

# CSRA SWIM LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the CSRA Swim League.

## ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose and objectives of this organization shall be:

1. To stimulate interest in competitive swimming.
2. To provide a program of physical fitness as well as leadership through competitive swimming activities.
3. To provide a means of teaching youth of all ages the meaning of good sportsmanship on a competitive basis.
4. To provide a competitive sport in which both boys and girls may participate.

## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership of this organization shall consist of swimming teams in the CSRA, approved by the board of directors of the CSRA Swim League.
2. To remain in good standing, teams shall meet qualifications and requirements as may be fixed by the board of directors.
3. Teams must agree to abide by the rules set forth by the board of directors.
4. The board of directors shall have the authority to fix dues necessary to conduct of the affairs of the CSRA Swim League.
5. The present membership of the CSRA Swim League is: Augusta Country Club, Augusta Jewish Community Center, Brynwood, Cambridge, Farmington, Fermata, Hammond Hills, Houndslake Country Club, Jones Creek Country Club, Knob Hill, Montclair, National Hills, Petersburg Racquet Club, Rivershyre, Riverwood, Springlakes, Stratford, West Lake Country Club, Woodbridge, Woodside Plantation, and YMCA of Aiken County.

## ARTICLE IV – ORGANIZATION

1. Each member team must furnish one representative, and these persons shall constitute the board of directors. Each member team shall notify the secretary of the CSRA Swim League of the name of its official representative.
2. Each member team shall be allowed one vote.
3. The board of directors shall have its first meeting of the year during the fall to elect the officers whose terms have ended and to conduct other business as may be necessary. These officers shall be: president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer. Officers shall be elected to two-year terms staggered such that the president and treasurer are elected on even numbered years and the vice-president and secretary are elected on odd numbered years.
  - a. PRESIDENT - Serves as the chairperson at all board meetings, appoints committees, calls special meetings, signs legal paperwork, and serves as an ex-officio on all committees. He is responsible for contacting the press, radio, and television regarding league activities.
  - b. VICE-PRESIDENT - Serves as the director of the league championship meets and fills in for the president in case of absence. The vice-president is responsible for scheduling the pool and all other facets of the divisional and championships meets, with all divisions to share the duties of running the meet. The vice-president is responsible for ordering all league awards.
  - c. SECRETARY – Serves to create the record of all board meetings and maintains the records of the league. The secretary is responsible for maintaining the team rosters and schedule of the league dual meets. The secretary shall distribute copies of the minutes of each meeting to all board members in a timely manner.
  - d. TREASURER - Maintains the financial records of the league and delivers a treasurer's report at each scheduled meeting. The financial books shall be reviewed annually by an auditor appointed by the president at the end of each season, and a report shall be given at the January meeting.
4. A majority of member teams, plus least two officers of the board, shall constitute a quorum and is necessary to conduct official business.

## ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES

1. RULES: This committee shall be responsible for reviewing the constitution, bylaws, and other documents of the league at the conclusion of each swim season. It will produce recommendations for possible changes and improvements to be considered by the board prior to the next swim season. It will arbitrate disputes during the swim season. The rules committee shall be comprised of one representative from each division and the president.
2. EXPANSION: This committee will encourage new team membership in the CSRA Swim League.
3. ALIGNMENT: This committee shall be responsible for proposing the alignment of the divisions for the upcoming season.

## **ARTICLE VI - TEAM REQUIREMENTS**

1. Only local swimmers, who are established in residence in the CSRA, may participate in the CSRA Swim League. Swimmers may only participate on one (1) team each season. Transfers between teams will not be permitted after the first meet of the season, except as approved by the board of directors.
2. Birth dates will determine age groupings. Age, as of June 1, will determine age group for the entire season.
3. A "CSRA Summer Swim League Registration Form" must be used for each swimmer. That form must be in the possession of the swim team coach pool-side for all swim team practices and meets.
4. Swimmer registration to the league must be made by submitting the roster in Team Manager format. In addition, a hard copy of the team roster and the team registration fees must be sent to the treasurer three (3) calendar days prior to the first dual meet. Additions to the roster must be submitted 30 minutes before the start of a meet. The list of additions will be shown to the opposing coach and meet referee who will each initial and date the list. The "CSRA Summer Swim League Registration Form" must be completed for any swimmer to be added and must be secured and in control of the team's coach. The list of additions and accompanying registration check must be mailed by the home team to the league secretary. All transactions are to be by check.
5. Each team must provide the number of workers determined by the board of directors for its dual meets.
6. Each team must provide the number of workers determined by the board of directors for its divisional meet. Teams failing to provide the minimum number of workers will not be allowed to participate.
7. Each coach shall be held responsible for any rule infraction. A mandatory coaches meeting will be held prior to the start of the season.

## **ARTICLE VII - POOL REQUIREMENTS**

1. To host a meet, a team must be willing to provide equal access to all pool related resources (concessions, bathrooms, parking, etc.) to any visiting team.
2. To host a meet, a team must provide a pool that is at least four (4) feet deep at the primary start end. Swimmers starting in an area of the pool that is less than four (4) feet deep must start from within the water.

## **ARTICLE VIII – REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

1. The constitution may be amended by at any CSRA Swim League board meeting, provided a quorum has been met. Any amendments must be approved by 2/3 of the league teams.
2. All amendments shall become effective upon their adoption.
3. This constitution was revised and approved by the league on **January 15, 2011**.

## **LATEST REVISIONS –**

**1/15/2011** - Adopted this CSRA Swim League Constitution.

**3/7/2013** - Changed name of team from North Augusta Country Club to YMCA of Aiken County in Article III, Item 5.

**3/7/2013** - Removed "There will be no 'aging up'" from Article VI, Item 2.