

# Constitution of the Michigan Alpine Competition Council

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## Article 1. Name

The name of this non-profit corporation is the Michigan Alpine Competition Council (MACC), hereinafter referred to as the Corporation or the MACC.

## Article 2. Purpose

### Section 1. Primary Purposes

The primary purposes of the Corporation are: to increase the awareness of competitive ski racing activities and/or competitions; to sponsor, promote, and organize ski racing competitions; to establish and promote relationships of its membership, to promote a healthy lifestyle for the membership; to provide information, education and technical assistance for the membership; and to secure funding through contributions, grants, fund-raising, and membership dues.

### Section 2. Nonprofit Status

The Corporation, including all activities incident to its purposes, shall at all times be conducted as an organization described in §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision in these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or by a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan in accordance with the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982.

### Section 3. Benefits to Officers

No part of the assets or net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its officers, directors, members, or other persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in these articles.

## **Section 4. Influencing Legislation**

The Corporation will not attempt to influence legislation as part of its activities.

## **Section 5. Dissolution**

Upon dissolution, the assets of the Corporation shall be conveyed to another nonprofit corporation engaged in similar activities.

# **Article 3. Membership**

## **Section 1. Individual Membership**

Membership in the MACC and its racing program shall be open to any person with an interest in amateur alpine racing, who is of age 18 or older, pays the annual membership fees, signs a waiver and release of liability form, and is willing to perform volunteer work in running the races.

Junior membership in the MACC and its racing program shall be open to any person with an interest in amateur alpine racing, who is 14-17 years of age, pays the annual membership fees, has a parent or guardian sign a waiver and release of liability form, and is willing to perform volunteer work in running the races.

Members shall be removed from the program only for failure to pay registration fees, or to observe the MACC racing rules, or for good cause. Removal for good cause shall be determined by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board.

## **Section 2. Teams and Clubs**

MACC members are organized in teams, associated with ski clubs or other groups of adult amateur racers. New teams are admitted to the MACC by making a request to the Board of Directors and receiving a majority vote for acceptance. Teams can withdraw from the MACC by giving notice to the Board of Directors.

# **Article 4. Government**

## **Section 1. The Board of Directors**

The government and general management of the MACC shall be vested in the Board of Directors, hereinafter referred to as the Board. The Board is composed of officers and one or more representatives from each racing team.

## **Section 2. Voting Members of the Board of Directors**

The number of voting representatives for each team is determined by the level of participation of that team in the previous racing season, according to criteria defined in the MACC By-Laws. Representatives from racing teams that did not meet required participation levels the previous year should attend the Board meetings, but cannot vote.

## **Section 3. Officers**

The primary officers of the Corporation shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Other officer positions needed to run the MACC effectively are defined in the MACC By-Laws. An officer does not vote unless he or she is also serving as a voting racer

representative for one of the MACC racing teams.

#### **Section 4. President**

The MACC President is to be elected yearly by a majority vote of the Board. Nominations will occur prior to the election. The election is to be held at the first Board meeting following the last race of the season. Nominees must have a minimum of two years experience with the Board as race representatives or officers.

The President appoints persons to fill vacant positions of the other officers and directors. Each appointment made by the President is subject to the approval of the Board.

The President shall not vote except to break ties. The president can never vote in the role of a racer representative for a team.

#### **Section 5. Board Meetings**

Regular meetings of the Board shall be held when designated by the President. During the race season, meetings should be held when possible on the Monday preceding each race weekend. If approved by a vote of the Board, electronic meeting via a conference phone call or Internet technology is acceptable.

#### **Section 6. Quorum**

A majority of the eligible voting Board members shall be in attendance of the meeting in order to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### **Section 7. Procedure**

In the absence of any provision to the contrary, all meetings of the Board shall be governed by the parliamentary rules and usage contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

### **Article 5. Amendments**

Proposed changes to this Constitution or its By-Laws can be initiated by a Board officer or voting Board member. Changes shall be presented in writing to the Board, as they would appear in the Constitution or By-Laws if approved. The proposed changes must be submitted to the President at least one week before the next Board meeting. The proposed change must be approved by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total voting membership of the Board. Any approved amendments become effective immediately.