



Assent.
Edward Denham

Governor.

10th July, 1933.

BRITISH GUIANA.

ORDINANCE NO. 17 OF 1933.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Clubs Registration Ordinance, Chapter 269, with respect to the Registration of Clubs. A. D. 1933.

BE it enacted by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Clubs Registration Ordinance, 1933, and shall be construed with the Clubs Registration Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance) and any amending Ordinance. Short Title.
Cap. 269.

Additional rules with reference to an application for a certificate. No. 45 of 1929.

2. In addition to the provisions of the Principal Ordinance as amended by the Registration of Clubs Ordinance, 1929, the following rules shall apply to an application for the grant or renewal of a certificate of a club :—

(1) The secretary of a club desiring the grant or renewal of a certificate shall, together with the application, lodge with the registrar a bond duly executed by two persons (who shall have been first approved by the Colonial Treasurer) conditioned for the payment by them jointly and severally to the Colonial Treasurer of the sum of five hundred dollars in the event of the certificate being cancelled by the court under section eleven of the Principal Ordinance in respect of a ground specified in paragraphs (e), (f), (g), (h), (j) or (k) of section seven or by reason of a conviction under section ten of the Principal Ordinance.

(2)—(a) The Secretary of a club desiring a renewal of the certificate of the club shall, together with the application for renewal, lodge with the registrar the last balance sheet of the club on which there shall be endorsed by an auditor a certificate that he has examined the vouchers and accounts of the club and that the balance sheet contains a true and correct statement of the financial position of the club.

(b) In this sub-section the expression "auditor" means any person who is an auditor as described in sub-section (8) of section one hundred and nine of the Companies (Consolidation) Ordinance, but shall not include a person who is an officer of the club.

(c) Any auditor who knowingly gives a false certificate shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars.

Cap. 178.

Amendment of sec. 5 (5) of Cap. 269. Duration of certificates.

3.—(1) Section five of the Principal Ordinance as amended by section three of the Registration of Clubs Ordinance, 1929, is amended by substituting the following for sub-section (5) :—

"(5) Every certificate issued under this Ordinance shall take effect on the first day of January in each year and, shall, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance, remain in force until the thirty-first day of December in that year."

(2) Every certificate which may be issued during the year nineteen hundred and thirty-three shall, unless previously cancelled, remain in force until the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and thirty-three.

Amendment
of sec. 6 of
Cap. 269.
Club rules
qualifying
for registra-
tion.

4. Section six of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(1) by substituting the following for paragraph (a) :—

“(a) the business and affairs of the club shall be under the management of a committee or governing body consisting of members of the club elected for not less than a year by the general body of members, and subject, in whole or in a specified proportion, to annual re-election, and that no member of the committee or governing body, and no member of or servant employed in the club, shall have any personal interest in the sale, or in the profits arising from the sale of excisable liquors therein ;”

(2) by substituting the following for paragraph (g) :—

“(g) a member may introduce as a visitor, not more than twice in any month any person resident in the Colony and eligible for election to the club, and, not more than three times in any month any person resident in the Colony and not eligible for election, and for a period not exceeding one month without the payment of subscription any person who has not resided in the Colony for more than three months ; but no person who has ceased to be a member of the club whose subscription was then in arrear shall be introduced as a visitor.”

(3) by inserting the following as paragraph (h) :—

“(h) a member who introduces a visitor to a club shall, immediately on the admission of the visitor to the club premises, enter his own name and the name and address of the visitor and the date of each visit in a book which shall be kept for the purpose, and a visitor shall not before such entry aforesaid be supplied with excisable liquor on the club premises and thereafter only on the invitation and in the company of a member.”

(4) by renumbering paragraphs (h) to (j) as (i) to (k).

5.—(1) The committee or governing body of every club shall cause to be kept—

(a) a stock book in which there shall be entered the quantities of each kind of excisable liquors purchased for the use of the club and the dates when purchased, the names and addresses of the persons from whom purchased, and the dates of delivery at the club premises, and

(b) a sale book in which there shall be entered the quantity of each kind of excisable liquor supplied in the club in each calendar month.

(2) If, in any club, a stock book or a sale book is not kept or any entry is not made therein, as required by sub-section (1), every

Committee
to keep
stock book
and sale
book.

member of the committee or governing body and the secretary shall each be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding twenty-four dollars.

(3) If any member of the committee or governing body or the secretary shall wilfully make or concur in making any false entry in, or omit or alter, or concur in omitting or altering any material particular from or in the stock book or sale book, he shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars or to imprisonment with or without hard labour not exceeding six months.

Powers of inspection by police.

6.—(1) Any officer of the police force of or above the rank of sub-inspector shall, for the purpose of inspecting the premises and books of the club and of enquiring into the conduct of the club, have the right of entry into a club premises at all times when the club is open.

(2) If any person wilfully delays or obstructs any officer aforesaid in the exercise of his powers under this section he shall be guilty of an offence and be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of not less than twenty-five dollars and not exceeding fifty dollars for the first offence, and for a second or subsequent offence to a penalty of not less than fifty dollars and not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Amendments to Sec. 7 of Cap. 269.

7. Section seven of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by renumbering the section as “7 (1);”

(b) by substituting the following for paragraph (i):—

“(i) that the club occupies premises in respect of which, within twelve months next preceding the formation of the club, a licence for a spirit shop has been forfeited or the renewal of a certificate for a licence for a hotel or a spirit shop has been refused under the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing Ordinance, or in respect of which an order has been made that they shall not be used for the purposes of any club.”

Cap. 107.

(c) by the addition of the following as sub-section (2):—

“(2) For the purpose of determining whether a club is conducted in good faith as a club the court shall have regard to the nature of the premises occupied by the club.”

Exemption of certain Clubs from obligation to lodge bond under sec. 2 (1).

8. The provisions of sub-section (1) of section two of this Ordinance requiring a bond to be lodged with the application for the grant or renewal of a certificate shall not apply to any club named in the Schedule hereto or declared to be added thereto by order of the Governor published in the *Gazette*.

Amendments of sec.

9.—(1) Sub-section (2) of section five of the Principal Ordinance as enacted by section three of the Registration of Clubs Ordinance

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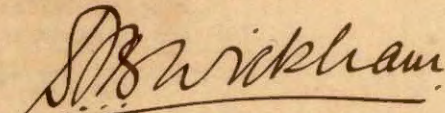
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1929, is amended by deleting in the first and second lines the words "resident in the district in which the club premises are situate." tions 5, 11 and 13 of Cap. 269.

(2) Sub-section (1) of section eleven of the Principal Ordinance is amended by substituting the words "any person" for the words "any one competent to lodge objections to the grant or renewal of a certificate of registration," in the second and third lines.

(3) Sub-section (4) of section thirteen of the Principal Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Passed by the Legislative Council this 27th day of June, 1933.


Clerk of the Council (Acting)

M.P. 1918/33).

Section 8.

SCHEDULE.

1. The Georgetown Cricket Club.
2. The British Guiana Cricket Club.
3. The Demerara Cricket Club.
4. The East Indian Cricket Club.
5. The Malteenoes Sports Club.
6. The Georgetown Football Club.
7. The Demerara Rowing Club.
8. The Portuguese Club.
9. The Georgetown Golf Club.
10. The Demerara Golf Club.

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