

# MITCHAM CAMERA CLUB

## CLUB RULES

1. The name of the club shall be the MITCHAM CAMERA CLUB.
2. The object of the Club shall be the stimulation of active interest in all branches of still photography.
3. The Club shall meet on Wednesday evenings.
4. The Club year shall be from the 1st April to the 31st March.
5. The annual subscription shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting.
6. Membership shall be open to all. Junior members (age defined by statute which is currently under 18 years of age) shall need to be accompanied by a parent or a legal guardian while attending club facilities.
7. New members joining the Club after the start of the Club year shall pay a reduced subscription on a pro-rata basis for the first year of their membership.
8. Any member whose subscription is more than three months in arrears shall be deemed to have resigned from the Club, unless a satisfactory reason is given to the Committee.
9. Members may invite occasional guests to the Club meetings and functions.
10. The Club shall be managed by a committee made up of the following officers:-
  - CHAIR
  - VICE-CHAIR
  - SECRETARY
  - TREASURER
  - COMPETITION SECRETARY
  - PROGRAMME SECRETARY
  - COMMITTEE MEMBER

All to be elected at the Annual General Meeting and to serve for a term of one year. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt an additional member or members at any time.
11. The Club's submissions to all inter-club competitions shall be selected by a panel of five annually elected members, one of which should be the Competition Secretary. A quorum for this selection panel shall be three members.

12. The Annual General Meeting (A.G.M.) shall be held on the third or fourth Wednesday in the Club Year, excluding Public Holidays. Not less than five weeks notice shall be given to all members.
13. Proposals for the A.G.M. should be handed to the secretary not less than four weeks before the A.G.M. The Secretary shall then prepare the agenda for the meeting and distribute it to all members at least two weeks before the A.G.M.
14. Rule 13. shall not preclude proposals being made, seconded, discussed and if necessary, voted upon at the time the subject is raised under the Agenda Item “Any Other Business”. Should a member or members making a proposal under this heading feel that insufficient time is being allowed for debate, they may call for an adjournment of the meeting to a later date. Such an adjournment motion must have the support of at least three quarters of the members present. Any such adjourned meeting will then proceed, as if there had been no break in time, as a continuation of the A.G.M. at the stage of “Any Other Business”.
15. A Special General Meeting (S.G.M.) may be called at any time by the Secretary, by resolution of the Committee or by written application to the Secretary, stating the purpose of the meeting and signed by no less than six members.  
  
The Secretary shall give at least fourteen days notice of such a meeting to all members. The only business to be discussed at a S.G.M. shall be that for which the meeting was convened.
16. A quorum for any General Meeting shall be one third of the membership.
17. A quorum at any committee meeting shall be three members, one of which should be the Chair or Vice-Chair. In the absence of the Chair or Vice-Chair, the committee may elect an acting chairman.
18. The Committee shall be responsible for the placing before each A.G.M. the Treasurer’s audited financial statement for the year to the previous 31st March.
19. One member shall be elected at the A.G.M. as Auditor for the year and shall hold no other office on the Committee of the Club.
20. The Committee shall be empowered to spend up to £50.00 of the Club’s funds on any incurred expense in any financial year without reference to the members.
21. All competitions and awards of Trophies shall be governed by separate rules.
22. No alteration or amendments to the Rules may be made, except in General Meeting. The intra vires exceptions in the power of the committee are changes under rule 18 of the General Competition Rules and alterations required by statute to ensure the club remains operating within the laws of England & Wales.
23. The Committee shall have the power to bestow Honorary Membership.