

**Rules relating to the membership of the
*Carnival Arts and Masquerade Foundation (the Charity)***

These Rules were adopted at a meeting of the Trustees held at [] on
2010.

- 1 In these Rules:
 - 1.1 Words and expressions that are defined in Article 2 of the Articles have the same meaning when used in these Rules (unless the context requires otherwise);
 - 1.2 Words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender;
 - 1.3 **Articles:** means the articles of association of the Charity.
 - 1.4 **Disciplinary Committee:** means [a committee of the Charity set up to oversee disciplinary matters];
 - 1.5 **Mas Band:** means a Carnival Masquerade Band;
 - 1.6 **Membership:** means membership of the Charity;
- 2 Membership shall be open to Mas Bands and individuals who express a wish to participate in arrangements for attaining the Objects.
- 3 Any application for Membership shall be made in the prescribed form, as set out in the Appendix to these Rules and shall be accompanied by payment of the Subscription Fee.
- 4 Subject to Rule 5, to be eligible for Membership, each Mas Band or individual applying for Membership must have been:
 - 4.1 proposed by an existing Member; and
 - 4.2 seconded by another Member.
- 5 An applicant shall not become a Member until that Member's Subscription Fee is fully paid up and all other criteria for Membership have been satisfied.

- 6 Membership shall not be transferable, and shall be renewable annually. A Subscription Fee shall be payable on each renewal.
- 7 No paid Subscription Fee shall be refundable to a resigning Member.
- 8 If a Member has, in the opinion of the Disciplinary Committee (acting in its absolute discretion), behaved or conducted himself in a manner contrary to the interests of the Charity, the Disciplinary Committee may recommend to the Trustees that the Trustees resolve to remove the Member as a member of the Charity in accordance with Article 15.4 of the Articles.
- 9 Each Member shall be liable for any bank charges incurred by the Charity in connection with any payment to the Charity made by such Member, including, but not limited to, bank charges incurred by the Charity for stopped or bounced cheques.
- 10 No Member shall be eligible to stand for election to a committee of the Charity if the date for payment of that Member's Subscription Fee has passed and the Subscription Fee has not been received by the Charity in cleared funds.
- 11 No Member shall, for so long as he is a Member, be a member of any organisation representing Mas Bands which has similar aims and objectives to those of the Charity.

APPENDIX

Form of application for membership

I/We would like to become a member of Carnival Arts and Masquerade Foundation.

Name: _____
Address: _____

Postcode: _____ **Telephone:** _____
Email: _____

I/We have been proposed by

I/We have been seconded by

I/We enclose a cheque made payable to Carnival Arts and Masquerade Foundation for the amount of £_____ by way of payment of the subscription fee.

I/We hereby acknowledge that I/we have read and understood the Rules regarding membership of the Charity and agree to their terms.

Name of applicant:

Signature:

Date:

Proposed by: :

Signature:

Date:

Seconded by: :

Signature:

Date: