



IQELA LENTSANGO The Dagga Party of South Africa

- **Organising your Constituency Association**

(Appendix 2 of the Constitution of the IQELA LENTSANGO: Dagga Party of South Africa)

Who?"

When the critical mass of Dagga Party of South Africa members in your area reaches **5** you are able to organize into a Constituency Association. (CA.) You will then have constituency association status at conferences of the Dagga Party of South Africa

"Why?"

For 3 reasons.

1. To directly influence the implementation of Dagga Party policies by using the Dagga Party political platform or forum to promote them.
2. To link up with other supporters of the Dagga Party in your area, and to work together with them at a local level for the political and social changes that you seek.
3. To raise money for your constituency association. Your CA must use these funds as outlined in the election finances act and to further the goals of the Dagga Party of South Africa. For further information contact the Chief Financial Officer of the Dagga party of South Africa.

"How?"

1. As a member you can contact the Membership secretary of the DAGGA PARTY and ask for the names of members in your area.
2. As a member you can prepare a resolution to the AGM or APC to instruct the secretary of the party to instruct the Election finance commission to grant you CA status (where applicable).
3. Prepare a constitution of your local group. Appendix 3 is an outline you can use to help you prepare your constitution.
4. Your CA will require a President, a Financial officer and at least 3 additional members.



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Sample Constitution for Constituent Associations

(Appendix 3 of the Constitution of IQELA LENTSANGO : The Dagga Party of South Africa.)

A group is encouraged to write its own Constitution.

This is a guide and changes are to be expected.

Refer to the Constitution of the Dagga Party of South Africa for details on Constituency Associations of the Dagga Party.



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Constitution **of the**

[_____]

Constituency Association

[_____]

is a constituency association of

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and operates in accordance with the Constitution of the same.

Objectives

The [_____]

Daggas are part of the South African Cannabis Culture which seeks to promote the protection and preservation of the natural world, gender equality, social justice, non-violence, participatory "grassroots" democracy, spirituality, Constitutional acceptance of the Dagga Cultural minority and the decriminalisation of Dagga. (See *Values of the Dagga Party of South Africa* and definitions.)



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To this end , the

[_____]

Daggas Shall:

Support and elect candidates for the Dagga Party in elections where candidates run to promote the policies of the Dagga Party of South Africa work in projects that popularise and put into practice the policies of the Dagga Party of South Africa..

In pursuing these goals the Daggas of

[_____]

shall promote the principles upheld by the Constitution of the Dagga Party of South Africa and shall strive to develop the abilities of all members to fulfil functions reserved for leaders in traditional hierarchical organisations. This includes striving for gender parity and fair representation by age and ethnicity in relation to the composition of the membership.

Membership Criteria

Membership is open to any person who agrees with this constitution who is not a member of any other political party. Annual membership fees are to be set by the general membership.

Membership can be revoked by a general membership meeting for non-compliance with this constitution.

Members holding voting membership in other Dagga Party constituency associations may not vote except in the case of an issue arising with direct bearing on a project in which the member concerned is participating where this project is not a joint project in the home constituency association.

Functionaries and Committees

Functionaries and Committees will be mandated by and responsible to the general meetings.

Decision Making Process

Decision will be made by general membership meetings with the following exemptions:

- A committee or functionary mandated by the general membership meeting may make decisions where specifically mandated to do so.
- In matters requiring immediate attention, a telephone poll of members conducted by a mandated functionary may substitute for a general meeting.
- The normal decision making process at meetings will be by consensus. Refer to the Constitution of IQELA LENTSANGO: The Dagga Party of South Africa for definition and procedures.
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Signed on this _____ day of _____ in the year _____

PRESIDENT			
Name	Address	ID number	Signature
FINANCIAL OFFICER			
Name	Address	ID number	Signature
MEMBERS			
Name	Address	ID number	Signature
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MEMBERSHIP LIST
of

Constituency Association

A Constituent Association of IQELA LENTSANGO: The Dagga Party of South Africa

Name	Address	ID number	
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