



NORTH WEST BOJANALA CHESS

BPU MEMBER CLUB AFFILIATION GUIDELINES

1. North West Bojanala Chess believes that community chess is the backbone of sustainable chess development. For this reason, we value club chess and require that all our players belong to a chess club.
2. As part of our commitment to grow the number of chess club players within our region, it is important that we support chess clubs by, for example, advertising them on our social media platforms. At the same time, we need to ensure that any club affiliated with BPU (Bojanala Platina Union) Chess, shares -and represents - our vision for chess.
3. It follows that clubs' affiliation with BPU Chess helps to standardise our principles and values as a chess community.
4. BPU Chess sees a club in its simplest form as a number of people who come together *for the purpose of playing chess*, whether informally or otherwise.
5. Though no chess club is the same, there are certain indicators – which BPU wish to see – that confirms whether a club is just a club. These are:

A. Club Constitution

6. A club must have a Constitution or any other founding document that outlines why the club exists and by whom and how decisions are made.
7. The Constitution or founding document should have been tabled and accepted at a founding elective Annual General Meeting of the chess club.
8. For a sample of a Chess Club Constitution, click the following [link](#) and download one from our website.

B. Executive Committee

9. The Chess Club Constitution are upheld by its ordinary members and enforced by the Club Executive Committee.
10. The Club executive Committee normally consists of a President, Deputy President, General Secretary and any other co-opted members, who have been elected.
11. The Club Executive Committee details form part of club credentials forwarded to BPU Chess.

C. Club Bank Account

12. A club bank account must be opened in the name of the chess club.
13. The Club's founding document will be sufficient for any bank, to approve a bank account.
14. Banking Details form part of club credentials forwarded to BPU Chess.



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D. Club Membership

15. Membership includes youth and adult players.
16. Members usually reside in the vicinity of the Club Playing Venue.
17. Youth players generally attend schools in the vicinity of the Club Playing Venue, which is within the BPU Chess Region.

E. Regional Affiliation

18. It is important that the founding document shows its affiliation – whether intended or confirmed – to BPU Chess.
19. Further to this, the Playing Venue or Registered Address of the club, should be within the Bojanala District Municipal Region.

To register your club with Bojanala Chess, please ensure that you have all the required information ready and just follow the [registration link](#)

For any assistance, contact Lincohn September at 083 375 4203