12. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

- 12.1 Any proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the General Secretary no later than 60 days prior to the AGM. The General Secretary shall forward copies of the proposed amendments to the Board of Directors no later than 30 days prior to the meeting.

In exceptional cases, when the need arises, the 60-day notification for amendments to the Constitution may be waived at the AGM so long as there is a 2/3 vote

*Amended at the 2002 AGM - Saskatoon, SK - June 2, 2002*

- 12.2 Any amendments to the Constitution shall only be affected at the AGM
- 12.3 Amendments to the Constitution shall require a majority of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present at the AGM.

## **13. MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 13.1 Executive meetings shall be called only by the President, or Vice President, if deemed necessary; otherwise the business of the Executive Committee shall be conducted by correspondence, telephone or fax.
- 13.2 Any member of the Executive Committee who misses two (2) consecutive meetings without due cause shall have their position on that committee reviewed in accordance with section 14.2.



13.3 Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President or Vice President or by a majority of three-fifths (3/5) of the Board Members. It shall be the objective to convene a minimum of two (2) meetings each fiscal year.

## **14. MANAGEMENT**

14.1 The management of the business of the NDFC shall be vested in the Executive Committee in accordance with the duties and responsibilities of that committee. The Executive shall not contravene, nor alter, nor amend, a statute, the constitution, or bye-laws of the NDFC previously adopted at the AGM or Board of Director's meetings.

14.2 An Executive Committee Member OR Provincial/Territorial Director, shall vacate office if:

- a) He/she resigns from office by sending a written resignation to the President or General Secretary of the Federation.
- b) The Executive has the right to remove an individual from office, by a majority vote, for non-performance of duties and in consultation with Provincial or Territorial Executive.
- c) The individual is subject to suspension, as per 4.11.
- d) The General Secretary receives satisfaction in writing from his Member Darts Body that he/she has been replaced as Provincial or Territorial Director.

14.3 The person removed shall be advised of same by registered or certified mail. Within 30 days of the receipt of the registered or certified mail, that person has the right to appeal. Such appeals shall be in writing and submitted by registered or certified mail to the General Secretary. Any appeal shall be voted upon by the Appeals Committee (Vice President, Financial Director, Youth Development Director and three (3) Board Members from non conflicting Provinces or Territories).

The decision on the appeal shall be rendered within sixty (60) days of receipt of the appeal by the General Secretary, in writing, to the individual and the Provincial or Territorial Director.

14.4 A refusal to sign for registered or certified mail will be regarded as, "actually served" and will nullify the thirty (30) day appeal procedures. (Refer to 4.11 and 4.15).

## **15. INDEMNITY**

15.1 Every member of the Executive Committee, or other Officer, or servant of the NDFC shall be indemnified by the NDFC against all costs, loss and expenses incurred or become liable for by reason of any contract entered into, or act, or thing done by them in the discharge of their duties including traveling expenses provided that such actions have the explicit approval of the President and are incurred in pursuance of the objectives, and interests of the NDFC, and come within the expressed or implied authority of the person so acting.

## **16. BYE-LAWS**

16.1 The NDFC may make, repeal, and amend Bye-Laws as it may from time to time consider necessary. The making, revising, and amending of the Bye-Laws shall be effected at a Board of Directors meeting.

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16.2 The NDFC Bye-Laws shall not form part of the constitution and shall not amend the constitution in any way.

## **17. CODES OF PRACTICE**

17.1 The NDFC may make, repeal, and amend Codes of Practice as it may from time to time consider necessary. The making, revising, and amending of any Codes of Practice shall be effected at a Board of Directors meeting and shall require a 2/3 majority vote.

17.2 The NDFC Codes of Practice shall not form part of the Constitution and shall not amend the Constitution in any way.

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## **18. RULES OF PLAY**

18.1 The NDFC may make, repeal, and amend Rules of Play as it may from time to time consider necessary. The making, revising, and amending of any Rules of Play shall be effected at a Board of Directors meeting.

18.2 The NDFC Rules of Play shall not form part of the Constitution and shall not amend the Constitution in any way.

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## **19. INTERPRETATIONS, PROCEDURES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

19.1 Interpretations, procedures and responsibilities contained herein shall be the sole decision of the NDFC and its Member Bodies.

## **20. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

20.1 All NDFC Board of Directors shall abide by the NDFC Code of Practices on Conflicts of Interest.

*1996 AGM - Toronto, Ontario - June 9, 1996*

## **21. DISCIPLINARY AND APPEALS COMMITTEE**

21.1 All Disciplinary actions and appeals shall be conducted in accordance with the Code of Practices on Disciplinary Proceedings.

21.2 The NDFC Code of Practices on Disciplinary Proceedings will adhere to and uphold the rules of Natural Justice.

21.3 All disciplinary proceedings performed by the Member Darts Body shall be conducted in a manner that, at a minimum, satisfies the requirements of the NDFC Code of Practices on Disciplinary Proceedings.

- 21.4 Failure to comply with the NDFC rules on disciplinary proceedings could result in the suspension of the Member Darts Body.
- 21.5 NDFC members that have their membership suspended, terminated or deemed ineligible for membership may seek an appeal to the NDFC.
- 21.6 The NDFC has the authority to reinstate Provincial membership if an error in process has occurred or the case outcome has been determined by a legal or arbitration process.

*Amended at the 2010 AGM – Gander, NL - June 13, 2010*

## **22. ANNUAL FEES AND FINES**

- 22.1 The NDFC may make, repeal, and amend the annual fees and/or fines, as it may from time to time consider necessary. The making, revising, and amending of any fee or fine shall be effected at a Board of Directors meeting.

*1999 AGM – Saint John, NB - June 13, 1999*

## **23. ANTI-DOPING POLICY**

- 23.1 The NDFC agrees to adopt, in principal, the WDF Policy on Anti-Doping pending further review by the NDFC Executive.

*2005 AGM – Victoria, BC - June 5, 2005*

## **24. ADOPTION OF WDF POLICIES**

The NDFC agrees that whenever a solution can not be found in the NDFC Regulations or the NDFC Constitution, the Executive and/or Board of Directors shall adopt, in principal, the policies of the WDF.

*2006 AGM – Halifax, NS - June 11, 2006*

## **25. YOUTH CONSTITUTION (ANNEX)**

The NDFC agrees that the YOUTH CONSTITUTION be an annex to the NDFC Constitution.

*2006 AGM – Halifax, NS - June 11, 2006*

## **26. DISSOLUTION CLAUSE**

If upon dissolution of the NDFC there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, and property whatsoever, the same shall be paid to the National Charity of the NDFC prior to the announcement of the dissolution.

*2014 AGM – Halifax, NS – June 8, 2014*