

STATUTES FOR CARPET BOWLS EUROPE

§ 1 Organisation

Carpet Bowls Europe is an umbrella for national Carpet Bowls organisations (members).

Carpet Bowls Europe is not a legal entity, and is this not anchored in any country's legal system, nor any other organisation's statutes and / or regulations.

(3) Carpet Bowls Europe has no separate accounts. All operations are conducted on a voluntary basis and all expenses are covered by the national Carpet Bowls organizations that are affiliated to the organization.

(4) There will be no remuneration for the work done by elected representatives. Reimbursement of expenses will be handled by the national Carpet Bowls organization to whom the representatives belong.

Carpet Bowls Europe is led by a Board, which is composed of the chairmen of each member counties national Carpet Bowls organization. In addition, each of country shall appoint one other member to the Board.

§ 2 Purpose

Carpet Bowls Europe shall promote the benefit, equity and well-being of Carpet Bowls in strengthening public health in Europe. Carpet Bowls Europe shall also promote a healthy balance between competition and "the enjoyment of the game" and friendship.

When possible, Carpet Bowls Europe will seek, to follow up and promote WHO Europe's public health strategies.

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Carpet Bowls Europe will work to spread carpet bowls across Europe and work to develop ties and friendship across borders.

§ 3 Objective

We recognize that local communities, cities and nations are facing challenges that public government cannot solve alone. We will promote Carpet Bowls to contribute to a sustainable outcome by mobilizing individuals and groups of people to make local communities better and healthier places to live.

§ 4 Membership and members' obligations

(1) Members are countries that play Carpet Bowls and have a documented Carpet Bowls associating. Other countries that play Carpet Bowls can be associated members.

(2) Members undertake to encourage their local teams in their home country to develop Carpet Bowls to become a public health activity grounded in the provisions described in paragraph 10.

§ 5 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting is Carpet Bowls Europe's highest authority. The annual meeting is held every year in May and is summoned by the board with one month's notice in writing. Proposals to be considered at the annual meeting shall be sent to the Board no later than 60 days before. The complete agenda must be available to members at least one week before the annual meeting.

The annual meeting is open to all.

The annual meeting has a quorum with the number of votes meeting up. No one has more than one vote, but votes may be cast in writing. Unless otherwise agreed, for a resolution/decision to be valid it only requires a simple majority of the votes cast. Spoilt votes are not counted. If a vote is tied, the Chairman has a casting vote. New member states are only entitled to vote. After the annual meeting they are admitted as members.

§ 6 Tasks of the Annual meeting

The Annual Meeting shall:

(1) Consider written applications to become a member of Carpet Bowls Europe.

(2) Discuss the annual report.

(3) Decide upon any proposal to amend the competition rules of international competitions (see § 11).

(4) Consider proposals from the members or the board

(5) Elect members of the board:

- Chairman (Elected for 2 years, but in 2017 and until the next annual meeting he/she is elected for 1 year)
- Deputy chairman (Elected for 2 years)
- Secretary (Elected for 2 years)
- 3 ordinary board members (Elected for 1 year)

§ 7 Extraordinary Meetings

Extraordinary Annual Meetings shall be held when the Board decides, or at least two of the voting members so require.

The meeting Request and resolution occurs by the same rules as for ordinary annual meetings.

§ 8 The Board

Carpet Bowls Europe is led by the Board which is the highest authority between the annual meetings.

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Board responsibilities:

- (1) The Board shall carry out the decisions made by the annual meeting
- (2) The Board shall when necessary appoint committees / selection / individuals for specific tasks and prepare instructions for these
- (3) The Board shall represent Carpet Bowls Europe
- (4) The Chairman shall convene meetings when necessary. The Board has a quorum when a majority of the Board member organizations are present. Decisions are made by a majority of the votes cast. If the votes are tied, the Chairman or Deputy designated by the Chairman, will have the casting vote.
- (5) The Chairman shall ensure that the decisions made by the board are communicated to the members.
- (6) Suggest and decide upon the terms of reference for each position ahead of the annual meeting.

§ 9 Amendments of the statutes

Amendments to these statutes may only be made at an ordinary or extraordinary annual meeting after having been on the agenda, and it requires a 2/3 majority of the votes cast.

§ 10 Health and well-being

Carpet Bowls shall be characterized by:

- (1) Friendship, fraternity and solidarity.
- (2) That anyone who wants to participate is welcome, regardless of health status, sex, age, disability, ethnicity, nationality, religion, belief, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression.
- (3) Applause for players from other teams when they impress.
- (4) Active efforts to include individuals who need some form of facilitating in order to

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take part.

(5) A positive attitude towards other voluntary-, private- and public organizations who wish to use our venues to promote health and well-being for the benefit of citizens and communities.

(6) That all affiliates must discuss how they, in their homeland, may enable people from all walks of life to take part.

(7) That all affiliates must work to ensure that local Carpet Bowls groups are working to ensure an appropriate balance between competition, cohesion and inclusion as described in § 8.

§ 11 Competition Rules

The national Carpet Bowls organizations have full autonomy to define the competition rules to be applied in their home countries. At international competitions, the competition rules laid down by Carpet Bowls Europe will be used - unless all countries participating in the international competition agree to use another regulatory basis (see Appendix 1).

The international competition rules may only be reviewed and/or amended at the Annual General Meeting.

§ 12 Resolution

A resolution by Carpet Bowls Europe can be considered at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extraordinary Meeting. A resolution will require a simple majority of the votes cast.