

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL SPORTS COUNCIL ACT**  
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**BOTSWANA NATIONAL SPORTS COUNCIL REGULATIONS, 1979**

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**IN EXERCISE** of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Botswana National Sports Council Act, the Minister of Home Affairs hereby makes the following Regulations —

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| Citation                       | 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Botswana National Sports Council Regulations, 1979.  |
| Interpretation                 | 2. In these Regulations "Director" means the Director of Sports and Cultural Activities.  |
| Application for membership     | 3. (1) Every application for membership of the Council shall be made on a form to be obtained from the Secretary of the Council.<br>(2) Every member of the Council shall pay a membership fee, which shall be determined by the Council.   |
| Registration of uniforms, etc. | 4. (1) Every member of the Council shall, when so required by the Council, register with the Council its uniforms, colours and insignia or those of any constituent club or association.<br>(2) The Council may refuse registration where in its opinion the uniforms, colours or insignia sought to be registered are similar to those of a member or another club or association.<br>(3) Any person who contravenes subregulation (1) shall be guilty of an offence and, in addition to any penalty imposed therefor, the Council may also impose such disciplinary action as it deems fit.       |
| Disruption of a game           | 5. (1) No person shall disturb or disrupt the conduct of a game or any sporting event conducted under the auspices of the Council.<br>(2) Any person who contravenes subregulation (1) shall be guilty of an offence and, in addition to any penalty imposed therefor, the Council may —<br>(a) in the case of a player, suspend him, for such period as it shall determine, from participating as a player; or<br>(b) in the case of any other person, prohibit him, for such period as it shall determine, from attending any club game or sporting event held under the auspices of the Council. |

(3) Where any person who disturbs a game or sporting event is an official of a body or club the Council may impose any other disciplinary action in addition to those mentioned in subregulation (2).

6. (1) No member of the Council, a club or a group of individuals shall —

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(a) invite a club or group of individuals from outside Botswana to tour or participate in any sport in Botswana; or

(b) tour or in any way participate in any sport outside Botswana, without the written approval of the Council.

(2) An application for a tour outside Botswana, in a form which may be obtained from the Secretary of the Council, by a member, a club or a group of individuals, or for an invitation for a tour of Botswana by a club or a group of individuals, shall be made to the Secretary of the Council at least 14 days before the date on which such sporting activity is to commence.

(3) Any member, club or group of individuals which contravenes the provisions of subregulation (1) shall be guilty of an offence and, in addition to any penalty imposed therefor, shall be liable to such disciplinary action as the Council may deem fit to impose.

7. (1) Any member of the Council, a club or a group of individuals which solicits for and receives donations exceeding the sum of P20 000 from any person shall account for the donation when the Council so requires.

Control of donations

(2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of subregulation (1) shall be guilty of an offence.

8. (1) Any member of the Council aggrieved by a decision of the Council may appeal to the Appeals Board, established under section 6 (1), in accordance with the provisions of this regulation.

Appeals to Appeals Board

(2) An appeal to the Appeals Board shall be lodged, by registered mail, within 7 days from the date of notification of the decision appealed against and shall be accompanied by a fee of P50.

(3) The appellant shall at the time of lodging his appeal also serve copies of the papers of the appeal, by registered mail, on the person who is a party to the proceedings being appealed against and on the Director.

(4) The Secretary of the Appeals Board shall, within 7 days of receiving all documents and information in connexion with the appeal under subregulation (2), forward sufficient copies of the appeal papers and all relevant documents to the members of the Appeals Board.

(5) The Appeals Board shall, after receiving the appeal papers, set a date for the hearing of the appeal and cause a notice thereof to be served upon the appellant and the respondent.

(6) On the day fixed or any other day to which the Appeals Board may adjourn the hearing the appellant shall be heard in support of his appeal but shall not urge or be heard in support of any ground of appeal not set forth in the appeal papers except by leave of the Appeals Board.

(7) The Appeals Board shall, if it does not dismiss the appeal summarily, hear the appellant and the respondent shall be entitled to reply.

(8) The parties to an appeal may be heard in person or through their representatives.

Quorum of Appeals Board

9. (1) All meetings of the Appeals Board shall be conducted by the Chairman and, in his absence, the members of the Appeals Board present at the meeting shall elect one of their members to act as the chairman of that meeting.

(2) A quorum at any meeting of the Appeals Board shall be 3, except that a member of the Appeals Board appointed by reason of his knowledge and experience of the sport in respect of which the appeal arises shall be present at any time.

(3) Subject to this regulation, the Appeals Board may regulate its proceedings.

Appeals to Minister

10. (1) Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Appeals Board may appeal to the Minister under section 6 within 14 days of notification of the decision of the Appeals Board and shall send, by registered mail, a copy of the appeal papers to the Director.

(2) The appellant shall at the time of lodging his appeal under this regulation serve a copy of the appeal papers on the respondent.

Offences and penalty

11. Any person, club or association who or which is found guilty of an offence under these Regulations shall be liable to a fine of P100 and to suspension for one year from participating in sport.

MADE this 23rd day of April, 1979.

P.S. MMUSI,  
*Minister of Home Affairs.*

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