



CONSTITUTION OF THE HALTON HILLS MINOR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

1.00 NAME

1.01 The name of the association shall be the Halton Hills Minor Lacrosse Association hereinafter referred to as the Association or the HHMLA.

2.00 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association are:

2.01 To promote and improve minor box lacrosse and minor field lacrosse for players in the community of Halton Hills and surrounding area as defined by the Ontario Lacrosse Association.

2.02 To create an environment for the enjoyment of the sport through skill development and participation at the recreational or representative level.

2.03 To teach sportsmanship, fair play and respect for fellow competitors, referees, and spectators.

3.00 MEMBERSHIP

3.01 The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of up to 13 Directors. The Officers of the Association, being the President, Vice President and the Treasurer or such other Officers as the Board of directors may determine by By-law are necessary from time to time, shall be appointed by a majority of Directors, to hold office for two (2) years from the date of the appointment.

3.02 Membership in the Association shall include the parents or legal guardians of all players under the age of 18, players eighteen years of age or older, coaches, bench personnel and other volunteers for the Association and the Board of Directors.

3.03 Composition

Membership in the association shall be comprised of the following:

- Players who are currently registered in the association and in good standing
- Parents or legal guardians of a player who is currently registered in the association
- Coaches, trainers and managers currently registered in the association
- Members of the Board of Directors
- All members of the association must be in good standing

3.04 Conditions

Conditions of membership shall be:



- Adherence to the Constitution and Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the association, and the participation and support of the mandate of the Association
- Adherence to Zone rules and regulations
- Adherence to the Ontario Lacrosse Constitution, Bylaws and Code of Conduct
- Have met all their financial obligations to the Association
- Adherence to all additional Codes of Conduct recognized by the Association

4.00 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

4.01 The annual general meeting will be held each year during the month of October. The precise date will be determined and announced by the Board of Directors.

4.02 Any member of the Association attending the annual general meeting shall be entitled to one vote.

4.03 The order of business at the annual general meeting shall be as follows:

- i. Reading of the minutes of the previous annual general meeting.
- ii. President's report.
- iii. Treasurer report .
- iv. Director reports.
- v. Amendments to the constitution/bylaws.
- vi. General business.
- vii. Election of the Board of Directors.
- viii. Adjournment.

5.0 ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.01 The term of a Director shall be for two years and the term commences on the date of the first meeting of the new Board of Directors.

5.02 Nominations for Director will be accepted orally at the annual meeting. Any member of the Association is eligible for election as a Director provided he/she accepts his/her nomination verbally at the annual meeting or in writing to the Secretary prior to the annual meeting.

5.03 At the first meeting of the new Directors, the Directors shall appoint the Officers from the group of Directors that make up the new Board of Directors.

5.04 If all of the Officer positions are not filled by appointing available Directors, or an Officer's position becomes vacant during the term, the Directors may appoint a person who is a member of the Association to fill the position of the Officer for that term, or the balance of that term.

5.05 No candidate for the position of President, who is not a current Director may be appointed to that position, the exception to this is any previous director who has held the position of President but who is not currently a member of the board of directors may be appointed to the position of President and must have sat on the board for a minimum of one (1) year previously.

5.06 The Board of Directors may increase the number of Directors that make up the Board by up to two persons in each year by resolution, and thereafter appoint persons from the membership to fill these new director positions for the first year in which those positions were created. The Board of Directors may also



reduce the number of Directors by up to two persons in each year by resolution, but the total number of Directors in any year shall not be reduced to less than eight.

5.07 Terms of Office

The President, Director of Representative, Treasurer, Referee in Chief, Director of Girls and Director of Equipment shall serve 2 year terms and be elected at the Annual General Meeting in even years of the upcoming season.

The Vice President, Director of House League, Secretary, Scheduler, Director of Field, Director of Sponsorship/Fundraising and Registrar shall serve 2 year terms and be elected at the Annual General Meeting in odd years of the upcoming season.

The current President shall assume the position of Past President and shall have one vote.

The Vice President shall assume the position of President in the event that the President steps down from their position during the term.

5.08 Eligibility

Any member of the association eighteen (18) years or older and in good standing is eligible for election provided they accept the nomination at the Annual General Meeting or in writing to the President prior to the Annual General Meeting

In order to be nominated or elected as President of the Association the nominee must have sat on the Board of Directors for a minimum of one (1) year previously

6.00 DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.01 The duties of the Directors may be further set out in the Association by-laws.

7.00 AMENDMENTS

7.01 Amendments to the Constitution can only be made at the Annual Meeting.

7.02 Proposed amendments to the constitution must be presented in writing to the Secretary at least 30 days in advance of the Annual Meeting. A 2/3 majority vote of the association members present at the Annual Meeting must support an amendment before it becomes effective. A standing vote shall be taken unless a secret ballot vote is requested by 2 or more association members present at the Annual Meeting.

7.03 By-laws and resolutions may be passed by the Directors by a simple majority at any duly constituted Board of Directors meeting. Existing by-laws may also be amended by the Directors by a simple majority.

7.04 Each new by-law, resolution or amended portion of each existing by-law that was amended by the Board of Directors, shall immediately come into effect and will remain in effect only for the balance of the year in which it was passed, unless the new by-law, the resolution, or the amended portion of the existing by-law is submitted to and approved by a majority of the members of the association at the next Annual Meeting.