

BLAGSS: GENERAL RULES OF MEMBERSHIP

BLAGSS is a not for profit organisation that exists primarily to provide a contact point for gay men, lesbians, bi-sexuals and transgender people who wish to pursue particular sports with like-minded individuals. As a BLAGSS member you agree to the following statements:

1. You are over the age of 18 years.
2. You participate in BLAGSS activities entirely at your own risk.
3. BLAGSS and its voluntary organisers cannot be held responsible for any injury and resultant loss that you might sustain whilst taking part in BLAGSS activities.
4. You will consult your GP or a qualified medical practitioner about any aspects of your health that might be incompatible with taking part in BLAGSS sporting activities.
5. BLAGSS and its voluntary organisers cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to your property whilst taking part in BLAGSS activities.
6. Whilst taking part in BLAGSS activities you will not act in any way that might bring the organisation into disrepute, and will respect the privacy and sexuality of other members.
7. The event leaders and/or sport co-ordinators shall have authority to direct how and when activities are carried out, including cancelling, altering or postponing them for logistical or safety reasons.
8. That the event leaders and/or sport co-ordinators shall have authority to direct you not to take part in any event if so doing might put your safety, or the safety of others at risk.
9. In the event that you leave BLAGSS, or your membership is suspended or cancelled, or the organisation is wound up, you will not be entitled to any compensation or refund
10. BLAGSS' elected Committee (members of which work voluntarily without financial reward), can cancel your membership at their discretion without compensation; e.g. for gross mis-conduct.
11. The Committee can wind up the organisation at any time if they consider that to be necessary and appropriate

PRIVACY STATEMENT: Under the Data Protection Act BLAGSS will use your personal information included on the membership form or submitted electronically as follows:

1. Your data will be held in the BLAGSS database both in the private directory of a secure on-line server, and backed up on a personal computer belonging to a committee member. (Whilst every effort is taken to keep personal details secure, BLAGSS cannot be held responsible for any breaches of privacy of such information.)
2. Your data will never knowingly be revealed to third parties (i.e. non members) save under a court order or powers given to police.
3. Your personal information will be used exclusively for the purposes of contacting members (by post, email or telephone) with relevant information about the organisation and for helping members get together to share their sporting interests
4. Your name, email address, telephone number, post town and sports interests will be published on line and in printed format so that other members can contact you. This information will NOT be visible to the public. You may opt out of this listing, but if you do, your details will still be available to sports co-ordinators and committee members for use as in paragraph 3.
5. We may take photographs or video films at events. You may be identifiable in these. We may use these on the website or in promotional displays, adverts etc., so long as they are not indecent, defamatory, or misleading. Your name will not be included in any such publicity without your permission.

All the above statements do not replace the rules and constitution dated 13/4/1999, a copy of which is available on request