

Cricket Club at The Ohio State University

Student Organization Constitution

ARTICLE I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION

Cricket Club at Ohio State University (Or CCOSU) will be our formal name.

ARTICLE II. ORGANIZATION PURPOSE

Cricket Club at Ohio State University is established to give students the opportunity to play cricket recreationally at a competitive level as well as to establish relationships throughout the university and community through membership and club events. Membership to this organization shall be considered a great honor. This organization and its members shall not discriminate against any individual(s) for reasons of age, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or military veteran status.

ARTICLE III. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Section A. Harassment and Discrimination, including Sexual Misconduct

CCOSU agrees that it will not engage in sexual misconduct nor any harassment or discrimination on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status or any other basis in accordance with the Student Organization Registration Guidelines.

Section B. Hazing

CCOSU agrees to maintain a zero-tolerance policy for hazing, in compliance with Ohio State University and Collin's Law. All members must conduct themselves in a manner that supports an environment free from hazing. Hazing includes any activity, regardless of consent, that causes or creates a substantial risk of physical, mental, or emotional harm or humiliation to any individual as part of membership or affiliation with the student organization. If found responsible for hazing, members and/or the organization may face disciplinary actions.

Section C. Bylaws

CCOSU retains the right to maintain separate bylaws to outline the day-to-day operations of the organization and to clarify policies and procedures otherwise not included in the previous articles. Bylaws and/or other guiding documents may not take precedence over the requirements set forth by local, state, and federal laws, The Ohio State University's regulations, policies, and procedures, and the Council on Student Affairs (CSA) Student Organization Registration Guidelines. Organizations may make amendments and changes to the bylaws without consulting the Ohio Union & Student Activities department, and changes to bylaws do not require approval. All elements of organizational

bylaws shall be consistent with the organization's currently approved constitution on file and CSA constitution requirements.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership Eligibility

- All Ohio State University Full-Time Students, Faculty, Staff, and Active RecSports Members are entitled to participate in Cricket Club at Ohio State University.
- Our club also agrees with and follows The Ohio State University non-discrimination policy.
- Members of Cricket Club at Ohio State University must recognize and follow all guidelines set forth by The Ohio State University in the Student Code of Conduct.
- Club members are required to register on DoSportsEasy prior to participation in any practices or competition.
- Club members are required to attend practices, games, tournaments and all other club events in a regular, timely manner.
- Club members are required to pay club dues, which are non-refundable on time, and expected to volunteer in fundraising projects.

Section B. Member Selection

Cricket Club at Ohio State University will have a selection committee for each tournament. To be a member of the selection committee, you must participate in the tournament. This selection committee will include the captain, vice-captain and the President of the club. If the President is captain or vice-captain then he can nominate another member of the Executive Board to be part of the selection committee. The selection committee will determine the selection criteria for each tournament, and communicate these criteria to the club. The captain will have final say on the team selection, but will take advice from the others in the selection committee.

Section C. Membership Timeline

Membership is granted during the first month of each semester. Tryouts are held and new members will attend those in order to prove their ability to play. The members of the club will be chosen by the selection committee of the Cricket Club at Ohio State University for each tournament based on a selection criteria. They will stay as members as long as they continue to attend practices in a regular, timely manner.

Section D. Member Removal

Cricket Club at Ohio State University reserves the right to terminate the membership of any club member. The termination of a club member shall be taken collectively by the Club Executive Officers, with 4/5 vote required for removal. The vote will be triggered if the member has regularly missed practices or has stopped responding to any communication regarding club activities. The vote may also be triggered if other members have reported any conduct that violates the student code of

conduct. The member at risk will have the opportunity to present information to the board. The board will consider this information during the vote.

ARTICLE V. ADVISOR

Section A. Advisor Duties and Responsibilities

Cricket Club at Ohio State University advisor shall be a faculty/staff member of the Ohio State University that has an interest in the club team. He/she will also advise the club and will assist in any manner necessary. The Advisor will not have access to the club's finances.

Section B. Advisor Term

Cricket Club at Ohio State University advisor shall be in position till the time the next election takes place and a new leadership organization is formed.

Section C. Advisor Selection

Cricket Club at Ohio State University advisor shall be selected by the Executive Board which will include the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Risk Manager of Cricket Club at Ohio State University.

Section D. Advisor Replacement

Cricket Club at Ohio State University reserves the right to terminate the position of the advisor. The termination of the advisor shall be taken collectively by the Club Executive Officers, with 4/5 vote required for removal.

ARTICLE VI. ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP

Section A. Officer Positions

President – Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

1. Overseeing the club team, and all other officers.
2. Prepare an outline of the work to be done, and show the path through giving responsibilities to other officers.
3. Make equipment decisions, which must be approved by the treasurer.
4. Making sure all players have filled out insurance waiver forms.
5. Scheduling games, practices, tournaments, and filling out facility request forms.
6. Attending all meetings set forth by the Ohio State University Sports Club Offices and making sure the OSU Cricket Club is meeting all requirements of The Ohio State University Sports Club Office.
7. Facilitating meetings, along with the rest of the board.

8. Keep positive connection between CCOSU and other clubs
9. Responsible for all communications and connections with the Department of Recreational Sports including scheduling.
10. Ensure food and water is at the ground
11. Ensure kit bags and equipment needed for match are at the ground

Vice President – Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

1. Assisting the president in any duties necessary.
2. Coordinating memberships
3. Coordinating practices
4. Responsible for recruitment
5. Attend all meetings set forth by the Ohio State University Sports Club Offices in which the President shall not be able to attend.
6. Taking initiative to invite potential players to practice.
7. Coordinate recruitment with on-campus organizations: namely PASA, ISA.
8. Public Relations: Write monthly emails to alumni and core members giving important club updates
9. Shall help keep and update a transitional binder and files.

Secretary/Social Media – Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

1. Responding to emails on the club email account.
2. Send out emails to the club in regards to practice availability, match availability
3. Send updates about the club to the team
4. Social Media Management
5. Coordinate pick-ups for rides for matches
6. Shall update the website with relevant content and maintain a positive brand on all social media accounts (including Twitter and Facebook)
7. Shall fill out travel forms on DoSportsEasy for away games.

Treasurer – Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

1. Keeping track of all incoming and outgoing funds.
2. Auditing the current/past year's budget.
3. Drafting projections for the next year's budget.

4. Preparing any financial reports requested by the President or The Ohio State University Department of Recreational Sports
5. Keep track of member fees, and membership lists
6. Be involved with any financial decisions taken, and approve those financial decisions
7. Responsible for initiating fundraising efforts, such as tennis ball tournaments.
8. Maintain and update inventory of items owned by the Club

Risk Manager/Safety Officer – Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

1. In charge of maintaining a safe environment both at our school, and when we travel.
2. Responsible for knowing procedures in case of emergency
3. Responsible for filing and submitting proper forms and waivers for the club
4. Has a CPR and first-aid certification.
5. In-charge of storing and returning RecSports first-aid kit.

Section B. Officer Eligibility

All student members are eligible for an officer position. Only active student members may vote in elections for officer positions. Active student members are those who will be full-time students and have attended multiple practices or played multiple games in the previous semester.

Section C. Officer Selection Process

Elections will be held before the fall semester either in the last week of July or the first week of August. If a position is contested, a student member election shall take place; if a position is not contested the person running will assume the position. Elections shall be run by the highest-ranking officer that is not running for a position. If all officers are running for a position, the previous year's president or highest-ranking officer shall run the election.

Section D. Officer Removal

Any elected officer of the chapter may be removed from their position for cause. Cause for removal includes, but is not limited to: violation of the constitution or by-laws, failure to perform duties, or any behavior that is detrimental to advancing the purpose of this organization, including violations of the Student Code of Conduct, university policy, or federal, state, or local laws. The officer will have the opportunity to plead their case by bringing evidence to the vote. The board must also have evidence of transgressions by the officer at risk. The vote will take place 1 week from the time the officer is notified. The Executive Committee may act for removal upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of the executive board. The President is expected to inherit the workload for the removed officer, if the president is removed, the Vice President takes over.

ARTICLE VII. ORGANIZATION DISSOLUTION

Section A. Dissolution Requirements

The CCOSU may be dissolved only if there is clear agreement among its members that the club can no longer fulfill its objectives or sustain its operations. A decision to dissolve must be made through a formal vote at a General Meeting called specifically for that purpose. Members must be notified of the proposed dissolution at least fourteen (14) days in advance, ensuring everyone has an opportunity to participate. For the motion to pass, it must receive the support of at least 75% of the members present and eligible to vote. The meeting must consist of no less than 75% of active members for the vote to be valid.

Section B. Dissolution Procedures, including Assets and Debts

If the club votes to dissolve, all outstanding debts and obligations must first be settled. The Treasurer, shall prepare a final financial report showing the status of funds and assets. Once all liabilities have been cleared, any remaining assets including funds, equipment, and uniforms, shall not be distributed among members. Instead, they will be transferred to another student sports organization or club within the school that shares similar goals, or donated to the school's student activities or athletics fund, as decided by a majority of members at the final meeting. The outcome of the dissolution process, along with the final financial report, shall be formally submitted to the school administration for record-keeping and confirmation that all obligations have been fulfilled.

ARTICLE VIII. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendment Process

Any member of Cricket Club at Ohio State University may suggest an amendment to this Constitution. The amendment must be typed and given to a club officer. The member will have the opportunity to defend his or her suggestion before the officer or the board. The club officers will then privately vote on whether to accept or reject the amendment. There must be a majority vote to revise the constitution (3/5 vote).