

ARTICLE VI
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. MEMBERS - The members of the Executive Committee shall be:

- The elected officers of the Association
- The Immediate Past President
- The Chairman of the following Standing Committees:
 - By-Laws, Rules and Regulations Committee
 - Youth Committee
 - Public Relations Committee
 - Conservation Committee

The Executive Secretary and the Treasurer shall serve as ex-officio members on all matters pertaining to Executive Committee action.

- 2. AUTHORITY** - The Executive Committee shall have full administrative authority over all of the affairs of the Association. The active management of the Association shall be vested in the Executive Committee at all times except when the Association is in actual session at an Annual Meeting. The Executive Committee shall be subject to the will of the Association expressed at any Annual Meeting. Any action taken by the Executive Committee shall be subject to the will of the Association expressed at any Annual Meeting. Any action taken by the Executive Committee, which in any way affects the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Association shall not be considered as binding, until ratified by the delegates at the next Annual Meeting. Provided however, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to submit ballots on what it considers to be Emergency Amendments to the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Association as specified in Article XII, Section 4. Ratification of Emergency Amendments by the delegates at the next Annual Meeting shall not be required.
- 3. QUORUM** - Five members of the Executive Committee assembled on call of the President and in actual session shall constitute a quorum. In the absence of such quorum at any Annual Meeting, the Executive Committee members present shall select members pro tem in sufficient quantity to make a quorum. Pro tem members shall serve during said Annual Meeting or until a quorum of regular members shall appear.
- 4. BUSINESS CONDUCTED BY MAIL** - The Executive Committee may, without meeting together, transact business by mail, e-mail, and facsimile (fax), and vote upon proposals mailed to them by the President or Executive Secretary in written ballots.
- 5. FINANCIAL DIRECTION** - The Executive Committee shall act as a Committee on Ways and Means to adequately finance the activities of the Association. The Executive Committee shall also act as a Budget Committee and shall endeavor to set-up and maintain a reasonable balance of receipts and expenditures.
- 6. TERMINATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP** - The withdrawal, suspension, expulsion or dissolution of any member club shall automatically terminate membership on the Executive Committee and make vacant the office of any member who is a member of said club at the time of said withdrawal, suspension, expulsion or dissolution except and unless said officer or Executive Committee member is an individual member or belongs to another club still in good standing or becomes either a member of such a club or an individual member of the Association within thirty (30) days.
- 7. DISCIPLINE** - The Executive Committee shall have power and may for good cause shown remove from office any Officer or member of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be the sole judge for what constitutes good cause.
- 8. SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP** - The Executive Committee shall have power and may, for good cause shown, suspend or revoke the membership of a Member Club, Club Member, State or District Association, Associate Member, Individual Member, Life Member, or Honorary Member. The Executive Committee shall be the sole judge of what constitutes good cause. If the membership of a Member Club, Club Member, State or District Association, Associate Member, Individual Member or Honorary Member is suspended or revoked, a prorated portion of any membership dues paid for the period of suspension or revocation shall be returned.
- 9. UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT** - A member of this Association who shall be found guilty of improper or immoral conduct, or who shall be guilty of unsportsmanlike-like conduct, or of conduct violative of their duties as a member of the Association, or shall be found guilty of selling a trophy, shall not be permitted to participate in any National Tournament, All charges of misconduct against members must be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee with the complainant's full signature and

address, not less than sixty (60) days prior to the opening day of the next Annual National Tournament and Meeting. After a full hearing on the complaint before the Executive Committee, a decision must be rendered that sustains or dismisses the charges, not less than ten (10) days prior to the opening day of the next Annual National Tournament and Meeting. The decision of the Executive Committee may be appealed before the delegates at the next Annual Meeting where the decision shall be sustained or rejected by a majority of the delegates present.

- 10. GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE** - Any member Club, or club member of the Association or any person claiming an interest therein feeling aggrieved at any action of the Association or Executive Committee or claiming a grievance against the Association may file a Petition with the Executive Committee through the President or Executive Secretary setting forth in detail the nature of the grievance and any claim based thereon. The Executive Committee upon receipt of any such petition shall hold a hearing and render a decision in regard thereto within sixty (60) days and the Petitioner shall be notified of such decision. No suit or action by any member club, member of the Association, or person claiming any interest therein shall be sustainable in any Court of Law or Equity, until, unless and after sixty (60) days after the filing of a petition as provided herein.
- 11. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES** - The Executive Committee shall approve the Recording Secretary's minutes of the Annual Meeting. Copies of the minutes so approved shall be sent by the Executive Secretary to the secretaries of all member clubs and affiliated associations in good standing, delegates registered at the meetings, individual members, and members of the Executive Committee.
- 12. CONDUCT OF NATIONAL TOURNAMENT** - The members of the Executive Committee present at any National Tournament shall constitute the Tournament Rules Committee, for the interpretation of any By-Laws, Rules or Regulations, while the Tournament is in progress. Members of the Executive Committee present at any National Tournament shall constitute the Appeals Committee.
- 13. OFFICIAL PUBLICATION** - The Executive Committee shall provide for the publishing and distribution of an official publication.
- 14. BOARD OF APPEALS** - The Executive Committee shall serve as a Board of Appeals upon any petition filed with the Executive Secretary or the President by the sponsor of a proposed revision, which has been rejected by the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations Committee. Favorable action by the Executive Committee shall override the rejection and the processing of the proposed revision shall continue as outlined in Article XII, Section 4.
- 15. VOTING** – Votes taken on normal business brought before the Executive Committee shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast. However approval of any Emergency Amendment shall require a simple majority vote that is defined as fifty percent (50%) of all voting members of the Executive Committee plus one (1).
- 16. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS** - **The Executive Committee shall set and regularly review the policies and rules used for selecting casters representing the ACA in all international competitions for which the ACA has been given the mandate to make such a selection.**