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ARTICLE 1

Name:

1. The Association shall be known as the St. Marys Ringette Association here-in-after to be referred to as the S.M.R.A.

ARTICLE 2

Aims & Objectives:

1. To promote, administer and develop the recreational sport of ringette.
2. To teach fair play and sportsmanship with emphasis on the enhancement good character and citizenship.
3. To provide entertainment and fun for the participants.
4. To provide competition for all players desiring to participate in the sport of Ringette, giving due consideration to their individual capabilities and interests.
5. To exercise supervision and direction over its members, including the players, coaches, officials, parents and spectators.
6. To ensure that all members have the opportunity of presenting and having their views heard.
7. To provide support and opportunity to players, coaches, officials and administrators to improve their skills.
8. To actively promote, adhere to and support the objectives and policies to the Provincial and National Association for Ringette.

ARTICLE 3

Membership:

1. Membership in the St. Marys Ringette Association shall be open to all residents who reside within the boundaries of the S.M.R.A. If a ringette association does not exist in an area where prospective members are located, such people may join this association.

ARTICLE 4

Executive:

1. The Executive of the S.M.R.A. shall consist of the following officers: Past President, President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer plus a maximum of 12 directors to fill the following positions: Registrar, Referee-in-chief, Player/Coach

Development Committee, Fundraising Committee, Equipment Manager, Ice Convenor, Western Region Representative and Huron-Perth Representative.

2. Officers must be eighteen (18) or more years of age and shall be a member of the association.

ARTICLE 5

S.M.R.A. Executive - Powers & Duties:

1. The Executive shall have control of the affairs of the S.M.R.A. and shall have power to amend or alter the regulation of the S.M.R.A.

2. The S.M.R.A. Executive shall hold regular monthly meetings between September and March inclusive in each year and such additional meetings as they may deem necessary.

3. The presence of one-half of its members plus one shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the Executive and shall include any three of the following: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar.

4. Vancanies on the Executive, however caused, may so long as a quorum remains to be filled by the executive from among the qualified members of the S.M.R.A. if they shall see fit to do so. Otherwise, such vancancy shall be filled at the next annual meeting of members. If there is not a quorum, the remaining executive shall call a meeting of members to fill the vacancy.

5. Any member of S.M.R.A., officers, directors, coaches, players or parents who fail to fulfil their duties assigned may be disciplined or removed from that position. This would be decided at a meeting of the S.M.R.A. Executive with a quorum as indicated in Article 5, Section 3.

ARTICLE 6

Officers & their duties:

1. The Officers of the S.M.R.A. shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

2. (a) President:

1. Shall preside at all Executive meetings.

2. Shall prepare an agenda for each Executive meeting.

3. Shall exercise the power and authority of the S.M.R.A. Executive in cases of emergency, but subject to ratification by the entire Executive at the next executive meeting.

4. Shall be official spokesperson for the S.M.R.A.

5. Shall be charged with general management and supervision of the affairs and operations of the S.M.R.A.

6. Shall be an ex-officio member of all Standing & Adhoc Committees.

7. He/She may co-sign cheques signed by the Treasurer.

8. Shall not vote except in the case of a tie when he/she shall cast the deciding vote.