

# Michigan Dog Drivers Association

Incorporated 8/23/2004

Assumed Name: MiDD, Assoc.

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Constitution and By-Laws: Approved and Released on this day November 8, 2005, Amended on September 10, 2010.

## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I. NAME:

The name of the organization shall be Michigan Dog Drivers Association and shall be referenced herein as MiDD.

### ARTICLE II. PURPOSE:

To provide aspiring middle distance dog drivers with organized middle distance events under conditions that will allow the participants to gain confidence and experience while developing the skills needed for middle distance events.

To encourage dog drivers to provide the highest quality dog care by encouraging adherence to MUSH with Pride sled dog care guidelines.

To promote the sport of dog sledding.

### ARTICLE III. NON-PROFIT:

No part of net earnings or the assets of MiDD shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members, directors, officers, or other private persons except that MiDD shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution in furtherance of the purposes set forth, within the meaning of Section 501© 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time.

### ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP:

Membership in MiDD is limited to persons who identify with the organizations purpose.

Membership in MiDD shall be non-voting.

ARTICLE V: CLUB BUSINESS:

The business of MiDD shall be enacted by a majority of the Directors present at a properly constituted meeting.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS:

Properly constituted meetings will be held as specified in the by-laws for the purpose of conducting the business of MiDD.

ARTICLE VII. QUORUM:

A majority of Board members present at any meeting will constitute a quorum for the conduct of the business of MiDD.

ARTICLE VIII. FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

The organization will be supported by event fees, dues, and assessments or other revenue raised in connection with MiDD activities. On occasion, revenue may be accepted from non-members who share the common interest in the organization's general purpose.

ARTICLE IX. DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

The number of Directors shall be three (3).

The three Directors will share the duties of the board. There will be no specific offices such as president, secretary and treasurer.

Directors shall serve until their resignation or removal from office.

ARTICLE X. APPOINTEES:

Persons shall be appointed by the Board of Directors to carry out duties in support of MiDD. These persons will be called "Appointees".

ARTICLE XI. ADDRESS:

The business address of the club shall be the address used on the Annual Non-Profit Report filed with the State of Michigan each year.

ARTICLE XII. FISCALYEAR:

The fiscal year of MiDD will run from September 1st through August 31st

each year.

#### ARTICLE XIII. DISTRIBUTION ON DISSOLUTION:

Upon dissolution of MiDD, the Board of Directors, after paying or making provisions for payment of all liabilities of its corporation, shall distribute all the assets of MiDD consistent with the purpose of MiDD to such organization or organizations as shall at the time qualify as exempt within the meaning of Section 501© 3 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, in such manor as the Board of Directors shall determine.

#### ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS:

The constitution may be amended by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

A motion to amend the constitution will be automatically tabled, after discussion, until the next regularly scheduled meeting, wherein, after further discussion, the motion may be put to a vote.

The same amendment proposal may not be submitted more than once per calendar half.

#### ARTICLE XV. BY-LAWS:

MiDD shall adopt by-laws, consistent with the constitution, embodying additional provisions for the government and operation of the club. Such by-laws may be amended as provided therein.