

Seacoast Dart Association, Inc.

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BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

NAME: The name of the organization shall be SEACOAST DART ASSOCIATION Inc..

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS:

SECTION 1. Wherever the initials "S.D.A." or "SDA" are used in the bylaws, they shall mean "SEACOAST DART ASSOCIATION Inc..".

SECTION 2. Wherever the term "Board" is used in the bylaws, it shall mean the body described in ARTICLE VI, SEC. 1.

SECTION 3. Wherever the term "Board Member" is used in the bylaws, it shall mean an association member who has been elected to the Board.

SECTION 4. Wherever the term "General Member" is used in the bylaws, it shall mean an association member other than a "Board Member".

SECTION 5. Wherever the term "Sponsor" is used in the bylaws, it shall mean an entity sponsoring a participating team in the SDA.

SECTION 6. Wherever the term "Team Captain" or "Captain" are used in the bylaws, they shall mean a person who is either elected captain of a participating team or a designated representative thereof.

ARTICLE III

OBJECTIVES:

SECTION 1. The objectives of the SDA shall be to promote Darting, coordinate the functions and activities of Darts, and sanction League play according to the rules in effect, as well as establish friendly relationships with similar organizations.

SECTION 2. The SDA shall be a nonprofit, nonpolitical and nonsectarian organization.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP:

SECTION 1. Application for General Membership is open to anyone who is at least twenty-one (21) years of age who expresses an interest in Darts as a sport.

SECTION 2. Application for Sponsor membership is open to all organizations expressing an interest in the sport and is encouraged by the SDA to do so.

SECTION 3. All memberships are subject to approval by a simple majority vote of the Board.

SECTION 4. Any member found guilty of conduct unbecoming of a gentleman or lady may be fined or suspended for said offense by the President with the advice and consent of the Board.

SECTION 5. A membership may be terminated by a simple majority vote of the Board if such a member behaves in a manner which is prejudicial to the order and discipline. The Board's decision in such matter's is final.

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ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES:

SECTION 1. General membership and Sponsor fees shall be established by and may be revised by, a majority vote of the Board.

SECTION 2. Fees, if any, for SDA sponsored activities shall be established by a majority vote of the Board.

SECTION 3. A membership applicant shall be considered to be a properly registered member when, within current policies, an application form and appropriate fee have been received.

SECTION 4. General membership and Sponsor fees shall be applicable to each League "season". General and Sponsor members failing to submit their fees on or before the announced time of registration deadline will not be scheduled to play and may not participate in League sponsored events.

ARTICLE VI

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors (Board) shall be comprised of at least six (6) persons but not more than sixteen (16) persons, which shall include the President, Vice President, Secretary and up to thirteen additional voting members. The President, Vice President and Secretary may hold other appointed offices. The Board will have a Treasurer who can be appointed from inside or outside of the Board at the Board's discretion.

SECTION 2. A Board vacancy must be filled no later than the regularly scheduled regular board meeting following the creation of the vacancy and will be filled by one of a number of available Board alternates.

SECTION 3. Board members are expected to attend all board meetings. A Board member's status is terminated when he/she fails to appear at two meetings or is unduly late to two consecutive meetings without sufficient cause.

SECTION 4. Board members removed under Section 3 of this article may not run for any SDA office at the next general board election.

SECTION 5. Board members are elected by the SDA members of their respective areas and need not be a team captain, but must be a member of the SDA in good standing.

SECTION 6. DELETED

SECTION 7. Directors (Board Members) may resign from office at anytime during their term of office by submitting written notice to the remaining members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 8. Term of office for members of the SDA Board of Directors is two (2) years and shall commence after the election of officers. Approximately half of the SDA Board of Directors will be up for reelection each year. Phase in of two year terms begins with the 1989 general election. The term of office for the officers of the SDA Board of Directors shall be one (1) year commencing on the date of officer elections.

SECTION 9. Any Board member may be recalled from office by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board, administered by secret ballot. Recall may also be initiated by a unanimous vote of team captains of that area. Sufficient cause for recall must be documented and submitted to the Board for approval. SDA members other than Board members may institute a Recall under the provision set forth in Article XI, Section 5.

SECTION 10. Any Board member recalled by the Board may appeal under the provisions set forth in Article XI, Section 5. Such appeals must be in writing and received by the Secretary no later than fifteen (15) days after the recall ruling. There can be no further appeal.

ARTICLE VII

BOARD MEETINGS:

SECTION 1. The Board must hold a meeting every two (2) months. The meeting date, time and location will be determined by the President.

SECTION 2. Board meetings shall have a time limit of three (3) hours. A maximum of fifteen minutes may be allowed for the purpose of completing a point under discussion. This section may be waived by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance.

SECTION 3. Two-thirds (2/3) of the total Board shall constitute a quorum. In the absence of the President and Vice President, the Senior Board Member shall act as chairperson of the meeting.

SECTION 4. Board meetings are open to all SDA members except when the Board is meeting in executive session.

ARTICLE VIII

DUTIES OF THE BOARD:

SECTION 1. PRESIDENT: The President shall preside at all meetings of the SDA unless excused by virtue of the "NO VOTE PROVISIO" in Section 6 of this Article. He/She may vote only to break a tie. His/Her signature will be one of three valid signatures on the SDA checking and savings accounts. (Except in the case of Section 3 of this Article). He/She shall decide all questions of order, sign all orders upon the Treasurer for all sums of money ordered by the SDA to be paid, appoint all committees and he/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

SECTION 2. VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President shall assist the President and, in the absence of the President, shall exercise the duties of the President. Upon the resignation or the recall of the President, the Vice President shall assume the office of the President for the remainder of his/her term of office, unless there is an undue hardship for him/her to assume the duties of President, then Section 7 applies. His/Her signature will be one of three valid signatures on the SDA checking and savings accounts. (Except in the case of Section 3 of this Article).

SECTION 3. SECRETARY: The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of the proceedings of the SDA, notify members of the correspondence of the SDA and perform such other duties that may be required from time to time. The Secretary may appoint a Recording Secretary to assist with the duties of Secretary. Fees paid to the Recording Secretary will be determined by the Board. In the case that the President or Vice President is also the Treasurer, the Secretary will have on of the three valid signatures on the SDA checking and savings accounts.

SECTION 4. TREASURER: The Treasurer shall receive and maintain custody of all SDA funds and shall promptly deposit all monies received. He/She shall keep a correct account thereof and pay all orders properly drawn on him/her. He/She shall be bonded at the discretion of the Board and the SDA will pay all expenses of bond for the faithful discharge of his/her duties. He/She shall be responsible for collection of any fees, dues or fines from the SDA and shall be required to submit a Treasures report at each Board meeting. His/Her signature will be one (1) of three (3) valid signatures on the SDA checking and savings accounts. The Treasurer, at the discretion of the Board, shall submit the books for audit at the end of each season. An independent auditing firm or an auditing committee (composed of three (3) Board members) will be appointed to conduct the audit review and submit their findings to the Board.

SECTION 5. BOARD MEMBER: The Board members, include the Officers, shall have and exercise a general supervision of the affairs of the SDA and shall control and manage it's properties and effects. They shall appoint a League Coordinator for each Area that is administered by the SDA and Division Representatives for each Area. League Coordinators and Division Representatives do not have to be elected Board members but they must be SDA members in good standing. The Board of Directors shall assist in the administration of SDA policy, and provide and enforce penalties for infractions committed by SDA members.

SECTION 6. NO VOTE PROVISIO: No Board member may vote on operational procedures or protests concerning any business or establishment which he(she) has a financial interest and/or personal interest. Each Director, prior to taking his(her) position on the Board, and all present Directors shall submit in writing to the President a list of all businesses or other organizations of which he(she) is an officer, director, trustee, member, owner, shareholder, employee or agent, with which the SDA has, or might reasonably in the near future enter into, a relationship or a transaction in which the Director would have a conflicting interests. The President shall become familiar with the statements of all the Directors in order to guide his conduct should a conflict arise.

SECTION 7. SENIOR BOARD MEMBER: Should the President take leave of office and the Vice President be unable to assume the duties of President, the Senior Board Member shall assume the duties of the President with the provisions that he/she call for an Election Meeting within thirty (30) days of their leaving office. The Senior Board Member is selected by the President and may be any officer or Board member other than the Vice President.

SECTION 8. All checks issued or savings account withdrawals, by the SDA must be made by two (2) of the three (3) authorized Board officers; (President or Vice President) and Treasurer. No two signatures on a check may be by persons related personally or financially. In such a case another board member may be designated to sign checks.

ARTICLE IX

ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

SECTION 1. All Board members are elected by the general membership of the Seacoast Dart Association by secret ballot. Only paid SDA members may vote. The ballots will be distributed to the team captains, who will bring the filled out ballots to a special vote count meeting or mail to the SDA P.O. Box by the designated deadline.

SECTION 2. Nominations for directors may be made by any member and submitted to the Election Committee appointed by the Board within the time period established by the committee.

SECTION 3. The special meeting will be called by the League Coordinator between March 15th and April 30th. Ballots will be mailed to all captains at least two (2) weeks prior to the special meeting. Captains, or their representatives, must deliver the completed ballots to the meeting. When all the ballots have been delivered, the League Coordinator shall open and tally all the ballots with the help of the captains.

SECTION 4. In the case there is a tie, the League Coordinator will conduct a special secret ballot of the captains in order to break the tie.

ARTICLE X

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

SECTION 1. An election of Officers shall be the first item on the agenda for the first meeting of the Board of Directors following the election of the Board members at the special captains' meeting.

SECTION 2. In order to provide continuity between the previous Board and the current Board, the Secretary of the previous Board shall call the first meeting to order and shall chair the first meeting until the officers have been selected. He/She shall call for nominations for President, Vice President and Secretary.

SECTION 3. All election for officers shall be by secret ballot. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary or League Coordinator of the previous Board to construct and distribute such ballots. In the case of a tie, a special runoff will be held between the candidates involved in the tie.

ARTICLE XI

SPECIAL MEETINGS:

SECTION 1. BOARD MEETINGS: Regularly scheduled Board meetings are subject to the provisions set forth in Article VII.

SECTION 2. PROTEST MEETINGS: Such meetings will be subject to the provisions set forth in the rules in use.

SECTION 3. CAPTAIN'S Meetings: A minimum of one (1) captain's meeting per season is mandatory. Such meetings shall be announced and administered by the League Coordinator.

SECTION 4. RECALL MEETINGS: Such meetings shall be held subject to the provisions set forth in SECTION 6, 9 and 10 of Article VI.

SECTION 5. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS: Such meetings may be called for by petition by an SDA Member for a specific purpose. The purpose must be in writing and must be signed by at least fifteen percent (15%) of the members of the SDA in good standing. Address and phone numbers must accompany each signature on the petition. No other business will be discussed at such a meeting. The Board must announce the date, time and location of the meeting twenty (20) days from the date the Secretary receives the petition. The NO VOTE PROVISIO, as described in Article VIII Section 6 shall apply to those members attending a Special General Meeting.

SECTION 6. Unless otherwise specified, all meetings shall be called for at the discretion of the Board.

SECTION 7. Unless otherwise specified, meeting announcements must be mailed at least five (5) days in advance of the meeting date.

SECTION 8. It is the responsibility of all Team Captains to maintain a current and valid address of each of their players with the League Coordinator. The League Coordinator will submit appropriate mailing lists to the Secretary.

ARTICLE XII

LEAGUE COORDINATOR:

SECTION 1. The League Coordinators will be appointed by the Board for a term of one (1) year to commence with the beginning of the next League Season for that Area unless otherwise specified by the Board. A League Coordinator need not be a team captain or a Board member but must be an SDA member in good standing.

SECTION 2. DUTIES: The League Coordinator shall represent and direct all League activities within a designated Area. This Area may consist of Divisions.

ARTICLE XIII

DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE:

SECTION 1. The Division Representative(s) will be appointed by the Board for each League season. The Division Representative(s) need not be a team Captain or a Board member but must be an SDA member in good standing.

SECTION 2. DUTIES: The Division Representatives are expected to assist the League Coordinator in the administration of all League activities for his/her division.

ARTICLE XIV

GENERAL:

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors is given full power to make, alter, amend or appeal any and all Bylaws of the SDA at any regular or Special meeting without giving prior notice of their intention to so act. A two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote is required to make, alter, amend or appeal any Bylaw of the SDA.

SECTION 2. Rules and regulations to supplement these Bylaws shall be devised for the purpose of uniformity and clarity. Any additions, deletions or changes may be made subject to a simple majority vote of the board of directors.

SECTION 3. The order of business and/or procedures of any meeting called or any subject not covered in these Bylaws or noted in the Board Minutes, shall be subject to "Robert's Rules of Order Revised". However, should these Bylaws conflict with "Robert's Rules Of Order Revised", the SDA Bylaws shall prevail.

ARTICLE XV

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors has the sole authority to enter into contracts and agreements in the name of the SDA. Such contracts and agreements must bear the signatures of the President and Vice President and be attested to by the Secretary and the Treasurer in order to make such contracts or agreements binding on the SDA.

SECTION 2. All expenses of the SDA are subject to the approval of a simple majority of the Board.

ARTICLE XVI

POLICY:

SECTION 1. Policy changes and temporary rulings as approved by a simple majority of the Board will be in the form of announcements issued by the Secretary to Team Captains. These policy changes and temporary rulings will be considered to be in force immediately. It is the responsibility of the team captains to disseminate general information and policy announcements to their players (members).

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