

NEW YORK STATE SKI RACING ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS –as of 5/1/06

ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS AND PURPOSE

Section 1.

The New York State Ski Racing Association (NYSSRA) is an association of the individuals formed exclusively for educational and charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as now in force or afterwards amended. Any provision of these By-Laws that may be or may become in conflict with the laws of the State of New York Shall be deemed to be amended or modified to the minimum extent necessary to eliminate such conflict without affecting the validity or force of any other provision hereof.

Section 2.

The object of the Association is to promote, develop and oversee the sport of ski racing in the State of New York for the benefit of the residents of the State and of the participants, without regard to color, age, sex or creed.

Section 3.

The New York State Ski Racing Association is the official governing body for competition in the State of New York, for USSA Ski and Snowboard Assn and its subdivisions.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

The members of the Association are those individuals who meet all eligibility requirements and are in good standing for the current membership years.

Section 2.

Any resident of New York is eligible for membership. In addition, individuals not residing in New York are eligible providing (i) residency elsewhere is temporary; or (ii) such persons are members of a ski club based in New York State. A person under suspension at the time of application shall be deemed ineligible.

Section 3.

Any member may be suspended for cause by the 2/3 vote of the NYSSRA Review Committee, upon written notice mailed at least thirty days (30) days prior to the next following meeting of the Assembly. Such suspension may be appealed to the Assembly in writing not more than twenty (20) days after receipt of such suspension notice and appeal shall be acted upon at the next Assembly meeting.

ARTICLE III – ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES

Section 1.

The Assembly of Delegates shall consist of the officers of the Association and the chairpersons of standing committees, who shall be considered delegates-at-large, and those members who attend the Spring Meeting or Fall Meeting or Special Meeting of the Assembly.

Section 2.

Every member in good standing may attend the Assembly of Delegates and every member who attends is eligible to serve as a delegate. Only delegates are entitled to vote. With the permission of the Assembly, such persons may be heard.

Section 3.

The assembly of Delegates shall be the governing authority of the Association.

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES

Section 1.

There shall be an annual Spring Meeting of the Assembly of Delegates at such place and hour as may be designated by the President.

The agenda of the spring Meeting shall include, but not be limited to;

- a) The President's report on Association activities,
- b) The Treasurer's report on the Association financial state,
- c) The presentation and approval of a budget for the ensuing fiscal year to follow,
- d) Adoption of fees and dues,
- e) Election of Association Officers.

Section 2.

Special meetings of the Assembly may be convened by the Executive Committee.

Section 3.

Any member in good standing has the right to attend any such meeting of the Assembly.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

Section 1.

The Officers of the Association shall be the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2.

The Officers shall serve a term of two years beginning at the conclusion of the Spring Meeting, or at such time a successor is elected. The term of the office of the Treasurer shall coincide with the fiscal year.

Section 3

An Officer must be a member in good standing of the association.

Section 4

In the event an Officer is unable to serve a full term, the Executive Committee shall fill the vacancy for the balance of the term.

Section 5

The duties of the President shall include, but not be limited to;

- a) Presiding at meetings of the Assembly and of the Executive Committee,
- b) Determining the time and place of such meetings,
- c) Serving as chief executive officer in the planning, coordination, and supervision of all Association activities and affairs,
- d) Serving as chairperson of the Executive Committee.

Section 6

The duties of the First Vice President shall include, but not be limited to:

- a) Serving on the Executive Committee,
- b) Substituting for the President as circumstances may require,
- c) Assuming Association responsibilities that the President may delegate.

Section 7

The duties of the Second Vice President shall include, but not be limited to:

- a) Serving on the Executive Committee,
- b) Substituting for the President or First Vice President as circumstances may require,
- c) Assuming association responsibilities that the President may delegate.

Section 8

The duties of the Secretary shall include, but not be limited to;

- a) Serving on the Executive Committee,
- b) Keeping association records, including the minutes of meetings of the Executive Committee and the Assembly,
- c) Causing these By-Laws and the minutes of Assembly meetings to be published and made available, upon request, to any member of the Association,
- d) Providing written notice of all meetings of the Assembly, published ten days in advance to all members.

Section 9

The duties of the Treasurer shall include:

- a) Serving on the Executive Committee,
- b) Maintaining financial records of the Association, or with appropriate supervision, delegating said maintenance of the association's financial records to a paid independent contractor,
- c) Collecting membership dues and fees and processing membership data,
- d) Preparing financial reports and budgets.

Section 10

The officers shall appoint members in good standing to serve as chairpersons of standing committees, other than the Executive Committee. The officers have the authority to dismiss and replace such chairpersons. Such action shall require a 2/3 vote. The tenure of chairpersons shall automatically terminate at the conclusion of the term of office of the officers.

ARTICLE VI –EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers, chairpersons of the standing committees, and other members of the Association that are appointed to serve as non-voting members for a limited term by the Officers.

Section 2.

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the activities of the Association that are approved by the Assembly and for the management of the affairs of the Association. The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Assembly providing such circumstances demand such action and the Assembly is not in session. Any such action shall be subject to ratification at the next Assembly meeting.

ARTICLE VII – FINANCES

Section 1.

The fiscal year shall be July 1 to June 30 of each year.

Section 2.

The financial records of the Association shall be audited by an ad hoc committee of the Assembly or by an independent agency at the end of each fiscal year.

Section 3

The Association may not incur a non-budgeted expense in excess of \$10,000 without approval of the Assembly.

ARTICLE VIII – RULES

The competition rules of the Association shall be those of the international and national governing bodies of the sport and the rules established by the Association and published in the NYSSRA Competition Manual each year.

ARTICLE IX – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

All meetings of the Association shall be conducted in accord with Roberts Rules of Order, revised.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may be repealed or amended by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Delegates present at any meeting of the Assembly, provided that at least ten (10) days before such meeting a notice of the meeting and a copy of the proposed amendment or repeal is published.