

LMU Club Ice Hockey Constitution

The Constitution of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey

As adopted on 9/15/09 by:

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Article I - Name

Section 1. The official name shall be Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey

Article II- Purpose

Section 1. The goal of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey shall be to help provide the opportunity for Loyola Marymount University Students to compete in an organized hockey league, promoting fair play, social atmosphere and an arena to develop physical and social skills.

Article III- Membership

Section 1. Any student of Loyola Marymount University, undergraduate or graduate, is eligible for membership. Alumni participation shall be determined on a case-by-case basis subject to American Collegiate Hockey Association regulations. Additional league requirements for academic eligibility may be applicable.

Section 2. All members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey will be subject to monetary dues to help financially support the team. This will be an equal cost among students.

Section 3. The members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey must provide their own equipment including skates, sticks, helmets, pads, etc. The equipment requirements may vary depending on league requirements, i.e., full face shield required for full-contact, etc. Any equipment Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey provides shall be returned to the team upon completion of the season. Any equipment not returned promptly shall be billed to the players student account. All first time players are required to pay a one-time 'New player fee'.

Section 4. All members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey must be registered with USA Hockey on an annual basis. Registrations forms will be provided to players at the start of the season. Per LMU regulations all members must also carry individual health insurance coverage, either personal or via student health plan.

Section 5. All student members must have a minimum 2.00 GPA to be eligible for participation.

Section 6. Members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey must actively participate in fund-raising activities organized by the members of the club. Failure to participate may result in suspension from the team.

Section 7. A member may be expelled from Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey for cause if a minimum of two-thirds of active team members vote to expel. A member may be suspended for cause immediately by the President of the Ice Hockey Club until such a vote takes place. This vote must take place within 5 business days of the notification that the player has been suspended or the player is automatically reinstated.

Article IV- Meeting

Section 1. Officers of the Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey must meet once a month during the hockey season to discuss the status of the club, planned fund-raisers, community service, etc. The meeting time will be set by the officers during the first week of the beginning of the season.

Section 2. Emergency meetings may be called at any time by any officer of the Club.

Article V- Executive Board

Section 1. The President of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey shall oversee all operations of the club. It shall be his responsibility to organize team meetings and supervise the responsibilities of the executive officers. He shall be a representative on the Sport Club Council, attending all meetings, unless substituted for by another executive officer. If any dispute or question is to arise which is not covered by this constitution, and such a dispute requires immediate attention, then the President shall have the authority to make a decision on such a dispute.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall assist President in the completion of his duties. The Vice-President shall assume the role of President if the President is unable to complete his duties.

Section 3. The Treasurer shall oversee the finances of the club, including dues from players, fund-raisers, gate admissions, etc. He shall work closely with the President in budgeting club finances for the current and upcoming season. The President may also serve as Treasurer.

Section 4. Advisors (up to 3). Special Advisors work closely with the President to develop ideas and serve as links between the individual members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey and the Sport Club Council.

Section 5. For the purpose of voting the Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Captain, and the senior Advisor. In the event a player holds more than one office he shall be limited to 1 vote.

Article VI- Elections

Section 1. Members of the Executive Board may serve an unlimited amount of consecutive terms (each term is one year), but must still be nominated annually.

Section 2. Members of the Executive Board are nominated by the members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey. If the nomination is accepted by the individual, then a simple majority of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey is required.

Section 3. Elections for the upcoming season shall be held after completion of the current season. If requested by a minimum of 2 members, a secret ballot shall be held.

Section 4. Captains. One captain and two assistant captains shall be chosen in during the first two weeks of the season. Team members will vote by secret ballot. Votes will be tallied by the Head Coach who will make the final decision on captains. He is not required to abide by the recommendation of the team, but should take their wishes into serious consideration.

Article VII- Funds

Section 1. Club dues will be due within the scheduled times as set out by the Treasurer at the start of the season. Failure to pay these dues will result in suspension of club benefits and privileges until payment is collected.

Section 2. Money for expenses on road trips limited to lodging and travel (auto rental, fuel) shall be included in Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey Budget and reimbursement to members for such expenses must be within 2 weeks following the trip. Itemized receipts of expenses must be kept in legible form. Otherwise reimbursement is null and void.

Section 3. Players who are determined to be medically ineligible to complete the season shall be refunded any dues paid on prorated basis. The basis shall be (games remaining in the regular season/total games in the season) less gear or apparel purchased on their behalf by the team. Players who are unable or unwilling to complete the season for any other reason shall not be refunded any of their money.

Article IIX- Affiliations

Section 1. Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey shall be an organized college club hockey team recognized by USA Hockey.

Section 2. As determined by the players of the Intercollegiate Club Team, the ICT shall be recognized by the American Collegiate Hockey Association as a Division II Team, subject to the requirements and benefits granted by such membership.

Section 3. Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey shall strive to be a member in good standing with any organization that it chooses to be a member.

Article IX- Coach / Instructor.

Section 1. A coach or instructor shall be selected by the Executive Board to aid in the development of the members of Loyola Marymount Club Ice Hockey. Monetary compensation will be determined prior to the start of the season by the Executive Board.

Section 2. A coach or instructor will only be hired if a majority vote of the Executive Board is present.

Section 3. A coach or instructor may be terminated if a majority vote of the Executive Board is present for such an action.

Article X- Ratification

Section 1. This constitution shall be approved by unanimous vote of the Executive Board.

Article XI- Amendments

Section 1. An amendment may be presented to this constitution by a member of the Executive Council. Such amendment would require a majority vote of the Council to be added.

Article XII- Bylaws

Section 1. Selection of Players / Tryouts. If there is to be a division of teams during the season, i.e., an intercollegiate team and a rec league team, and there are sufficient numbers of players to compete on both, then tryouts shall be held to select the players eligible for each team. Players may be shifted up or down at the sole decision of the Head Coach.

Section 2. The coach or instructor shall select the players for his team. If no coach or instructor is present, then the Executive Council will meet following the try-outs and select the teams.

Section 3. Selections will be based on skill, attitude and commitment