

PROCEDURE FOR DISTRICT DEAF CRICKET ASSOCIATIONS ELECTIONS

1. The Election Commissioner PDCA shall conduct elections of the following officer bearers of the District Deaf Cricket Associations as per the schedule issued by the Election Commissioner PDCA: -
 - a. President
 - b. Secretary
 - c. Treasurer
2. The Candidates desirous of participating in the elections may collect Nomination forms available at PDCA's Head Office, located at House No. 66, E-1, Model town Lahore and/or from respective office(s) of District Deaf Cricket Association(s) pursuant to the election schedule issued by the Election Commissioner PDCA, shall be announced by the concerned District Deaf Cricket Association and notice issued through press publication in any Urdu newspaper with wide nationwide circulation.
3. The nomination form attached as **Annex "A"** shall be filed with Election Commissioner PDCA at Lahore by or before the stipulated date as mentioned in the election schedule along with the requisite fee of PKR. 10,000.00 (or as may be determined by the PDCA from time to time) for each candidature/post. A candidate may file the nomination papers for the post of President, Secretary and/or Treasurer; however, he shall be allowed to contest for a single post only. In case, where a candidate has filed nomination papers for multiple posts, except for one post, he shall be required to withdraw the nomination papers for other post/posts, by stipulated date mentioned in the election schedule. In case of failure to do so, all nomination papers shall stand rejected.
4. Any objection(s) regarding the eligibility of the candidates contesting the elections should be filed before the Election Commissioner PDCA within the timeline stipulated in the election schedule. Only the objections filed by a voter will be considered.
5. The duly filed nomination forms will be scrutinized and objections (if any) against the candidates will be heard by the Election Commissioner PDCA as per the election schedule. Thereafter, a provisional list of eligible candidates will be announced by the Election Commissioner PDCA in accordance with the election schedule.

6. The names of Presidents of the Active clubs with voting rights (i.e. the Electoral College), shall not be changed after the issuance of the Election Schedule. However, in the event of death of a voter, if, at least seven (07) days prior to the polling date, the voters list may be changed/updated provided that due process has been adopted and the vacancy has been filled in accordance with the prescribed regulations and club constitution. In case the vacancy is not filled prior to the polling date, the polling shall be held as scheduled.
7. A table will be laid out with 03 Ballot Boxes marked for the President, Secretary and Treasurer in Green, Yellow and White colors respectively, along with the Ballot Papers in the same color for each post.
8. Each voter, i.e. the President of an Active Club, will be given three Ballot Papers, one for each post.
9. The Polling shall commence and close at the time stipulated in the election schedule. Once the polling time is over, no voter shall be allowed to poll vote and counting of votes shall begin immediately.
10. No voter is allowed to poll through proxy or postal ballot. Each voter will represent one club and cast only one vote for each post. Each voter will be required to bring original valid CNIC/NICOP/POC to establish his identity.
11. In case, two or more candidates obtain equal valid votes, re-polling for such post will be held on the same election day. If after the re-polling, the result remains the same, then the winner will be decided through drawing of lots. But if after re-polling two candidates again obtain equal votes then both of them will hold office for a half-term each. Both candidates will mutually decide as to who will hold office for the initial and succeeding halves. In case of any disagreement between the candidates, spin of coin will decide as to who shall hold the office for the first half term.
12. Polling and counting shall be carried out in the presence of candidates or their duly appointed agents.
13. The Election Commissioner will issue notification/s of the returned candidate/s.

ELECTION REGULATIONS FOR DISTRICT DEAF CRICKET ASSOCIATIONS

1. The tenure of the supra referred Office Bearers shall be three years, unless otherwise removed in accordance with the applicable rules. Provided that a person may only be elected for three consecutive tenures, and thereafter shall not be eligible to contest or hold any office (President, Secretary and/or Treasurer) until a lapse of at least three (03) years or one full term of office bearers. Provided further that the tenures of Office Bearers of the District Deaf Cricket Association shall be calculated from the date the office bearers were notified by the Election Commissioner PDCA under the Constitution.
2. The Election schedule may be announced four (04) weeks prior to expiry of tenure of the elected office bearers, subject to finalization of the voters list. If a newly elected body could not be formed (for any reason whatsoever) within four (04) weeks after the expiry of the tenure of the office bearers, President PDCA may appoint a Provisional Committee for the management of day to day affairs of the District Deaf Cricket Association. Such Provisional Committee shall be initially appointed for a period of 30 days extendable at President PDCA's discretion.
3. A vote of "no confidence" against any Office Bearer shall not be initiated unless 18 months from the date of notification of Office Bearers. In case of failure of a "no confidence" motion, the same shall not be re-initiated prior to the expiry of 12 months of the first motion.
4. An elected Office Bearer shall only be removed through a "no confidence" motion by adopting the following procedure:
 - i. A resolution shall only be moved if signed by at least 50% of the Electoral College of District Deaf Cricket Association.
 - ii. Detailed reasons for seeking removal of the elected office bearer shall be given in the resolution.
 - iii. A seven days' notice along with a copy of the resolution to this effect shall be served upon the Officer Bearer against whom such resolution has been moved.
 - iv. A resolution to the said effect shall be passed by 3/4th of Electoral College (Presidents of Active cricket clubs) of the concerned District Deaf Cricket Association.

- v. A special meeting shall be held for voting on the “no confidence” motion; the meeting shall be witnessed by a representative nominated by the Election Commissioner PDCA.
 - vi. Minutes of the special meeting along with attendance marked with CNIC shall be recorded and copy of the proceedings shall be submitted to the Election Commissioner PDCA.
 - vii. The seat falling vacant as a result of “no confidence” motion shall be filled for the remaining tenure through election within 30 days.
5. An office bearer of the District Deaf Cricket Association, if elected for a post of the Pakistan Deaf Cricket Association shall not be entitled to hold both positions and shall vacate one post within seven (07) days of elections.
 6. Polling for Elections of District Deaf Cricket Association may be held either at the office of the concerned Association or at PDCA office at Lahore or at any neutral venue.
 7. Two months prior to the expiry of three years tenure, the President of District Deaf Cricket Association shall provide a list of Presidents of Active clubs to the Election Commissioner PDCA. If any club has changed its president in accordance with the procedure laid down in club constitution, then the serving President shall provide documentary evidence of such proceedings, which would be verified from the record of PDCA. After due verification, the name of the new President will be incorporated in the voters list accordingly. In case of any dispute regarding the Club President, the Election Commissioner PDCA, after hearing the parties concerned, shall decide the matter accordingly.
 8. Upon issuance of election schedule of District Deaf Cricket Association, the resignation of any voter of the concerned Association shall only come into effect after the elections.
 9. The Election Commissioner PDCA shall have discretion to postpone the elections in one of the following circumstances:-
 - a. Death of a candidate;
 - b. Non-availability of Election Commissioner PDCA due to circumstances beyond his control, on the said date;

- c. Under unavoidable circumstances due to *force majeure*, for example riots, natural calamities, law and order situation, violent protest on such dates. In case of any injunctive order against the election issued by a court of competent jurisdiction, the person seeking shall be under obligation to provide a certified copy of such order to the Election Commissioner;
10. Any deaf person wishing to contest elections of District Deaf Cricket Association shall fulfill the following qualification criteria:-
 - a. Is a Pakistani citizen;
 - b. Is resident of the same District, except in case of Lahore, Karachi and Islamabad, where such person must be residing within the territorial limits of the same city.
 - c. Should be a member of Active club, declared as such by the Scrutiny Committee;
 - d. holds a minimum academic qualification equivalent to intermediate from an institution recognized by the concerned educational board;
 - e. has not been convicted by court of competent jurisdiction for an offence involving moral turpitude or awarded sentence exceeding one year;
 - f. Is not a Defaulter;
 - g. In case a defaulter candidate clears his dues prior to the filing of nomination papers, he shall be eligible to contest elections;
 - h. Is not an incumbent office bearer of any political party, elected representative, Minister, Senator, MNA, MPA, MLA, Nazim, Naib Nazim, Councilor, neither a person who has contested general and/or local body elections in the last five years nor draws financial or material support from any political, Religious, Ethnic or Sectarian party/ies.
 - i. Is not a Government, public or a civil servant. In case it comes to the knowledge of Election Commissioner PDCA that office bearer was Government Servant/public servant/civil servant etc. at the time of his filing of nomination papers and he concealed this fact or he has joined above service later on, he shall stand disqualified from contesting election, or de-notified immediately, as the case may be;

- j. has not been the chairman nor member of the Provisional/Management Committee of Cricket Association two working days after the issuance of election schedule;
- k. Match Officials (Referees, Umpires & Scorers) shall not be eligible to contest elections for any post while undertaking any assignment on behalf of PDCA and/or while being under the employment of PDCA;
- l. No person shall contest election for any office of District Deaf Cricket Association if he has been found guilty of failing to handover accounts/record etc. to the new office bearers/Provisional/Management Committee at any time in the past. In such an eventuality, he shall produce a NOC from the new office bearers/management/provisional committee before his nomination form is accepted;
- m. If any office bearer is removed through vote of no-confidence in the same or immediately preceding term, he shall be barred from contesting the subsequent election;
- n. If a person during his tenure as an office-bearer failed to organize at least two tournaments in every calendar year as prescribed under the Constitution, then such person shall not be eligible to participate in the subsequent elections.
- o. If a person is found to have submitted false declaration or given wrong information in a nomination form, he shall not be eligible to contest election for three years.

Provided always that the above qualifications shall apply throughout the elected tenure also and if it is proved that any of the above qualifications has been violated, the elected office bearer shall be immediately de-notified.

- 11. No office bearer of District Deaf Cricket Association shall be permitted to play in domestic cricket tournaments except club cricket.
- 12. If an Office-Bearer fails to submit the Undertaking within 3 business days after issuance of Notification by the competent authority, the said Office-Bearer shall be de-notified accordingly.
- 13. Any eventuality or situation not contemplated or covered by these Regulations shall be referred to the Election Commissioner PDCA, whose decision thereon shall be final.

ELECTIONS- DISTRICT DEAF CRICKET ASSOCIATION
(Nomination Form)

1. Name: _____ Father's Name: _____

2. Date of Birth: _____ District: _____

3. Postal Address: _____

4. E-mail address: _____

5. Affiliation with club:-

a) Club Name: _____ b) Active/Inactive: _____

c) Playing Member **(YES/NO)**: _____ d) Office Bearer **(YES/NO)**: _____

6. Tel Nos: Mobile _____ Residence _____ Fax _____

7. Post for which papers are being filed _____

8. Attach following:

- a. 3 x passport size photographs
- b. Copy of CNIC
- c. Bank Draft Rs. 10,000/- in the name of Pakistan Deaf Cricket Association **(non-refundable)**
- d. Attested Copies of Matriculation & Intermediate certificates
- e. Documentary proof of club membership as per item no. 5 above.

9. Certified that I am not holding any office with any political/sectarian party since _____

10. Present employment: _____ 11. Qualification: _____

I do solemnly declare that the above stated facts are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: _____

Signature of Candidate

Proposer Name: _____

Club Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature _____

(Proposer should be a voter of the concerned/relevant District Deaf Cricket Association. Copy of CNIC to be attached).

Secunder Name: _____

Club Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature _____

(Secunder should be a voter of the concerned/relevant District Deaf Cricket Association. Copy of CNIC to be attached)

Incomplete form shall not be accepted