

# **DELTA LACROSSE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION**

**2010/2011**

## **1. GENERAL**

- A. The responsibility of the Delta Lacrosse executive to ensure the promotion of good sportsmanship, fair play and to respect skills in the game of lacrosse as follows:
  - a) Non-Competitive Divisions: The focus is to be on having fun while at the same time developing basic skills and teaching the game of lacrosse.
  - b) Competitive Divisions: The focus is to put out the most competitive team available for the calibre within the division. The level of skills development and teaching the game of lacrosse increase with the calibre or division that is being played.
- B. The policies will be deemed to be official club policy of the Delta Lacrosse Association unless in conflict with the Club Constitution or Bylaws or the BCLA Constitution and Bylaws.
- C. The club policies will be reviewed, and may be revised, by the club executive on a yearly basis, effective for one year only.
- D. Revisions, deletions, and additions shall be finalized at a general meeting of the Club and must be passed by a 50% plus 1 majority.

## **2. MEMBERSHIP, MEETINGS AND VOTING**

- a) The Delta Lacrosse Association may hold a minimum of 2 general meetings if required in any given lacrosse season being (May-Sept)
- b) General meetings are open to all referees, coaches, managers, executive members, players and parents of players involved in the Delta Lacrosse Association.
- c) Notice of all general meetings shall be given in writing to each member, not less than 14 days in advance.
- d) Directors shall keep the coaches and managers informed of the time and place of these meetings.
- e) Coaches and managers shall keep parents/guardians informed of the time and place of these meetings.
- f) Meetings shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.
- g) Changes to Club policy will be passed at 50% plus one majority while changes to the club constitution will be passed at 75% majority at the Annual General Meeting only.(as per Constitution)

## **3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- a) The Executive of the Delta Lacrosse Association shall have a maximum of 8 elected Officers, (including the president).
- b) All positions are for a 2-year term in offsetting years as per the constitution.
- c) The position of president of the Delta Lacrosse Association shall be voted on by Club members independent of the usual "election of officers" process.
- d) Any executive officer, coach, manager, referee, or parent of players in the Delta Lacrosse Association or any interested parties, 19 years or older and in good standing, shall be eligible to run for any elected

executive position if they are duly nominated from the floor or by a nomination committee.

#### **4. REGISTRATION AND REFUNDS**

- a) Registration for the following season commences as set by Executive and proposed to the Membership at AGM.
- b) Fees are set according to operational requirements and determined by the executive.
- c) Players wishing to register must reside within the Club boundaries as governed by the Constitution.
- d) All minor players must be registered with the Delta Lacrosse Association through the registrar before they can take part in any club functions, try-outs, practices, games, etc. Only upon receipt of a completed Registration Form (BCLA Registration Certificate), full payment (or plan for same) and jersey deposit will a player be considered Registered. Prior to receipt of this, a player will not appear on any Registration Lists and therefore will not appear on Evaluation Lists or be eligible to tryout or practice. Families applying for a hardship application shall include a copy of same with registration.
- e) Intermediate and Junior players must pay a \$100.00 refundable deposit towards their registration fee prior to the first try out. Once selected to a team a 50% payment deposit is due within 14 days of being selected. The 50% balance is due prior to the players first game.
- f) A parent's (or guardian's) volunteerism for the Delta Lacrosse Association will in no way be considered as payment (full or partial) towards any part of a player's (minor, intermediate, junior or senior) registration fee.
  - i. Players must return their strip and/or association loaned equipment within 14 days of their last game or their deposit cheque will be cashed.
  - ii. Each player (minor, intermediate, junior and senior), upon registration, will be required to submit a deposit to secure the return of uniforms by season's end.
  - iii. A late registration fee will be assessed for returning players registering after registration date.
  - iv. Players not placed on a team will be issued a full refund.
  - v. Refunds of registration fees must be applied for in writing to the club registrar and are subject to the following: Full refund, upon written receipt of request two weeks prior to first league game, Full refund, less 50% prior to midseason. Any reduced fees or promotional items provided will be deducted from any applicable refund. All refunds are subject to a \$25 handling charge.
  - vi. After the onset of the first practice or try outs for Novice divisions and up shall be frozen until all teams are selected. Only then if needed will registration resume and players will be placed on the final team if space is available.

#### **5. FINANCES**

- A. The Club will review its accounts annually, and will present financial records and accounts when requested.

#### **6. PLAYERS AND TEAMS**

All players and teams are expected to show good sportsmanship, play fair and respect for others.

#### **7. SELECTION OF TEAMS**

- A. All players will be given equal opportunity to try-out for any team if he or she desires.
- B. In all divisions in the minor, senior and field sectors and if more than one team in a division exists; players will be properly notified of the tryouts for the highest calibre team.

C. Definitions: • Sector-

Shall be defined as the specific type or group of lacrosse being played, example: Minor, Senior or Field Lacrosse

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• Age Group - Shall be defined as the birth year group a player is in. Can also be described as the playing year in a division, example: '92 or 1 st year Bantam.

• Division- Shall be defined as the team(s) a particular age group(s) plays in, example:  
Tyke, U -15 or Junior

• Calibre - Shall be defined as to the playing level of a team in a particular division also known as a league, example: Pee-Wee C, Tier 1 or Intermediate A

## **8. TRYOUTS**

A. All players will be given equal opportunity to try out for the highest calibre team in their registered division.

B. Tryout for any team in a calibre within each division must start and be concluded in strict accordance with the schedule set forth by the association's coaching coordinator.

## **9. COACHES AND MANAGERS**

A. All coaches and managers are expected to show and teach good sportsmanship, fair play and respect for others.

## **10. SPONSORSHIP AND FUNDRAISING**

A. the Delta Lacrosse Association recognizes the need for both Club and Team fundraising.

## **11. UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT**

A. All uniforms and equipment are the property of the Delta Lacrosse Club. Teams are expected to return all equipment and uniforms in good condition.

## **12. SCHOLARSHIPS**

A. The Delta Lacrosse Association will award (1) one \$500.00 Scholarship known as the Delta Lacrosse Association Scholarships to assist the youth of the community in attaining post-secondary education.

## **13. SCHOOL CREDIT**

a. Any players applying for school credit associated with coaching must meet with conditions set forth by the executive.