

MIDDLE ATLANTIC SWIMMING BY-LAWS
Proposed Amendments – September, 2006

1. Purpose: to remove dual categories relating to Club Members and re-establish the single class of Club Membership as originally specified by USA Swimming.

602.1 MEMBERS - The membership of MA shall consist of the following:

- .1 Group Members - Group Members are organizations operating in the Territory which have, upon application, been granted membership in USS and MA and paid the fees established by USS and MA pursuant to Article 603. An organization may be denied membership by the Membership/Registration Coordinator or the Board of Directors for failure to satisfy the criteria for membership or for any reason for which a Group Membership could be terminated. Any denial of membership may be appealed to the Board of Review. An organization's status as a Group Member is subject to its continued satisfaction of the criteria for membership and compliance with its responsibilities under these Bylaws, the USS Code, the rules, regulations, policies, procedures and codes of conduct and ethics of MA and USS and may be terminated by a decision of the Board of Review or the National Board of Review. Except for Affiliated Group Members, Group Members in good standing shall be entitled to participate in the program of swimming conducted by MA, and competitions sanctioned or approved by USS, in accordance with Section 609.2.

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2. Purpose: to establish quorum limitations for meetings that are consistent with current Middle Atlantic experience.

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- .1 Members of Nominating Committee; Election - The Nominating Committee shall comprise the Immediate Past General Chair and not fewer than ~~two (2)~~ Individual Members elected annually by the House of Delegates, or the Board of Directors if the House of Delegates does not act in a timely fashion, to serve until their successors are elected. A number greater than ~~two (2)~~ may be designated from time to time by either the House of Delegates or the Nominating Committee. Each Nominating Committee member shall be a member of the House of Delegates and ~~at least one member (one-fourth~~ if there are more than ~~three (3)~~ members of the Nominating Committee) shall ~~not be a member of the~~ Board of Directors. Section 606.6.3 shall apply to members of the Nominating Committee, but service as the immediate Past General Chair shall not be counted for that purpose. If any member of the Nominating Committee resigns or otherwise becomes unable to participate in its affairs, the General Chair, with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, shall appoint a successor to serve until the next meeting of the House of Delegates.

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3. To correct/revise the appropriate Definitions and abbreviations.

616.2 DEFINITIONS —

.17 "Club Member" shall mean any club or other organization which is in good standing as a Group Member of MA and USS and has athletes and coaches and participates in the sport of swimming. (See Section 602.1.1.A.)

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Deleted: "Full Membership Club" shall mean a Club Member which has 100% of athletes and coaches as Individual Members. (See Section 602.1.1.A.(1).)

Deleted: "Partial Membership Club" shall mean a Club Member which has at least one athlete and one coach as Individual Members, but not all of the remaining athletes and coaches are Individual Members. (See Section 602.1.1.A.(2).)

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| All representations of “USS” in the bylaws shall be changed to “USA-S”.

The change from USS to USA-A has apparently not been completed, according to the 2006 Rulebook. Check at Convention. The original Definition as 616.2.45 above is still correct.

Proposed to MA BofD – Sept, '06; with revision by Board. For proposal to House of Delegates, Nov, '06.