

## **South Carolina Water Ski Federation Bylaws**

**July 8, 2017**

### **ARTICLE 1 - PURPOSE AND NAME**

#### Section 1

The name of this organization shall be the South Carolina Water Ski Federation (SCWSF).

#### Section 2

The purpose of the South Carolina Water Ski Federation is to promote the sport of water skiing in the State of South Carolina; to act as the State Representatives of the American Water Ski Association (AWSA) and USA Water Ski(USA-WS); to sponsor the SCWSF State Tournament each year; and to maintain the South Carolina Water Ski Federation records.

### **ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP**

#### Section 1

Membership in the South Carolina Water Ski Federation shall be open to all permanent residents of South Carolina who are also members of USA Water Ski.

#### Section 2

Application for membership shall be presented to the Federation Treasurer in the appropriate manner as designated by the Board of Directors. Applicants will become members upon payment of the appropriate fee as designated by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 3

Membership may be terminated at any time by a two-thirds vote of the general membership at any regular or special meeting. Nonpayment of prescribed dues will automatically terminate the membership.

### **ARTICLE III - MANAGEMENT**

#### Section 1

The management of the South Carolina Water Ski Federation shall be vested in a Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Section 1

The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, , Director of Tournaments, Treasurer, Secretary and three Southern Region councilpersons. The regional councilpersons will be elected according to Southern Region Bylaws and serve three year terms. According to S.R. Bylaws, One new council person will be elected each year.

### Section 2

All members of the Board of Directors shall hold office for one year or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. Four members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

### Section 3

The Board of Directors may employ whatever personnel they deem necessary and for which funds are available, to aid in the management of the Federation.

### Section 4

Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by any three members of the Board of Directors, notice of which shall be given to the members of the Board in sufficient time for them to be present.

### Section 5

Any SCWSF member at least eighteen (18) years of age and in good standing with USA Water Ski and SCWSF is eligible to run for office. The officers shall be elected by the voting members at the Annual Meeting.

### Section 6

The three councilmen shall be elected for three-year terms with the exception that the first election the councilman receiving the most votes will have a three-year term, the second highest votes will receive a two-year term, and the third highest votes will receive a one-year term. Each year thereafter, one of the three council seats will then come up for election.

## Section 7

Should any officer become unable to serve, the remaining members of the Board of Directors shall elect a successor to fill this vacancy for the remainder of the term, with the exception that only the remaining councilmen may elect a successor for a vacated council seat in accordance with the Southern Region By-Laws.

## **ARTICLE V - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS**

### Section 1

President - Preside at all meetings of the membership and of the Board of Directors and shall appoint all committees. He shall keep an accurate, up-to-date, mailing list of all paid members and this list shall be used to verify membership. He shall be responsible for all correspondence with current SCWSF members.

### Section 2

Secretary - Keep minutes of each official SCWSF meeting and recite minutes of past meeting at each current meeting. Assist in the production of SCWSF publications. Assist in all communications between AWSA and SCWSF.

### Section 3

The Director of Tournaments – Be available and assist with any club desiring to sponsor an AWSA tournament in S.C. This assistance would be in the form of advice, information, etc. to clubs that lack experience in sponsoring tournaments. Work with clubs to develop sponsors for the state tournament.

### Section 4

The three councilmen shall coordinate tournaments and other organized skiing activities in the State of South Carolina. Serve on the SCWSF Board of Directors, and perform other duties deemed necessary by the Southern Region Council of AWSA.

### Section 5

Treasurer - Handle all SCWSF money. Publish yearly statements.

## **ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS**

### Section 1

The Annual Meeting of the members shall be held the weekend of the State Tournament.

## Section 2

Regular membership meetings will be called by the Director as needed with notification by mail to the last known address of all paid members at least ten days prior to the meeting. All general membership meetings, with the exception of the Annual Meeting, shall be held in conjunction with tournaments in the State of South Carolina or with other AWSA sponsored events in the State of South Carolina.

## Section 3

At least (7) seven voting members or twenty percent of the voting members (those eighteen (18) years of age or older) whichever is greater, shall constitute a quorum at any membership meeting.

### **ARTICLE VII - FISCAL YEAR**

#### Section 1

The fiscal year of the SCWSF shall run the same as the USA Water Ski fiscal year (from January 1 to December 31).

### **ARTICLE VIII - DUES**

#### Section 1

Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 2

Dues shall be collected by the sponsoring club from all skiers participating in the SCWSF State Championships and shall pay these dues to the Treasurer at the close of said championships.

#### Section 3

All persons otherwise qualified for membership in SCWSF, who do not ski in the SCWSF State Championships, may apply for membership and pay the dues as set forth by the Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE IX - STATE TOURNAMENT**

#### Section 1

The Board of Directors shall decide which weekend the Tournament will be held.

## Section 2

The selection of the State Tournament site shall be made by the Board of Directors of SCWSF.

## Section 3

The Chief Judge, Chief Scorer, Chief Safety Director, and Chief Driver, shall be selected by the Board of Directors. The sponsoring club of the state tournament shall select other appointed officials. These official appointments should be approved by the Director of Tournaments.

## Section 4

The sponsor is required to purchase medals from the federation and award them for all divisions/events having competitors. These medals will be supplied by the state federation and sold at cost to the sponsor of the state tournament. Alternatively, the sponsor may purchase trophies for the junior competitors and forgo presenting metals to the other skiers.

# **ARTICLE X - COMMITTEES**

## Section 1

The standing committees are as follows: State Records and Nominating.

## Section 2

Any special committees may be created by the President and/or the Board of Directors as the need arises.

# **ARTICLE XI - RECORDS**

All SCWSF records must be approved by using the attached Appendix "A". Changes to Appendix "A" may be amended by a two thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

## APPENDIX A

### South Carolina Water Ski Federation – State Record Application

[insert template; here is link to AWSA Application form]

<http://www.usawaterski.org/pages/officials/awsa/AWSARecordApplicationForm.xlsx>