

THE  
FABIAN COMMON ROOM,

25 TOTHILL STREET, WESTMINSTER.

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THE Fabian Common Room places at the disposal of the members, associates and subscribers of the Fabian Society the advantages and conveniences of an inexpensive Club. Two pleasant rooms, comfortably furnished, on the second floor of the Fabian Office, at 25 Tothill Street, Westminster, are at present open on week-days from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Saturdays to 6 p.m.). Socialist and other newspapers and journals, both home and foreign, are taken in, and a considerable library is available for reading and borrowing. There is smoking accommodation, and provision for chess and other games. Tea, coffee, etc., are served at moderate prices.

The Common Room involves an expenditure of from £150 to £200 a year ; it is therefore necessary to make it a matter of separate membership (open to Fabian members, associates and subscribers) and separate subscription. The minimum subscription is 10s. a year ; or for country members (*i.e.*, those living more than twenty miles from London, and having neither employment nor place of business nor residence within that radius from the Fabian Office), 7s. 6d. For new members, associates and subscribers of the Fabian Society who join the Common Room within a month after their admission to the Society, the minimum subscription is 7s. 6d. for town members and 5s. for country members.

To the Secretary of the Fabian Common Room,  
25 Tothill Street, Westminster.

Please enrol me as a \*<sup>TOWN</sup>COUNTRY member of the Fabian Common Room.

I enclose subscription of £.....

Name.....

Address.....

Date..... 191

\* Strike out one of these. For description of Town and Country Membership see Rule II.

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## RULES.

### I

Membership of the Fabian Common Room is limited to members, associates, and subscribers of the Fabian Society, Fabian Groups and Local Societies, who make application to be admitted, and pay an annual subscription to the Common Room Funds, and to such non-Fabians as may be elected honorary members.

### II

The minimum annual subscription for members who joined before February 9th, 1915, shall be: for town members 7s. 6d., and for country members 5s. After February 9th, 1915, the minimum annual subscription shall be: for town members 10s., and for country members 7s. 6d., except that new members, associates, and subscribers of the Fabian Society may join the Common Room within a month after their admission to the Society at a minimum subscription of 7s. 6d. for town members, and 5s. for country members. The Common Room Committee shall decide on the admission of candidates as town or country members respectively. A person shall be considered to be a country member who resides at least twenty miles from London and has no employment, place of business, or residence within that radius from the Fabian Office. The annual subscription shall date from January 1st in each year, but members, associates, and subscribers of the Society shall, if applying for membership of the Common Room on or after June 1st in any year, pay half the annual subscription for the current year, and in subsequent years the full amount.

### III

The Fabian Common Room shall be administered by a Committee of twelve members elected at the Annual Meeting of members, and the Committee shall appoint a Chairman and the necessary officers.

### IV

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Fabian Common Room shall be held in February.

V

The Common Room Committee shall have power, subject to its proposal being confirmed by the Executive Committee of the Fabian Society, to require any member to resign forthwith his or her membership of the Common Room when he or she shall cease to be a member.

VI

Members of the Fabian Common Room may introduce visitors (other than persons under the age of sixteen), whose names must be entered in the Visitors' Book.

VII

The Fabian Common Room shall, except when otherwise directed by the Committee, be open on week days from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., with the exception of Saturdays, when the closing hour shall be 6 p.m.

VIII

Smoking is not permitted in the smaller room.

IX

Any member may borrow books from the library in the Fabian Common Room, but must enter his or her name, together with title of book, on the slip provided for the purpose.

X

No alteration or addition to the Rules of the Fabian Common Room shall be made except at a meeting of members, and after notice published in FABIAN NEWS or otherwise not less than seven days before such meeting. No alteration or addition shall be made at any meeting other than the Annual Meeting, except by a vote of more than three fourths of the members present. Any alterations or additions to the Rules will not become effective until they have been confirmed by the Executive Committee of the Fabian Society.

XI

The Executive Committee of the Fabian Society shall have the right to arrange for the use of the Fabian Common Room on not more than twenty-four days per annum for meetings open to all members of the Society.