



i-Team.cc Development & Coaching

Portsmouth School of Cycle Racing

Racing Development Squad



## **i-Team Cyclist's Club Constitution & Organisation**

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i-Team has been structured to be a lean & transparent organisation, guidelines & rules have been kept to a bare minimum and are put in place only to ensure that all members understand fully what i-Team is before & after they join. As i-Team evolves it may be necessary to change these rules to suit the working model for the organisation of the club.

### **1. NAME OF THE ORGANISATION:**

The name of the organisation shall be i-Team, also known as [www.i-team.co.uk](http://www.i-team.co.uk), or [www.i-team.cc](http://www.i-team.cc) and also be described as 'The Internet Cyclists' Club,' - hereafter referred to as 'The Club.'

### **2. AFFILIATIONS:**

The club shall be affiliated to British Cycling and to any other national organisations that the Club Members require

### **THE ORGANISATION'S MISSION & FUNCTION:**

#### **3. The Club's Mission is Threefold:**

- i) To provide a friendly and professionally managed online cycling club facility for members, with the aim of supporting existing member's and also to be open and welcoming to new members.
- ii) To encourage the organisation of and facilitate as far as possible and practical, regular club events such as club rides, coaching sessions and social events.
- iii) To engage with the wider cycling and sporting community to encourage and promote participation in organised cycling events and cycle racing

4. i-Team, will be not-for-profit and all monies generated from membership fees and sponsorships will be used for affiliations, administration, promotion and expenses.

5. With the exception of i-Team's Go-Ride and Youth Development section, known as 'The Portsmouth School of Cycle Racing,' i-Team is to be managed and administrated by The Club's Founder, Guy Watson, until such time as either:

- i) Guy Watson wishes to step down and pass over administration to a committee formed by members
- ii) The membership forms a committee that is demonstrably supported by the majority of the and approaches Guy Watson to replace him as the main manager and administrator

#### **6. SUPPLY OF PRODUCTS TO THE CLUB**

- i) All i-Team clothing & web services will be exclusively supplied to i-Team as arranged by Guy Watson unless otherwise agreed with all interested parties (e.g. sponsors, etc.)
- ii) Members are not allowed to advertise their own products and services to other members without first obtaining prior permission of all interested parties (e.g. sponsors, etc.)
- iii) The i-Team clothing design is owned by Guy Watson and any i-Team clothing is to be made exclusively available to members of i-Team - except in rare circumstances, as agreed with all interested parties (e.g. sponsors, etc.), e.g. – a jersey donated for charity purposes.
- iv) Any member who wishes to dispose of club clothing must first offer it to other members (The Club will always offer to buy back unwanted clothing at a negotiated rate.)

#### **7. CLUB SPONSORS:**

- i) The main sponsor shall be as decided by the club founder Guy Watson – all sponsorship arrangements require a formal signed agreement in accordance with British Cycling requirements.
- ii) Other sponsors shall, from time to time, be associated with i-Team, at the discretion of the Team Founder.



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### **8. CLUB ACTIVITIES:**

- i) The activities of the Portsmouth School of Cycle Racing are independently organised under direction of a dedicated independent management committee and constitution
- ii) All other club activities are organised by individual members of the club in consultation with other interested parties (e.g. other members, club officials, team sponsors, Team Founder, as appropriate.)

### **9. CLUB MEMBERSHIP:**

#### **Eligibility:**

- i) The club will abide with British Cycling's Equality Policy and Code of Conduct - i.e.: [https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/zuvvi/media/bc\\_files/rulebook/Equality\\_and\\_Code\\_of\\_Conduct.pdf](https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/zuvvi/media/bc_files/rulebook/Equality_and_Code_of_Conduct.pdf) - however eligibility for membership is subject to the following being satisfied
- ii) **Verification of Identification and Waiver of Liability:** In the interests of all members, (current and future,) all members must sign an agreement form and liability disclaimer and forward a photograph of good likeness with their membership application.
- iii) All members must agree to abide by The Club's Child & Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy [http://www.i-team.cc/public-html/docs/2015\\_i-Team%20PSOCR-child-protection-policy.pdf](http://www.i-team.cc/public-html/docs/2015_i-Team%20PSOCR-child-protection-policy.pdf)
- iv) All member's using the Team Website must agree to abide by the Forum Guidelines & Rules <http://www.i-team.cc/team/index.php?app=forums&module=extras&section=boardrules>
- v) With the possible exception of Associate Membership, i-Team.cc must be a member's 'First Claim' club, i.e. members who take part in competitions and organised cycling events shall not represent any other club than i-Team.cc
- vi) With the exception of Associate Membership, British Cycling (i.e. Silver or Gold membership) is a requirement

#### **Membership Fees:**

- vii) The standard joining fee will be £25 and will include the membership subscription for the remainder of the year of joining, with the exception of individuals or families who join after September 1st in any year will have the following year's membership included in their initial membership fee.
- viii) Subsidised joining fees will be made available for unemployed, disabled etc. as advertised on the club website.
- ix) Annual membership subscription fees are due on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Any member who has not paid their membership subscription by 31<sup>st</sup> of January in the year that it is due, will cause their membership to lapse. Lapsed members may have their online member's profile deleted but their details will be kept on file. Lapsed members can renew their membership at any time by paying their annual membership subscription fee.
- x) There are 2 options annual membership subscription fee:
  - Option 1** will be full membership at £25 per year, plus £1.50 for any additional family members who live in the same household
  - Option 2** will be concessionary membership at £10 per year for the unemployed, disabled etc.

#### **Termination of Membership**

- xi) Guy Watson reserves the right to not approve or terminate a membership, if he believes this a member has brought the club or sponsors into disrepute, or if he believes it to be in the interests of the overall membership, or the individual or individuals, concerned. If membership is terminated in this way, any membership subscription that may have been paid for the current year shall be refunded.
- xii) Any member who wishes to terminate their membership should in the first instance to report it to Guy Watson, who will then advise on the appropriate course of action. If membership is terminated in this way, any membership subscription that may have been paid for the current year shall not be refunded.