

## By-Law 10 Appendix B - Recognition and De-recognition of Clubs and Societies

### Recognition of Clubs and Societies

1. The SU Sports and Societies Execs are responsible for the recognition of Clubs and Societies. In reaching a decision the Exec will give due consideration to recommendations from relevant partners and impact assessment from relevant SU Staff and Officers.
2. Recognition of a Club or Society by the SU does not imply agreement or otherwise with the Aims and Objectives of the Club or Society, nor an entitlement to funding or use of SU facilities.
3. Full Members of the SU wishing to form a Club or Society must present a Club or Society Constitution (see Constitution Appendix), including Aims and Objectives, to the Sports or Societies Exec. This must be accompanied by the names, signatures and University ID numbers of at least 30 Full Members of the SU who would wish to join the proposed Club or Society.
4. The Sports and Societies Execs may refuse recognition of a Club or Society if:
  - a. A Club or Society with broadly similar Aims and Objectives is already recognised and the Sports or Societies Exec believes that the new Club or Society would merely duplicate activities already available.
  - b. Its proposed activities are not aligned with the SU governing documents and its charitable purpose.
  - c. The Sports or Societies Exec believes there are other substantial reasons for doing so.
5. The Sports Exec may also refuse recognition of a Club if:
  - a. The sport is not recognised by a National Governing Body.
  - b. There are insufficient facilities to support the proposed Club and there is no prospect of this position being reasonably rectified.

### De-recognition of Clubs and Societies

1. The Sports and Societies Execs can de-recognise Clubs and Societies. This can happen if:
  - a. Its activities are, in the opinion of the Sports or Societies Exec, not in accordance with its Constitution.
  - b. The Club or Society breaches SU Rules.
  - c. The Club or Society fails to submit an annual budget.
  - d. The Club or Society's total membership is below 30 for at least 6 weeks (during the academic term) and the Club or Society does not demonstrate willingness to work with the Sports or Societies Officer to reach the required level.

- e. The Sports or Societies Exec believes there are other substantial reasons for doing so.
2. Sports Clubs may also be de-recognised if:
  - a. The Club's active membership falls below 15.
  - b. The Club has failed to inform the Sports Officer of its required Duty of Care commitment by the required date.
3. If the Sports and Societies Execs believe there are sufficient important reasons for the continued existence of a Club or Society, it can decide not to de-recognise them.
4. If a Club or Society is derecognised, the Sports or Societies Officer shall work with the current Club or Society Exec members and relevant SU Staff to fairly re-allocate that Club or Societies resources and assets.