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ARTICLE I: NAME AND OBJECTIVE

Section A.

1. The name of this organization shall be “North Mason Youth Soccer Club”, herein referred to as the Club or NMYSC.
2. This club shall be affiliated with the Northwest Sound Youth Soccer Association (NSYSA), State of Washington, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

SECTION B

The club is and shall be nonprofit, nonsectarian and nonpartisan.

SECTION C

The purpose for which NMYSC is organized is as following:

1. To support and develop amateur athletes for national, state, and local soccer competition exclusively through charitable activities.
2. To foster the physical, mental, and emotional growth and development of its members through the sport of soccer at ages u5 though u19, by:
 - a. Encouraging the recreational values of soccer,
 - b. Enabling players to develop their playing skills in the game of soccer
 - c. Teaching the rules and strategies of soccer
 - d. Instilling the ideas of good sportsmanship
 - e. Developing teaching and leadership skill in coaches

ARTICLE II: CLUB COLORS

Section A.

North Mason Youth Soccer Club’s Primary colors are Red, White and Blue.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership of North Mason Youth Soccer Club shall consist of all parents or legal guardians of players, The Clubs Board of Director’s, Team Coaches and Team Sponsors.
2. A “Member in good standing” is defined by this Club as member who:
 - a. Is not currently under any Washington Youth Soccer suspension from all soccer activities
 - b. Is not in financial arrears to this club, their team or any other US Soccer affiliates
 - c. Has a current “Cleared” Risk Management status according to Washington Youth Soccer, if required to have such a clearance for their position (i.e. Officer, Committee Member, Team Staff Members, etc).

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3. Members shall re-registrar annually to continue their membership. Those who do not re-registrar annually will be dropped from the Club's membership role.

ARTICLE IV: ADMINISTRATION

Section A.

1. This Club shall be governed by its Constitution, Bylaws, Policies and Procedures, all Associations, District, and State governing documents.
2. The business of the Club will be carried out by the Executive Board of this Club. The Executive Board are the voting members of North Mason Youth Soccer Club Board.

Section B.

1. The Executive Board will consist of the following:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. Registrar
6. VP of Competition
7. NSYSA Representative
8. Equipment Manager
9. Director of Fields
10. Director of Fundraising
11. Director of Referee's

2. The elected officers shall be elected from within the members of the Club and shall be elected at the Clubs Annual General Meeting, for a term of (2) Years.

A. The following positions shall be elected on even years with the term starting on March 1st of that year.

1. President
2. Director of Referees
3. Director of Fundraising
4. Secretary
5. NSYSA Representative

B. The following positions shall be elected on odd years with the term starting on March 1st of that year.

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1. Vice President
2. Treasurer
3. Equipment Manager
4. Director of Fields
5. Registrar
6. VP of Competition

3. Should any current Officer be elected or appointed to another Club office prior to fulfilling their 2 year term, or the office becomes vacant for any reason, the office vacated will be filled in accordance with NMYSC Bylaw Article II Section 6.

4. If, in the opinion of the Executive Board, an Elected Officer or an Appointed Board member is found to be neglecting his/her duties as outlined by the Constitution or Bylaws, The Executive Board Members shall be empowered to remove that said Officer or Appointee from their position. Removal shall require 2/3. vote of the executive board present at which a quorum exists.

5. If any business shall directly affect any Executive Board Member (s), they shall remove themselves during the voting resulting from the proceedings.

6. The Executive Board shall be responsible for and have the sole authority for the following:

A. To make changes or revisions to the Policies and Procedures; and for specific cases or occasions not provided for in the NMYSC Bylaws and NSYSA Operating Procedures, but which are deemed necessary by the Executive Board to carry out the objectives of the Club. Such changes requires majority vote of the Executive Board that exists at meeting.

B. Revise and maintain club policies for registration and any other policies deemed necessary by the Executive Board to carry out an objective of the Board present at meeting.

C. Approval of all affiliated memberships

SECTION C:

OFFICER ELECTION PROCESS

1. Any member of the Club, who is in good standing, may be nominated for any office by any member of the Club. Written consent shall be required for any nominee not present at the meeting.

A. Nominees are made at the Executive Board meeting prior to the Annual General Meeting.

B. Nominees may also be by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

2. Any duly elected Officer shall be eligible for re-election or nomination to another office.

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3. Election shall require a majority vote of qualified Club Members present at the Annual General Meeting, who are of 18 years or older and have attended at least 1 executive meeting during 12 month period.

SECTION D:

Board of Directors will consist of the Executive Board and duly appointed board positions.

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. The purpose of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) is for the election of officers, consideration of amendments to this Constitution, and proposed resolutions.
2. Shall be Held in February of each Calendar Year..
3. The Annual General Meeting is open to the membership. However, should member wish to speak to the board on any particular matter, they should first contact the Clubs Secretary within 2 weeks of the Annual General Meeting to be placed on meeting agenda.
4. For a member to have a vote at AGM, he/or she must attend at least 1 executive board meeting within 12 month period.

SECTION B: EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

1. The purpose of the Executive Meetings shall be to conduct the Club's business. The meetings are to be held within 14 days of the NSYSA meeting each month.
2. The monthly Board Executive meetings are open to the membership. However, should any club member wish to speak to the board on any particulars matter, they should contact the Clubs Secretary 3 days prior to the meeting.

SECTION A:

1. Any member in good standing may submit a proposed amendment or resolution. Proposed amendments and proposed resolutions must be submitted in writing to Clubs Secretary prior to October 1st.
2. The Club Secretary shall present the proposed amendment at the October Executive Board Meeting minutes under new business.
3. At the following Executive Board meeting, the Order of new business will be discussing following the approval of the previous Executive Board Meeting minutes. Debate shall be limited to 30 minutes.

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4. To be approved, the proposed amendment must pass by 2/3 vote of the Executive Board Members present at meeting.

SECTION B:

Once the Amendment is approved by the Executive Board, it will need to be posted to the Clubs website minimum of 20 days prior to AGM.

SECTION C:

For final approval, the amendment or resolution must pass by a 2/3 vote of Clubs members in good standing at the AGM, who is of 18 years of age or older and have attended at least 1 executive meeting during 12 month period.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION A:

North Mason Youth Soccer Club shall strive for openness, impartiality, and equality and therefore resolves that:

1. Any member in good standing may submit a proposed amendment or resolution.
2. Any member in good standing, at any Executive Board Meeting, may submit items of business or concerns for action by the Board.
3. Each team shall receive equal benefit of Club facilities, equipment and services.
4. No Club team, without notification and approval of the Executive Board, shall seek or obtain materials, goods, services, or financial means.
5. North Mason Youth Soccer specifically disclaims financial responsibility for, and shall not assume nor be held liable for the debts or the financial obligations, either expressed or implied, of any affiliated team, or of any coach, manager, officers or officials unless approved in writing by the Executive Board.