

# **BRUNSWICK NEWCOMERS CLUB**

## **Standing Rules**

1. The Club shall not exert political influence. This includes direct or indirect participation or intervention in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for political office.
2. The Club is irrevocably dedicated to social welfare purposes for its membership. No part of the net earnings from any source shall ever inure to the benefit of any member.
3. Members are encouraged to take part in Club activities, accept leadership roles, and cooperate with officers and chairpersons by carefully following instructions for reservations, payments and cancellations, and reporting changes of street address, e-mail address and phone numbers.
4. All Membership Directories shall be clearly marked "CONFIDENTIAL" and must not be used by any Club member or officer in the promotion of any interest outside of the Club. All rights are reserved for the exclusive use of the Club.
5. Club newsletters or bulletins sent to Club members shall not contain outside advertising or printed sales material. These publications are kept strictly for the benefit of the Club membership and the business of the Club.
6. Members shall not promote their profession or business by making announcements or presentations at Club programs or activities, or by soliciting the group by mail, phone, or Club-sponsored publications. When chairpersons are planning programs other than socials, they may ask, accept or refuse offers from members who have special expertise, services, or talents appropriate for their activity and who are willing to share them with the Club without remuneration. No direct advertising or promotion is allowed. Business cards may be made available upon request.
7. All activities shall be self-sustaining unless specifically excepted by the Executive Committee. All special interest group activities must be self-sustaining and expenses paid for by contributions of the members of the group
8. Goods and services contracted for by an officer, committee chairperson, or special interest group chairperson are not the financial responsibility of the Club unless approved in advance by the Executive Committee.
9. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, membership dues may be reduced for members initially joining the Club between March 1 and June 30 of each year.
10. All new members shall receive a copy of the current "Standing Rules" when they join, and may request a copy of the current bylaws.
11. The Club is not responsible for loss or injury. Attendance at Club functions is at one's own risk.

Changes, deletions, and additions may be made to these Standing Rules by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. When such changes are made, they are to be published in the newsletter.