



The Scottish Beekeepers' Association (SCIO)

Registered Charity No. SC009345

Affiliated beekeeping association Membership Rules Amended AGM 2018

Note: This document contains three pages

Rules

Any local beekeeping association or community association with a beekeeping group in Scotland that wishes to join the Scottish Beekeepers Association (SCIO) (hereafter referred to as the SBA) as an affiliated beekeeping association, and receive member benefits, must comply with the following rules which supplement the provisions and terms of the SBA constitution.

The association must:

1. Apply for membership in writing to the SBA;
2. Be a formally constituted association in Scotland, and in addition *might* also be a Scottish Charitable Voluntary Organisation (SCVO) or Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) in its own right;
3. Have an aim or purpose that is in accord with the stated charitable purpose of the SBA, namely to support honeybees and beekeepers, to improve the standard of beekeeping and to promote honeybee products and supply a signed copy of its purpose to the SBA along with a copy of the minute by which it was adopted;
4. Pay annually any affiliated beekeeping association membership subscription fee to the SBA as laid down and subsequently amended under the terms of the constitution; and
5. Nominate one of its own members to represent the affiliated beekeeping association's interests within the SBA, as required by the SBA constitution.

The SBA reserves the right to decline any application, or to terminate membership, in accordance with the terms of the SBA constitution.

Terms of Membership

A local association that meets these rules and whose application has been approved by the SBA therefore becomes an affiliated beekeeping association* (ABA) of the SBA. The SBA and ABAs share the same broad aims and objective, but deliver these respectively at national and local level.

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The ABA continues to have entitlement to the benefits, rights and privileges as laid out in the left column of the table below, and is expected to contribute to the work of the SBA as indicated in the right column of the table, for so long as their membership continues.

What the SBA will provide to an ABA	What the ABA will provide to the SBA
The Scottish Beekeeper	Confirmation that they are formally constituted with a committee and office bearers
Attendance at SBA member meetings and a member vote	Confirmation of their agreement to enter into a formal relationship with the SBA
Eligibility for a member of the ABA to become a SBA trustee	Confirmation that one of their key aims or purposes is in accord with and that none of their aims or purposes conflict with those of the SBA
Advice, support and guidance on all matters relating to beekeeping including bee craft, marketing, bee health and honeybee conservation	Payment of an annual membership fee
The SBA ABA Secretaries / members' Handbook	A representative to attend SBA member meetings
Advocacy and representation at national level	Assistance in dissemination of SBA information to ABA members
Use of the Moir library	Completion of SBA surveys and requests for information
Access for ABA members to the SBA education scheme and examinations	An annual report to the SBA on their beekeeping activities
Provide public liability insurance in accordance with the current rules of the insurance and compensation scheme	Participation in providing, selecting and nominating area representatives to the SBA Board
Membership of the SBA compensation scheme for ABA-owned hives	Participation in providing, selecting and nominating recipients of appropriate SBA awards
Access for ABA members to SBA conferences and seminars	Acting as host ABAs for the lecture tour and other SBA conferences and seminars
Access for ABA members to SBA facilitated Skype sessions	Offers of speakers to other local associations and the SBA
SBA mediated speakers	Preparation and presentation of candidates for SBA examinations
Access for the ABA to the SBA lecture tour	

Access for ABA honey shows to the list of SBA honey judges	
Access for ABA members to SBA-run training workshops	
Awards by the SBA recognising the contributions of ABA members	

*The ABA should note that, although it is the local association that is granted the SBA Membership, in legal terms its nominated representative actually becomes the SBA member on behalf of their affiliated beekeeping association. The only exception to this would be if the affiliated beekeeping association was itself an Incorporated Body.

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