



Manitoba Arm Wrestling Association Constitution

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ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the organization shall be the MANITOBA ARMWRESTLING ASSOCIATION, hereinafter referred to as the MAWA.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

Section 1

The business purpose of the MAWA is to oversee organization, promotion and refereeing of the sport of armwrestling in Manitoba.

Section 2

Setting out guidelines for armwrestling within the regions of the province of Manitoba.

Section 3

Establishing a method of funding for the MAWA.

Section 4

Establishing that all rules and regulations are being maintained by all governed bodies of the MAWA.

Section 5

Maintaining a close contact with the Canadian Armwrestling Federation (CAWF) and coordinating communication with the National Federation.

Section 6

Collecting and forwarding membership fees for the MAWA and the CAWF.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

The MAWA shall have members who may be individuals, firms, associations, groups, institutions, businesses, and other like agencies. There shall be one class of member.

Section 2

Membership can be secured by demonstrating interest in the aims of the MAWA through applying for membership and paying prescribed fees. Membership fee paid entitles holder to voting privilege at Annual Meeting.

Section 3

Membership fees are determined by the MAWA Executive and may be paid at any circuit sanctioned armwrestling event, annual meeting, or remitted through special privilege.

Section 4

Any member of the MAWA may withdraw from the MAWA by notice to the MAWA, but upon such withdrawal the member shall not be entitled to a refund of any portion of the fees that has been paid.

Section 5

The MAWA Executive, upon a (2/3) two-thirds vote of the persons present at the meeting of the Executive, may suspend or expel any member whose conduct is such as to bring discredit to the MAWA. No member shall be suspended or expelled unless given a 30 day notice in writing of the meeting of the MAWA Executive with a statement of the nature of the complaint filed against them. The person complained against shall have the privilege to attend the meeting and to be heard by the MAWA Executive. If, after hearing the person complained against, (2/3) two-thirds of the MAWA Executive vote for expulsion the member shall be expelled and thereupon will cease to be a member of the MAWA.

ARTICLE IV: THE EXECUTIVE

Section 1

The supervision and control of the MAWA shall reside in the hands of the Executive.

Section 2

The Executive shall be composed of (5) five officers.

Section 3

Any vacancy in the Executive shall be filled by appointment for the balance of the term by the Executive.

Section 4

The office of a member of the Executive shall be vacated if: a) the person ceases to be a member of the MAWA or b) by notice in writing to the MAWA, person resigns from post.

Section 5

The Directors shall serve without remuneration.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE

Section 1

The supervision and control of the MAWA shall be managed by the Executive.

Section 2

The Executive shall be solely responsible for the securing, controlling and accounting of the finances of the MAWA.

Section 3

The Executive shall be solely responsible for proper recognition of those who excel in the sport of Armwrestling or in the promotion of the MAWA.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

Section 1

The officers of the MAWA shall consist of the President, Vice-President, and (3) three Directors.

Section 2

The officers shall be elected by the members from among the members at the annual general meeting.

Section 3

The officers shall be elected for a term of (2) two years.

Section 4

The President shall be a non-voting member of the Executive, but will cast a deciding vote in the event of a tie. The President shall render a written report at the Annual Meeting on the activities of the organization. The President shall also perform all duties of a Director.

Section 5

The Vice-President shall perform all of the duties of the President in his/her absence as required. The Vice-President shall also perform all duties of a Director.

Section 6

The Directors shall be responsible to promote the sport of armwrestling and promote the MAWA through organizing and running no less than one event per calendar year within the province of Manitoba.

ARTICLE VII: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Section 1

The Annual General Meeting shall be held the day prior to the Provincial Championships.

Section 2

Notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be posted online at the same time as the announcement of the Provincial Championships.

Section 3

At every Annual General Meeting, there shall be presented a report of the President, report of the Vice-President, along with the presentation of an annual financial statement.

Section 4

The election of officers who are chosen by election shall take place at the Annual General Meeting.

Section 5

Voting shall be a show of hands except where a ballot is requested by at least (5) five members. All votes shall be a majority.

ARTICLE VIII: SPECIAL MEETINGS

Meetings of the members of the MAWA other than the Annual General Meeting shall be known as Special Meetings.

ARTICLE IX: CUSTODY AND USE OF MAWA LOGO

THE LOGO: Section 1

The MAWA shall adopt the same logo as the CAWF except replacing the words "Canadian Armwrestling Federation" with "Manitoba Armwrestling Association". The use of this logo or any reproduction can only be done by the written request to the MAWA and by return permission from the MAWA. The logo is to appear on all MAWA literature and letterheads.

ARTICLE X: SIGNING AUTHORITY

Any (2) two of the following may be authorized to draw and sign cheques, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments: President, Vice-President, Director.

ARTICLE XI: AUDITS

The accounts of the MAWA may be audited by an auditor appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the MAWA.