

MICHIGAN REGION BY-LAWS

As reviewed, amended, corrected and added to in 2017 and approved to begin in January, 2018 and following as amended.

Article I: NAME

The corporation shall be known as **Michigan Region of Corvette Clubs, Incorporated** (hereinafter known as the 'Region') and as allowed by the **National Council of Corvette Clubs, Incorporated** (hereinafter known as NCCC), a non-profit corporation domiciled in the State of Michigan.

History: New 5/2017

Article II: Purpose

Section 1

The organization shall be for the enjoyment of "America's True Sports Car", the **CORVETTE**. The owners, their families and friends, will gather, drive, and fellowship to promote interest, ownership, participation and safety, in the use of Corvette, at private or public events, organized meetings or occasional gatherings. Additionally, the Region, as part of NCCC, provides for the protection and guidance of the membership.

Section 2

The Region was formed, as defined in the NCCC By-Laws, Standing Rules, and Competition Rulebook, in order to promote better and safer driving, promote membership and limit liability at events (*moved from Article III for clarity 5/2017*)

History: Updated 5/2017

Article III: Representatives and Officers

Section 1

The Region shall be formed by one representative, the club Governor (or Governor's representative), from each club. Additionally, each club may have a Competition Representative or the club Governor can act in both capacities.

Section 2

Each club representative will carry one vote. The Governors shall vote on matters regarding the business of the Region and NCCC pertaining to, but not limited to, financial matters, by-laws, standing rules, and any other issues or concerns that affect the Region and NCCC Board of Governors

[NCCC By-Laws, Article V f.f.]

Reference added 5/2017

Section 3

The Competition Representatives shall vote on matters that concern Michigan Region sanctioned events or the application of the NCCC Competition Rulebook within the Region.

Section 4

The Region will include six elected officers:

- **Regional Executive**
- **Regional Competition Director**
- **Regional Membership Director**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Points Director**

None of these officers shall have a vote, regarding the Region's business, unless that officer is also his/her club's representative.

Section 5

The Region Executive shall also appoint officers to serve in various capacities such as, but not limited to, Webmaster, Auditor, Teller, or Ambassador, to perform the duties of those positions. Terms of those appointments shall depend on the position and requirements of the position or as further defined in *Article VI and Article VII*

History: Amended 11/03-2/05; 5/2017

Section 6

All of the Region officers and representative from each club shall be required to be a member in good standing of the Region and NCCC

History: added 5/15/79, amended 7/3/79; 5/2017

Section 7

The order of succession, for the purpose of presiding at meetings and pertaining to the business of the Region, shall be: *Regional Executive, Regional Competition Director, Regional Membership Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Points Director.*

History: added 7/3/79, amended 7/21/92, 11/03

Article IV: Meetings

Section 1

The Region shall have five meetings per year to conduct the business of the region. The meeting dates shall be the Tuesday before each of the four NCCC National Governors' Meetings. A fifth meeting shall be held on a date, selected by the Governors, in the summer months to coincide with, but not necessarily before, the national convention, and to comply with this requirement.

History: updated 5/2017

Section 2

A club may send an alternate representative to a meeting for the Governor or Competition Representative, but his/her name must be given to the Region Secretary before the meeting starts, or immediately upon arrival and sign in accordingly. The Region Executive or chairperson will announce, as such, so the representative's name is entered into the minutes. Also, a club may be represented by an alternate at any special meeting, but, again, his/her name must be recorded as stated above.

History: amended 1977, 7/12/83, 1/4/86, 11/6/99, 11/03; Updated 5/2017

Section 3

Special meetings may be called at any time when a written request, signed by twenty (20%) percent or more of the region Governors and representatives, is received by the Region Executive. It must state the purpose for which the meeting is to be called and it will be scheduled at a convenient time by the Region Executive.

History: Added 11/16/99 Updated 5/2017

Section 4

A majority (51%) of the Region Governors or their representatives shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A motion made at the meeting must then receive a majority vote (51%), of the representatives present, in order to pass. An exception is that by-law amendments must receive a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote as stated in *Article XV*.

History: Added 5/2006; Updated 5/2017; Updated 5/2019

Article V: Nominations

History: Amended 9/16/86; Added 5/5/87; Amended 11/03; Section 1 & 2 combined, updated, and moved into Article VII Section 2 5/2017; updated 5/2019

Article VI: Duties of the Region Officers

Section 1

The duties of the ***Regional Executive, Regional Competition Director, and Regional Membership Director*** are as stated in the NCCC General Information section of the rulebook. Those duties are subject to changes as per the latest revisions of the NCCC By-Laws and Standing Rules.

[NCCC By-Laws Article VII, Section 1.C f.f.]

Section 2

The duties of the ***Secretary*** shall be:

- a) Keep the minutes of all Region meetings;
- b) Send each representative, by mail or email, a copy of the agenda for the upcoming Region meeting;

- c) Send each representative, by mail or email, a copy of the minutes within 14 days after the meeting;
- d) Maintain all past records of Region meetings;
- e) Arrange for a meeting place for all the regularly scheduled Region meetings.

History: added, 11/03 updated 5/2017

Section 3

The duties of the *Treasurer* shall be:

- a) Keep an account of all payables and receivables for the Region,
- b) Deposit all monies received in a bank or credit union for the benefit of the Region;
- c) Maintain all financial records of the Region;
- d) Give a financial report at each regularly scheduled Region meeting and make a copy of the report available to each representative at the meeting or by email prior to the meeting.
- e) The Region Treasury books shall be made available, at the *first* regularly scheduled meeting, for review by a volunteer from the Governors, or their representative. Then auditing the books and accounts and report back at the next regularly schedule Region meeting.

History: added 11/03 Updated 5/2017

Section 4

In general, all officers shall perform duties incidental to their respective offices and other such duties as may be prescribed, by the Region Executive, NCCC, or any other circumstance as required, from time to time.

Section 5

At the expiration of the term of office, each officer shall deliver to his or her successor all applicable records, books, funds, copies, supplies, and any other miscellaneous properties of the Region.

History: Section 4 & 5 divided for clarity 5/2017

Article VII: Officers' Terms of Office, Elections & Appointments

Section 1

All region officers will be elected every two years and allowed to serve the Region, in their capacity, for the following term limits:

- *Region Executive, Region Competition Director, Region Membership Director*, shall be for four (4) two-year terms or eight (8) years.
- *Secretary, Treasurer, and Points Directors* shall be for three (3) two-year terms or six (6) years.

History: New 5/2017

Section 2

Nominations for the Regional Executive, Regional Competition Director, Regional Membership Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Points Director are to be held at the *third* and *fourth* regularly scheduled meetings. Nominations are to be closed the *fourth* regularly scheduled meeting. The election of these officers shall be held at the *fifth* regularly scheduled meeting of the year. These officers are to be nominated and elected by the Governor's only.

History: amended 9/16/86, added 5/5/87. amended 11/03, added back 5/2019

Section 3

Once an officer has term limited out of that office, they may run for a different office after a one year hiatus from their previous office. Then they can run for a different elected office or appointed office other than the one they just vacated.

History: New 5/2017, updated 5/2019

Section 4

Appointed officers shall serve as long as they wish to perform that service, but should consider if there are other members that can serve in that position.

History: New 5/2017, updated 5/2019

Section 5

Any officer may resign prior to the end of their term of office and the Region Executive may appoint someone to serve out the remainder of that term. However, the remaining term is not counted as part of their *'term limit'*, as described in *Section 1*. That period begins at the next election to that office. Conditions for that appointment are to be met as described in *Section 7*

History: New 5/2017, updated 5/2019

Section 6

Any officer, elected or appointed, may be removed by the Governors with a two-thirds (2/3) vote, for just cause, where it is the judgment of the Governors, after examining the facts, that it is in the best interest of the Region to take such action. The Governor's decision shall be final. All materials belonging to the Region, in possession of that individual, must be surrendered, as soon as physically possible after the decision, to the Secretary or Region Executive.

History: Updated 5/2017; 5/2019

Section 7

A vacancy in any Region office due to, but not limited to: death, illness, health, resignation, moving away from Michigan, or removal from office (as stated above in *Section 5*) and may require an appointment, by the Region Executive, for the unexpired portion of that term, at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The unexpired term of office shall not count as part of the *"term limits"* as described in *Section 1*. Approval of such appointment shall require a majority vote (51%) of the quorum of Governors, in attendance, at that regular meeting

History: amended 5/15/79, 11/03 amended 5/2017; updated 5/2019

Article VIII: Annual Michigan Region Awards Banquet

Section 1

The Region Awards Banquet (hereinafter known as the 'Banquet') shall be held in the spring of the year following the end of the competition season. It can be at a time and place convenient to the hosting club or committee depending on such factors as the availability of facilities and weather. Bids for the Banquet are to be presented at the *third* regularly scheduled meeting and voted on, by the Governors, at the *fourth* regularly scheduled meeting *in the year prior* to when the event is to take place. This should allow the host club or committee ample time to plan and execute the event.

History: Updated 5/2017

Section 2

In the event that a club or committee does not come forward with a proposal, by the *third* regularly scheduled meeting, then the Banquet shall not take place and the individual awards shall be distributed by other means.

History: Updated 5/2017

Section 3

All responsibility for the Banquet arrangements is accepted by the club or committee awarded the bid. A proposed budget must be submitted to the Governors for approval at the *fifth* regularly scheduled meeting, in the year prior to the banquet. A financial statement of receipts and expenditures for the Banquet shall be submitted by the host club or committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting *following* the banquet. All financial responsibility, profit or loss, will be accepted by the Region.

History: Updated 5/2017

ARTICLE IX: Region Fees for Sanctioned Events and Membership

Section 1

The competition season is limited, as such, that all events are to be held between January 1st and November 30th. All regional sanctioned events must be per the NCCC Sanctioned Events and posted per the NCCC Rule Book and along with any subsequent changes, additions, or deletions to same.

[NCCC General Information, Section 1.2.]

[NCCC General Information, Section 1.6.]

History: Updated and Reference added 5/2017

Section 2

All NCCC sanctioned events will have a charge as follows, payable to the Region:

- Seventy-five cents (\$.75) per entrant for all speed events, including Matching Time Trials and Drags events.
- Seventy-five cents (\$.75) per vehicle will be charged for rallies, concours/car shows and funkhanas. These fees will be charged regardless of the entrant's NCCC membership. All entry fee money must be paid in full to the Region

Treasury within thirty days (30) after the event.

History: amended 1977, 11/11/80, 9/12/88, 10/30/90, 9/09/08, 2/19/2013 5/2017

Section 3

All sanctioned event chairpersons shall be a member in good standing of the Region and NCCC

History: Effective 1980; Updated 5/2017

Section 4

A fee of \$1.00 (One Dollar) is to be assessed to all NCCC members, within the Michigan Region, during the renewal process, to help cover regional operating expenses. New members will not be assessed this fee at the time of initiation to the Region.

History: Amended 5/2017

Section 5

Collection of the assessment fees are the responsibility of the club Governor, or their representative, and are to be sent the Region Treasurer. These fees are apart from the NCCC renewal dues, which are collected at the same time, and sent to the Region Membership Director. This requires that separate checks be sent to the respective officer for each of these assessments.

History: Added 09/09/08; Amended 5/2017

Article X: Region Calendar of Sanctioned Events

Section 1

The Michigan Region Calendar of Events (hereinafter known as the Calendar) shall be prepared at the *first* regularly scheduled Region meeting of that calendar year. All events will be selected by the clubs bidding in descending order based on the individual club's Michigan Region entrant's points from the previous year. The number and composition of events, bid per club, shall be per NCCC Rule Book.

[NCCC General Information; Section 1.4.]

Section 2

It is suggested that any Non-Sanctioned event dates can also be added to the Calendar, at this time, as these events are also covered under NCCC Rule Book and/or NCCC insurance.

[NCCC General Information Section 1.3.2.]

Section 3

The Region highly discourages additions to the Calendar after this bid process, unless there are issues that prevent posting of the event such as available venues, sponsor, etc.

Section 4

While it is allowed by NCCC rules that unlike events can occur on the same day, it is encouraged that clubs attempt to avoid this conflict so as to allow for maximum region membership participation at each event.

[NCCC General Information; Section 1.4.f.f.]

History: amended 11/6/84, 5/6/86, 9/16/86, 5/7/96, 9/04/2012 amended 5/2017

Article XI: Michigan Region and NCCC Points System

Section 1

Points are awarded per NCCC rules.

[NCCC General Information; Section 8.]

History: amended 3/10/79, 9/13/88 reference added 5/2017

Article XII: Championship Trails

Section 1

The Championship Trails shall consist of the Michigan Region NCCC Sanctioned Events each competition year.

History: Effective 2010

Section 2

There will be a Men's and Ladies Champion awarded in each of the categories based on those individuals receiving the highest number of points according to the NCCC points system, except Concours chairman, which will receive 9 points toward overall points, and 3 points toward Concours Trails.

Section 3

Each Championship Trails category must have a minimum of five events, during the competition year, to qualify toward overall trails points.

Section 4

The Trails categories are as follows:

- a) Speed Trail
- b) Matching Times Trail
- c) Rally Trail
- d) Concourse/Car Show Trail
- e) Drags Trail
- f) Funkhana Trail

Section 5

The Region competitors' numbers shall be: 1 through 10 for men and 1L through 10L for ladies and will be reserved during the following competition year. The numbers are awarded based on Speed Trail points only.

Section 6

In calculating the Michigan Region Championship Trail points standing for trail events, the total number of events scored will be reduced by 11% to closest whole number of events. The entrant's lowest scores will be dropped. No events will be dropped if there are ten (10) or less events in a Trail.

History: amended 1977, 7/29/80, 3/24/84, 5/6/86, 10/30/88, 5/10/88, 11/1/88, 2/07/89, 1992, 1/31/95, 2/22/2005, 4/29/08, 04/27/2010, 11/9/2010, 9/6/2011; sections added for clarity 5/2017

Section 7

Awards for Speed, Matching Times and Drags Trails are awarded based on 50% of the average number of Men / Women entrants per trails event. Awards for Rally, Concourse and Funkhana Trails are awarded based on 50% of the average number of cars per trails event.

Awards for PC Car Shows are First Place only in Men's and Ladies Division.

Additional awards for Overall (sweatshirt etc.) are awarded based on 50% of the average number of Men / Women entrants per event for all trails events. These awards are in addition to the NCCC required Region awards (200+ points).

History: Added 5/2017

Section 8

A "**Rookie of the Year**" award will be presented to the highest overall points earned in both Men's and Ladies division, by a new entrant, attending eight (8) or more low speed events, including matching times, but **excluding** drags, car shows, and rallies. Any entrant with more than eight (8) speed events, described above and in any prior year, is not eligible for the 'Rookie of the Year' award . This coincides with the NCCC 'Novice' classification.

[NCCC General Information; Section 1.8.3.]

History: Added 9/6/2011; Amended 5/2017

Section 9

"**Worker of the Year**" will be awarded to any Region member that attends sanctioned events, as an unpaid volunteer, and receives 'worker points' for that event. A single award will be given, based on the highest points in either the Men's or Ladies' Division

[NCCC General Information Section 2.3.f.f.]

History: Added 4/2017

Article XIII: Championship Trails Committee

Section 1

The Championship Trails Committee shall consist of eight (8) members from at least four (4) different clubs, with no more than three (3) members from the same club, elected by the Competition Representatives. Nominations for the Championship Trails Committee are to be held at the *fifth* regular scheduled meeting of the year and the

Committee members shall be elected at the *first* meeting of the following year.

Section 2

The Championship Trails Committee must inspect and review all speed event courses for safety before an event can be run. All Committee members in attendance, not from the host club, and at least a minimum of two (2), must review the course for safety before the speed event may begin, and then must report their unanimous determination of acceptability of the course, to the event chairman.

[NCCC Speed Events; Section 2.2.ff.]

History: Reference added 5/2017

Section 3

Two (2) officers of the Region may review a speed event course, for safety, if members of the Championship Trails Committee are not present within one-half hour prior to allowing the first car off and then report their decision as described above.

Section 4

Once an event is in progress, a three-fourths (75%) majority of the Committee present must agree that the course needs to be changed for safety.

History: added 5/5/87, 5/9/89 updated 5/2017

Article XIV: Protests

Section 1

Protests are to be handled at the event, if possible, by the members and/or Region officers present. If not resolved, a written report must be submitted by the person filing the protest or their club Governor, at the next regularly scheduled Region meeting. If a protest cannot be settled, proper NCCC channels must be followed. Penalties for cheating will be as outlined in the NCCC Rule Book.

[NCCC Speed Events – Protests; Section 9.ff.]

History: Reference added 5/2017

Article XV: Amendments

Section 1

Changes to these By-Laws can be made by having a Region officer, club Governor, or a group of Representatives, submit the proposed change in writing at a regularly scheduled Region meeting. It shall be submitted to the Secretary to be recorded in the minutes of that meeting. The proposed change shall be read at the time it is submitted and shall be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting. A *two-thirds* vote of the Governors present shall be required to pass any such motion for amendment.

History: Amended 5/9/88 and 5/2006 updated 5/2017

Article XVI: Dissolution of the Corporation and Distribution of Assets

Section 1

If, for any reason, the Michigan Region of Corvette Clubs, Inc., is disbanded or dissolved, any property held in the name of Region shall be liquidated, and turned into cash, in accordance with the decisions made by the current Governors or their representatives.

After all liabilities have been paid, the remaining cash shall be donated to a non-profit charitable organization, chosen by the Governors or their representatives, by means of communication that will facilitate the decision expeditiously.

Section 2

Dissolution of the Michigan Region of Corvette Clubs, Incorporated, shall be made in accordance with all applicable laws of the United States of America, the State of Michigan and their agencies that have jurisdiction of any amendments thereto.

The current regional officers shall act as agents, for the Region, in this matter

History: added 9/93; Amended 5/2017