

**SINGAPORE TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION
Constitutional Review**

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1	<p>TITLE</p> <p>The Association shall be called the ‘SINGAPORE TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION’ (hereinafter referred to as “the S.T.T.A.”) and the place of business and meeting shall be at No. 297-C Lorong 6, Toa Payoh, Singapore or such other places as may subsequently be decided by the Management Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies.</p>	1 1.1 2 2.1	<p>NAME</p> <p>This Association shall be known as the “Singapore Table Tennis Association”, hereinafter known as the “S.T.T.A.”.</p> <p>PLACE OF BUSINESS</p> <p>The place of business of the S.T.T.A shall be at No. 297-C Lorong 6, Toa Payoh, Singapore or such other address as may subsequently be decided upon by the Management Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies. The S.T.T.A shall carry out its activities only in places and premises which have the prior written approval from the relevant authorities (where applicable).</p>	
		2.2	<p>Visitors and guests may be admitted into the premises of S.T.T.A. but they shall not be admitted into the privileges of S.T.T.A. All visitors and guests shall abide by S.T.T.A’s rules and regulations as may from time to time be decided by the Management Committee.</p>	<p>Restructured articles / paragraphs for better presentation.</p> <p>Refer 3.1 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution (ROS).</p> <p>Added in reference to 41.1 of Sample Clause for NSA (ROS)</p>
2	<p>COLOURS</p> <p>The official colours of the S.T.T.A. shall be: red, white and gold.</p>	3 3.1	<p>COLOURS</p> <p>The official colours of the S.T.T.A shall be red, white and gold.</p>	<p>Article renumbered only</p>
3	<p>OBJECTS</p> <p>The objects of the S.T.T.A. shall be:</p> <p>3.1 To uphold the rules and regulations (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) of the game as adopted by the International Table Tennis Federation (hereinafter referred to as “I.T.T.F.”) AND to notify all members in writing of the same.</p>	4 4.1	<p>OBJECTS</p> <p>The objects of the S.T.T.A are:</p> <p>(a) To increase participation and promote community engagement and bonding through the sport of table tennis, in order to promote health and wellness, inclusiveness and integration, and inspire the Singapore Spirit.</p> <p>(b) To promote and safeguard the sport of table tennis,</p>	<p>Added (a) to position the sport as a force for good that has multiple benefits for Singaporeans and Singapore.</p> <p>Added text for tightening of</p>

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	<p>3.2 To control, conduct or supervise any table tennis tournament in the Republic of Singapore.</p> <p>3.3 To select players to represent the Republic of Singapore in local and overseas tournaments or matches.</p> <p>3.4 To arrange friendly or competitive matches with other countries, local or overseas clubs or associations.</p> <p>3.5 To settle any dispute that may arise between members of the S.T.T.A. and to clarify any doubt in relation to the rules and regulations of the game (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) as adopted by the I.T.T.F.</p> <p>3.6 To promote and safeguard the interests of the game, and employ, when necessary, the funds of the S.T.T.A for the said purpose.</p> <p>3.7 To obtain, collect and receive money and funds by way of contributions, donations, subscriptions, legacies, grants or any other lawful means for or towards the objects of the S.T.T.A.</p>		<p>and employ when necessary, the funds of S.T.T.A for the said purpose.</p> <p>(c) To uphold the rules and regulations (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) of the sport of table tennis as adopted by the International Table Tennis Federation (hereinafter known as "ITTF") and to notify all members in writing of the same.</p> <p>(d) To control, conduct or supervise any table tennis tournament in the Republic of Singapore (as may be necessary).</p> <p>(e) To select players to represent the Republic of Singapore in local and overseas table tennis tournaments or matches.</p> <p>(f) To arrange friendly or competitive table tennis matches with other countries, local or overseas clubs or associations.</p> <p>(g) To settle any dispute that may arise between members of S.T.T.A and to clarify any doubt in relation to the rules and regulations of the sport of table tennis (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) as adopted by the ITTF.</p> <p>(h) To obtain, collect and receive money and funds by way of contributions, donations, subscriptions, legacies, grants or any other lawful means for or towards the objects of S.T.T.A.</p>	language.
4	MEMBERSHIP	5	MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATION AND RIGHTS	Renamed title

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	<p>There shall be three types of membership namely:-</p> <p>(i) Ordinary Membership; (ii) Full Membership; and (ii) Honorary Membership.</p> <p>Ordinary Membership</p> <p>Any society registered with the Registry of Societies, entities within the Singapore educational institutions, governmental or statutory boards or such affiliates to the organisations, entities, institutions above said except affiliates to registered societies, may apply in writing to S.T.T.A. for Ordinary Membership.</p> <p>Full Membership</p> <p>An Ordinary Member may apply in writing to the S.T.T.A. for Full Membership.</p> <p>Honorary Membership</p> <p>The S.T.T.A. may upon recommendation of the Management Committee grant Honorary Membership to any individual organization or association.</p>	<p>5.1</p> <p>5.2</p>	<p>There shall be four (4) types of membership, namely:</p> <p>(a) Full Membership; (b) Ordinary Membership; (c) Individual Membership; and (d) Honorary Membership.</p> <p>Full Membership</p> <p>(a) Full Membership is open to clubs and associations registered with the Registry of Societies or the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority, Community Sports Clubs under the People's Association, Institutions of Higher Learning, Government Ministries and Statutory Boards or such affiliates to the organisations that are willing to observe the rules and regulations of the S.T.T.A as the governing body for the sport of table tennis in Singapore.</p> <p>Full Members must have on-going table tennis training and development programmes with 20 or more participants and/or registered at least 20 or more participants for table tennis competitions, programmes and/or courses within the last 24 months, and must provide the relevant proof when applying for or renewing their membership. Notwithstanding this, in the event that any Full Member has not met any of the requirements in Arts 5.2 (a) and (b) at the time of the Biennial General Meeting for 2020, that Full Member must meet the requirement(s) within 24 months from the date of that Biennial General Meeting or before the date of the Annual General Meeting for the financial year ended 31 March 2022, whichever is earlier. For the avoidance of doubt, if any Full Member fails to</p>	<p>(c) Inclusion of individual membership to allow players, coaches etc to be member</p> <p>Refer 9.1 – 9.4 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution.</p> <p>Spells out the criteria for Full Members and the conditions for their acceptance and rights as voting member.</p> <p>To impose tighter control on full membership to ensure that voting powers are vested in entities that truly and fairly represents the Table Tennis community</p> <p>The text in blue is to allow the full members some time to comply with the new requirements.</p>

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			<p>meet the requirements in Arts 5.2(a) and (b) in accordance with the deadlines stated herein, that Full Member shall instead become an Ordinary Member, subject to the Management Committee's approval.</p> <p>(c) Each Full Member not in arrears of annual subscription: (1) Shall be entitled to one (1) vote at General Meetings and for the election of members to the Management Committee; and (2) Shall inform the Honorary Secretary of its two (2) delegates, who shall be above 21 years old, at least seven (7) days before the date fixed for a General Meeting;</p> <p>(d) Subject to the applicable notice requirements, any Full Member or its delegate may move or second any motion at a General Meeting.</p>	
		5.3	<p>Ordinary Membership</p> <p>(a) Ordinary Membership is open to all organisations, clubs, associations, Government Ministries, Statutory Boards, institutions, schools and table tennis teams that are not eligible for Full Membership and willing to observe the rules and regulations of the S.T.T.A as the governing body for the sport of table tennis in Singapore.</p> <p>(b) Ordinary Members shall have no voting rights.</p>	<p>10.1-10.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred.</p> <p>Spells out the eligibility criteria for Ordinary Members and clarifies their status as non-voting members.</p>
		5.4	<p>Individual Membership</p> <p>(a) Individual Membership is open to all individuals above 7 years of age who are Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents and willing to observe the rules and regulations of the S.T.T.A as the governing body for the sport of table tennis in Singapore.</p>	<p>Refer 11.1-11.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution. To spell out eligibility criteria for Individual Members and clarifies their status as non-voting members.</p> <p>Table Tennis is played by</p>

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			(b) Individual Members shall have no voting rights.	members as young as below 7, we have set 7 as the minimum age since this is the starting age for formal education.
		5.5	<p>Honorary Membership</p> <p>(a) The S.T.T.A may upon recommendation by the Management Committee grant Honorary Membership to any individual organisation or association.</p> <p>(b) Honorary Members shall have no voting rights.</p>	Spell out voting rights of members upfront.
		6	APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP	Spell out the procedure of applying for membership.
		6.1	Any club, association, Government Ministry, Statutory Board, Institution of Higher Learning, organisation, institution, school, table tennis team or individual wishing to join the S.T.T.A as a member should submit its (his) application to the Honorary Secretary on the prescribed form.	In reference to 12.1 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution and 5.2 of Guidelines on Drawing Up a Constitution.
		6.2	All new members must be proposed and seconded by existing members. The name of the proposed new member will be posted on the notice board in the S.T.T.A premises and/or the official website of the S.T.T.A for one week, at the end of which time the Management Committee will decide on the membership in accordance with the procedure as set out in this Constitution, taking into consideration any objection raised.	
		6.3	All applications for Full Membership shall first be considered by the Management Committee for acceptance. Any acceptance of applications for Full Membership by the Management Committee shall be on a	Spell out the procedure of applying for membership.

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			provisional basis, and the Full Member shall not be accorded any voting rights.	
		6.4	The acceptance of applications for Full Membership must subsequently be approved at the Annual General Meeting by a resolution carried by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes recorded at the meeting. Full Members shall be accorded voting rights only after the approval at the Annual General Meeting.	
		6.5	All applications for Ordinary, Individual or Honorary Membership shall be considered by the Management Committee for approval.	
		6.6	A copy of the Constitution shall be furnished to every approved member upon the payment of the entrance fee.	
5	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS	7	SUBSCRIPTIONS AND OTHER DUES	
5.1	<p>Every member, other than Honorary Members, of the S.T.T.A. shall be liable to pay an annual subscription (hereinafter referred to as “the Annual Subscription”) upon such rates as hereinafter provided and which rates may be revised by the Management Committee from time to time PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT members of the S.T.T.A. are informed of such revision at the Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.</p> <p>(i) Ordinary Member - \$30.00 per annum; (ii) Full Member - \$50.00 per annum; and (iii) Honorary Member - Waived.</p>	7.1	Every Full Member, Ordinary Member and Individual Member shall be liable to pay an annual subscription on such rates as may be revised by the Management Committee from time to time, provided that the members of the S.T.T.A are informed of such revision at the Annual General Meeting. Honorary Membership subscription is waived but is subject to revision by the Management Committee from time to time.	<p>Removed membership fee amount so as to allow revision where necessary.</p> <p>Changed from BGM to AGM.</p>
5.2	The Annual Subscription shall be paid on or before 7th day of January in each calendar year. In case of non-payment, the Honorary Secretary shall send a written	7.2	Annual subscriptions are payable in advance on or before 7 January of each calendar year. In case of non-payment of the annual subscription, the Honorary Secretary shall	

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	reminder to such defaulting member requesting payment of the same. Any member who fails to pay the Annual Subscription within thirty (30) days after receiving such a written reminder shall automatically cease to be a member of. S.T.T.A., unless further deadline extension for late payment of the Annual Subscription has been granted by the Management Committee. Any member whose membership is cancelled by reason of non-payment of the Annual Subscription may apply to the S.T.T.A for reinstatement upon payment of all outstanding Annual Subscription.		serve a written reminder on the defaulting member requesting payment of the same. Any member who fails to pay the annual subscription within thirty (30) days after receiving such a written reminder shall automatically cease to be a member of the S.T.T.A, unless an extension of the deadline for payment of the annual subscription has been granted by the Management Committee. Any member whose membership is cancelled by reason of non-payment of the annual subscription may apply to the S.T.T.A for reinstatement upon payment of all outstanding annual subscription.	
5.3	Any written reminder under Rule 5.2 hereinabove shall be sufficiently served if it is delivered to the member personally or to the member's last known address by way of ordinary post. When a written reminder is delivered by post, it shall be deemed sufficiently served at the time when in due course of ordinary post it would be delivered at the address to which it is sent.	7.3	Any written reminder under Art 7.2 herein shall be sufficiently served if it is delivered to the member personally or to the member's last known address by way of ordinary post. Service of the written reminder is treated as effected at the time at which the letter would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.	
		7.4	The income and property of the S.T.T.A. whensoever derived shall be applied towards the promotion of the objects of the S.T.T.A as set forth in this Constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend or bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the persons who at any time are or have been members of the S.T.T.A or to any of them or to any person claiming through any of them.	Added for clarity and avoid misuse of resources by the members.
6	FINANCE	16	AUDIT, FINANCIAL YEAR AND FINANCE	
6.1	The Financial Year of the S.T.T.A shall close on the 31 st day of March of each calendar year. Annual Statement of Accounts of the S.T.T.A. shall be duly prepared, audited and submitted by the Honorary Treasurer, or in his absence, by the Honorary Assistant Treasurer to the Management Committee and to be tabled at the Biennial General Meeting.	16.1 16.2	A firm of Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants shall be appointed as Auditors at alternate Annual General Meetings for a term of two (2) years and shall be eligible for reappointment for another term of two (2) years. The Auditor of the S.T.T.A shall:	Also replace 6.6 of the current constitution. 33.1-33.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred.

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		16.3	<p>(a) Hold such professional qualification as recognised by the Government of The Republic of Singapore;</p> <p>(b) Audit the yearly statement of accounts of the S.T.T.A and lodge a copy of the final annual audit report with Sport Singapore for retention;</p> <p>(c) Submit a report to the members at the Annual General Meeting or the Management Committee Meeting; and</p> <p>(d) May be required by the President to audit the S.T.T.A's accounts for any period within their tenure of office at any date and make a report to the Management Committee.</p> <p>The financial year shall be from 1 April to 31 March.</p>	
6.2	The said Statement of Accounts and any other reports shall be delivered to all the members by the Hon. Secretary, if possible, at least two (2) weeks before a date fixed for Biennial General Meeting.	16.4	The audited statement of accounts shall be delivered to all the members by the Honorary Secretary, if possible, at least two (2) weeks before the date fixed for an Annual General Meeting.	Rephrase for clarity. Changed BGM to AGM
		16.5	The S.T.T.A shall submit the audited statement of accounts, together with its Annual Return, within one (1) month of Annual General Meeting held.	Added the statutory requirement.
6.3	<p>S.T.T.A. shall maintain the following bank accounts:-</p> <p>(i) Current Account All incomes and donations shall be paid into this account, except those specified in Rule 6.3(ii) herein.</p> <p>(ii) Fixed Deposit Account The Management Committee may, at its sole discretion, deposit such sum of money by way of fixed deposit in a bank or any finance institution on such terms and conditions as it deems fit.</p>	16.6	<p>The S.T.T.A shall maintain the following bank accounts:</p> <p>(a) Current Account All incomes and donations shall be paid into this account, except those specified in Art 16.6(b) herein.</p> <p>(b) Fixed Deposit Account The Management Committee may, at its sole discretion, deposit such sum of money by way of fixed deposit in a bank or any finance institution on such terms and conditions as it deems fit.</p>	Article renumbered only

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6.4	All accounts shall be opened in the name of the S.T.T.A. with a local bank or any finance institution as duly approved by the Management Committee. The President or Deputy President and the Honorary Treasurer or such member or members of the Management Committee duly authorized by the Management Committee shall be the authorized signatories.	16.7	All accounts shall be opened in the name of the S.T.T.A with a local bank or any finance institution as duly approved by the Management Committee. The President or Deputy President and the Honorary Treasurer or such member or members of the Management Committee or such person(s) duly authorised by the Management Committee in writing shall be the authorised signatories.	To facilitate the operation of Trust Fund account that was set up with authority given to BOT based on Trust Deed signed with the donor.
6.5	The Honorary Treasurer or such person appointed by him may hold and maintain a Petty Cash Account not exceeding an amount to be decided by the Management Committee.	16.8	The Honorary Treasurer or such person appointed by him may hold and maintain a Petty Cash Account not exceeding an amount to be decided by the Management Committee.	Article renumbered only
6.6	A firm of Certified Public Accounts shall be appointed at the Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting and shall be changed at least once in every five (5) years.			Refer to 16.1 (above) of the proposed constitution
6.7	The financial management system of the S.T.T.A shall be based predominantly on the prevailing Sport Singapore's Financial Regulations for National Sports Association and it shall also comply with the prevailing Financial Reporting Standards (FRSs) as prescribed by Accounting Standard Council (ASC), or any other applicable prevailing governing regulation, law, statute or body.	16.9	The financial management system of the S.T.T.A shall be based predominantly on the prevailing Sport Singapore's Financial Regulations for National Sports Association and it shall also comply with the prevailing Financial Reporting Standards (FRSs) as prescribed by Accounting Standard Council (ASC), or any other applicable prevailing governing regulation, law, statute or body.	Article renumbered only
7	ORGANISATION AND MANAGEMENT	10	MANAGEMENT AND COMMITTEE	
7.1	The management of the S.T.T.A. shall be fully vested in a Management Committee comprising members elected at the Biennial General Meeting.			
7.2	The Management Committee shall comprise the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A President • Two (2) Deputy Presidents • Three (3) Vice-Presidents • An Honorary Secretary • An Honorary Assistant Secretary • An Honorary Treasurer • An Honorary Assistant Treasurer 	10.1	<p>Subject to Article 10.5 below, the administration of the S.T.T.A shall be entrusted to a Management Committee consisting of the following members to be elected at alternate Annual General Meetings:</p> <p>(a) A President;</p> <p>(b) One (1) Deputy President;</p>	<p>Restructured paragraphs and rephrased text for clarity and tightening of language.</p> <p>Reduced Board composition from 19 to 14 in an effort to gradually reduce the size to 9-12.</p> <p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nine (9) Elected Delegates from the Affiliates <p>The immediate past President shall be appointed as Adviser to the Management Committee. The STTA may appoint prominent Singapore Citizens to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointed Independent Delegates (up to 20 positions) • Appointed Legal Advisers (up to 3 positions) • Appointed Technical Advisers (up to 3 positions) <p>All appointed Delegates and Advisers shall have no rights to vote at Management Committee meetings and shall hold the appointment concurrent with the tenure of the Management Committee which appointed him.</p>		<p>(c) Three (3) Vice-Presidents;</p> <p>(d) An Honorary Secretary;</p> <p>(e) An Honorary Assistant Secretary;</p> <p>(f) An Honorary Treasurer;</p> <p>(g) An Honorary Assistant Treasurer; and</p> <p>(h) Five (5) elected delegates of the Full Members.</p>	
		10.14	<p>The S.T.T.A may appoint prominent Singapore Citizens to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Independent Delegates (up to 20 positions); (b) Legal Advisers (up to 3 positions); (c) Technical Advisers (up to 3 positions); or (d) Honorary Advisers. <p>All appointed Delegates and Advisers shall have no rights to vote at Management Committee meetings, and shall hold the appointment concurrent with the tenure of the Management Committee which appointed them.</p>	To include the appointment of Hon. Advisers.
7.3	Only elected members of the Management Committee shall have the right to vote at all Management Committee Meetings.			Refer 11.4 of the proposed constitution.
		10.5	<p>The Chairperson of the Athletes Commission shall be appointed as a member of the Management Committee with full voting rights, upon his election as Chairperson of the Athletes Commission. The Chairperson of the Athletes Commission shall hold office as a member of the Management Committee, and represent the Athletes Commission in the Management Committee, until the expiry of his term as Chairperson of the Athletes</p>	<p>30.1-30.5 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred.</p> <p>Added to include Athletes Commission (AC) which could help to front and address athletes' concerns and disputes.</p>

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			Commission.	
7.4	Members of the Management Committee shall hold office for a term of two (2) years or until the next election but not later than 30th September of the Biennial General Meeting ("BGM") year when they shall retire, but shall be eligible for re-election with the exception of the Honorary Treasurer, who shall not hold office for more than two (2) consecutive terms. This exception shall also apply to the President who shall not hold office for more than four (4) consecutive terms of eight (8) years.	10.6	Subject to Article 10.5, members of the Management Committee shall hold office for a term of two (2) years or until the next election but no later than the next Annual General Meeting year when they shall retire, but shall be eligible for re-election with the following exceptions: (a) The President shall not hold office for more than four (4) consecutive terms; (b) The Honorary Treasurer shall not hold office for more than two (2) consecutive terms. An Honorary Treasurer who has held office for two (2) consecutive terms shall be eligible for re-election after a break of the office of the Honorary Treasurer of at least one (1) term; and (c) An individual shall not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms of eight (8) years as a member of the Management Committee but shall be eligible for re-election after a break of at least one (1) term.	24.3-24.4 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (CU). Changed BGM to AGM.
7.5	Subject to Rule 7.4, an individual shall not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms of eight (8) years as a Management Committee Member but shall be eligible for re-election after a break of at least one (1) term. This provision shall apply to any Management Committee Member including that of the post of the President and his or her appointment shall terminate if he or she dies, resigns or if it is revoked by the Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of members.	10.13	An individual's appointment as a member of the Management Committee shall terminate if he or she dies, resigns or if it is revoked by a General Meeting or removed by the Management Committee.	
7.6	No member of the Management Committee shall be eligible for any honorarium or allowance, except for reimbursement for expenses or payment for provision of services, with prior approval from the Management Committee.	12.3	No member of the Management Committee shall be eligible for any honorarium or allowance, except for reimbursement for expenses or payment for provision of services, with prior approval from the Management Committee.	Article renumbered only
		10.7	At least two-thirds (2/3) of the Management Committee (including the President, Deputy President, Vice-	Follow best practice - Draft Pointers provided by SportSG

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			Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Treasurer) shall be Singapore Citizens.	and 18.3 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution.
7.7	Under no circumstances shall the total number of the members of the Management Committee be less than three (3), of whom two (2) must be Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents.	10.8	Under no circumstances shall the total number of the members of the Management Committee be less than three (3), of whom two (2) must be Singapore Citizens.	Removed 'Permanent Residents' to be consistent with 10.7
7.8	Any change of Management Committee members shall be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within 2 weeks of the change.	11.6	Any change in the members of the Management Committee shall be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within 2 weeks of the change.	Rephrased for tightening of language.
7.9	The majority of the Management Committee shall be Singaporeans and preferably, the Committee member should not be an immediate family member related by blood or marriage to any other Committee member. (In any event, not more than half of the Committee shall be family members related by blood or marriage.)	10.9	At least half of the Management Committee must not be: (a) An employee of the S.T.T.A; (b) Related to any individual or entity (except the Government) that established the S.T.T.A, or be such an individual; (c) Related to any individual who is involved in the general control and management of the administration of any entity (except the Government) that established the S.T.T.A.	Rephrased for better presentation and tightening of language.
		10.10	No more than 3 Management Committee members shall be family members, and such relationships must be declared upfront in the nomination and before the Management Committee election.	
		10.11	An individual is related to another individual if the other individual is the first individual's (a) child or grandchild; (b) sibling; (c) parent or grandparent; (d) spouse; or (e) spouse's parent or sibling.	Added in reference to 21.5 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution (CU).
8	POWERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	12	POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	
		12.1	The duty of the Management Committee is to organise	Added to enhance governance

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			and supervise the daily activities of the S.T.T.A. The Management Committee may not act contrary to the expressed wishes of the General Meeting without prior reference to it and shall always remain subordinate to the General Meetings. The Management Committee shall also act in the best interest of S.T.T.A and not do anything to bring the S.T.T.A into disrepute.	and control. The para in blue was further added in reference to 22.2 of Sample Clause for NSA (CU).
8.1	<p>The Management Committee shall have the following powers:-</p> <p>(i) To carry out the objects of the S.T.T.A. as set out in Rule 3 hereinabove and to carry out all decisions reached at the Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.</p> <p>(ii) To develop an annual workplan at the beginning of each financial year specifying its annual and long-term targets.</p> <p>(iii) To report on the achievements and performance of the S.T.T.A on an annual basis and such report shall be made available to the Sport Singapore Sports Council within three (3) months from the close of each financial year.</p> <p>(iv) To formulate and implement a “Conflict of Interest” policy specifying the types of business conduct or transactions that may raise concerns of partiality and provide clear procedures for disclosure of actual or potential conflict/s.</p> <p>(v) To receive and document any declaration by any Management Committee Member of his or her personal or business interests related to the S.T.T.A., to review such business conduct or transactions and the discussion and evaluation thereof leading to the final decision shall also be</p>	12.2	<p>The Management Committee shall have the following powers:</p> <p>(a) To carry out the objects of the S.T.T.A as set out in Art 4 herein and to carry out all decisions reached at the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting;</p> <p>(b) To remove the Committee member who is appointed by the Committee before the expiration of his period of office and may appoint another person in his stead;</p> <p>(c) To develop an annual workplan at the beginning of each financial year specifying its annual and long-term targets;</p> <p>(d) To report on the achievements and performance of the S.T.T.A on an annual basis and such report shall be made available to Sport Singapore within three (3) months from the close of each financial year;</p> <p>(e) To formulate and implement a Management Committee Code of Conduct, which the Management Committee shall observe in the exercise of its powers, and to set up an Independent Ethics Committee to review the Management Committee’s exercise of its powers;</p> <p>(f) To formulate and implement a “Conflict of Interest” policy specifying the types of business conduct or</p>	<p>Current constitution (i) Changed BGM to AGM</p> <p>Adopted 23.5 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution.</p> <p>Current constitution (ii)</p> <p>Current constitution (iii)</p> <p>Added to enhance governance and control. (Refer Code of Governance for Charities/IPC 5.3)</p> <p>Current constitution (iv)</p>

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	documented.		transactions that may raise concerns of partiality and provide clear procedures for disclosure of actual or potential conflict(s);	
(vi)	To formulate and implement a comprehensive procurement policy (including purchase processes, inventory management and other financial/budgeting procedures) detailing the approval authorities of the Management Committee and its key appointment holders.		(g) To receive and document any declaration by any member of the Management Committee of his or her personal or business interests related to the S.T.T.A, to review such business conduct or transactions and the discussion and evaluation thereof leading to the final decision shall also be documented;	Current constitution (v)
(vii)	To nominate or appoint any individual to fill up vacancy in the Management Committee and that individual shall remain in office for the remaining unexpired term held by the outgoing member of the Management Committee.		(h) To formulate and implement a comprehensive procurement policy (including purchase processes, inventory management and other financial/budgeting procedures) detailing the approval authorities of the Management Committee and its key appointment holders;	Current constitution (vi)
(viii)	To prohibit the holding of any unauthorised table tennis championship or tournaments in the Republic of Singapore.		(i) To formulate and implement a multi-year sports plan, and an annual operation plan and budget for such plan;	Added for clarity
(ix)	To interpret these Constitution and Rules and unless reversed at a Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of members, the decision of the Management Committee thereon shall be final and binding on all members.		(j) To formulate and implement an athlete agreement and code of conduct;	Added for clarity
(x)	To prohibit any act, practice or behaviour of any member which in the opinion of the Management Committee is detrimental to the interests of the game or to the S.T.T.A. and to deal with such member in such manner as it thinks fit.		(k) To formulate and implement the selection process and policies for representatives for the table tennis national team representing the Republic of Singapore, overseas competitions and major games;	Added for clarity
(xi)	To settle any dispute that may arise between members of the S.T.T.A. and to clarify any doubt in relation to the rules and regulations of the game (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) as adopted by the I.T.T.F.		(l) To formulate and implement the selection process and policies for officials, including technical officials and team managers, for overseas competitions, and a policy for opportunities for such officials to upgrade themselves;	Added for clarity
(xii)	To purchase, lease, hire or otherwise acquire any		(m) To formulate and implement an anti-doping policy;	Added for clarity

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	<p>real or personal estate for the purpose of the S.T.T.A.</p> <p>(xiii) To decide any question or to settle any dispute which may arise and not covered by these Constitution and Rules and unless reversed at a Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of members, such decision shall be final and binding on all members.</p> <p>(xiv) To appoint working Sub-Committees as and when it is necessary during the term of its office, and to receive reports therefrom.</p> <p>(xv) To approve and authorize expenditure of any sum of money in order to carry out the objects of the S.T.T.A</p> <p>(xvi) To invest and deal with the funds of the S.T.T.A. not immediately required upon such securities and in such manner as may be from time to time required.</p> <p>(xvii) To borrow or raise upon loan any sum or sums of money and for the purpose of securing repayment thereof to execute or give any mortgages, charges, bonds, or other securities over all or any of the property of the S.T.T.A. as may be deemed necessary and to liquidate, redeem or pay off such obligations and securities or any of them.</p> <p>(xviii) To consider applications for membership within three (3) months of receipt of such application and in the event of rejection to document the reasons thereof.</p> <p>(xix) To establish a formal appeals process for rejected applications for membership.</p>		<p>(n) To formulate and implement a safe sports policy;</p> <p>(o) To formulate and implement a privacy and data protection policy;</p> <p>(p) To formulate and implement a whistle-blowing policy;</p> <p>(q) To formulate and implement a human resources policy;</p> <p>(r) To formulate and implement a dispute resolution protocol in the event that any dispute arises amongst Members, or between any Member and the S.T.T.A.;</p> <p>(s) To nominate or appoint any individual to fill up any vacancy in the Management Committee and that individual shall remain in office for the remaining unexpired term held by the outgoing member of the Management Committee;</p> <p>(t) To formulate and implement a sanctioning policy for table tennis championships or tournaments in the Republic of Singapore;</p> <p>(u) To interpret this Constitution and, unless reversed at an Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting, the decision of the Management Committee thereon shall be final and binding on all members;</p> <p>(v) To formulate and implement a Code of Conduct for members and to set up an Independent Disciplinary Committee to review any breach of this Code of Conduct by members;</p> <p>(w) To clarify any doubt in relation to the rules and regulations of the sport of table tennis (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) as adopted by the ITTF;</p>	<p>Added for clarity</p> <p>Added for clarity</p> <p>Added for clarity</p> <p>Added for clarity</p> <p>Improve on and rephrase (xi) & (xiii) of the current constitution.</p> <p>Current constitution (vii)</p> <p>Current constitution (viii) To provide a positive tone instead of a negative one and minimize ambiguity.</p> <p>Current constitution (ix) Changed BGM to AGM</p> <p>Current constitution (x) To provide a positive tone instead of a negative one and minimize ambiguity.</p> <p>Current constitution (xi) second half</p>

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	<p>(xx) To revoke or cancel the membership of any member and document the reasons thereof.</p> <p>(xxi) To do all acts as are consistent with the objects and interests of the S.T.T.A.</p>		<p>(x) To purchase, lease, hire or otherwise acquire any real or personal estate for the purpose of the S.T.T.A.;</p> <p>(y) To appoint Working Sub-Committees as and when it is necessary during the term of its office, and to receive reports therefrom;</p> <p>(z) To approve and authorise expenditure of any sum of money in order to carry out the objects of the S.T.T.A.;</p> <p>(aa) To invest and deal with the funds of the S.T.T.A not immediately required upon such securities and in such manner as may be from time to time required;</p> <p>(bb) To borrow or raise upon loan any sum or sums of money and for the purpose of securing repayment thereof to execute or give any mortgages, charges, bonds, or other securities over all or any of the property of the S.T.T.A as may be deemed necessary and to liquidate, redeem or pay off such obligations and securities or any of them;</p> <p>(cc) To consider applications for Full, Ordinary or Individual Membership within three (3) months of receipt of such application and in the event of rejection to document the reasons thereof;</p> <p>(dd) To establish a formal appeals process for rejected applications for membership;</p> <p>(ee) To revoke or cancel the membership of any member and document the reasons thereof; and</p> <p>(ff) To do all acts as are consistent with the objects and interests of the S.T.T.A.</p>	<p>Current constitution (xii)</p> <p>Current constitution (xiv)</p> <p>Current constitution (xv)</p> <p>Current constitution (xvi)</p> <p>Current constitution (xvii)</p> <p>Current constitution (xviii) – added various memberships for clarity</p> <p>Current constitution (xix)</p> <p>Current constitution (xx)</p> <p>Current constitution (xxi)</p>
		13	DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS	

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8.2	<p>The President shall:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Serve a consecutive maximum of eight (8) years regardless of the number of years served as a non-presiding member in the Management Committee. (ii) Preside at all Management Committee Meetings, Extra-Ordinary and Biennial General Meeting. (iii) Represent the S.T.T.A. in dealings with outside persons or organizations. (iv) Decide and act on urgent matters without first referring to the Management Committee for consideration and decision but shall seek ratification by the EXCO or Management Committee at the earliest available opportunity. 	13.1	<p>The President shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Preside at all Management Committee Meetings, Extraordinary and Annual General Meetings; (b) Represent the S.T.T.A in dealings with outside persons or organisations; and (c) Decide and act on urgent matters without first referring to the Management Committee for consideration and decision, but seek ratification by the Executive Committee ("EXCO") or Management Committee at the earliest available opportunity. 	<p>Current constitution 8.2(i) – replaced by proposed constitution 10.6.</p> <p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p> <p>Article renumbered only</p> <p>Article renumbered only</p>
8.3	<p>The Deputy Presidents and Vice Presidents shall:-</p> <p>Perform the duties of the President in the latter's absence or when called upon to do so by the President. The chain of order shall be first to the 1st Deputy President and next to the 2nd Deputy President and thereafter to the Vice-Presidents also in that order.</p>	13.2	<p>The Deputy President and Vice Presidents shall perform the duties of the President in the latter's absence or when called upon to do so by the President. The chain of order shall be first to the Deputy President, and then to the 1st Vice President, the 2nd Vice-President and thereafter the 3rd Vice-President.</p>	<p>To be consistent with the proposed Board Composition.</p>
8.4	<p>The Honorary Secretary shall:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Record the proceedings of each Management Committee Meeting and submit the same at the next meeting. (ii) Keep in proper custody all papers and documents pertaining to the S.T.T.A. (iii) Call for meetings of the Management Committee, if necessary, once every two (2) months. (iv) Keep a Register of Members containing up-to-date 	13.3	<p>The Honorary Secretary shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Record the proceedings of each Management Committee Meeting and submit the same at the next meeting; (b) Keep in proper custody all papers and documents pertaining to the S.T.T.A; (c) Call for meetings of the Management Committee, if necessary, once every two (2) months; (d) Keep a Register of Members containing up-to-date 	<p>Article renumbered only except for proposed article 13.3 (g)</p>

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	<p>particulars of all the members of the S.T.T.A.</p> <p>(v) Submit to the Management Committee any written complaint or suggestion received from members at the first available opportunity.</p> <p>(vi) Report to the Management Committee all his dealings and activities made or conducted on behalf of the S.T.T.A.</p> <p>(vii) Prepare and submit the Annual Report of the S.T.T.A. at the Biennial General Meeting after it has been accepted by the Management Committee.</p> <p>(viii) To comply with and carry out any instructions given by the President or the Management Committee.</p> <p>(ix) To notify all members in writing rules and regulations (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) of the game as adopted by the I.T.T.F.</p> <p>(x) To inform the Management Committee of any contravention by member or members under Rule 3 herein.</p> <p>(xi) To transact all business of the S.T.T.A as directed by the President or the Management Committee.</p>		<p>particulars of all the members of the S.T.T.A;</p> <p>(e) Submit to the Management Committee any written complaint or suggestion received from members at the first available opportunity;</p> <p>(f) Report to the Management Committee all his dealings and activities made or conducted on behalf of the S.T.T.A;</p> <p>(g) Prepare and submit the Annual Report of the S.T.T.A at the Annual General Meeting after it has been accepted by the Management Committee;</p> <p>(h) To comply with and carry out any instructions given by the President or the Management Committee;</p> <p>(i) To notify all members in writing rules and regulations (with such alterations and amendments as may be made from time to time) of the sport of table tennis as adopted by the ITTF;</p> <p>(j) To inform the Management Committee of any contravention by any member or members herein; and</p> <p>(k) To transact all business of the S.T.T.A as directed by the President or the Management Committee.</p>	<p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p>
8.5	The Honorary Assistant Secretary shall assist the Honorary Secretary in all matters as and when called upon to do so.	13.4	The Honorary Assistant Secretary shall assist the Honorary Secretary in all matters as and when called upon to do so.	Article renumbered only
8.6	<p>The Honorary Treasurer shall:-</p> <p>(i) Advise the S.T.T.A. on all matters concerning finance.</p> <p>(ii) Sign all cheques drawn by the S.T.T.A.,</p>	13.5	<p>The Honorary Treasurer shall:</p> <p>(a) Advise the S.T.T.A on all matters concerning finance;</p> <p>(b) Sign all cheques drawn by the S.T.T.A, provided always that the same are countersigned by at least</p>	<p>(b) Tightening of language</p>

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	<p>PROVIDED ALWAYS THAT the same are countersigned by the President or the Deputy President or such member or members of the Management Committee duly authorized by the Management Committee.</p> <p>(iii) Receive all monies and issue receipts thereof on behalf of the S.T.T.A</p> <p>(iv) Keep an account of income and expenditure of the S.T.T.A.</p> <p>(v) Inform the Management Committee of any contravention by member or members under Rule 5 herein.</p> <p>(vi) Submit a statement of accounts to the Management Committee at each Management Committee Meeting.</p> <p>(vii) Keep a Petty Cash Account in accordance with Rule 6.5 herein.</p> <p>(viii) Keep an inventory list of all articles belonging to the S.T.T.A</p>		<p>one other person as delegated by the Management Committee;</p> <p>(c) Receive all monies and issue receipts thereof on behalf of the S.T.T.A;</p> <p>(d) Keep an account of income and expenditure of the S.T.T.A;</p> <p>(e) Inform the Management Committee of any contravention by member or members under Art 7 herein;</p> <p>(f) Submit a statement of accounts to the Management Committee at each Management Committee Meeting;</p> <p>(g) Keep a Petty Cash Account in accordance with Art 16.8 herein; and</p> <p>(h) Keep an inventory list of all articles belonging to the S.T.T.A.</p>	
8.7	The Honorary Assistant Treasurer shall assist the Honorary Treasurer in all matters as and when called upon to do so.	13.6	The Honorary Assistant Treasurer shall assist the Honorary Treasurer in all matters as and when called upon to do so.	Article renumbered only
8.8	<p>The Auditor of the S.T.T.A. shall:-</p> <p>(i) Hold such professional qualification as recognized by the Government of The Republic of Singapore.</p> <p>(ii) Audit the yearly Statement of Accounts of the S.T.T.A and lodge a copy of the final annual audit report with the Singapore Sports Council for retention.</p>		Refer Art. 16	Refer proposed constitution 16

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	(iii) Submit a report to the members at the Biennial General Meeting or the Management Committee Meeting.			
9	WORKING SUB-COMMITTEES	14	WORKING SUB-COMMITTEES	
9.1	<p>The Management Committee shall have the power to form Working Sub-Committees whether on a permanent or ad-hoc basis to assist in its management of the S.T.T.A. The Sub-Committees may include Executive Committee ("EXCO"), Disciplinary Sub-Committee, Corporate Review Sub-Committee, High Performance, Coaching Sub-Committee, Youth Development Sub-Committee, High Participation Sub-Committee, Tournaments Sub-Committee, Technical & Officiating Sub-Committee, Athlete Selection Committee and such other Working Sub-Committees which the Management Committee may form from time to time as and when the circumstances warrant it.</p> <p>The Athlete Selection Committee shall comprise of voluntary and salaried officials from the S.T.T.A. who are proficient and competent to make decisions related to athlete selection.</p>	<p>14.1</p> <p>14.2</p> <p>14.3</p>	<p>The Management Committee shall have the power to form Working Sub-Committees, whether on a permanent or ad-hoc basis, to assist in its management of the S.T.T.A. The Sub-Committees may include the Athlete Selection Committee and the Athletes Commission and such other Working Sub Committees which the Management Committee may form from time to time as and when the circumstances warrant it.</p> <p>The Athlete Selection Committee shall comprise of voluntary and salaried officials from the S.T.T.A who are proficient and competent to make decisions related to athlete selection.</p> <p>The S.T.T.A shall establish an Athletes Commission with the view to providing a process to promote open communication with the athletes. The Athletes Commission shall comprise no more than 5 elected members, who are either past or present national athletes, including the Chairperson who must be a former National athlete. The Chairperson and members of the Athletes Commission shall be elected by athletes who have represented Singapore in international table tennis competitions within the past 24 months. The terms of office and term limits, if any, of the Chairperson and members of the Athletes Commission shall follow that of the Management Committee.</p>	<p>Restructured paragraphs and rephrased text for better presentation, clarity and tightening of language.</p> <p>30.1-30.5 of the Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred.</p> <p>Provides for the establishment of an Athlete Commission and for the commission's representation in the Board's decision-making process.</p>
9.2	All Working Sub-Committees shall comprise of a	14.4	All Working Sub-Committees shall comprise of a	Article renumbered only

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	Chairman and at least two (2) other members.		Chairman and at least two (2) other members.	
		14.5	Each member of the respective working Sub-Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote during each respective Sub-Committee meeting. In the event of a tie, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.	Added to prevent dispute
9.3	The Management Committee has power to co-opt any individual to serve in any Working Sub-Committee.	14.6	The Management Committee has the power to co-opt any individual to serve in any Working Sub-Committee.	Article renumbered only
9.4	The President, Deputy President, Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of all the Working Sub-Committees.			Removed to allow flexibility
9.5	The Executive Committee (EXCO) shall comprise the President, Deputy Presidents, Vice Presidents, Honorary Secretary and the Honorary Treasurer			Removed to allow flexibility
10	MEETINGS	9	SUPREME AUTHORITY AND GENERAL MEETINGS	
10.1	<p>Biennial General Meeting</p> <p>(i) Biennial General Meeting of the S.T.T.A. shall be held once in every two (2) years by September and at such time and place as the Management Committee shall so determine.</p> <p>(ii) Business of Biennial General Meeting shall be as follows:</p> <p>(a) To receive approve and adopt Annual Reports and Audited Statement of Accounts of the S.T.T.A. for the two (2) preceding years as approved by the Management Committee and signed by the President, Honorary Treasurer and appointed audit firm;</p> <p>(b) To elect members and office bearers of the Management Committee;</p> <p>(c) To appoint an external audit firm to carry out an annual audit and internal control systems of the S.T.T.A.'s accounts; and</p>	<p>9.1</p> <p>9.2</p> <p>9.6</p>	<p>The supreme authority of the S.T.T.A is vested in a General Meeting of the members.</p> <p>An Annual General Meeting shall be held once every year within 6 months from the close of the financial year and at such time and place as the Management Committee shall so determine.</p> <p>The points to be discussed at the Annual General Meeting shall include the following:</p> <p>(a) The previous financial year's Annual Report and Audited Statement of Accounts as approved by the Management Committee and signed by the President, Treasurer and appointed audit firm;</p> <p>(b) Where applicable, the election of members of the Management Committee for the following term; and</p> <p>(c) Where applicable, the appointment of a firm of Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants to carry out an annual audit and internal control systems of the S.T.T.A's accounts.</p>	<p>14.1 of Sample Clause for NSA referred.</p> <p>Restructured paragraphs and rephrased text for better presentation, clarity and tightening of language.</p> <p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p>

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	(d) To transact any other business PROVIDED THAT written notice thereof has been given to the Honorary Secretary not less than seven (7) days before the date fixed for Biennial General Meeting.	9.7	Any Full Member or its delegate who wishes to place an item on the agenda of a General Meeting may do so, provided that notice is given to the Honorary Secretary not less than seven (7) days before the meeting is due to be held.	
10.2	<p>Extra-Ordinary General Meeting</p> <p>An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting shall be called by the President or Deputy President upon him receiving a written and duly signed request from not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the total number of members on the Register of Members. The said request must also state the business of the meeting and the reasons for making such a request. If an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting has been called, convened and decision reached, no further Extra-Ordinary General Meeting shall be called and convened for the same purpose within the next six (6) months.</p>	9.3	<p>An Extraordinary General Meeting must be called by the President on the request in writing of not less than 1/3 of the total voting membership or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, and may be called at any time by order of the Management Committee. The request in writing shall be given to the Honorary Secretary setting forth the business that is to be transacted. The Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened within two (2) months from the receipt of the written request to convene the Extraordinary General Meeting.</p> <p>If an Extraordinary General Meeting has been called, convened and decision reached, no further Extraordinary General Meeting shall be called and convened for the same purpose or business within the next six (6) months from the date the decision was reached.</p>	<p>Rephrased for greater clarity and tightening of language.</p> <p>Changed the criteria from 2/3 to 1/3 (ie 33%). This is closer to the Guideline on drawing up a constitution 7.3, which states 25%.</p>
		9.4	If the Management Committee does not within two (2) months after the date of the receipt of the written request convene the Extraordinary General Meeting, the members who requested for the Extraordinary General Meeting shall convene the meeting by giving two (2) weeks' notice to voting members setting forth the business to be transacted and simultaneously posting the agenda on the S.T.T.A's notice board and/or the official website of the S.T.T.A.	Followed the Guideline on drawing up a constitution 7.4.
10.3	<p>Management Committee Meeting</p> <p>The Management Committee shall meet, if necessary,</p>	11.1	A Management Committee Meeting shall be held, if necessary, at least once every two (2) months, after giving seven (7) days' notice to members of the Management	Restructured paragraphs and rephrased text for better presentation and tightening of

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	once every two (2) months. Any member who absents himself or herself for two (2) consecutive meetings without giving any satisfactory reasons to the President or Deputy President shall cease to be a member thereof unless the Management Committee otherwise decides.	10.12	<p>Committee. The President may call a Management Committee Meeting at any time by giving five (5) days' notice.</p> <p>Any member of the Management Committee absents himself from three (3) meetings consecutively without satisfactory explanations shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Management Committee and a successor may be co-opted by the Management Committee to serve until the next election or the Annual General Meeting, whichever is earlier.</p>	<p>language.</p> <p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p> <p>Refer Guideline in drawing up a constitution 8.5.</p>
10.4	<p>Notice of Meetings</p> <p>(i) For Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting, at least two (2) weeks' notice must be given to the members holding Full Membership. In the case of Management Committee Meeting at least seven (7) days' notice shall be given. The requisite notice shall state the time, place and agenda of meeting called.</p> <p>(ii) Any "Notice of Meetings" served herein shall be sufficiently served if delivered to the member personally or to the member's last known address by way of ordinary post. When a "Notice of Meetings" is delivered by post, it shall be deemed to be given at the time when in due course of ordinary or registered post it would be delivered at the address to which it is sent.</p>	9.5	<p>At least two (2) weeks' notice shall be given of a Annual General Meeting and/or Extraordinary General Meeting. Notice of meeting stating the date, time, place and agenda of meeting shall be served by the Honorary Secretary on all voting members. Any notice of meeting shall be sufficiently served if it is delivered to the member personally, to the member's last known address by way of ordinary post or to the member's last known email address. Service of the notice is treated as effected at the time at which the notice would be delivered in the ordinary course of post, or at the time when the email is sent to the member.</p>	<p>Restructured paragraphs and rephrased text for better presentation, clarity and tightening of language.</p> <p>Added email as a mode of delivery.</p> <p>Changed BGM to AGM.</p>
10.5	<p>Chairman of Meetings</p> <p>The President shall be the Chairman of all Biennial General Meeting, Extra-Ordinary General Meeting or Management Committee Meetings. If the President is unable to chair, the Deputy President shall be the</p>	9.8	<p>The President shall be the Chairman of all Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings. If the President is unable to chair the meeting, the Deputy President shall be the Chairman. If both the President and the Deputy President are not able to chair the meeting, then any one of the Vice Presidents or member elected by</p>	<p>Changed BGM to AGM</p>

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	Chairman. If both the President and the Deputy President are not able to chair, then any one of the Vice Presidents or member elected by the meeting shall be the Chairman.		the meeting shall be the Chairman.	
		11.3	The President shall be the Chairman of all Management Committee Meetings. If the President is unable to chair, the Deputy President shall be the Chairman. If both the President and the Deputy President are not able to chair, then any one of the Vice Presidents or member elected by the meeting shall be the Chairman.	Added for clarity
11	QUORUM			
11.1	The quorum for a Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting shall be not less than one-third (1/3) of the total number of members of the S.T.T.A.	9.9	At least 25% of the total voting membership or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, present at a General Meeting (whether personally or electronically present) shall form a quorum.	Refer 16.4 & 14.8 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution. (ROS).
11.2	If there is no quorum at the Biennial or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting, the meeting shall stand adjourned for half an hour, members present at the adjourned meeting shall be deemed to constitute a quorum but they shall have no power to alter or amend any of the existing Rules and Constitution of the S.T.T.A.	9.10	In the event of there being no quorum at the commencement of a General Meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned for half an hour and should the number then present be insufficient to form a quorum, those present shall be considered a quorum, but they shall have no power to amend any part of the existing Constitution.	Refer 16.5 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution. (ROS).
		9.11	The following matters shall be passed by special resolutions carried by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes recorded at a General Meeting: (a) Acceptance of applications for Full Membership; (b) Expulsion of Full Members; and (c) Reinstatement of expelled members.	Added for greater clarity on the procedure of acceptance, expulsion and reinstatement of full members. 9.7 & 9.8 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution.
		9.12	Subject to Articles 9.11, 20.1 and 23.1 other matters shall be passed by ordinary resolutions carrying a simple majority of the votes recorded at a General Meeting.	Added for greater clarity to avoid dispute.
		9.14	A General Meeting may be convened, held or conducted, whether wholly or partly, by electronic means. Members must be allowed to contemporaneously observe and listen to the proceedings of such a General Meeting by audio and video means. Details for the arrangements for a General Meeting conducted, whether wholly or partly, by electronic means, shall be provided to the members in the notice of each meeting.	Added in view of Sample Clause for NSA Constitution 14.8 (ROS) to allow general meetings by electronic means.
11.3	A minimum of fifty percent (50%) of all elected members	11.2	At least one-third (1/3) of all members shall form a quorum	Code of governance for

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	shall form the quorum for a Management Committee Meeting.		for a Management Committee Meeting.	Charity/IPC 1.3.1 referred.
11.4	In the event that there is no quorum at a Management Committee Meeting, the Chairman shall adjourn the meeting for half (1/2) an hour, after which time members present, whatever the number, shall form the quorum.			Refer 11.4 of the proposed constitution.
11.5	A minimum of fifty percent (50%) of all members shall form the quorum for any working Sub- Committee Meeting.			
11.6	In the event that there is no quorum at any working Sub-Committee Meeting, the Chairman shall adjourn the meeting for half (1/2) an hour, after which time members present, whatever the number, shall form the quorum.			Refer 14.5 of the proposed constitution
12	ELECTION & VOTE			
12.1	Members holding Full Membership and not in arrears of Annual Subscription at that point in time shall inform the Honorary Secretary of its two (2) delegates at least seven (7) days before the date fixed for Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.	5.2	(c) Each Full Member not in arrears of annual subscription: (2) Shall inform the Honorary Secretary of its two (2) delegates, who shall be above 21 years old, at least seven (7) days before the date fixed for a General Meeting;	Current constitution 12.1 to 12.3 are rephrased and restructured into the proposed constitution 5.2 (c) & (d) as part of membership and 10.2 & 10.3 under Management Committee
12.2	Any member holding Full Membership or its delegate may stand for election, nominate or second any other member holding Full Membership or its delegate for election.	10.2	Any Full Member or its delegate may stand for, nominate or second any other Full Member or its delegate, or any Individual Member, above 21 years of age, for election to the Management Committee.	
12.3	Any member holding Full Membership or its delegate may move or second any motion at a Biennial or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.	5.2	(d) Subject to the applicable notice requirements, any Full Member or its delegate may move or second any motion at a General Meeting.	
12.4	Election of the Management Committee shall be held once every two (2) years at a Biennial General Meeting.	10.4	Subject to Article 10.5, election to the Management Committee shall be by way of a simple majority vote of the members. In the event of a tie, a re-vote shall be taken and if it still results in a tie, subsequent rounds of votes shall be taken to determine who shall be the successful candidate unless the contesting candidate(s) withdrew in favour of one of themselves.	Rephrased for greater clarity and tightening of language. To lay down a clearer process in the event of a tie of votes.
12.5	Any nomination shall be valid only if it is duly proposed	10.3	A nomination shall be valid only if it is duly proposed and	

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	<p>and seconded by members holding Full Membership and with the prior consent of the nominee. The nominee must declare in writing to the President or the Honorary Secretary any personal or business interests related to the S.T.T.A., if any, 3 days prior to the election failing which the nomination shall not be valid unless the Management Committee otherwise decides.</p>		<p>seconded by a Full Member or its delegate, 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting (the “Closing Date”). The prior consent of the nominee and declaration by the nominee in writing to the President or the Honorary Secretary of any personal or business interests related to the S.T.T.A, if any, must be given 7 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, failing which the nomination shall not be valid unless the Management Committee otherwise decides.</p> <p>After the Closing Date:</p> <p>(a) In the event that there is only 1 nomination for the position of President and not more than 13 nominations for the position of Management Committee member, such nominees shall be declared and deemed to be elected as the President and Management Committee members respectively at the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>(b) In the event that there is no nomination for the position of President and not more than 14 nominations for the position of Management Committee member, such nominees shall be declared and deemed to be elected as the Management Committee at the Annual General Meeting. The new Management Committee shall elect the new President from amongst themselves.</p> <p>(c) In the event that there is more than 1 nomination for the position of President, there shall be an election for the position.</p> <p>(d) In the event that there are more than 13 nominations</p>	<p>Changed BGM to AGM</p> <p>7 days for submission of consent & declaration to be consistent with nomination of candidate for election.</p> <p>The proposed amendments and addition in blue are to allow the election to be carried out by slate of candidates instead of position by position. Based on past experience, election by individual position is time consuming and inefficient.</p> <p>a) E.g. If there is 1 nomination for President and 10 nominations for MC, we will take that as final and no further nominations will be needed.</p> <p>b) E.g. If there is no nomination for President and 12 nominations for MC, we will take that as final and no further nominations will be needed. The MC shall elect the President from amongst themselves.</p> <p>c) E.g. If there are 2 nominations for President, there shall be election for this position.</p>

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			<p>for the position of Management Committee member, there shall be an election for the position of Management Committee member.</p> <p>(e) In the event that there are more than 2 but not more than 13 nominations for the position of Management Committee member, then the number of Management Committee members shall be that deemed to be elected under Art 10.3(a) above and no further nomination and election of Management Committee members shall be required.</p> <p>(f) In the event that there are less than 3 nominations for the position of Management Committee member, the remaining number of Management Committee members shall be nominated and elected by the Full Members present at the Annual General Meeting, such that the total number of Management Committee members is 3.</p> <p>(g) In the event that there is no nomination for the position of President or Management Committee member, the Annual General Meeting shall be postponed for 14 working days. The date of this deferred Annual General Meeting shall be communicated to all Members by the next working day. This notice shall also inform the Full Members that new nominations can be accepted, but such nominations shall reach the President or the Honorary</p>	<p>d) E.g. If there are 14 nominations for MC members, there shall be election for MC members because maximum number of MC members excluding AC Chairman is 13. (1 DP, 3VP, Hon.Sec, Asst.Hon.Sec, Hon.Treasurer, Asst Hon.Treasurer & 5 members)</p> <p>e) E.g. If there are 8 nominations for MC members, we will take that as final and no further nominations will be needed.</p> <p>f) E.g. If there is only 1 nomination for MC members, which is very rare and under this circumstance, only 2 more shall be nominated from those present to make a total of minimum 3 nominations for MC members. This is also to meet the minimum number of MC members required in Article 10.8, which provides that "Under no circumstances shall the total number of the members of the Management Committee be less than three (3), of whom two (2) must be Singapore Citizens"</p> <p>g) E.g. If in the rare event, there is no nomination for any of</p>

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			<p>Secretary of the immediate past Management Committee not later than 7 working days prior to the rescheduled Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>(h) The elected Management Committee members and the elected President shall elect from amongst themselves at the first Management Committee meeting after the election, the following office bearers:</p> <p>(1) Up to one (1) Deputy President;</p> <p>(2) Up to three (3) Vice President(s);</p> <p>(3) A Honorary Secretary;</p> <p>(4) An Assistant Honorary Secretary;</p> <p>(5) A Honorary Treasurer; and</p> <p>(6) An Assistant Honorary Treasurer.</p>	<p>the position, the AGM shall be postponed for new nominations.</p> <p>h) This is to state that the elected MC members shall elect amongst themselves the officer bearers.</p>
12.6.1	Each member holding Full Membership at a Biennial or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting shall be entitled to one (1) vote. The Chairman of such meetings shall have a casting vote if he so wishes.		Refer Art. 5.2	Refer proposed constitution 5.2
12.6.2	Each member of the Management Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote during each Management Committee Meeting. The Chairman of such meeting shall have a casting vote if he so wishes.	11.4	Voting at all Management Committee Meetings shall be by ballot or in such manner as the Chairman shall deem fair and expedient. Each member of the Management Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote during each Management Committee Meeting. In the event of a tie, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.	Added for clarity.
12.6.3	Each member of the respective working Sub-Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote during each respective Sub-Committee Meetings. The Chairman for such meeting shall have a casting vote if he so wishes.	14.5	Each member of the respective working Sub-Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote during each respective Sub-Committee meeting. In the event of a tie, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.	Article renumbered only
12.7	Voting at all Biennial General Meeting, Extra-Ordinary General Meeting or Management Committee Meetings	9.13	Voting at all Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings shall be by ballot or in such manner as	Changed BGM to AGM

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	shall be by ballot or in such manner as the Chairman shall deem fair and expedient. Only those present at the meetings shall be eligible to vote unless otherwise provided herein.		the Chairman shall deem fair and expedient. Only those present at the meetings shall be eligible to vote unless otherwise provided herein.	
		11.5	Where a conflict of interest arises at a Management Committee Meeting, the member of the Management Committee concerned should not vote on the matter nor participate in the discussions. He or she should also offer to withdraw from the meeting, and the other members of the Management Committee should decide if this is required.	Added with reference to the Code of governance of Charity/IPC 2.4
13	<p>PATRONS & HONORARY PRESIDENTS</p> <p>The S.T.T.A. may, upon recommendation of the Management Committee appoint unlimited number of prominent individuals to be Patrons or Honorary Presidents for one (1) term.</p>	15 15.1	<p>PATRONS AND HONORARY PRESIDENTS</p> <p>The S.T.T.A may, upon recommendation of the Management Committee appoint an unlimited number of prominent individuals to be Patrons or Honorary Presidents for one (1) term of two (2) years.</p>	Added for clarity
14	<p>IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES</p>	17	<p>TRUSTEES</p>	
14.1	All immovable properties of the S.T.T.A. shall be held in trust by three (3) individual trustees duly appointed by the Management Committee which has an absolute discretion for such appointment, substitution or removal as the case may be.	17.1	If the S.T.T.A at any time acquires any immovable property, such property shall be vested in trustees subject to a declaration of trust.	17.1 to 17.5 of the proposed constitution added for clarity and in reference to Art 11 of the Guideline on drawing up a Constitution.
		17.2	<p>The trustees of the S.T.T.A shall:</p> <p>(a) Not be more than four (4) and not less than two (2) in number;</p> <p>(b) Be elected by a General Meeting; and</p> <p>(c) Not effect any sale or mortgage of property without the prior approval of a General Meeting.</p>	
		17.3	<p>The office of the trustee shall be vacated:</p> <p>(a) If the trustee dies or becomes a lunatic or of unsound mind;</p>	

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			<p>(b) If he is absent from the Republic of Singapore for a period of more than one (1) year;</p> <p>(c) If he is guilty of misconduct of such a kind as to render it undesirable that he continues as a trustee; or</p> <p>(d) If he submits notice of resignation from his trusteeship.</p>	
		17.4	<p>Notice of any proposal to remove a trustee from his trusteeship or to appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy must be given by posting it on the notice board in the S.T.T.A's premises at least two (2) weeks before a General Meeting at which the proposal is to be discussed. The result of such General Meeting shall then be notified to the Registrar of Societies and Commissioner of Charities.</p>	
14.2	The address of each immovable property, name of each trustee and any subsequent change must be notified to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities within 2 weeks of the change	17.5	The address of each immovable property, name of each trustee and any subsequent change must be notified to the Registrar of Societies and Commissioner of Charities.	
15	<p>AMENDMENT TO RULES AND CONSTITUTION</p> <p>No alteration or amendments to these Rules and Constitution shall be made except at Biennial General Meeting or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting by a resolution carried by a majority of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes recorded at the meeting and such alteration or amendments shall not come into force without prior sanction of the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities. Notice in writing of such proposed alteration or amendments shall be sent, if necessary, by the Honorary Secretary to all members holding Full Membership of the S.T.T.A</p>	20 20.1	<p>AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION</p> <p>No alteration or addition/deletion to this Constitution shall be passed except at a General Meeting and with the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present at the meeting, and they shall not come into force without the prior approval in writing of the Commissioner of Charities and Registrar of Societies.</p>	Reference from Guideline on drawing up a Constitution 14.1 and Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution 45.1-45.2.
16	DISSOLUTION OF THE S.T.T.A	23	DISSOLUTION	
16.1	The S.T.T.A shall not be dissolved except with the consent of not less than three-fifths (3/5) of the total number of members holding Full Membership of S.T.T.A.	23.1	The S.T.T.A shall not be dissolved, except with the consent of not less than three-fifths (3/5) of the total number of members holding Full Membership of the	17.1 of Guideline on drawing up a constitution & referred 44.1 of Sample Clauses for NSA

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	at a General Meeting convened for the purpose.		S.T.T.A for the time being resident in Singapore present at a General Meeting convened for the purpose.	Constitution (ROS).
16.2	In the event of the S.T.T.A. being dissolved as provided above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the S.T.T.A. shall be fully discharged, and the remaining fund shall be distributed to other Charities or Institutions of a Public Character (IPCs) approved under the Charities Act.	23.2	In the event of the S.T.T.A being dissolved as provided above, or in the event the S.T.T.A ceases to be a registered charity under the Charities Act, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the S.T.T.A shall be fully discharged, and the remaining funds will be donated to Institution(s) of a Public Character (IPCs) with similar objectives in Singapore which is (are) registered under the Charities Act, as the members of the S.T.T.A may determine at a General Meeting.	44.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution (ROS).
16.3	A Certification of Dissolution shall be given within seven (7) days of the dissolution to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities.	23.3	A Certificate of Dissolution shall be given within seven (7) days of the dissolution to the Registrar of Societies and the Commissioner of Charities.	44.3 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution (ROS).
17	<p>PRESS RELEASES</p> <p>All press releases of the S.T.T.A. shall be made by the President. In the event that the President is absent, the Deputy Presidents shall have the right to make press releases. The Honorary Secretary may also make press releases if he is so authorized by the President. Chairmen of the various Working Sub-Committees may, with the consent of the President or the Management Committee, make press releases on matters within the scope of their respective functions. All Members of the Management Committee shall not make any press release without the approval of the President or the Management Committee. Anyone found in breach of this restriction shall be subject to disciplinary action as the Management Committee shall deem fit.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>18.1</p>	<p>PRESS RELEASES</p> <p>All press releases of the S.T.T.A shall be made by the President. In the event that the President is absent, the Deputy President shall have the right to make press releases. The Honorary Secretary may also make press releases if he is so authorised by the President. Chairmen of the various Working Sub-Committees may, with the consent of the President or the Management Committee, make press releases on matters within the scope of their respective functions. All members of the Management Committee shall not make any press release without the approval of the President or the Management Committee. Anyone found in breach of this restriction shall be subject to disciplinary action as the Management Committee shall deem fit.</p>	Article renumbered only
18	GENERAL	8	WITHDRAWAL OF MEMBERSHIP AND EXPULSION	
18.1	A member may at any time by notice in writing to the S.T.T.A. and addressed to the Honorary Secretary	8.1	A member may at any time by notice in writing to the S.T.T.A and addressed to the Honorary Secretary	Article renumbered only

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	withdraw its membership. Provided always that any outstanding Annual Subscription must be paid forthwith and failing which, the withdrawal would not be allowed and the defaulting member shall be expelled instead.		withdraw its (his) membership, provided always that any outstanding annual subscription must be paid forthwith and failing which, the withdrawal will not be allowed and the defaulting member shall be expelled instead.	
18.2	The S.T.T.A. reserves the right to expel any member without having to state any reason for such expulsion.	8.2	Any member who fails to observe the Constitution shall be liable to expulsion.	For 18.3 of the current Constitution
18.3	Any member, who fails to observe the Constitution and Rules of the S.T.T.A shall be liable for expulsion.	8.3	The S.T.T.A reserves the right to expel any member without having to state any reason for such expulsion.	For 18.2 of the current Constitution
		8.4	The expulsion of a Full Member shall not be valid unless it is approved by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes recorded at an Annual General Meeting. Prior to the Annual General Meeting, the Full Member liable to expulsion may be suspended by the Management Committee. A suspended Full Member shall lose its membership rights, including the right to vote at any General Meeting, and shall not be present at any General Meeting.	Clear procedure for expulsion of member in reference to 9.8 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution - 2/3 approval at AGM is required for the expulsion of Full Members.
18.4	Any member expelled from the S.T.T.A. shall not be accepted again unless at least two-third (2/3) of the members or delegates in a Biennial or Extra-Ordinary General Meeting voted in favour of its reinstatement.	8.5	Any member expelled from the S.T.T.A shall not be accepted for membership again, unless its (his) reinstatement is carried by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes recorded at a General Meeting.	Rephrased for greater clarity and changed BGM to AGM.
18.5	Gambling and any illegal or immoral activities are forbidden on the S.T.T.A premises.	19 19.1	PROHIBITIONS Gambling of any kind, excluding the promotion or conduct of a private lottery which has been permitted under the Private Lotteries Act (Cap 250), is forbidden on the S.T.T.A's premises. The introduction of materials for gambling or drug taking and of bad characters into the premises, or any illegal or immoral activity on the premises, is prohibited.	42.1 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
18.6	The funds of the S.T.T.A. shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in court.	19.2	The funds of the S.T.T.A shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in court of law.	42.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
18.7	The S.T.T.A. shall not engage in any trade union activity as defined in any written law relating to trade unions for the time being in force in Singapore.	19.3	The S.T.T.A shall not engage in any trade union activity as defined in any written law relating to trade unions for the time being in force in Singapore.	42.3 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
18.8	The S.T.T.A. shall not attempt to restrict or interfere with trade or make directly or indirectly any recommendation	19.4	The S.T.T.A shall not attempt to restrict or interfere with trade or make directly or indirectly any recommendation	Article renumbered only

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	to, any arrangement with its members which has the purpose or is likely to have the effect of fixing or controlling the price or any discount allowance or rebate relating to any goods or service which adversely affect consumer interests.		to, any arrangement with its members which has the purpose or is likely to have the effect of fixing or controlling the price or any discount allowance or rebate relating to any goods or service which adversely affect consumer interests.	
18.9	The S.T.T.A. shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.	19.5	The S.T.T.A shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.	42.4 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
18.10	The S.T.T.A. shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the Society/Association/Club or its office-bearers, Committee or members unless with the prior approval of the relevant authorities.	19.6	The S.T.T.A shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the S.T.T.A, Management Committee, members of its Management Committee or members unless with the prior approval of the relevant authorities.	42.5 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
18.11	The S.T.T.A. shall not raise funds from the public for whatever purposes without prior approval in writing to the Head, Licensing Division, Singapore Police Force and other relevant authorities.	19.7	The S.T.T.A shall not raise funds from the public for whatever purposes without the prior approval in writing of the Assistant Director Operations, Licensing Division, Singapore Police Force and other relevant authorities.	42.6 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS).
		19.8	The S.T.T.A shall recognise the right of all its athletes to participate in clean sport and is committed to ensuring the sport of table tennis is doping-free. All affiliates, members, athletes, participants, staff and other individuals who are subject to the rules and regulations of the S.T.T.A are bound by and agree to abide by all World Anti-Doping Code-compliant anti-doping rules applicable to the sport of table tennis.	36.1-36.2 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS). To enshrine the rights of athletes to participate in clean sport that is doping-free.
		21	INTERPRETATION	
		21.1	In the event of any question or matter pertaining to day-to-day administration which is not expressly provided for in this Constitution, the Management Committee shall have power to use their own discretion. The decision of the Management Committee shall be final unless it is reversed at a General Meeting.	46.1 of Sample Clauses for NSA Constitution referred (ROS). Reference from Guideline on drawing up a Constitution 15.1.
19	All and any disputes about any matter arising out of or in a connection with this Constitution and Rules, including any question regarding its existence, validity or termination	22.1	DISPUTES All and any disputes about any matter arising out of or in connection with this Constitution, including any question regarding its existence, validity or termination, shall be	Provides for mediation and arbitration as the means to resolve disputes.

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	shall be referred to and finally determined by arbitration at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre ("SIAC") and in accordance with its Domestic Arbitration Rules, provided the parties to the disputes concerned shall have first exhausted all means and avenues of a mediation, including that of a mediation process at the Singapore Mediation Centre ("SMC") under SMC's prevailing Rules and all such Rules, whether by mediation or arbitration, are deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Article.	22.2 22.3 22.4 22.5	referred to and finally resolved by arbitration administered by the Singapore International Arbitration Centre ("SIAC") in accordance with the Arbitration Rules of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre ("SIAC Rules") for the time being in force, which rules are deemed to be incorporated by reference in this clause. The seat of the arbitration shall be Singapore. The Tribunal shall consist of 1 arbitrator. The language of the arbitration shall be English. The parties further agree that following the commencement of arbitration, they will attempt in good faith to resolve the dispute through mediation at the Singapore Mediation Centre ("SMC"). Any settlement reached in the course of the mediation shall be referred to the arbitral tribunal appointed by SIAC and may be made a consent award on agreed terms.	