



# The Scottish Beekeepers' Association

The Scottish Beekeepers Association is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered in Scotland, number SC009345.

## General Membership Rules

Note: This document contains four pages.

### Rules

Individuals and groups in Scotland that wish to join the Scottish Beekeepers' Association (SCIO) (hereafter referred to as the SBA) in the appropriate category of membership, and receive member benefits, must comply with the following rules which supplement the provisions and terms of the SBA constitution.

Prospective members must:

1. Apply for membership in writing to the SBA;
2. Ensure that they meet the membership criteria for the category of membership to which they are applying;
3. Pay annually to the SBA any membership subscription fee applicable to their membership category as laid down and subsequently amended under the terms of the constitution.

The SBA reserves the right to decline any application, or to terminate membership, in accordance with the terms of the SBA constitution.

### Categories and Terms of Membership

The categories, and terms applied to each membership category, are as laid out below.

#### 1 Personal

Personal membership is open to anyone over the age of 16 meeting the general requirements within the constitution. Personal members are voting members.

Personal members:

- Have a vote
- Attend SBA business meetings
- May be elected as trustees
- Receive The Scottish Beekeeper

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- Are members of the insurance and compensation scheme (subject to the terms and conditions in effect)
- Have access to the SBA education scheme
- May apply for video conference access to SBA meetings as offered
- May attend meetings, events and seminars run by the SBA
- Have use of the Moir library

## **2 Junior**

Junior membership is open to anyone under 16, interested in bees and beekeeping, and nominated by or associated with an adult such as a parent, qualified teacher or recognised group leader. Junior members have no vote.

Junior members:

- Have access to the SBA education scheme
- May apply for video conference access to SBA meetings as offered
- May attend meetings, events and seminars run by the SBA
- May elect a junior representative to the Board of Trustees subject to the terms of the constitution
- Have the use of the Moir library, if accompanied by an adult SBA member
- Do not have a vote
- Do not attend SBA business meetings

## **3 Household**

Household membership is open to any group of people meeting the general membership criteria and sharing the same residential address.

Household members:

- Have a vote (if over 16)
- Attend SBA business meetings (if over 16)
- May be elected as trustees (if over 16)
- Receive The Scottish Beekeeper (one copy to the address)
- Are members of the insurance and compensation scheme (subject to terms and conditions in effect, and only for bees held in the name of named members over 16 at the address)
- Have access to the SBA education scheme

- May apply for video conference access to SBA meetings as offered
- May attend meetings, events and seminars run by the SBA
- Have the use of the Moir library

#### **4 Affiliated Beekeeping Association**

The rules and terms of membership for affiliated beekeeping associations are as laid down in a separate document.

#### **5 Institutional**

Institutional membership is open to any formally constituted organisation that meets the general membership criteria in the constitution.

Institutional members:

- Their nominated member has a vote (subject to the provisions of the constitution for non-incorporated and incorporated members)
- Their nominated member attends business meetings
- Their nominated member may be elected as a trustee (subject to the provisions of the constitution for non-incorporated and incorporated members)
- Receive one copy of The Scottish Beekeeper
- May apply for video conference access to SBA meetings as offered
- May attend meetings, events and seminars run by the SBA
- Have access to the SBA education scheme

#### **6 Supporting**

Supporting membership is open to any individual who meets the general membership criteria in the constitution, with or without bees, and who does not need or want all of the benefits of personal membership. Supporting members do not have a vote.

Supporting members:

- Receive The Scottish Beekeeper
- May apply for video conference access to SBA meetings as offered
- May attend meetings, events and seminars run by the SBA
- Do not have a vote
- Do not attend business meetings

#### **7 Honorary Life**

Honorary Life membership is an *honour*, awarded by resolution of the members in accordance with the constitution. There is no membership fee payable in respect of Honorary Life Membership, and Honorary Life Members are afforded all the same rights and privileges as personal members, in perpetuity.

Honorary Life members:

- Have a vote
- Attend SBA business meetings
- May be elected as trustees
- Receive The Scottish Beekeeper
- Are members of the insurance and compensation scheme (subject to the terms and conditions in effect)
- Have access to the SBA education scheme
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