

## BY-LAWS

### HAWAIIAN ASSOCIATION USMS

#### I

#### Jurisdiction

Hawaiian Masters Swimming is an organized swimming activity for adults conducted by the Local Masters Swimming Committee (LMSC) under the jurisdiction of United States Masters Swimming Inc, (USMS). The LMSC for the Hawaiian Masters Swimming is the Hawaiian Association USMS Committee. Its jurisdiction is defined by USMS ~~and~~ the State of Hawaii.

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#### Purpose

The purpose of the Hawaiian Association USMS is to encourage and promote adult physical fitness and enjoyment through a program that emphasizes competitive swimming activities.

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#### The Hawaiian Association USMS Committee

##### Section 1: Aims and Objectives

- a) To establish and maintain programs appropriate for physical fitness and competition
- b) To establish and evaluate policies and procedures for the Hawaiian Association and coordinate scheduling and conduct of sanctioned Hawaiian Association swimming meets
- c) To provide information and communication to clubs and swimmers pertaining to objectives of the Hawaiian Assoc., club sanctions, meets and their conduct, financial matters and rules
- d) To encourage an optimum number of Hawaiian Assoc. sanctioned meets and establish and approve a schedule
- e) To promote safe conduct and operation of Hawaiian Assoc. sanctioned meets and encourage Maximum efficiency in the conduct of meets and the utilization of trained officials
- f) To evaluate and implement appropriate recommendations submitted by club and individual swimmers
- g) To maintain active liaison and cooperation with local, regional, and national organizations and individuals concerned with Masters Swimming
- h) To coordinate activities of sub-committees established as required under the Committee

##### Section 2: Responsibilities

- a) The responsibilities include design of Hawaiian Assoc. activities, meets and other appropriate activities in accordance with the Policies, Rules and By-Laws of USMS
- b) To review, establish and evaluate all policies related to Hawaiian Masters Swimming in accordance with current USMS Policies, Rules, and Hawaiian Assoc. policies and procedures

- c) To encourage adequate officials training as deemed necessary and advisable
- d) To review the yearly schedule of swimming meets
- e) To review and approve all requests for sanctions
- f) To approve events in the name of Hawaiian Assoc. involving costs or fees and sponsored independently or in cooperation with other organizations
- g) To establish a budget of income and expenses
- h) To approve all disbursements on receipt of appropriate documentation
- i) To organize appropriate sub-committee as required

Section 3: Officers and Duties

- a) The officers shall be the: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson Secretary and Treasurer. These offices may be combined as the needs and the size of the Association require
- b) These officers constitute the Executive Committee and are delegated responsibility for conducting essential business of the Committee
- c) The Executive Committee and Officers shall be voluntary or elected in the manner prescribed under Nominations and Elections
- d) Chairperson shall be responsible for execution of all policies established by the Committee. He/She may delegate such powers to sub-committee chairpersons and or other persons designated by the Executive Committee
- e) Vice Chairperson shall act in the absence of the Chairperson and shall perform other duties as delegated by the Chairperson
- f) Secretary shall prepare and process all correspondence of the Committee
- g) Treasurer shall maintain the funds of the Committee and be responsible for all receipts, disbursements and management of all funds

Section 4: Nominations and Elections

- a) Due to the nature and size of the Hawaiian Assoc. all offices will be on a volunteer basis until such time as the Association becomes large enough to require elections, 10% of the registered clubs or individuals request elections or when directed otherwise by the National Committee. At such time a committee of one member from each registered club shall establish nominations and election procedures

Section 5: Term of Office

- a) The officers shall serve an indefinite term until such time that nominations and elections are required

Section 6: Membership and Voting Privileges

- a) In addition to Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary

- Treasurer, the membership of the Committee will consist of the designated representative of each registered club
- b) All members of the Committee have voting privileges at a meeting

Section 7: Meetings

- a) Meetings shall be held when and as necessary

IV

Amendment of By-Laws

Section 1: These By-Laws may be amended or repealed and new By-Laws adopted by a vote of the majority of the members entitled to vote at any meeting

Section 2: Proposals for amendments, repeal or new By-Laws may be prepared by the members of the Executive Committee or of the Committee and shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee

V

Dissolution

Section 1: Upon dissolution, the net assets of the LMSC will not inure to the benefit of any private individual or corporation, but will be distributed to United States Masters Swimming, Inc. to be used exclusively for educational or charitable purposes, or, if United States Masters Swimming, Inc. is not then in existence, or is not then a corporation which is exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and to which contributions, bequests and gifts are deductible under Sections 170(c)(2), 2055(a)(2) and 2522(a)(2) thereof, such assets shall be distributed to such a corporation, to be used exclusively for educational or charitable purposes.

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