

# By-Laws

## Sierra Roller Hockey League

### Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be Sierra Roller Hockey League or SRHL

### Article II: Purpose

The object of SRHL is to teach the sport of inline roller hockey to our local youth. We stress sportsmanship and teamwork, promote fitness, provide a positive, fun atmosphere of learning, enhance family and friend relations, and assist in the development of honest, loyal, and respectful citizens. In order to achieve this objective, the league will operate under the rules and regulations of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU Athletics) or similar entity.

In accordance with Section 501-(c)-3 of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the SRHL shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing supervised programs of competitive inline hockey games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign for public office.

### Article III Members

#### Section 1: Eligibility

Any youth between the ages of 4 to 17 and adults 18 and over, as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year shall be eligible for membership for in the SRHL and shall become a member upon completion of the AAU Athletics insurance form and payment in advance of the annual fees. Membership in this league shall be made available without regard to race, color, creed or national origin.

The league divisions are as follows:

Division	Age
Jr. Mites	4-6 years
Mites	7-8 years
Pee Wee	9-10 years
Bantams	11-13 years
Juniors	14-18 years
Adults	18+

NOTE: Players may be nominated to play outside their age division either by coach nomination or written request from a parent or gaurdian prior to draft. Moves will be voted on by Executive Board with the consideration of coaches input and parent request.

Females ages 5-12 have the option to play down 1 birth year.

Females ages 13-18 have the option to play down 2 birth years.

## Section 2: Classes

The league classes for members are as follows:

**Player**-An individual who participates in the activity of inline hockey and fulfills the requirements of the member as stated in Article III.

**Coach**-An individual who organizes and instructs the players on a team. All coaches and their assistants must be at least 18 years of age or older.

**Referee**-An individual in charge of maintaining order based on the rules of the league and AAU Athletics. All referees must be AAU Athletics certified.

**Voting Members**-For the purpose of voting at the annual meeting a parent shall serve as a proxy for each member who is under the age of 18 years. Each member gets one vote.

## Section 3: Suspension or Termination

The privilege of membership can be revoked by the acceptance of a resignation or some formal action by the Board.

- A. Any behavior that is not seen as fit to display proper image of the local league or of AAU Athletics can result in suspension or termination by the Board.
- B. The person who is in question shall reserve the right to appear and be represented by a coach of the team, or a parent of the child, at a Board meeting in order to defend their membership privileges.

## Section 4: Fees

Prior to each season the Board shall establish the fees for that season. The fee shall include the AAU Athletics annual fee unless already paid. Upon request, any member will be provided with a breakdown of costs included in the season fee.

## Article IV: Board of Directors and Election

### Section 1: Requirements

The Executive Board of Directors must consist of not less than five members. The members of the SRHL shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Member at Large. These members shall perform the duties described in these bylaws.

### Section 2: Election

The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting to serve a two-year term and can continue to serve as long as they are elected. Their term of office shall begin upon adjournment of the annual meeting.

In the event that a board position becomes vacant, names of interested parties should be solicited and voted upon by the remaining Board members and by the Policy Committee.

## **Executive Board**

The Executive Board of Directors (also referred to as the Board) shall consist of not less than five members. The members shall include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Member At Large. No two Executive Board members shall be part of the same family, and no person may hold more than one Executive position.

The Executive Board shall be responsible for day-to-day operations of the SRHL including: Collection, disbursement and accounting of funds, maintaining relations with the fairgrounds, resolving disciplinary issues or disputes which evolve from league play, and appointment of representatives and coordinators.

### Article V: Duties of the Board Members

#### Section 1: President

The President shall:

1. Preside at all meetings of the league.
2. Represent the league at all meetings or designate an alternate to attend.
3. Enforce all rules
4. Coordinate the work of board members and committees of the league.
5. Perform other duties as necessary.

#### Section 2: Vice President

The Vice President shall:

1. Act as an aide to the President.
2. Represent the President as requested.
3. Perform other duties as necessary.

#### Section 3: Secretary

The Secretary shall:

1. Record minutes and take roll at all meetings of the league.
2. Issue written notices of meetings.
3. Prepare the agenda for the President.
4. Make minutes and agendas available to members prior to meetings.
5. Perform other duties as assigned.

#### Section 4: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

1. Have custody of all the funds of the league, as specified in the policies and procedures section of the by-laws.
2. Keep a full and accurate account of all receipts and expenditures.
3. Make a disbursements as authorized by the league
4. Have checks signed by two persons, the Treasurer and another Board member.
5. Present a financial report and bank balance at every meeting.
6. Perform other duties as assigned.

#### Section 5: Member at Large

The Member at Large shall:

1. Perform duties as assigned.

#### **Policy Committee**

The Policy Committee shall consist of representatives of the following league constituents:

Junior Mites	Junior
Mites	Traveling Team
Pee Wee	Adult
Beginning Adult	Bantam

As well as coordinators for the following league functions:

Coaches	Snack Bar
Referees	Equipment, Uniforms, and Awards
Media Relations	Benefactor Recruitment

Other Committees as necessary:

Each person on the Executive Board and/or Policy Committee shall be entitled to discuss and vote on matters of policy including:

1. Rule changes
2. By-laws changes
3. Annual fees
4. Season schedule
5. Annual budget
6. Policies regarding utilization of the facility

## Article VI: Meetings

### Section 1: Meetings

Meetings of SRHL shall be set up by the Board members, in accordance with the rules in the Policy and Procedures manual.

### Section 2: Annual Meeting

The annual meeting shall be held when play-offs are finished. This meeting shall be an open meeting held for the purpose of electing officers, receiving annual reports, reviewing the season as a whole, and conducting any other business that shall arise. Only members are allowed to vote at the annual meeting.

### Section 3: Notice of Meetings

All meetings shall be announced at least three days in advance.

### Section 4: Quorum

A quorum of the Policy Committee shall consist of seven members in attendance. A quorum of the Executive Board of Directors shall consist of four members.

## Article VII: Financial and Accounting

The Executive Committee shall place all income in a common league treasury. They shall assure that income is expended in such a manner as will give no individual or team or an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.

- A. The Board shall not permit the contribution of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit the same for the common Treasurer of the league, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams.
- B. The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of SRHL unless all of the funds so raised are placed in the league treasury.
- C. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of league funds for other than the conduct of league activities in accordance with the rules and policies of the SRHL.
- D. No member of the league shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary, compensation, or emolument from the league for services rendered as a member.
- E. All monies received shall be deposited to the credit of SRHL in the Union Bank of California account and all disbursements shall be made by check or by debit card drawn on the same account. The league Treasurer and one other Board member shall sign all checks.
- F. Upon dissolution of the league and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied the members shall direct the remaining property of the league to another entity. This entity must maintain the same objectives as set forth herein which are or may be entitled to exemption under 501-( c )-3 of the Federal Internal Revenue Code.

## Article VIII: Affiliation

### Section 1: Sanctioning

The league shall annually renew its sanctioning with AAU Athletics or similar entity and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such sanctioning.

## Section 2: Rules and Regulations

The official playing rules and regulations are published by AAU Athletics and shall be binding on this league.

## Section 3: League Rules

The league has the authority to adopt “house rules” as necessary.

### Article IX: Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the Modern Edition of Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the SRHL. In all cases where they are not inconsistent with these by-laws and any special rules of order the SRHL may adopt.

### Article X: Amendment

These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the SRHL by a majority vote, provided that previous notice of the amendment was given to all members at least three days in advance.

## **Addendum A**

### Draft Procedures

Ages “Age division for each team will be determined by the player age on January 1 of the current year. The cutoff is midnight December 31 of the current year.” (WHA rulebook pg.12)

Oldest group drafts first in week with the youngest drafting last.

#### Draw Cards for Draft Order

-High card gets first pick in the draft. If four teams, the order of picks would be, 1-2-3-4-4-3-2-1-2-3-4, etc.

#### Goalie Selection

-As the age group gets older, you should be drafting a goalie with a top pick and rank.

#### Jersey Selection

-Jersey selection will be in reverse order of draft.

#### Supplemental Draft

-Supplemental draft will be one week after initial draft for late sign-ups. Player selection will be by consensus of coaches.

#### Practice Times

-Practice times will be determined by draw cards.