

The Buckeye Mudder Club

Article I – Name, Purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization

Section 1 – Name: The Buckeye Mudder Club

Section 2 – Purpose: The Buckeye Mudder Club will enhance the mental and physical toughness of Buckeyes through the completion of obstacle courses while also promoting camaraderie, athleticism, and teamwork.

Section 3 – Non-Discrimination Policy: The Buckeye Mudder Club is an all-inclusive group that does not discriminate on the basis of any 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, cultural group, fitness level, or nay other basis in accordance with University Student Life guidelines.

Article II – Membership

All full-time and part-time undergraduate and graduate students at The Ohio State University are eligible to become members of The Buckeye Mudder Club. Membership is granted to those who attend at least 2 club meetings in the current semester and attend at least one Tough Mudder Event during the season. All members from the previous year are automatically granted membership for the next semester as long as they remain full or part-time at the university.

Article III – Organization Leadership

President: David Gonia

The president is responsible for organizing and leading general club meetings and trips to Tough Mudder events, and for settling all conflicts that may arise within the club or between other clubs.

Vice-President (Co-President): Mitchel Lamb

The vice-president is responsible for supporting the duties of the president, as well as actively promoting and advertising the club.

Treasurer: Shaun Fieldman

The treasurer is responsible for handling all funds granted to the club by the university and any prizes/rewards earned from advertising events or fundraisers, and coordinating fundraisers.

Secretary: Jordyne Little

The secretary is responsible for keeping track of club membership and attendance, recording minutes at officer meetings, and writing and sending weekly club emails.

Pit Crew Leader: Nik Wagner

Pit Crew Leader is responsible for organizing food and gear in the pits at America's Toughest Mudder and World's Toughest Mudder events, as well as delegating responsibilities to pit crew volunteers.

Special Events Coordinator: Trevor Ross

The special events coordinator is responsible for organizing events outside of the club's scheduled workouts and meetings, including fundraisers and collaborations with other clubs or groups.

Community and Social Outreach Chair: Trevor Ross

The community and social outreach chair is responsible for coordinating volunteer opportunities and other social events involving the Columbus or Tough Mudder communities.

Webmaster: Emily Macbeth

The webmaster is responsible for updating the club website, managing email lists, and assisting with any technology issues.

Social Media Chair: Jordyne Little

The social media chair is responsible for promoting the club on all social medias, including Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and GroupMe, and taking pictures at all club events.

Faculty Advisor: Ezekiel Johnston-Halperin

The faculty advisor is responsible for setting all disputes between officers.

Article IV – Standing Committees

Standing committees can be formed at any point during the year by no fewer than 3 club members. Committees must be approved by the president, vice president, and advisor, and must serve an explicitly defined purpose that is not already delegated to another committee or to the executive board. Committees will have an opportunity to meet at the end of general meetings, but are welcome to meet outside of those times. Any proposal generated by a committee must be approved by the executive board and the advisor at a majority vote. Only active club members may form or join committees. Committees must have a single chairperson that will serve as a liaison between the committee and the executive board. The committee chairperson will approve any members that apply for a position on the committee, and must assign a new chairperson prior to their departure from the committee.

Article V – Method of Selecting and/or Removing Officers and Members

If an officer is requested to be removed by another officer or by a member of the club, this issue must be brought to the attention of all officers who will then bring the issue to the faculty advisor. There must be a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote in favor of removal among the officers to move the decision to the faculty advisor who will then have the final say. If a general member has not paid dues in a year, they will be removed from the club GroupMe unless they have graduated. They may be readmitted and granted membership again once they have paid dues for the year. If a member has a pattern of inappropriate behavior, they will be met with by the officers to address this behavior and possibly be removed from the club if their behavior is not changed or does not follow the club's and university's guidelines for appropriate conduct.

Article VI – Advisor(s) or Advisory Board

The faculty advisor for The Buckeye Mudder Club is responsible for making sure the officers are effectively following the Constitution and that the activities of the club comply with university policies. The advisor does not need to attend general meetings or events but should be aware of what happens during them. It is the responsibility of the officers to notify the advisor of any issues that arise within the club.

Article VII – Meetings of the Organization

The Buckeye Mudder Club will meet at the discretion of the officers, but should follow a consistent schedule as closely as possible. At least one meeting per month must occur, excluding December and summer months. Meetings may happen during these time periods but are not required for members. Competitions (local, regional, and national) will be determined based off of the schedule that Tough Mudder Inc. determines for the events that they host.

Article VIII – Method of Amending Constitution

The Constitution may be amended at any point during the academic year on the basis that any amendments received a unanimous vote from the officers and the faculty advisor. The secretary is responsible for writing any amendments into the Constitution and for ensuring that the updated document is accepted by the university.

Article IX – Method of Dissolution of Organization

The organization may be dissolved at any point in its activity at the discretion of the officers. There must be a unanimous vote from the officers and the faculty advisor, as well as no party interested in taking over leadership of the organization.

By-Laws

Article I – Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in Robert’s Rule of Order shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the by-laws of this organization.

Article II – Membership

Members of the club have the privilege of attending competitions that the club attends, as well as priority registration for any events that the club puts on. Members who register for events through The Buckeye Mudder Club will be registered as a part of the group. There are no membership fees, however, any members that plan on attending competitions should be prepared to pay a fee for attendance. The fee will be determined closer to the time of the competition and may include, but is not limited to, the Tough Mudder entry fee expense, travel, food, and lodging.

Article III – Election/Appointment of Government Leadership

All officers have the option to retain their position or apply for a different executive position for the coming semester as long as they maintain full or part time status with the university. In the event that not all officer positions are filled, or another position is requested, only current club members may submit applications. The current officers will review potential candidates and conduct interviews as necessary to determine an appropriate applicant for the position. Officers who will not be returning to the executive board the following semester must be on the selection committee to determine their successor.

Article IV – Standing Committees

Committees are not required to attend every general meeting. Any member of a committee may bring an impeachment proceeding to the executive board for the removal of the committee chairperson. The executive board will conduct interviews to evaluate the behavior of the

chairperson, and will make a majority decision on whether or not to remove the person from the committee chair. Committees are encouraged to submit at least 2 proposals each semester, but this is not a requirement to remain active.

Article V – Advisor/Advisory Board Responsibilities

The advisor is responsible for approving any amendments to the club Constitution or club trips to Tough Mudder events. The advisor is not required to attend general meetings but should meet with the officers at least once every semester.

Article VI – Meeting Requirements

Meetings are to last approximately 1 hour, at the discretion of the president or the officer in charge of the meeting. Meeting places will be determined by the officers and should be reserved from the university.

Article VII – Method of Amending By-Laws

By-Laws may be amended by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority vote amongst the officers or a unanimous vote amongst all non-officer members. All By-Law amendments that are passed must be approved by the faculty advisor.