CONSTITUTION OF THE IRISH MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

as amended by the Ordinary Meeting held on 21 December 1984

- 1. The Irish Mathematical Society shall consist of Ordinary and Honorary Members.
- 2. Any person may apply to the Treasurer for membership by paying one year's membership fee. His admission to membership must then be confirmed by the Committee of the Society. Candidates for honorary membership may be nominated by the Committee only, following a proposal of at least three members of the Society. Nominations for honorary membership must be made at one Ordinary Meeting of the Society and voted upon at the next, a simple majority of the members present being necessary for election.
- 3. Every Ordinary member shall pay subscription to the funds of the Society at the times and of the amounts specified in the Rules.
- 4. The Office-Bearers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer. The Office of President or Vice-President may be held in conjunction with any of the other offices.
- 5. The Committee shall consist of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and eight additional members. No person shall serve as an additional member for more than three terms consecutively.
- 6. There shall normally be at least two Ordinary Meetings in a session.

- 7. Notice of a motion to repeal or alter part of the Constitution shall be given at one Ordinary Meeting. Written notice of one month shall be given to all members before the next Ordinary Meeting at which the motion shall be voted upon, being carried if it receives the consent of two-thirds of the members present.
- 8. One month's written notice of a motion to repeal or alter a Rule, or to enact a new Rule, shall be given to all members before the Meeting at which it is to be voted upon, the motion being carried if it receives the consent of a simple majority of the members present.
- 9. All questions not otherwise provided for in the Constitution and Rules shall be decided by a simple majority of members present at a Meeting. Eleven Ordinary members shall form a quorum for such business.

RULES

as amended by the Ordinary Meeting held on 16 April 1992

These rules shall be subject to the over-riding authority of the Constitution.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- Every Ordinary Member shall pay, on election to membership and during January in each succeeding session, an annual subscription to be determined by the Committee. A change in the annual subscription shall be ratified by a Meeting of the Society.
- 2. Ordinary Members whose subscriptions are more than eighteen months in arrears shall be deemed to have resigned from the Society.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

- 3. The election of the Office-Bearers and the additional members of the Committee shall take place at the last Ordinary Meeting of each session.
- 4. The term of office of the Office-Bearers and the Committee shall be two sessions starting on the first day of January that follows the Ordinary Meeting at which they were elected. The President and the Vice-President may not continue in office for more than two consecutive terms.
- 5. On alternate years elections for the following positions will take place:
 - (a) President, Vice-President, and half of the additional members of the Committee.
 - (b) Secretary, Treasurer, and one half of the additional members of the Committee.
- 6. Each session shall commence on the 1st day of January and last until the following 31st day of December.
- 7. The Committee shall meet a least twice during each session, the President to be convener. Five shall form a quorum.
- 8. The Secretary shall keep minutes of the Meetings of the Society and of the Committee and shall issue notice of meetings to members resident in Ireland.
- 9. A Financial Statement for each session shall be written by the Treasurer holding office in that session, shall be duly audited by two persons appointed by the Committee, and shall be submitted to the First Ordinary Meeting that follows that session.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO MEMBERS USING BANK STANDING ORDERS

If you use a bank standing order to pay your subscription fee to the Society then you should contact your bank and make sure that

- (i) the current subscription fee of IR£10.00 is being paid,
- (ii) payment is made annually and not monthly,
- (iii) payment is made into the correct bank account,
- (iv) any previous order in favour of the Society has been cancelled.

The Society changed its bank early in 1990. The account into which subscription fees should be paid is

The Irish Mathematical Society Bank of Ireland U.C.D. Branch, Belfield Dublin 4

The account number is 17063243; the bank code number is either 90-13-86 or 90-13-51.

Several members are still using a bank standing order completed before the Society changed both its subscription fee and its bank. Not only are these members now at least one subscription fee in arrears but their subscription fees are being paid, in the first instance, into a bank account that has been closed for over two years.

Some banks have made mistakes when processing a current standing order. I cannot correct these mistakes myself since I cannot, of course, give instructions about someone else's bank account. Any member who discovers such a mistake in processing his standing