



Women's Club Soccer

ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish Women's Club Soccer of the University of Rochester and enact this constitution for its governance. Failure to follow this constitution could result in penalties or revocation of Students' Association recognition of this organization.

ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Women's Club Soccer is to give students of all skill levels the opportunity to learn and play soccer at a competitive level. We aim to accomplish our goal while providing a safe and comfortable environment for everyone.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION ONE - MEMBERSHIP

- A. Eligibility - All Students' Association (SA) members shall be eligible for membership. An SA Member is a University of Rochester undergraduate of the College who has paid their SA activities fee. All University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students, and Eastman students shall be eligible for associate membership. All members and associate members shall be listed on the organization's Campus Community Connection site. Membership is automatically renewed yearly unless the member graduates, requests to cancel their membership, or fails to meet membership requirements.
- B. Definition of active member - To become an active member of Women's Club Soccer, each individual must pay their membership fee (dues) prior to playing with the team. Those who attend practices regularly but haven't paid their dues will not be considered for the game roster. Active members have the ability to vote on important issues within the club and run for the executive board come the time of elections.
- C. Definition of associate member - Associate members are those who attend practices but have not paid the required membership fee. They do not have the ability to run for or serve on the executive board, nor can they vote on important club issues. Graduate students, faculty, and staff are not eligible to perform,

compete, nor travel as part of a college student organization.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS AND VOTING

SECTION ONE - QUORUM

- A. A meeting shall be valid if a quorum is present. Quorum is defined as 2/3 of the active membership.

SECTION TWO - VOTING

- A. Voting on any issue shall be official only if the meeting is valid.
- B. All members shall have equal voting power.
- C. Procedure – All decisions shall be arrived at by simple majority using a hand vote unless otherwise specified by the presiding officer. The President shall only vote to break a tie.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND QUALIFICATIONS

SECTION ONE - OFFICER POSITIONS

- A. (Co-)President(s) - requires a minimum 1-year term. Any individual who is running for this position must have been an active member of the club for at least one year prior to running for this position so that the individual can fully understand how this organization is run unless no one else is qualified. The position of president is given preference to a member who has served at least one year on the Club Soccer executive board. Members who have not served on the Club Soccer executive board for a year can be approved by the current E-Board to run for the position. This individual is responsible for the smooth operation of the club as well as delegating certain tasks to the other executive board members. This person is not only in charge of the club off the pitch, but they are also one of the captains of the team and decide the game rosters before each match. In the event that the team hires a coach, the (Co-)President(s) is responsible for dividing these responsibilities with the coach to effectively run the team.
- B. Business Manager(s) - requires a minimum 1-year term. The individual is responsible for keeping track of all club funds and making sure that the club spends its money responsibly. The business manager also consults with the club's business adviser to request a budget each spring semester as well as to organize fundraising activities.
- C. Fundraising Chair(s) - requires a minimum 1-year term. This individual is responsible for setting up fundraising events to supplement the Club Soccer allocation.
- D. Publicity Chair(s)- requires a minimum 1-year term. This individual is responsible for maintaining the recruiting aspects of the organization (including social media and the club website). The publicity chair also publicizes Club Soccer events, including but not limited to: general interest meetings, games, and fundraisers.
- E. Social Chair(s)- requires a minimum 1-year term. This individual is responsible for creating events that foster team unity and bonding. They are also the liaison to other

clubs and organizations on campus. They must plan one small event each semester and one large event for the school year.

SECTION TWO - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- A. All officers shall be members of the Students' Association.
- B. All officers shall promote active recruitment of new members.
- C. All officers shall enforce this constitution.
- D. All officers shall be responsible for knowing the sections of the Students' Association constitution and bylaws that apply to this organization.
- E. The President shall preside over the meetings and shall maintain organization within the club, communicate with other officers and delegate duties to maintain a functioning club that fulfills the purposes set forth above.
- F. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keep detailed records of all transactions.
- G. The Club (Co-President(s)) shall be responsible for maintaining a current copy of this constitution open to inspection by all members of this organization, Senators, and all members of the Students' Association.
- H. The Club (Co-President(s)) shall also take roll call at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes.

SECTION THREE - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure - After the term of a certain officer has been completed, all of the active members of the club will be notified. Then, those active members who would like to run for a particular position volunteer themselves and write a platform for the position. After a few weeks, all of the members will vote on their desired candidate.
- B. Term of Office - (Co-President (1 academic year), Fundraising Chair (1 academic year), Business Manager (1 academic year), Publicity Chair (1 academic year), and Social Chair (1 academic year).
- C. Timing of Elections - Every academic year, at least two weeks before the end of the spring semester.
- D. Qualifications - Active members wanting to run for a particular position must have attended at least half of club soccer events unless a valid excuse is given (overlapping classes, health reasons, etc.) unless no one else is qualified.

SECTION FOUR - VACANCIES, RESIGNATIONS, AND REMOVALS

- A. At the first valid meeting following a vacancy of an office, the position is to be filled by the same manner described in *Article V, Section Three*.
- B. A vote of no confidence is a vote to remove an officer. Such a vote shall require a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the entire active membership to pass. Any member of the organization may call for a vote of no confidence.
- C. If a vote of no confidence on any officer is to take place, they must be notified one week in advance.
- D. An office shall be declared vacant as the result of a vote of no confidence.

ARTICLE VI - RESOURCES

SECTION ONE - RESOURCES

A. Women's Club Soccer of the University of Rochester will abide by their Resource Agreement.

ARTICLE VII - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by Women's Club Soccer. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive, or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

ARTICLE VIII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

Women's Club Soccer abides by the nondiscrimination policy of the University of Rochester.



3/17/2022

Signature of Confirmation
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Date



3/15/2022

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