



## **TCI Rules**

**Inauguration on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2013  
During Club 41 International Half Year Meeting  
At Örenas Castle, Sweden**

### **Motto**

Let Friendship Continue

### **Aims and objectives**

- To promote and strengthen international friendships established through Ladies Circle International.
- To promote, encourage and support new international friendships between Tangent Clubs worldwide.
- To assist LCI wherever and whenever called upon.
- To work side-by-side with Club 41 International.
- To be non-political and non-sectarian.

**TCI Rules to be negotiated and finalised before the charter of TCI  
TCI to be chartered on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2014 in Korsør, Denmark**



## §1. Constitution

- a. The name of the Association shall be Tangent Club International (TCI).
- b. The motto of the Association shall be "Let Friendship Continue".
- c. The purpose of the Association shall be to strengthen the friendships that were established in Ladies Circle International (LCI), to make new friendships, to help LCI when requested and to work side by side with Club 41 International (41INT).
- d. The constituent members of the Association shall be the founder member National Tangent Associations of Denmark, Great Britain, Norway and Sweden together with all other Tangent member countries affiliated to the Association in accordance with Rules 4.
- e. The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the TCI Board and the TCI Council. The TCI Council shall have the power to perform all duties vested in the Association unless contravening any other rules.
- f. The Association may decide to associate with other organisations having similar aims and constitutions. Such a decision shall be made at the TCI Annual General Meeting (TCI AGM) at which at least 75% of the vote must be in favour.
- g. A decision to wind up or suspend the affairs of the Association can only be made at a TCI AGM with at least 75% of the TCI Council vote being in favour of winding up or suspending TCI.
- h. The official working language of TCI is English.
- i. The TCI year runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July to the 30<sup>th</sup> of June the following year.
- j. The TCI Financial year runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> of April to the 31<sup>st</sup> of March the following year.
- k. The association is open to members of any National Tangent Association.

## §2. Definitions

- a. TCI: Tangent Club International.
- b. The TCI Board: The administrative body consisting of National IROs of the Full Member Countries.
- c. The TCI Officers: The members of the TCI Board.
- d. The TCI Councillors: The representative of the Full Member Countries entitled to vote at the TCI AGM, usually the Immediate Past National President or the National President.
- e. The TCI Council: The members of the TCI Board and the TCI Councillors.
- f. AGM: Annual General Meeting, the highest authority of the Association.
- g. LCI: Ladies Circle International.
- h. 41INT: Club 41 International.
- i. LCI ISP: Ladies Circle International Service Project.

## §3. Aims and objectives

- a. To promote and strengthen international friendships established through Ladies Circle International.
- b. To promote, encourage and support new international friendships between Tangent Clubs worldwide.
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- d. To work side-by-side with Club 41 International.
- e. To be non-political and non-sectarian.



## §4. Rules governing membership

- a. Full membership:
  - i. Any National Tangent Association with a National Board may apply for full membership of TCI.
  - ii. An affiliation fee must be paid. The affiliation fees as at October 2013 to be EUR 120,-.
  - iii. Any application for full membership must be voted on, with a 75% majority at the TCI AGM following any application.
- b. Associate membership:
  - i. Any National Tangent Association may apply for associate membership of TCI.
  - ii. An affiliation fee must be paid. The affiliation fee at October 2013 to be EUR 40,-.
  - iii. Any application for associate membership must be voted on, with a 75% majority at the TCI AGM following any application.
- c. Termination of membership:
  - i. If a full member country does not attend TCI Board Meetings, take part in the TCI AGM or in the TCI HYM for two consecutive years, their membership will be terminated.
  - ii. If an associate member country does not attend the TCI AGM or TCI HYM for three consecutive years, their membership will be terminated.

## §5. TCI Board

- a. The TCI Board consist of the Tangent National IRO of all Full Member Countries.
- b. The TCI Board members shall consist of :
  - i. Chairman, goes in turn of Full Member Countries from October 2013:
    1. Denmark 2013-2015
    2. Sweden 2015-2017
    3. Norway 2017-2019
    4. GB 2019-2021
    5. The continuation to be decided before the term end of 2017
  - ii. Treasurer, to be decided before 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 2014 amongst the TCI Board members.
  - iii. Secretary, to be decided before 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 2014 amongst the TCI Board members.
  - iv. Editor and WEB master, to be decided before 3<sup>rd</sup> of May 2014 amongst the TCI Board members.

## §6. TCI Council

- a. The TCI Council consists of the TCI Board and the Tangent Immediate Past National President or Tangent National President of any Full member Country.

## §7. Rules governing AGM, HYM, Council and Board Meetings

- a. The TCI AGM must be held once a year with the presence of the TCI Council.
- b. The TCI AGM where possible is to be held in conjunction with Club 41 International Conference, or otherwise in conjunction with the TCI Chairman's National AGM.
- c. The TCI HYM must be held once a year with the presence of the TCI Board.



- d. The TCI HYM where possible is to be held in conjunction with Club 41 International HYM, or in conjunction with the TCI Chairman's National HYM.
- e. TCI Board meetings must be held at least 3 times a year with the presence of the TCI Board:
  - i. Once a year in conjunction with TCI AGM.
  - ii. Once a year in conjunction with TCI HYM.
  - iii. Once a year on Skype or similar type.

**§8. Rules governing finance**

- a. Affiliation fee: see §4.
- b. Capitation fee: As at October 2013 the capitation fee are EUR 0,0 – as the National Tangent Association must support their member of the TCI Board and their TCI Councillor.
- c. Upon wind up or suspension of the affairs of the Association any surplus funds, after all TCI officers and member countries are refunded any expenses, must be given to the current LCI Service Project (LCI ISP).

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**Tangent Denmark  
National President**

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**Tangent Denmark  
National IRO**

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**Tangent Norway  
National President**

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**Tangent Norway  
National IRO**

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**Tangent Sweden  
National President**

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**Tangent Sweden  
National IRO**

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**Tangent Great Britain  
National President**

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**Tangent Great Britain  
National IRO**

Subject to the approval of the TCI rules of NATC GB&I to a formal resolution to become a Founder member of TCI to be put at the Tangent GB&I National AGM April 2014.