

CONSTITUTION and BY – LAWS  
of the  
MISSOURI STATE SPORTING CLAYS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Preamble

The Missouri State Sporting Clays Association, Inc. shall be a nonprofit corporation of persons engaged in the promotion and education regarding clay target sports, including safety and activities revolving around sporting clays, 5 Stand, COMPAK and F.I.T.A.S.C. Target shooting in the State of Missouri.

Article I – Name and Fiscal Year

Section 1: The name of the corporation shall be the MISSOURI STATE SPORTING CLAYS ASSOCIATION, INC. (Hereafter referred to as "MOSCA") and is incorporated pursuant to the provision of the Missouri nonprofit corporation code.

Section 2: The fiscal year of the MOSCA shall coincide with the fiscal year of the National Sporting Clays Association (hereinafter referred to as the NSCA).

Article II – Purpose

The Purpose of the MOSCA shall be as follows:

Section 1: The promotion and encouragement of organized sporting clays shooting among the residents of the state of Missouri.

Section 2: To increase among MOSCA members the knowledge of safe handling and proper care of firearms, as well as improved shotgun marksmanship; and education. To promote the protection of the right to keep and bear arms by personally demonstrating responsible gun ownership and usage.

Section 3: To forward the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self-reliance, which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

Article III – Membership

Section 1: Admission to membership

A) Any individual resident or sporting clays facility of the state of Missouri who is a member of the NSCA will automatically be a member of the MOSCA, provided said resident is not restricted from owning or operating a firearm under any federal or state laws, unless such membership is terminated for failing to pay any amount owing to MOSCA or for other violations of the terms hereof upon vote of the Board of Directors, or pursuant to a member's election to cease being a member.

B) The MOSCA member number will be the same as the NSCA member number.

C) Members need to be sensitive and compassionate to the needs of other members.

- D) Members must abide by the safety rules adopted by NSCA.

Section 2: Classes of Membership

- A) Individual – Any individual residing in the State of Missouri.
- B) Club – Any shooting facility in the State of Missouri, having at least one sporting clays course.

Section 3: Any member in good standing shall have the privilege of discussing or speaking on any subject at any meeting of the members of the MOSCA. The Board of Directors retains the right to limit the time that any member may speak at any annual or special meeting of the members of the MOSCA. All members are welcome to attend any and all meetings of the Board or Directors.

Section 4: Club Responsibilities:

- A) It shall be a club's responsibility of reporting MOSCA Sanctioned Event (hereinafter referred to as tournament) results to the MOSCA within fifteen (15) days of the tournament.
- B) The hosting club will be responsible for mailing winnings and placement information to each shooter participating in its tournament, along with a completed copy of the NSCA shooters report within fifteen (15) days of the tournament.
- C) Clubs hosting tournaments must abide by the pricing they have established in their brochures or flyers.
- D) A fine of \$500 for the first offense, \$1,000 for the second, and \$2,000 for the third. Such fines are to be determined at the sole discretion of the Board

Section 5: Voting Privileges of Membership

- A) Individual Member – Shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the members.
- B) Member Club – Anyone representing a member club must have a written letter of appointment from the President of the club designating them as the member club representative. Member clubs shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the members.

Articled IV – Fees

Section 1

- A) All participants in registered shoots in the State of Missouri will be charged a state administrative fee of 2 cents per target. State administration fees shall be used to pay the expenses of the MOSCA and other activities as the Board of Director or members may direct from time to time.

Article V – Board of Directors and Officers

Section 1: Duties of the Board of Directors

- A) The Board of Directors shall have all of the powers and duties regular and customary to Boards of Directors of corporations, including the supervision and direction

of the financial and business affairs of this corporation and the preparation of an annual budget for provision for adequate reserves to insure financial stability of the corporation.

B) Recognizing that membership is fundamental to the success of this association, the board shall strive constantly to secure and maintain a membership, which shall include all eligible sporting clay shooters in the State of Missouri.

C) The Board of Directors shall make an annual review of the activities of the past year and outline a general program to be carried out during the ensuing year.

Section 2: The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer ("Officer Directors"), three "at large" members ("Member Directors") and the State of Missouri delegates to the NSCA ("Delegate Directors") as determined by the rules and regulations of the NSCA. The individual members shall elect the Officer Directors and Member Directors by mail in ballot of the membership. Each member of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to one vote at all meetings of the Board.

Section 3: Terms of Office of the Officers shall consist of a two-year term. However, in order to provide continuity to the Board the initial terms of the President and Secretary shall be three years. Subsequent elections of those two offices shall be for two year terms.

Section 4: The Board of Directors shall have a general charge of the affairs of the MOSCA and may properly assume such other duties as are not specifically assigned to or performed by any committees as may, in their judgment, be necessary.

Section 5: The Board of Directors shall have the authority to conduct investigations or hearings relative to any complaint against any member (individual or club) which in the opinion of the Board, may be guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct or any other acts that are detrimental to the best interests of the MOSCA and to take such action as the Board deems appropriate, including termination of such member's membership.

Section 6: The Board of Directors shall have full charge of all matters covered in the Constitution and by-laws, including special meetings, and any and all other business that is reasonably presumed to fall within the powers or duties of the Board.

Section 7: An Officer or Member Director vacancy occurring on the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors. The Director so chosen shall hold office until the next annual election of the Board of Directors by the members.

Section 8: A nominating committee of three (3) persons shall be appointed by the president two months prior to the state annual member meeting. The purpose of said committee is to place in nomination the names of individual members who are willing to fill expiring Officer and/or Member Director Terms of the Board for the following year(s).

Section 9: Only individual members shall be eligible to serve as Officer Directors or Member Directors.

Section 10: The annual meeting of the Board of Directors will take place immediately following the adjournment of the annual meeting of the members.

Section 1: President

- A) The President shall preside over all meetings of members and directors.
- B) The President shall, subject to the direction and control of the directors, direct the affairs of the association.
- C) The President shall call the directors together whenever necessary.
- D) The President shall sign, as President, all contracts, notes and other instruments when so directed by the Board of Directors.
- E) The President shall discharge such other duties as may be required of him by these by-laws or by the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Vice President

- A) The Vice President shall preside in the President's absence when the President is unable to preside over any meeting.
- B) The Vice President shall have the responsibility for the general promotion of clay shooting in the State of Missouri.
- C) He/She shall aid any new group in the organization of any clay shooting club under the auspices of the MOSCA and the NSCA.
- D) He/She shall perform such other duties as the Board of Directors may require.

Section 3: Secretary

- A) The Secretary shall preside in the President's place if the President and Vice President are unable to preside over any meeting.
- B) The Secretary shall be responsible to keep minutes of the MOSCA meetings.
- C) He/She shall issue all notices to membership
- D) He/She shall submit proposed tournament dates to the NSCA
- E) He/She shall maintain a list of members consistent with NSCA data.

Section 3.1: Treasurer

- A) The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all Monies, Trophies, Securities and Vouchers of the MOSCA and shall preserve the receipts of all Monies paid out.
- B) He/She is authorized to receive all funds due the MOSCA and place such funds in any bank or banks as the Board of Directors directs.
- C) Disbursements will be authorized only by the Board of Directors or directed by the vote of MOSCA members at the annual State Meeting.
- D) A detailed report of all Monies received and distributed by the Treasurer shall be made at the Annual State MOSCA meeting.

Article VII – Annual and Special Members Meetings

Section 1: Annual Meeting

The Annual State Meeting of the members of the MOSCA shall be held at the State Sporting Clays Tournament, with 30 days advance notice given to all members.

#### Section 2: Special Meetings

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to call a special meeting of the membership at any time. Ten percent of the membership may also file a petition stating the specific business to be brought before the corporation and thus demand a special meeting at any time. Upon the filing of such petition the Board of Directors shall call such special meeting.

#### Section 3: Notice

Notice of all special meetings, together with a statement of the purpose thereof, shall be mailed to each member at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

#### Section 4: Order of Business

The Order of Business at all annual meetings of the members shall be as follows:

- A) Roll call and seating of Board of Directors
- B) Reading of Minutes of the Prior Annual Meeting
- C) Review and approval of Financial Reports for the Previous Year
- D) Reports of Officers and Committees
- E) Unfinished Business
- F) Election of Board of Directors & Officers
- G) Awarding of Next Annual State Tournament Site
- H) New Business
- I) Adjournment

#### Section 5: Quorum

The number of board members required at any meeting to constitute a quorum and thereby conduct MOSCA business must be equal to or greater than sixty percent (60%) of the total number of board members and at least one of those present or represented by written proxy must be the President or Vice President or Secretary.

#### Section 6: Rules of Order

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all meetings, and the Vice President shall serve as parliamentarian.

#### Section 7: Voting by Ballot

The Board of Directors may secure a vote on any resolution pertaining to MOSCA business, except amendments to the By-Laws, by sending a letter Ballot on the subject to be voted on, to the members. The results on such matters shall be counted within 10

days of date the Ballots are to be returned to the President. At such time all Directors shall be notified of all action voted on.

#### Article VIII – Tournament Participation

Any individual member in good standing with MOSCA and NSCA and not in violation of any State or Federal laws or regulations relating to firearms shall be allowed to come upon the grounds of any member club holding a tournament and participate in that tournament. Any member club finding it necessary to deviate from this article of the by-laws shall obtain written permission from the Board of Directors of the MOSCA.

#### Article IX – Tournament Scheduling

Section 1: Any member club desiring to register a tournament with MOSCA, other than the State Tournament, shall make its application for such date to the Secretary of the MOSCA before November 1 in the year prior to the year of the tournament or tournaments. All tournament dates must be approved by the MOSCA Board of Directors and forwarded on to NSCA before December 1 of each year.

Section 2: If a club chooses a tournament date and then cancels that tournament, notification to the MOSCA and the NSCA is required. It is the sole responsibility of the host club to notify shooters that the tournament has been canceled.

Section 3: The latest revised rules of the NSCA shall govern all tournaments sanctioned by the MOSCA.

Section 4: A club may submit applications for additional shoots after December 1, subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

#### Article X – Annual State Tournaments

Section 1: MOSCA will sponsor annual state sporting clays, 5 Stand and FITASC championship tournaments to be held in each calendar year on dates selected by the Board of Directors and the host Club.

Section 2: The State Sporting Clays Championship will be an open tournament; however only MOSCA members having a minimum of 300 NSCA registered targets in the current year and who are Missouri residents will be eligible for state Trophies and State Championship status. Any MOSCA member who does not have the required number of targets may participate, under NSCA rules, and will be eligible for trophies or championship status, but will be required to shoot in a penalty class.

Section 3: The Board of Directors shall establish written criteria setting forth minimum State Tournament Club Facility requirements, and any MOSCA Club member meeting such requirements shall be eligible to host the State Tournaments.

Section 4: The host club for the State Tournament will be chosen by majority vote of the individual members, who must return their voting ballots within 30 days of receipt, from among those eligible MOSCA member clubs in good standing who have submitted

written applications prior to the Annual Meeting of the MOSCA members. However, unless special circumstances prevail as determined by the Board of Directors, e.g. there are no other applications which meet the minimum standards established by the board, otherwise, no club shall host the State Tournament more than two years out of four and not two consecutive years. The rights and responsibilities of the host club management shall not be abridged or abrogated by the Board of Directors or any State Tournament Committee.

Section 5: The club hosting the State Tournament is responsible for holding all events scheduled on their application. Failure to do so or to provide at least one weeks notification to all pre-registered participants will result in fines as stated in Article III, Section 4, Part D.

#### Article XI – By-Laws

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended as follows: The Board of Directors or ten percent (10%) of the members may propose an amendment. The proposed amendment(s) shall be submitted to the Secretary of the MOSCA at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual State meeting or any special meeting of the members. The Secretary of the MOSCA shall then notify each member of the Board of Directors at least fifteen (15) days prior to the Annual State or special meeting stating exactly what amendment(s) will be presented to the membership at the Annual State Meeting or special meeting and majority vote of the membership in attendance will govern the decision to pass or defeat the proposed amendment(s).

#### Article XII – Referees

Each club shall have the responsibility of making a serious effort towards the use of qualified referees for all tournaments.

#### Article XIII – Committees

Section 1: Various committees may be appointed as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. All committee members shall be appointed for a period not to exceed one year.

Section 2: If possible, each committee shall include a Board member. All members, including the chairperson, shall be appointed by the president with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 3: All Committees are directly responsible to the President. Any committee or committee member not functioning to the satisfaction of the president can be replaced or changed at any time as is deemed necessary by the President.