# UNITED STATES ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC. USASA Region I Policies & Standards

#### I. Status & Purpose

- A. USASA Region I (Region) is the administrative organization of USASA encompassing the geographic northeast area of the United States as established by USASA Bylaw 203. The Organization Members of the Region are the State Associations and National/Regional Leagues within that geographic boundary.
- B. The purposes of the Region.
  - 1. To assist its members in the development, promotion and administration of the game of adult soccer.
  - 2. To facilitate the management and administration of national programs for USASA.
- C. The Region may conduct its own competitions for its members to advance the game of adult soccer along with those in its responsibility as a Region for competitions administered by USASA.
- D. The authority of the Region is that as provided under the Bylaws of the United States Adult Soccer Association, Inc.

# II. Meetings, Voting & Elections

- A. Regional Council Meetings
  - 1. The Region shall meet as a Council twice each seasonal year as required under USASA Bylaw 322. One of those Council Meetings shall take place at the Annual General Meeting of the United States Adult Soccer Association.
  - 2. Other meetings may be called by the Regional Director with notice given to each Organization Member no later than 45 days before the meeting.
- B. The Regional Council is that composed under USASA Bylaw 321. Votes at Regional Council Meetings shall comply with those under USASA Bylaws 301 & 302.
- C. Elections of Regional Officers shall be conducted as prescribed under USASA Bylaw 402.
- D. The order of business at a Regional Council meeting shall be as follows:
  - 1. Roll call & credentials
  - 2. Minutes of previous meetings
  - 3. Report of the Treasurer
  - 4. Report of the Director
  - 5. Reports of other Officers & Committees
  - 6. Unfinished business
  - 7. New business
  - 8. Elections if necessary
  - 9. Presentations by guest speakers
  - 10. Adjournment
- E. Quorum A quorum at any meeting of the Regional Council shall be more than 50 percent of the total number of votes eligible to be cast.

#### III. Responsibilities & Duties of Officers

- A. The responsibilities and duties of the Regional Officers are those as established under USASA Bylaw 403. The Regional Director serves as the chair of the Regional Council.
- B. Removal of a Regional Officer is that prescribed under USASA Bylaw 404.

### IV. Approval & Amendments to these Policies & Standards

- A. The contents within this document and any subsequent amendment shall be approved by a majority vote of the Regional Council.
- B. Any amendments to these Policies & Standards may be submitted by any Organizational Member or Officer of the Regional Council to the Regional Secretary 30 days prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Council. It shall be accompanied with a statement of purpose for the proposed amendment.
- C. The Regional Secretary will present proposed amendments to the Regional Council 15 days prior to the next scheduled meeting of the Council. Any proposed amendment will be included as an item of New Business at that meeting of the Council.
- D. These Policies & Standards may not conflict with any bylaws or policies of USASA.
- E. The Regional Secretary shall be responsible to maintain and update any approved amendments of these Policies & Standards.

### V. Committees

A. The Regional Director may establish committees that will assist in the administration of activities, programs and events of the Region that are in addition to those committees under the auspices of those established by USASA.

# VI. Events, Competitions & Recognitions

- A. In addition to events and competitions administered by USASA, the Region may conduct its own events and competitions that it approves.
  - 1. The Chair of the Region competition shall give reasonable notice to the State Association in which that competition will be held including the dates, times and participants.
  - 2. The Regional Referee Administrator shall endeavor to coordinate, whenever practical, the referee assignments through that State Association.

# B. Records of competitions

- 1. The Chair of any competition that takes place in the Region, whether administered for USASA or the Region, shall keep and maintain the record of that competition.
- 2. The Chair of a competition will give a report at the next Regional Council Meeting after the competition has taken place.

- 3. Any disciplinary records, including reports from referees must be made available by the Chair of the competition upon request from the Regional Director.
- C. Policies for competitions under the auspices of the Region shall be presented in writing to the Regional Council for approval. The Regional Secretary shall maintain copies of the approved policies.
- D. Awards of the Region
  - 1. Livio D'Arpino Award Presented to an individual in recognition of service provided to the Region.
  - 2. Fair Play Award Presented to a team or organization in recognition of good or sporting behavior.

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