MIDDLETON YOUTH SOCCER, INCORPORATED

CONSTITUTION

(Last revised December 2014)

Article I:

1.01 Name

This organization shall be known as Middleton Youth Soccer, Incorporated (“MYS, Inc.” or “MYS”) and will be officially registered with the [Massachusetts Youth Soccer Association](http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/).

1.02 Address

Middleton Youth Soccer  
P.O. Box 625  
Middleton, MA 01949

Article II:

2.01 Charitable Purpose

The purpose of MYS is to develop, promote, and administer the game of soccer among youth in the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts and to engage in any, and all, other related businesses permitted under [Chapter 180 of the Massachusetts General Laws](http://www.state.ma.us/legis/laws/mgl/gl-180-toc.htm) for the benefit and development of all youth as young men and women as the higher and greater purpose of youth soccer and not just as players. MYS shall offer a soccer program without regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

2.02 Prohibition Against Private Inurement

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 2.01 Charitable Purpose. The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to providing the capital and services necessary to support the game of soccer for the youths of the Town of Middleton, Massachusetts and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private individual.

2.03 Conflict of Interest

Whenever a director or officer has a financial or personal interest in any matter coming before the board of directors, the affected person shall a) fully disclose the nature of the interest and b) withdraw from discussion, lobbying, and voting on the matter. Any transaction or vote involving a potential conflict of interest shall be approved only when a majority of disinterested directors determine that it is in the best interest of the corporation to do so. The minutes of meetings at which such votes are taken shall record such disclosure, abstention and rationale for approval.

2.04 Prohibition Against Political Activity

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.

Article III:

3.01 Governing Authority

The governing authority of this corporation shall be vested with the Board of Directors, whose powers shall be designated in the by-laws. The process of appealing a decision made by the Board of Directors of this corporation shall be designated in the by-laws.

3.02 Membership

MYS shall consist of members. The designation of membership classes, the manner of election or appointments, the duration of membership and the qualification and rights, including voting rights, of the members of each class shall be set forth in the by-laws of the corporation.

3.03 Revocation of Membership Privileges

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to suspend, temporarily or permanently, the privileges of membership in the MYS of any member, player, or coach whose actions or conduct either on or off the field are considered unsportsmanlike, unethical, or more generally detrimental to the reputation or well-being of the Association or any of its members.

3.03 Parliamentary Rule

The manual of Parliamentary Rule shall be in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

3.04 By-Laws

The by-laws of the corporation shall be adopted by duly elected officials of the corporation. Any changes, additions, waivers, or deletions to the by-laws shall require approval by two-thirds majority of the quorum of a meeting of the Board of Directors.

3.05 Amendments

Any changes, additions, or deletions of the Constitution amendments must, be submitted to the Board members in writing, prior to voting. Motions must be passed by a two-thirds vote of the quorum at the regularly scheduled December meeting which precedes the general election.

3.06 Fiscal & Tax Matters

MYS is a not-for-profit corporation and shall conduct its business affairs so as to maintain its tax exempt status under applicable law and shall be managed by a budgeting and review process.

3.07 Fiscal Year

The financial fiscal year shall be the calendar year beginning on January 1st, and ending on December 31st.

Article IV:

4.01 Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose at the discretion of the Board of Directors current at that time.

DATED THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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