

UK K6Class Association Constitution

1. UK Class Association

The full title of the Association shall be the UK K6 Class Association.

2. Adopted Classes

The Classes adopted by the UK K6 Class Association are listed in schedule 1.

3. Objects

The objects of the Association are to promote and further the interests of the K6 Class throughout Great Britain and to represent the interests of British K6 Class owners as follows:

- (a) To keep members informed of developments concerning the K6 Classes and any proposals concerning K6 Class rules.
- (b) To organise the British and national Open Championships and to co-ordinate the programme for other races.
- (c) To encourage National and International competition in Britain for the K6 Class.
- (d) To keep a National Association register.

4. Terms and Definitions

Throughout these rules the following defined terms will be used:

- (a) “The National Association” shall mean the UK K6 Class Association.
- (b) “The International Association” shall mean the International K6 Class Association when formed to control the affairs of the K6 Class throughout the world.
- (d) “The National Association Rules” shall mean the rules governing the conduct of the National Association.
- (e) “The National Association Register” shall mean the register of owners of K6 boats in Britain, with their addresses, name and number of boat, to be kept as hereinafter provided.
- (f) The “K6 Class” shall mean the One-Design Class adopted by the National Association and built in accordance with the designers’ drawings and specifications, and licensed by Rondar Raceboats as a One Design. See schedule 1.

- (g) “The Copyright Holder” shall mean the person or persons or company holding the copyright to the design of the adopted K6Class.
- (h) “The Licensed Builder” shall mean the person or persons or company licensed by the Copyright Holder to build the K6.
- (i) “The Class Rules” shall mean the rules relating to measurement, construction and racing conditions of the class.
- (j) “The Registered Number” shall mean the sail number allocated to the boat.
- (k) “The K6 Association Administrator” shall mean the duly appointed Administrators.
- (n) “Fleet” shall mean three or more registered K6 Class boats normally located sufficiently near to each other to permit regular racing between them.
- (o) “Owner” and “Joint Owner” shall mean any person or persons, corporation or association entered on a certificate as owner of a K6.

5. Membership and Voting Rights

- (a) The following classes of membership shall be recognised:
 - (i) Full Membership
 - (ii) Associate Membership
 - (iii) Honorary Membership
 - (iv) Family Membership
 - (v) Block Membership
 - (vi) Youth Membership
 - (vii) *International Membership***
- (b) Full Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription be open to any owner of a British registered K6 Class boat or, in the case of joint owners to any one of them,

or in the case of a British K6 Class boat owned by a corporation or association, to a nominated representative of that organisation. Youth Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to any owner of a British registered K6 Class boat or, in the case of joint owners to any one of them, who is aged 19 or below on the 1st January of the year of subscription.

- (c) Associate Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to any joint owner of a British registered K6 Class boat not being a full member, or to all individuals or clubs interested in the K6 Class boats in Britain.
- (d) Honorary Membership shall be open to any person having an interest in the National Association in Britain who is proposed by a Full Member and seconded by at least one member of the Committee and is duly elected by Members of the National Association at any general meeting of the National Association.
- (e) Family Membership shall be open to a whole family (two adults and children under age 20 living at same address) owning one boat only.
- (f) Block Membership shall be considered where an organization owns several K6 boats for the use of a number of individuals. Block membership will be at the rate of current full membership per boat.
- (g) ***International Membership shall be available to those living and sailing their boats outside the UK.***
- (h) Members shall be bound by the National Association rules.
- (i) Members acting as helmsmen or entering an K6 Class race which consist of, or include, the class shall be bound by the Class Rules.
- (j)
 - (i) Each full member and honorary member, youth member, ***and international member*** shall be entitled to one vote at a General Meeting of the National Association or in a postal ballot, on proposed changes that affect the National Association constitution.
 - (ii) Each full member and honorary member, and youth member, ***and international member*** shall be entitled to one vote on proposed rule changes for the K6 class.
 - (iii) Family membership and block membership shall attract the same voting rights as set out in 5(i) (i)&(ii). The vote holder shall be specified on joining or renewing membership.
 - (iv) A change to a class rule or to the constitution will require a majority vote at a General Meeting or a majority of returned replies in favour in a postal ballot. Non-replies will not be counted.
- (k) All full or Associate Members of the National Association shall ipso facto be an equivalent

member of the International Association.

6. Management

- (c) The management committee shall consist of a maximum **six** people of whom at least one will be a representative of the licensed builder, the Administrators, *the Chairman, the Treasurer* and *one other* member, *elected at the AGM*.
- (e) The **Management** Committee shall have powers to co-opt any person to assist it, whether a full member of the association or not, but such persons shall have no vote in Committee. *Administrators do not have a vote on the Management Committee.*
- (f) No member of the Association elected in accordance with the provision of clause **6c** shall serve on the Committee as Elected Committee members for more than two years. However, any member of the Committee who has served for two years may continue to serve if specifically re-elected by members at the Annual General Meeting.
- (j) *The Events Committee will consist of a Builders Representative, the Administrators, a representative from each Owners Club, and representatives for other aspects such as coaching rep, social rep.* The Events Committee may arrange an Annual Open and National Championship of the class and shall co-ordinate such regional championships as may be required. All matters pertaining to International Championships held in Britain shall be settled by the **Events** Committee in consultation with the sponsoring club or clubs, the RYA, the ISAF and the International Association.
- (k) At least two weeks notice of the date, place and agenda for any Committee Meeting must be given in writing by the Administrator to each Committee Member. Any business conducted by correspondence shall always be circulated through the Administrator and any Committee Member not answering a motion communicated to him in writing within three weeks of the date of sending shall be deemed to have agreed to such a motion.
- (l) Acceptance of ~~an~~ **entry to a K6 event** by an owner or joint owners shall ipso facto render **all competitors** subject to the jurisdiction of the National Association or the Committee in any matter pertaining to Class Rules.
- (m) The **Management** Committee has the option to appoint a Chairperson, if considered necessary.
- (n) The **Management** Committee may organise contracts for secretarial and administrative services for the Association, as required

7. Power of the Committee

- (a) Subject to the provision of these rules, and in particular to the object of the National Association, as expressed in **rule 3**, the Committee shall be empowered to perform all functions of management and administration.
- (b) The making of payments and receipt of monies shall be validly evidenced only by the signature of the Treasurer or his Deputies as appointed by the ~~National~~ **Management Committee** and payments or receipt of monies exceeding the sum of £500 shall require the signature of the Chairperson and Administrator or Treasurer.

8. Conduct of Meetings of the National Association

- (a) The Annual General Meeting of the National Association shall be held annually, at a place judged by the Committee to be the most convenient to the majority of members of the Association. The precise date, time and place to be at the Committee's discretion.
- (b) A Special General Meeting shall be called by the Chairperson or Administrators upon receipt by the Administrators of a written request, signed by not fewer than fifteen full members of the National Association.
- (c) At least six weeks written notice shall be given to members of any General Meeting.
- (d) At any General Meeting or Committee Meeting decisions shall be limited to matters on the agenda and shall be carried by a majority vote of full K6 Class Association members present. Voting shall be by a show of hands, unless a poll is demanded by not less than three of the full members present. At any meeting the Chairperson shall have a casting vote. The Administrator shall be responsible for circulating all members or in the case of Committee Meetings, all Committee Members, with the result of any voting. In the event of a postal ballot, all returns shall be made to the Administrator within two weeks of the date of posting the ballot paper.
- (e) At any General Meeting of the National Association, eleven shall form a quorum.

9. Subscriptions and Registration Fees

- (a) Subscriptions payable for all classes of membership of the National Association shall be payable annually and shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting and shall become due on 1st January of the following year. A member joining the Association after 1st October, whose subscription has been paid for that year, shall not be liable to pay his subscription for the ensuing calendar year.
- (b) Any member whose subscription has not been paid within three months of the due date may have his name removed from the list of members of the National Association by the

Committee. A member's name may be restored to the National Association Register at the discretion of the Committee, on payment of any subscription due.

- (c) A percentage of the National Association's annual income from subscriptions, which shall be the same as that applied to all other National Associations, shall be contributed to the International Association annually as a general levy, the percentage to be fixed bi-annually by agreement between the National Association and the International Association

10. Accounts

- (a) The **Management** Committee shall cause true accounts to be kept giving full particulars of:
 - (i) All monies, assets and liabilities of the National Association.
 - (ii) All monies received and expended by the National Association and the reasons for such receipts and expenditure.
 - (iii) All sales and purchases by the National Association.
- (b) The **Management** Committee shall cause the annual financial statement, which has been duly audited by a suitably qualified person appointed by the Committee, to be prepared and presented at every Annual General Meeting of the National Association.
- (c) A copy of the annual financial statement as prepared for presentation at a General Meeting will be sent upon request to any full member of the association.
- (d) A copy of the annual financial statement audited and as accepted by the General Meeting, shall be forwarded to the International Association within 14 days of its acceptance by a General Meeting.
- (e) The Association is a non profit making organisation. All profits and surpluses will be used to maintain or improve the Associations services/facilities. No profit or surplus will be distributed other than to another non-profit making organisation or to its members on winding up or dissolution of the Association.

11. Protection of "One Design" of the Class

- (a) The Copyright Holder and licensed Builder have provided the original K6 Class Rules, which shall at all times remain the property of the Copyright Holder and Licensed builder. The National Association have adopted the K6 Class Measurement as provided by the Licensed Builder.
- (b) The National Committee may make recommendations to the Copyright holder/Licensed builder for changes to be made the Class Rules. A change to a class measurement rule will

require a majority vote at a General Meeting or a majority of returned replies in favour in a postal ballot. Non-replies will not be counted

- (c) Changes to the Class Rules as recommended by the National Committee and approved by the Class Association cannot be introduced without the explicit approval of the Copyright Holder and the Licensed Builder.
- (d) The Secretariat of the International and National Association Committees shall be informed in writing of any rule changes. Rule changes will become valid one month after posting unless otherwise prescribed.

SCHEDULE 1

Adopted Class

<u>Class</u>	<u>Designer</u>	<u>Copyright Holder</u>	<u>Licence Holder</u>
RS K6	Paul Handley	K6 Design Group	Rondar Raceboats