

CEPU Social Club Rules

1. Objective

The CEPU SA Social Club shall be an independent club for members of the CEPU SA to take part in social events throughout the year. All funds raised by the CEPU SA Social Club shall be used only for social events for the members of the Club and shall not be used in political or union election campaigns, or for any other reason other than those outlined under section 9 finances. It is the intention of the CEPU SA Social Club to hold events every quarter.

2. Membership

Membership to the CEPU SA Social Club is only for financial members of the CEPU SA. Membership to the CEPU SA Social Club must be approved by a meeting of the CEPU SA Social Club Committee. Membership to the CEPU SA Social Club may be terminated by the methods outlined under Section 4 "Resignation" or Section 5 "Expulsion" outline below.

3. Subscription.

Members of the CEPU SA Social Club will be required to pay a subscription to the Club at a rate of \$5 per week from the approval of membership. Subscription fees shall be determined by the Committee at the Annual General Meeting to be held no later than December each year from the adoption of these rules.

In order to entitle apprentices to take part in the social club and recognising the importance of encouraging apprentice members to take part in the union movement the following subscription rates shall apply;

- 1st year- \$0 per week
- 2nd year - \$1 per week
- 3rd year - \$2 per week
- 4th year - \$3 per week

Due to the importance of recognising honorary members service to the union, and the knowledge they can provide younger members honorary members will be exempt from paying towards the social club.

The committee may also determine to give any member a reduction or exemption for subscription rates for any of the following reasons;

- Financial Hardship
- Unemployment
- Sickness
- Any other reason deemed reasonable by the Committee

These subscriptions are to be paid directly to the CEPU SA Social Club Bank Account.

4. Resignation.

Members of the CEPU SA Social Club may resign from the Club only in writing to an Official of the Club. Subscriptions to the Club may be stopped as of the date of submission of resignation to the

Club Official and resignations will be formally accepted or rejected at the next committee meeting. A written resignation from the CEPU SA Social Club does not constitute an effective resignation as a member of the CEPU SA.

5. Expulsion

The CEPU SA Social Club may expel a member from membership to the club only. The does not exclude a member from, or act as the expulsion of a member from, the CEPU SA. A member shall be expelled for any of the following reasons;

- Anti-social/inappropriate behaviour a Club events
- Harassment/Bullying of a fellow member
- Repeated failure to pay the subscription
- Anti-union behaviour
- Behaviour deemed not consistent with the union's values
- Any other reason as deemed appropriate by the committee

The following process shall be followed in order to expel a member from the social club;

1. A member of the committee must table the proposed expulsion of the member at a scheduled meeting of the committee.
2. The committee must discuss the allegations and accept or reject the proposition.
3. The member in question will be invited to the next meeting of the committee in order to provide a defence
4. The committee will take into consideration the allegations and defence and provide the decision will be determined by a simple majority vote (50% plus 1) of members of the Committee who are present at the meeting.

6. Committee

The Committee shall be made up of a President, Vice President, and Treasurer, to be elected at the AGM held no later than December each year following the ratification of these rules.

The positions shall be defined as such;

President	Shall preside over meetings of the committee and provide the agenda and minutes of meetings of the committee. The President will only be entitled to a vote where there is a tie in voting. The President shall be a signatory to the CEPU SA Social Club bank account.
Vice President	Shall act as President of meetings of the committee where the President is absent. The Vice President may also be required to Act as President or Treasurer where the previous position holder resigns or is expelled under these rules. The Vice President will be entitled to vote at Committee meetings except when acting as President, where they will only be entitled to vote in order to break a tie. The Vice President will also be a signatory to the Accounts.
Treasurer	Shall keep order of the finances of the Club. As well as keeping order of the membership and financial status of members. The Treasurer will also be a signatory to the CEPU SA Social Club Bank Account. The Treasure will not have voting rights at meetings of the Committee.

Only financial member of the CEPU SA Social Club apart from those holding positions defined above shall also be deemed a Committee member for purposes of voting at a meeting of the CEPU SA Social Club Committee. Un-financial members or non-members of the CEPU SA Social Club will not be entitled to hold office in the CEPU SA Socials Club.

The Committee shall make decisions regarding events and funding by a simple majority vote (50% plus 1, except where altered by these rules) of members at the scheduled committee meetings

7. Election and expulsion of Committee officials

CEPU SA Social Club Officials will be elected at an AGM of the Committee to be held no later than December following ratification of these rules, through the following procedure.

1. A notice of the AGM, or where necessary a special meeting of the committee for the purposes of holding an election, shall be sent to all member of the CEPU SA, with no less than one months notice, and shall include a list of all positions to be elected
2. Nominations for positions shall be taken at the AGM and must be moved, and seconded by financial members of the CEPU SA Social Club.
3. An election shall be held following nominations and conducted via secret ballot of financial members of members of the CEPU SA Social Club

Note;

- Where a position holder does not continue in that role and is a signatory to the CEPU SA Social Club bank account appropriate arrangements must be made to transfer control of that account to the new official prior to December 31st of that year. In instances where the previous position holder resigns or is expelled under these rules the account must be transferred in the new position holders name no more than one month following the election of the new position holder.
- A person employed as an official of the CEPU SA is not entitled to hold a position in the CEPU SA Social Club under these rules.

An elected official may be expelled from their position and/or membership of the CEPU SA Social Club in accordance with Section 5 "Expulsion" under these rules. The CEPU SA Social Club Committee may also determine to take legal action against an elected official who is alleged to have taken part in, or allowed another to take part in, misappropriation of Club funds, or any other illicit behaviour that damages the Club.

If an official of the Committee is expelled from their position the election procedure shall be followed as defined under these rules.

2. Meetings

Meetings of the CEPU SA Social Club Committee will be held at intervals determined necessary by the Committee, on dates decided at the Committee meetings. Where a meeting is scheduled all members of the CEPU SA Social Club Shall be notified by SMS.

An Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held once a year no later than December each year in order to elect position holders. All members of the CEPU SA shall be notified of the AGM with no less than one month's notice Via SMS.

In instances where a special meeting of the committee is required to elect new position holders due to resignation or expulsion of a position holder, an SMS Shall be sent to all members of the CEPU as soon as practicable following the determination of the meeting date.

3. Finances

Finances of the CEPU SA Social Club shall be held in a Bank Account in the name of the Club.

The President, Vice President, and Treasurer will have access to the CEPU SA Social Club Finances. The treasurer will have a debit card for the purpose of financing Club Events.

Any use of CEPU SA Social Club finances shall be approved by the CEPU SA Social Club Committee.

Where the CEPU SA Social Club makes a decision that the treasurer deems damaging or financially irresponsible the Treasurer may overrule the decision in order to maintain the financial viability of the Club.

No member shall be entitled to reimbursement of any moneys paid to the club for any reason. Unless deemed appropriate by a two thirds majority vote of the committee.

CEPU SA Social Club finances are only to be used for the purpose of facilitating and funding social events for financial members of the CEPU SA Social Club.

4. Amendment of rules

Following ratification, these rules may only be altered by the following procedure;

- A rule change must be moved and seconded by financial members of the CEPU SA Social Club at a scheduled meeting of the CEPU SA Social Club.
- The proposed rule change will then be sent to all financial members of the CEPU SA Social club as soon as practicable following the meeting, along with the date and time of the next scheduled meeting. This meeting is to be held within one calendar month of the rule change being proposed.
- At the next meeting of the CEPU SA Social Club, the rule change is to be discussed by financial members of the CEPU SA Social Club and must be approved by a two thirds majority vote of members of the CEPU SA Social Club who are in attendance at that meeting.
- Where the Rule Change is accepted a notice of the change is to be sent to all members of the CEPU SA Social Club.

5. Entitlement to attend events

In order to attend events organised by the CEPU SA Social Club, a member must

- Be financial with the CEPU SA Social Club
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- RSVP to the event prior to the date determined by the CEPU SA Social Club Committee
- A member may bring their partner or immediate family member/s to CEPU SA Social Club events, but an additional charge may be required to cover the cost.