

**WEST TEXAS MEN'S SOCCER ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION
(Proposed May 2004)**

Article I. The name of this organization shall be the West Texas Men's Soccer Association (WTMSA), known as the Association for all purposes hereinafter.

Article II. Its purpose shall be to encourage adult soccer within the territory under its jurisdiction.

Article III. The Association shall be affiliated with and comply with the authority of the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) and the North Texas State Soccer Association (NTSSA).

Article IV. The Association's jurisdiction shall be Lubbock County, State of Texas.

Article V. The Association's headquarters shall be established at a location within its jurisdiction.

Article VI. Unexpended monies of the Association shall belong to the Association in perpetuity.

Article VII. If the elected officers of the Association abandon their duties, a Board of Trustees comprised of all Past Presidents shall assume management of the Association.

Article VIII. If the Association dissolves, its assets shall be contributed to the NTSSA.

Article IX. Any properly constituted team existing within the Association's jurisdiction may become a member, if the Association finds that such membership would serve the best interest of soccer.

Article X. A team shall be properly constituted upon conforming to the Association's Standing Rules.

Article XI. Each member team shall be furnished a copy of the Association's Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules.

Article XII. The Association shall have jurisdiction over all officers, teams, referees, and players affiliated with it, each of whom shall adhere to its Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules and shall comply with its authority.

Article XIII. Government of the Association. **A)** The Association shall be governed by its members, which shall consist of the elected Executive Board and the official delegate of each member team, each of whom shall be entitled to one (1) vote at an Association meeting. **B)** An official delegate may designate a proxy by writing to the Executive Board. **C)** No delegate or proxy shall be entitled to vote on behalf of more than one (1) team. **D)** A majority of the voting power shall constitute a quorum. **E)** A majority of votes represented shall decide all questions, except those involving amendment to the Constitution or removal of officers. **F)** An Association

meeting shall be called in timely fashion and be convened shortly prior to the beginning of each playing season.

Article XIV. The Executive Board. **A)** The Executive Board shall be elected to terms of two (2) fiscal years (September 1 through August 31) and may succeed themselves in their positions. **B)** No member of the Executive Board may hold more than one (1) Executive Board position at one time. **C)** An Executive Board member may be elected to a different Executive Board position, even before his tenure has expired; if elected to a second position, he must immediately resign one of his positions. **D)** Elections of one-half of the Executive Board shall be held annually at the Association meeting convened shortly prior to the beginning of each Fall season. **E)** The Executive Board shall consist of the following elective offices: **i)** President (elected in odd years), **ii)** Commissioner (elected in even years), **iii)** Secretary (elected in odd years), **iv)** Treasurer (elected in even years), **v)** Registrar (elected in odd years), **vi)** Appeals and Discipline Chairman (elected in even years), **vii)** Fields and Equipment Chairman (elected in odd years), **viii)** Referee Chairman (elected in even years), and **ix)** Immediate Past President (ratified in odd years). **F)** A majority of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum. **G)** A majority of votes represented shall decide all questions.

Article XV. Association Meetings. **A)** An Association meeting shall proceed according to Robert's Rules of Order. **B)** The President may appoint a parliamentarian. **C)** The order of business at an Association meeting shall be as follows: **1)** Roll Call and Vote Accreditation; **2)** Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Association Meeting; **3)** Unfinished Business; **4)** Reports of Special Committees; **5)** Reports of the Executive Board; **6)** Amendment of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules; **7)** Election of Executive Board Members; **8)** New Business; **9)** Adjournment.

Article XVI. Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any Association meeting by vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting membership present.