

## St. Abban's A.C. Rules for WhatsApp Group Policy

1. This is a St. Abban's A.C group. It has been set up by James Nolan, who will act as administrator. They are not "moderators".
2. This group is intended as a convenient way to distribute information to members quickly and efficiently and for members to communicate easily with each other on matters pertaining to St Abban's A.C.
3. Such a group is set up in a spirit of informal communication amongst a group of persons sharing the same common interest. In keeping with that spirit, it is not the intention that there ought to be an overly legalistic attitude towards its operation. However, the following guidelines should be adhered to:
  - a. The group is not to be used to discuss non-club related issues.
  - b. The group should not be used to express personal opinions or post private messages.
  - c. Any opinions expressed are the opinions of individual members. Group administrators are not responsible for any comments posted by individual members of the group.
  - d. It is not necessary to respond to every post unless it is requested e.g. RSVP. When a busy user gets too many notifications, there is the chance that they will turn off the notifications, which undermines the efficiency of the facility.
  - e. If your message is not relevant to the majority of group members, please message the person directly rather than the entire group.
  - f. Inappropriate posts include using inappropriate language, insulting messages, voicing grievances with St. Abban's A.C or with individual members of the group shall not be tolerated.
  - g. No comments should be made regarding colleagues, management, the Board, policies or events.
  - h. In the event that there is a breach of any of the guidelines, the group administrator reserves the right to remove the transgressor from the group.
  - i. By participating in this WhatsApp Group, you agree to these group guidelines.
  - j. Participation is not obligatory and if you join, you have the option of leaving. We would hope that all participants can see the usefulness of the group and will co-operative accordingly.
  - k. Messages intended for members within the group should not be shared outside the group.
4. Respect everyone's privacy – being part of this group requires mutual trust.
5. Please Use the group platform in the spirit it was set up in.