

RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE NIJMEGEN STUDENT SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL ASSOCIATION RADBOUD RANGERS

These Rules of Procedure were established at the General Members' Meeting of the Radboud Rangers on July 8, 2024. This document is translated from the 'Huishoudelijk Reglement der NSSHV Radboud Rangers', which is the official document regarding phrasing and interpretation thereof.

General Provisions

Article 1

1. The provisions included in these regulations apply to all members and, where applicable, to the benefactors of the association. Additionally, these provisions apply to anyone who uses the facilities provided by the association.
2. The provisions in these regulations originate from the statutes. Where these (apparently) conflict with the latter, the relevant provision in these internal regulations must be revised and the provision from the statutes will apply.
3. In cases where the regulations, statutes, or the law do not provide, the executive board decides.

Membership and Contribution

Article 2

Members must renew their membership annually by paying the annual contribution at the beginning of each association year. In case of non-compliance with this obligation, article 7 of the statutes may be applied.

Article 2a

1. A non-playing member is a member who only pays for possible participation in activities. This member does not participate in training and competitions.
2. A playing member is a member who is only authorized to participate in the training organized by the Radboud Rangers at the Radboud Sports Center (RSC). This member is also authorized to participate in the activities organized by the association.
3. A competition member is authorized to participate in the training organized by the Radboud Rangers at the Radboud Sports Center, the competition training organized at the Hazenkamp, and the activities organized by the association.
4. A benefactor is a member of the association who cannot be considered a student or graduated more than 3 years ago.

Article 3

By joining the association as a member, one endorses the statutes and all other rules that apply within the association. Members are expected to be aware of the contents of the statutes and other rules.

Article 4

1. All contributions are levied annually by the treasurer of the Radboud Rangers. This person ensures further distribution within the association.
2. A non-playing member pays €45 in contribution to the Radboud Rangers.
3. The contribution for a playing membership is €90.
4. Benefactors pay a contribution of €90.
5. Competition members pay a contribution of €90.
6. In addition to the set contribution for playing members, competition members and benefactors who play competitions pay an additional amount for association fees. This amount is determined annually by the KNBSB.
7. Playing members must possess a sports card. If they choose not to purchase a sports card, €35 must be paid to the Radboud Rangers.
8. Playing members and benefactors can earn back €50 by performing 8 work action hours.
9. Non-playing members can earn back €25 by performing 4 work action hours.

Article 4a

1. In the first month of each calendar year, each member must indicate which membership they wish to have.
2. If no response is given to paragraph 1, the board assumes the last membership with which the member was registered with the association.
3. Two weeks before the first competition match, each competition member must have paid their association fees to be registered as a competition member with the association.
4. After paying the association fees, as described in paragraph 3, the association fees can no longer be refunded or membership changed.
5. A competition member has until two weeks before the first competition match to change their membership. If the member is too late, they owe the incurred association fees, regardless of the number of matches the member plays.
6. Up to two weeks after the first competition match, a playing/competition member can change their membership to a non-playing member, taking into account the previous paragraph. If the member is too late, they owe the membership and any association fees as budgeted in Article 4 and Article 4a paragraph 3.
7. If a non-playing member wishes to change their membership to a playing membership, this is possible at any time. However, the additional €45 must be paid, regardless of when the membership is changed.
8. In the event of a change of membership as referred to in the previous paragraph, €25 of the later paid €45 can still be earned back through work actions.
9. A competition or recreational member can be designated as a non-playing member by the association. The contribution will not be refunded.

Article 4b

1. A full baseball or softball team consists of 15 or more players. If a team is full and there are members interested in becoming competition members, they may be partially or future competition members with board approval.
2. A partial competition member is a competition member who only participates in matches when there are 11 or fewer full competition members available. The team will be

supplemented up to a maximum of 12 players. If more partial competition members are available, there will be rotation among these members.

3. The association does not guarantee playing time for a partial competition member during the season.
4. A partial competition member is not required to purchase competition clothing.
5. A future competition member is a playing member with the ambition to start as a competition member next season. This member does not play matches and does not pay association fees, but a deposit of €15. The member is allowed to participate in competition training.
6. The previous paragraph only applies when no more than 20 members participate in the competition training.
7. The membership of a partial and future competition member is converted into a full competition member in the first month of the calendar year, as described in Article 4a. They lose the title of partial or future competition member.

Article 5

Membership is continuous and ends by written cancellation, by the member themselves, to the secretary.

Meetings

Article 6

Members are authorized to make proposals at the general meeting. The general meeting decides by majority vote on the proposal.

Article 7

1. The chairman, secretary, and treasurer, and any other board members, are installed in their functions after approval of the policy plan created by the board to be installed.
2. The current board nominates persons it considers suitable for the board and who are willing to do so, in such a way that there is only one candidate for each function within the board.
3. The board sends the nominations in writing to each member at least seven days before the meeting.

Article 8

1. However, each member has the right to nominate themselves as a counter-candidate by sending a written notice to the secretary at least five working days before the meeting, containing a willingness to fulfill a specified indicated function within the board.
2. If counter-candidates are registered with the board, a vote is held on these persons at the meeting, in accordance with the provisions in the statutes on this matter.
3. If there are no counter-candidates, the candidates nominated by the board are appointed as board members by acclamation.

Article 9

1. At the General Members' Meeting where the candidate board is approved, the board must present a budget and policy plan to the members.

2. The board is responsible for setting the agenda, arranging a location for the meeting, presiding over the meeting, and taking minutes. It ensures that all components for a General Members' Meeting are available seven days in advance.
3. If either the budget or the policy plan or both, as referred to in Article 9 paragraph 1, are not found to be sufficient by the General Meeting of Members, the (candidate) board must produce a new copy of the document found to be insufficient, taking into account the criticism submitted by the General Meeting of Members. This renewed document must be resubmitted to the next General Meeting of Members.

The Board

Article 10

1. The board always prioritizes the interests of the association's members.
2. The board is responsible for:
 - a. Managing the association's funds;
 - b. Adhering to the statutes and internal regulations and implementing decisions made by the board itself or by the meeting;
 - c. Maintaining the administration.

Article 11

The board can independently enter into legal transactions that pertain to a period of up to one year. For legal transactions that pertain to a longer period, approval must be requested from the general meeting.

Article 12

The board is accountable to the general meeting in all cases. For this, reference is made to the relevant provisions in the association's statutes.

The chairman

Article 13

The chairman leads and oversees the overall affairs of the association. The chairman is the official spokesperson of the association and leads all meetings and gatherings.

The secretary

Article 14

1. The secretary maintains the association's administration insofar as it is not assigned to others.
2. The secretary is particularly responsible for:
 - a. Taking minutes of board meetings and the general meeting;
 - b. Conducting the association's correspondence;
 - c. Maintaining the members' register.

The treasurer

Article 15

1. The treasurer manages the association's funds.
2. The treasurer ensures the timely collection of contributions and other income, as well as the payment of amounts owed by the association.
3. The treasurer accurately records the association's income and expenses.
4. Expenditures made without prior approval of the treasurer are not reimbursed unless the board decides otherwise.

Trainings

Article 16

Training sessions take place at the Radboud Sports Center (RSC) and at the Staddijk at HSV Hazenkamp.

Article 17

1. All members are entitled to at least one training opportunity per week, except for members to whom Article 18 paragraph 1 applies.
2. Competition members have at least one extra training session per week..

Article 18

1. For training at the RSC sports cards are mandatory. Members without a sports card lose their right to training at the RSC and are also subject to a sanction as mentioned in art. 4 section 6.
2. Training on Staddijk is only available for competition members.

Competitions

Article 19

All members are expected to adhere to the training schedules and be on time. If not, they need to inform the coach or trainer on time.

Article 20

Baseball team members must umpire at least one softball team game, with a minimum of two umpires present per game.

Article 21

1. Softball team members must perform at least one bar shift during the baseball team's home games on the HSV Hazenkamp field.
2. In the event that the softball team has a game at the same time as the baseball team has a home game, a replacement for the bar shift will be sought by the game teams in collaboration with the board.

Article 22

1. Competition members must wear a Radboud Rangers outfit during a competition match. Competition members are expected to purchase these themselves.
2. An exception to paragraph 1 are the shirts of the softball team, which members can borrow from the association (while supplies last)

Advisory Committee

Article 23

The Advisory Committee ensures compliance with the statutes and all regulations.

Article 24

1. The Advisory Committee is free to provide solicited and unsolicited advice to the board at any time.
2. Every member has the right to request advice from the Advisory Committee.

Article 25

1. The opinion of the Advisory Committee as referred to in Article 18 can be binding through a decision of the board or the General Members Meeting.
2. A decision as referred to in the first paragraph can also be made prior to the opinion of the Advisory Committee.

Other committees

Article 26

The board may appoint one or more committees to assist the board in the performance of its duties and/or to engage in the preparation and organization of special activities.

Social safety

Article 27

1. All members must adhere to the regulations regarding social safety that are applied within the association, as described in 'Code of Conduct Nijmegen Student Sports Council - Radboud Rangers'.
2. The board is authorized to impose sanctions on members who do not adhere to the prescribed rules of conduct. Each case will be treated individually. An appropriate sanction with an appropriate period of time will be imposed on the member.
3. If the confidential contact person is involved in the case, the board is free to ask for their advice on the matter. This advice is not binding, but can be taken into account.
4. Sanctions include receiving a warning, being removed from an activity, suspension or expulsion.
5. The board may also impose any other, striking sanction if it deems it necessary.

Final Provision

Article 28

This household regulation can be modified or supplemented at any time by a decision of the General Assembly.

