

The British Club

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Attended by: _____

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APPLICATION FOR ABSENT MEMBERSHIP

Name of applicant : _____

Address in Singapore : _____

Overseas address : _____
(PRINT IN BLOCK LETTERS) _____

Email address : _____

Membership Number : _____

Period of absence : From _____ To _____

Please state reason(s) for absence and **attach a copy of relevant documents to support your application (eg. employer's letter, termination of employment pass etc).**

Granting of Absent Membership status is subject to the payment of S\$350.00 (three hundred fifty Singapore dollars) plus the prevailing Goods and Services Tax for a period of 12 months or part thereof, for a minimum of 3 (three) months away from Singapore.

Cash Credit card (5% admin fee waived) Enclosed cheque number: _____

Your attention is drawn to the following stipulations

- Any Main Member who is about to be absent from Singapore must **advise the Club 30 days in advance with proof of the date of his/her departure, return all membership cards** held by the Member and family to the Club and **pay all outstanding sums due to the Club**. After meeting these requirements, his/her name will be submitted for approval. Period of absence shall be nominated in calendar month(s) for a period not less than 3 months and not exceeding one year.
- Incomplete applications shall not be processed and the effective date of Absent Membership shall commence only upon completion, on the 1st day of the succeeding month. Any outstanding dues must be paid in full before the Absent application could take effect.**
- It is the responsibility of Absent Members to keep the Club informed of their current office and/or private addresses and, where applicable to extend their absent status under Bye Law 8.10(a) with the payment of the appropriate fee **of S\$350.00 plus the prevailing Goods and Services Tax for a period of 12 months or part thereof in advance. The Club will not issue any further reminders to the Member after he/she has been sent his renewal notice by mail.**
- Absent Members must give written notice to the Secretary immediately upon returning to Singapore. **Failure to do so could result in the termination of the membership.**
- No Member on the list of absent Members nor his/her spouse or children can use the amenities or the facilities of the Club or those of reciprocal overseas Clubs.
- The Rules & Bye-Laws printed overleaf is also enforced.

I agree and accept the Policy, Club Rules & Bye-Laws.

Signature of applicant

Date of application

Approved by: _____

Date of approval: _____



CLUB RULES APPLICABLE TO ABSENT MEMBERSHIP

Rule 19

- (a) Any Voting Member who is absent or is about to be absent from Singapore may advise the Club of his absence from Singapore. On receipt of such advice and payment of all outstanding sums due to the Club and the appropriate Absent Member fee prescribed under the Bye Laws, the name of such Member shall be placed on the list of Absent Members during his absence from Singapore for a period of not exceeding one year from the date on which his name is so placed. The corresponding Minimum Spend Levy shall be waived. At the expiration of this period of absence or one year, whichever is preceding, the member shall cease to be a member of the Club unless he has resumed paying his monthly subscription and Minimum Spend Levy, or the Main Committee has approved his continuing to be an Absent Member and providing that the Member renews his absent status within 60 days before its expiration upon the terms and conditions as the Main Committee deems expedient.
- (b) Every such Absent Member shall give written notice to the Secretary immediately on his return to Singapore.
- (c) The Absent Member must at all times update the Club of his current contact details.
- (d) An Absent Member who fails either to reactivate his membership by resuming payment of subscriptions and levies immediately upon expiration of his absent status, or renew his absent status within 60 days before its expiration will risk expulsion at the discretion of the Main Committee.
- (e) No monthly subscription is payable for any complete month where the Club approves an absence of not more than two calendar months; in the case of a Corporate Membership, this shall only be applicable to the Nominee where a Nominee is appointed.
- (f) Where a subscribing Member requests to be placed on the list of Absent Members for a total period of not less than 3 calendar months in any period of 12 consecutive calendar months an Absent Member fee as prescribed in the Bye Laws is payable in advance upon placing the name of the Member on such list of Absent members. No monthly dues are payable during each complete month the member is on the list of Absent members.
- (g) In the event the Absent Member reinstates the membership after a period of less than 3 months' absence, the Member shall pay the difference between the monthly subscription due for the 3 months and the Absent Membership fee paid.
- (h) Nominees of Corporate Memberships can be placed on the Absent Members list under the same provisions and conditions stipulated in the Rules herein. However after a maximum of one year Absent status, the monthly Club dues will have to be resumed or the Company must nominate a new Nominee.
- (i) Absent Members are not permitted to use the facilities of overseas clubs that have reciprocal arrangements with the Club.
- (j) Members who are already on Absent status before these rules came into force on 1 April 2012 (as approved at AGM on 29 November 2011) shall enjoy status quo and will not be subjected to the new fees and terms – provided always these Absent Members remain Absent. Once they return to Singapore and reactive their Club membership, the current rules shall apply to them without exception.

Rule 43

- a) All Members shall keep the Secretary informed of their office and private addresses and of all changes thereof.

CLUB BYE-LAWS APPLICABLE TO ABSENT MEMBERSHIP

8.10 Absent Members Fee

- (a) Should a member wish to apply for absent status or extend his absence, on an annual basis without resuming subscriptions, a notice should be provided for under Rule 19(a) and (d) in which case the Absent Member Fee shall be \$350 plus the prevailing Goods and Services Tax per year or part thereof payable in advance at the time when due notice is given.
- (b) Members may apply for Absent status only once in each calendar year.