**Men’s Ultimate Disc Club Constitution**

**Article I: Name and Purpose**

***Name:*** *Ohio State Men’s Ultimate Disc Club*

***Section 2: Purpose/Mission***

The purpose of the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club is to:

A.    To Promote physical fitness and to introduce and teach the game of Ultimate Disc

B.    To build Leadership, initiative, and teamwork amongst the members.

C.    To promote the sport of Ultimate in a competitive and sportsmanlike manner.

***Section 3: Non-Discrimination policy***

The Men’s Ultimate Disc Club does not discriminate on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, protected veteran status, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, programs, admission, and employment.

**Article II: Membership**

***Section 1: Eligibility for Membership***

The Ohio State Men’s Ultimate Disc Club shall be open to any student willing to compete in ultimate. Only OSU students may be active participants in this club. In addition, all members must be eligible, under the guidelines set forth by USA Ultimate, to compete in the College Men’s division.

***Section 2: Becoming a Member***

*New Members*

The Ohio State Men’s Ultimate Disc Club has two types of members: rostered members and practice players. Rostered members will have been added to the team after two rounds of cuts in the fall semester. Players who do not make the team after the second and final round of cuts are still welcome to attend practices as practice players after a discussion with the captain(s). Special circumstances may arise for students joining the university in the spring semester or if tryouts are unable to be held in the fall. Rostered members are expected to attend all practices and tournaments with the team throughout the remainder of the year and are required to pay team dues and membership dues to the governing body, USA Ultimate. Practice players may attend any practices but will not be permitted to play in tournaments and are not required to pay team or membership dues.

*Returning Members*

All members that were on the team the previous year will also undergo a tryout period. Returning members will be added throughout the New Member tryout period if deemed a good fit on the team. If a returning member is deemed unqualified or inadequate regarding skill, the club will proceed with the Removal of Members procedure.

***Section 3: Removal of Members***

To remove a member from the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club, 2/3 of the other members, including the club president, must vote to do so. The member in question will receive an email informing them of their removal or will be told in person. They then will have 2 weeks to submit a request for review. If done, the members of the club will meet with the person in questions and discuss the reason for their removal. After the meeting if ½ the persons in attendance vote to keep the person removed, they will stay removed and will no longer be allowed to be active in the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club. Any member found violating the Student Code of Conduct may be subject to immediate removal.

**Article III: Officers**

***Section 1: Officer Qualifications***

All officers of the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club must be current Ohio State students. They must be deemed qualified for their position by a plurality of the current members.

***Section 2: Elected Officers***

The following are officer positions for the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club:

- President

- Vice-President

- Treasurer

- Secretary

- Social Chair

- Executive Director of B Team

- Safety/Risk Management Officer

- Captain(s)

***Section 3: Duties of Officers***

All officers will be members for the academic school year starting at the beginning of summer and ending in the spring of the next year.

President: preside at meetings, call special meetings, primary contact with Rec sports

Vice-President: assume President’s duties in his/her absence, schedule meeting/practice rooms/facilities, plans member/officer training programs.

Treasurer: keeps all financial records, submits quarterly statements to REC sports, notifies organization of financial issues, prepares budget/allocation requests,

Secretary: The secretary will keep notes during meetings. In addition, the secretary will oversee checking the club mailbox

Social Chair: is in charge of maintaining online representations of the club, including but not limited to: social media and the website.

Executive Director of B Team: is in charge of making sure all of the B Team members are compliant with Do Sports Easy and other fiscal responsibilities the B Team may have. Additionally, he/she are the executive representation of the B Team as it relates to the growth of the club

Safety/Risk Management Officer: will be in charge of deeming members “fit to play” in instances of members returning from injury. This officer will also have knowledge of basic first aid so that he/she may treat minor injuries that may occur.

Captain(s): The Captain(s) are in charge of planning and running practices, deciding which tournaments to attend, maintaining communication with the coach(es), and will have the final decision in making cuts from the team.

***Section 4: Removal of Officers***

If an officer fails to do his/her duties as described in Article III section 3 he/she may be removed by a 2/3 vote of the members. The officer in question will receive an email informing them of their removal or will be told in person. They then will have 2 weeks to submit a request for review. If done, the members of the club will meet with the person in questions and discuss the reason for their removal. After the meeting if ½ the persons in attendance vote to keep the person removed. If an officer loses his status as a member of the club, they will automatically be removed from office.

***Section 5****:* ***Vacancy in Office***

In the event a vacancy should occur (resignation or removal), the president will appoint a member of the club to fulfill the duties of the vacant office until the time that a special election can be held. If the vacant office is the presidency the vice president shall assume the duties of the president and may, if he so chooses, appoint someone to take on the duties of vice president until the time of the special election. (See article IV for election processes).

**Article IV: Elections**

***Section 1: Nomination Process***

A member of the Men’s Ultimate Disc Club may be nominated to be an officer. They must do this at the end of the year when the official end of the year meeting takes place.

***Section 2: Election***

The elections of officers will be held at the end of every school year for the next year. The elections will be done at a club meeting held by the president. In order to hold elections 2/3 of the club members must be present in order to vote. A secret ballet will be held and counted at the meeting to elect the new officers. The new officers will be announced at the meeting and will become active officers at the end of the current school year.

**Article V: Advisor and Coaches**

***Section 1: Advisor***

The Men’s Ultimate Disc Club will choose advisors and at the discretion of the president. The president will choose an advisor based on what the club needs that year to run the smoothest. The advisor is free to attend games and practices at their own discretion.

***Section 2: Coaches*** The Men’s Ultimate Disc Club will choose coaches at the discretion of the captain(s) pending a university background check. The captain(s) may set forth expectations for the coach at the time of a coach’s selection. If a coach fails to meet the expectations of the captains, then the captains may choose to remove the coach by a majority vote. In the event that there is an even number of captains, the president shall serve as the deciding vote in the instance of a tie.

**Article VI: Meetings**

***Section 1: Regular Meeting/Club Activities***

Team Practices or meetings will happen at least twice a week. Notification of the meetings/practices will be given out over email by the captain(s) from the captain(s) email account.

***Section 2: Special Meetings***

No Special Meetings will be called unless deemed necessary by the Club President. These meetings will then be dealt with on a case by case basis.

**Article VII: Code of Student Conduct**

The Ohio State University Code of Student Conduct applies to the team and its individual members.

**Article VIII: Continuity in Case of Suspension**

If the team is suspended for violating the Code of Student Conduct, Competitive Sports will appoint an Interim President and an Interim Treasurer. The Interim President and Interim Treasurer may (1) transfer signatures and check writing authority for the organization’s bank account to themselves within thirty days of the suspension, (2) pay existing financial obligations out of the organization’s current funds, and (3) when the period of suspension ends, take appropriate steps with Student Activities to re-register as a student organization. Further, the Interim President and Interim Treasurer shall inventory the organization’s equipment and write a plan for its storage and safekeeping during the suspension period. This plan must be submitted to Competitive Sports within the first thirty days of the suspension. During this suspension no new coaches or staff should be hired during this time. All club assets are frozen during this suspension period meaning nothing should be bought or sold during this time. Should the Interim President or Interim Treasurer wish to take any additional actions, they must seek advance approval from Competitive Sports.

**Article IX: Return to Competitive Sports**

In order to return as a recognized Sport Club team, The Interim President must provide Competitive Sports with documentation that the team is a recognized student organization. The Interim President must also provide a roster of at least 15 students to Competitive Sports along with a written plan to hold elections. This plan should, to the extent possible due to the terms, length and timing of the suspension, resemble the provisions contained in Article IV.

**Article X: Amendments**

In order for this constitution to be changed a member of the club must write the proposed amendment and present it to the president. The amendment will then be reviewed by the vice president for consistency with rec sports and university policies. If the amendment does not conflict with rec sports or university policy then it shall be presented to the club at a meeting at which time members may ask about how the amendment will affect the club. At the subsequent meeting the amendment shall be voted on and may only pass if approved by a majority of club members.

***Additional Statements***

The Men’s Ultimate Disc Club considers hazing to be a degrading and destructive activity which is inconsistent with the standards of this organization. The Ultimate Frisbee Club recognizes the dignity of every person and opposes all forms of hazing.

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