

KAUST Community Club Ministry of Discjockeys (MoDJs)

Preliminary Club Charter

April 2023

The purpose of this club charter is to have the club structure and some important regulations officially announced.

Statement of Purpose: The MoDJs club's primary objective is to enlighten the KAUST Community by providing a platform for club members to have access to DJ equipment for practicing and learning from each other's skills and techniques to grow as a DJ.

Another major part of the club's mission is playing DJ-mixed music at public events. We also work together with other musicians or stage performers at KAUST.

The Vision: As the community club grows, we would like to be recognized in the Kingdom as an engaged DJ team to support events.

Goals

- Ensure equipment and space are available for members to practice.
- Contribute to various KAUST-organized events to increase the vibe.
- For club members, we will provide instructional courses on DJ techniques, like song transitions, scratching, and moderation. Also, the DJ music and lightning technology part is a learning offer.

Officers / Roles

President: Ralph Timmermeester

Treasurer: Ralph Timmermeester, until a new treasurer is found

Marketing & Communication: TBD

Terms and Conditions

Equipment: The DJ equipment is partially owned and provided by the club president, and he has the ultimate decision authority. All requests for using the equipment shall go to him and the treasurer for financial discussions.

The aim is to hand over the DJ equipment step-by-step to the DJ club by returning the financial efforts back to the owner in order to have the club own the equipment.

All event requests which are coming to a club member shall be **evaluated and approved by the club president and treasurer**. Preferred are charged events, as they pay back the club efforts.

The club is a **non-profit organization**. No club member can benefit financially. All incomings are flowing back to the club accounts. Exemptions are reimbursements of club members expenses.

Exemptions for non-charged events are possible, but first, an internal discussion and approval process has to be done. All financial aspects shall be communicated to the requester by the treasurer and president only.

Exemptions can be Club-owned events, like Sounds of Summer. A party where all DJs are invited to join. Charity events. Or the event requester provides back value, like a crowd of people, or a service (example: an event stage whenever needed).

The equipment shall be only used for club-approved events. Club members shall take care of the equipment as it would be their own possession. Any damage must be reported to the club president.

Renting equipment is generally not possible unless the club president agrees. The requester can only ask for full DJ service.

Meeting Schedule

One yearly meeting has to be done for officers' election and updating decisions, like the T&Cs. Furthermore, the president can call out for more meetings during the year, if required.

DJ gathering is every Thursday from 7 pm to midnight in ECC3, music room.

Quorum

Decisions will be made democratically, meaning the majority of voters have to agree. The voters are only active members, who want to vote. One specialty is the DJ equipment. As it is currently owned by the president, he has the final word on equipment-based decisions.

This Charter must be read and agreed on by a minimum of 80% of active members.

Club Member

An active club member is a DJ, who actively participates in club efforts. This can be by supporting the club events and efforts by organizing, transporting, installing, repairing, improving, etc. Playing as a DJ at an event also counts but shall not be the one and only action. This is the fun part and letting others do the hard work is unfair. A DJ, who only plays and does not support other club activities is seen as an inactive club member. He is welcome to participate in every event, but he will not have the full benefit of being an active club member.

Benefits of active club members

- An easier access to the equipment
- Voting right / Contribution right to club decisions
- Priority in the DJ lineup
- Usage of the DJ club room for own events
- Invitation to club-organized dinners or excursions (Tomorrowland, DJ exhibitions, etc.)
- Access to online DJ training courses
- Active DJs are included in the promotion on diverse platforms like Instagram, websites, etc. to increase their popularity.

Activity examples

- Promotion effort: Making flyers and videos, creating/updating the club websites, and bringing in new gigs.
- Repairing and cleaning equipment
- Transportation effort
- Equipment installation & de-installation
- Moderation
- Light jockey (on an event, but also programming new scenes)
- Backstage support during an event. Buffer in-between the crowd and the playing DJ.
- Shopping Tour
- Training of other DJs