

KOC Membership Policy

(Based on the KOC Constitution)

1. Any person 18 years or older, interested in the Club's outdoor activities may become a member in good standing by:
 - Taking part in two club outings /work - parties
 - Paying the current annual membership dues, and
 - Signing the waiver of liability form

Children may participate with a member in any Club activity without a fee provided a written waiver has been obtained from the legal guardian. Children may not hold voting privileges.

2. Upon joining the Club a new member will be encouraged to use the Kamloops Outdoor Club website for club information such as:
 - The guidelines for new members.
 - The guidelines for participants in activities.
 - Notice of the Club's website where the constitution, by-laws and guidelines are posted.
3. Every member must uphold the constitution and comply with the Club bylaws and guidelines.
4. Every member has a responsibility to be involved in the activities and functioning of the Club. The functioning of the Club includes volunteering for work parties, trip leadership, and executive, or social program work. Should a member appear not to be fulfilling their responsibilities to the Club, his / her continuing membership will be reviewed by the Executive.
5. A person ceases to be a member of the Club:
 - By delivering his or her resignation in writing to the secretary or treasurer of the Club or by mailing it or delivering it to the address of the Club.
 - upon being expelled (see article 7 of the KOC Constitution) or
 - by being delinquent in annual dues (see part III article 3 of the KOC Constitution)
6. From time to time the Club develops guidelines for appropriate behaviour at Club activities or for the use of Club properties. All members are expected to familiarize themselves with these guidelines and to abide by them.
7. Should the conduct of a member at any time, either within or without the premises of the Club, in the opinion of any member, be injurious to the character or interests of the Club, a report of such conduct shall be made to the Executive by the complaining member. The Executive shall be empowered upon a two - thirds vote of its number to recommend to the offending member that he / she withdraw from the Club. Before making such

recommendation, the Executive shall present the charge in writing to the offending member and he / she shall be entitled to a hearing upon the matter. In all cases the decision of the Executive shall be submitted to the Club at the Annual General Meeting or at the next General Meeting. Before a vote is taken the offending member shall be heard by the Club if he / she so desires.

Note: Any use of illegal drugs or excessive use of alcoholic beverages on Club premises or outings shall be considered to be a cause to invoke this clause and may lead to a member being dismissed from the Club.

8. Once paid, no annual dues shall be refunded. There shall be no reduction in annual dues for an applicant who joins the Club after the commencement of the Club year.
9. The maximum number of Club members shall be approximately 100, in line with the primary purpose of the Club, i.e. fellowship, unless this number is changed at the Annual General Meeting.
10. A Club member may be considered for Honorary Life Membership if the following conditions are met:
 - The nominee has been a Club member for more than 20 years.
 - The nominee has given extraordinary service to the Club over an extended period of time.
 - Five members in good standing submit the name of the nominee to the Annual General Meeting for approval by a vote of the majority of members present.An Honorary Life Member enjoys all Club privileges and pays no annual dues for the remainder of his / her life.

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