

PART 1.0**CONSTITUTION****1.1 NAME**

- 1.1.1 The name of this organization shall be the "Michigan United Soccer League" (MUSL), and it shall be incorporated as a non-profit organization under the Laws of the State of Michigan, and the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The resident agent shall be the Administrator.
- 1.1.2 The address of this organization shall be its offices at 4921 Leafdale Blvd, Royal Oak, MI 48073.

1.2 PURPOSE

- 1.2.1 The purpose of this league shall be the promotion, development, education and administration of the game of amateur soccer among adult and youth players.

1.3 AFFILIATION

- 1.3.1 This League shall be affiliated with the Michigan Soccer Association (MSA) subject to review and renewal at each Annual General Membership Meeting (AGM).

1.4 GOVERNANCE

- 1.4.1 This League shall be governed by its Constitution, By-laws and Rules and Regulations, except where these are superseded by the MSA and/or the US Adult Soccer Association (USASA).
- 1.4.2 The governing authority of this League shall be vested in a Board of Directors whose powers shall be enumerated in the Bylaws.
- 1.4.3 The Executive Committee of this League shall consist of (1) a President, (2) a Vice President, (3) a Secretary, (4) a Treasurer, and (5) a Registrar.
- 1.4.4 The Board of this League shall consist of the five (5) members of the Executive Committee and one Director for Roster & Statistics (6), one Director responsible for Disciplinary Matters (7), one Director for Competitions (8), one Director in charge of the Schedule (9), two (2) Directors at Large (10 & 11), and a League Administrator (12).

1.5 MEMBERSHIP

- .1 Membership in this league shall be open to any player or team without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin and as further defined in the Bylaws.
- .2 Requests for new team membership must be received by the Secretary by January 31 of the seasonal year, accompanied by an annual Team Affiliation Fee and a Performance Bond. The Performance Bond shall be held in escrow and shall not be returnable until the team has completed a full season of competition (see Fees & Fines in Appendix A). Membership will be granted to any team only after the above conditions are met and the Board has given its approval.
- 1.5.3 The Board shall not recommend a new team for membership until it has satisfied itself that the team can show that it has a home field available, has an acceptable disciplinary record, and demonstrated financial responsibility.

- 1.5.4 All teams registered with the MUSL must comply with its Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations. Receipt by the League Administrator of a team's annual registration form, signed by the official team representative, shall constitute agreement of such team to this rule. Any breach of the agreement may result in dismissal from the League. The Board reserves the right to deny membership to any team or player in order to preserve the common good of the League.

1.6 MEETINGS

- 1.6.1 The League shall hold meetings as provided in the Bylaws.

1.7 DISSOLUTION

- a) If this Michigan United Soccer League intends to, or by law is compelled, to dissolve or terminate its existence, it shall immediately inform the Michigan Soccer Association.
- b) The Michigan Soccer Association shall have the right to appoint a caretaker Commission to attempt to resolve the difficulties of the league and to provide for its continued existence.
- c) If the continued existence of the league cannot be achieved, all of the taxes and secured creditors shall be paid off with the available funds of the league to the extent possible, and the remaining assets of the league, if any shall, be equally distributed among the members in good standing.

1.8 AMENDMENTS

- 1.8.1 Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any regular MUSL Membership Meeting. The amendments must be in writing and received by the League Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. A two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Membership present is required for adoption.
- 1.8.2 Amendments from the floor will be considered only at the Annual General Membership Meeting and require a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the Members present for adoption