

**MAURITIUS SCOUTS ASSOCIATION ACT**

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**MAURITIUS SCOUTS ASSOCIATION ACT**

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the Mauritius Scouts Association Act.

**2. Interpretation**

In this Act—

“Association” means the Mauritius Scouts Association established under section 3;

“Committee” means the Executive Committee appointed under section 6;

“Council” means the Mauritius Scouts Council referred to in section 5;

“member” means a member of the Association;

“prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act.

**3. The Association**

There is established for the purposes of this Act a Mauritius Scouts Association which shall be a body corporate.

**4. Objects of Association**

The objects of the Association shall be to—

- (a) promote the welfare of the Scout movement;
- (b) develop good citizenship among boys by forming their character, training them in habits of observation, inculcating loyalty, patriotism and thoughtfulness for others;

- (c) teach boys to perform useful services to the public and to promote their physical, mental and spiritual development.

#### **5. The Council**

(1) The Association shall be administered by the Mauritius Scouts Council which shall have such functions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Council shall—

- (a) consist of such number of members;
- (b) be convened at such time and place; and
- (c) hold its meetings and proceedings in such manner,

as may be prescribed.

#### **6. The Committee**

(1) The Council shall appoint annually, in such manner as may be prescribed, an Executive Committee which shall consist of such number of members as may be prescribed.

(2) The Committee shall be responsible for the execution of the policy of the Council.

#### **7. Membership and register of members**

(1) The membership of the Association shall be—

- (a) open to all citizens without distinction as to race, creed, religion or colour;
- (b) determined in such manner,

as may be prescribed.

(2) The Council shall keep a register in which shall be entered the names of every member.

#### **8. Uniforms**

(1) Every member may wear a uniform approved by the Council.

(2) No person, other than a member, shall wear the uniform of the Association.

(3) Any person who contravenes subsection (2) shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding 100 rupees.

#### **9. Appointment of Patron**

The President may, on the invitation of the Council, become the Patron of the Association.

[S. 9 amended by Act 48 of 1991.]

**10. Donations and legacies**

Article 910 of the Code Civil Mauricien shall not apply to the Association.

**11. Exemptions**

Notwithstanding any other enactment—

- (a) the Association shall be exempt from payment of any duty, rate, charge, fee or tax;
- (b) no stamp duty or registration fee shall be payable in respect of any document under which the Association is the sole beneficiary.

**12. —**

**13. Dissolution**

(1) The Association may, on the proposal of the Council, be dissolved by a resolution of a majority of the members of the Association passed in accordance with rules made under section 14.

(2) In the event of the dissolution of the Association, all assets remaining after winding up shall be transferred to or used for a charitable institution in Mauritius designated in the resolution under subsection (1).

**14. Rules**

(1) The Council may make such rules as it thinks fit for the purposes of this Act.

(2) Notwithstanding the Interpretation and General Clauses Act, rules made under subsection (1) shall not be laid before the Assembly.

