



# Mount Annan Soccer Club 'Mustangs' Inc

## *MT ANNAN (MUSTANGS) SOCCER CLUB INC DIVISION ONE RULES OF INCORPORATION*

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### **Introduction:**

This Booklet shall be divided into two (2) divisions,

DIVISION ONE Rules of Incorporation (Commencing with Rule 1)

DIVISION TWO Constitutional By-Laws (Commencing with Law 101)

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**Abbreviations:**

A.G.M. Annual General Meeting  
ASSOCIATION Refers to the M.D.S.F.A.  
CLUB Refers to Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc  
E.D. Executive Directors  
G.M. General Meeting  
S.P.C. Special Purpose Committee  
J.C. Judiciary Committee  
M.D. Managing Directors  
MD.S.F.A. Macarthur District Soccer Football Association Inc.  
M.G. Management Group comprising all Directors  
S.N.S.W. Soccer New South Wales Limited  
G.C Grading Committee



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## **PART 1: PRELIMINARY**

### **Rule 1. INTERPRETATIONS**

1.1. In these Rules, except in so far as context or subject matter otherwise indicates or requires, reference to the masculine gender or the feminine gender, where consistent with the text of these Rules, include the other gender:

- (a) “**Ordinary Member**” means any member who is a real person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years who has been elected to membership in accordance with Rule 3 hereof.
- (b) “**Junior Member**” means any person who is a real person who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) years who has been elected to membership in accordance with Rule 3 hereof.
- (c) “**Life Member**” mean those persons who have been elected to Life Membership of the Association in accordance with these Rules.
- (d) “**Association**” / “**The Association**” except where specifically stated otherwise, mean the Macarthur District Soccer Football Association Inc.
- (e) “**Directors**” means the governing body of the Club.
- (f) “**Secretary**” means:
  - i. The person holding office under these rules as Secretary of the Club
  - ii. Where no such person holds that office – the Public Officer of the Club
- (g) “**Special General Meeting**” (S.G.M.) means a General Meeting of the Club than an Annual General Meeting (A.G.M.) or other General Meeting (if applicable).
- (h) “**The Act**” means the Association’s Incorporation Act, 1984.
- (i) “**The Regulation**” means the Association’s Incorporation Regulation, 1985.
- (k) “**Rules of Incorporation**” except where specifically stated otherwise, means the Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc Rules of Incorporation.
- (l) “**The Constitutional By-Laws**” except where specifically stated otherwise, means the Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc the Constitutional By-Laws.

1.2. In these Rules

- (a) A reference to a function includes a reference to a power authority and duty.
- (b) A reference to the exercise of a function includes, where a function is a duty, a reference to the performance of the duty.

1.3. The provisions of the interpretation Act, 1897, apply to and in respect of these Rules in the same manner as those provisions would so apply if these Rules were an instrument made under the Act.

## **PART 2: JURISDICTION**

### **Rule 2. JURISDICTION**

2.1. The jurisdiction of the Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc shall cover all of the following,

- (a) Teams, Managers, Coaches, Players.
- (b) Association matches played within its boundaries and on grounds used for association purposes.
- (c) Referees that are appointed who are not members of an official Organization of Referees affiliated with this Club.
- (d) Officials, Supporters and Teams representing this Club in matches played in and outside its boundaries.
- (e) The jurisdiction of the Club shall extend beyond its boundaries by agreement with other Soccer Associations and with the approval of the governing body if applicable.



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## **PART 3: MEMBERSHIP**

### **Rule 3. MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS**

3.1. A person is qualified to be an Ordinary Member of the Club if that person is a natural person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

3.2. A person is qualified to be a Junior Member of the Club if but only if the person is a natural person who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) years and is currently registered with the Club either as a player or is a Junior Member of the Club.

3.3. A Life Member shall be any member who shall be elected as such by a two thirds majority of those present at an A.G.M. of the Club and shall thereafter be entitled to all privileges (including entitlement to vote and take part in the management of the Association) as an Ordinary Member of the Club without paying the annual subscription or any special payment for such Life Membership provided that no member shall be elected a Life Member unless he has been a member for a continuous period of not less than ten years and has rendered exceptional service to the Club. Not more than one (1) Life Members shall be elected in any one financial year. Each nomination being put to a separate vote must attain a two-thirds majority to be elected. Nominations for Life Membership with proposes and seconds remarks will only be accepted up to 42 days before the A.G.M. In the event of there being more than one nominations for Life Membership the Directors will select the one (1) to be proposed for election by the members at the A.G.M.

3.4. All Players, Coaches and Managers registered with or appointed by the Club and all members of the Directors of such Club and all Players, Coaches and Managers registered with or appointed by the Club shall be ordinary members of the Club if they have attained the age of eighteen (18) years or Junior Members if they have not attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

3.5. No Ordinary Member or Junior Member shall be entitled to receive notice of meetings, to nominate any person for membership or nominate any other person to stand for the Directors of the Club or to vote in any election or any ballot of the Club or members of the Directors of the Club or to vote at any General Meeting of the Club other than as expressly authorized by these Rules.

3.6. Only real persons shall be entitled to be nominated or to fill any Directors position under Section 18 of these rules. (Election of Directors)

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**Rule 4. NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

- 4.1. A nomination of a person for membership of the Club,  
(a) Shall be made by a member of the Club in writing on the appropriate form. (Appendix 1A – Form Mt Annan 01/01)  
(b) Shall be lodged with the Secretary of the Club.  
(c) Nominations shall close on the 31<sup>st</sup> January each year

4.2. As soon as practicable after receiving each nomination for membership, the Secretary shall refer each nomination to the Directors whom shall determine whether to approve or to reject the nomination.

4.3. Where the Directors determine to approve a nomination for membership, the Secretary shall, as soon as practicable after that determination, notify the nominee of that approval and request the nominee to pay within the period of 28 days after receipt by the nominee of the notification the sum payable under the rules by a member as entrance fee and annual subscription fee.

4.4. The Secretary shall, on payment by the nominee of the fees referred to in Rule 4.3 within the period referred to in that Rule, enter the nominee's name in the register of members and, upon the name being so entered, the nominee becomes a member of the Club.

4.5. An appeal shall lie in respect of the acceptance or rejection by the Directors of an application by a person for membership to the Club in a G.M. Any such appeal against acceptance or rejection of an application for membership shall be brought by either the person, or a person representing the person whose membership has been rejected or by an existing member of the Club. Such appeal shall be made in writing and received by the Secretary of the Club within 14 days of acceptance or rejection of the application for membership. The Secretary shall cause such appeal to be added to the business paper of the next G.M. of the Club. Whereupon such appeal being heard as part of General Business of the Club and the Club shall resolve the issue of membership by way of a simple majority.

**Rule 5. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- 5.1. A Member Club or person shall cease to be a member of the Club if that Club Member or person,

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- (a) Resigns that membership.
- (b) Is expelled from the Club.
- (c) In the case of an Ordinary or Life Member if that person dies, or in the case of a Club Member if that Club shall cease to exist.
- (d) Fails to pay their annual membership fee within a period of 28 days from the date appointed in Rule 9 thereof. (fees and subscriptions etc)

**Rule 6. MEMBERSHIP ENTITLEMENTS NOT TRANSFERABLE**

- 6.1. A right, privilege or obligation which a person has by reason of being an Ordinary Member, Junior Member or a Club Member of the Club.
- (a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person.
  - (b) Terminates upon cessation of the person's or Club's membership.

**Rule 7. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

- 7.1. A member of the Club is not entitled to resign that membership except in accordance with Rule 7.2.
- 7.2. A member of the Club who has paid all amounts payable by the member to the Club.
- 7.3. Where a member of the Club ceases to be a member pursuant to Rule.
- 7.2, In every other case where a member ceases to hold membership, the Secretary shall make an appropriate entry in the register of members recording the date on which the member ceased to be a member.

**Rule 8. REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

- 8.1. The Public Officer of the Club shall establish and maintain a register of members of the Club specifying the name and address of each person or Club Member who is a member of the Club, together with the date on which the person became a Member.

**Rule 9. FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS ETC**

- 9.1. Club Members of the Club shall, upon admission to membership, pay to the Club a fee of \$10.00. Annual membership fees shall be determined by the Directors which shall be payable by the 31<sup>st</sup> January each year.

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9.2. No joining fee shall be payable in respect of ordinary or Junior Members. Ordinary and Junior Members shall pay an annual membership fee which shall be determined by the Directors. Annual fees in respect of Ordinary and Junior Members shall be paid upon registration with the Club.

**Rule 10. MEMBERS LIABILITIES**

10.1. The liability of a member of the Club to contribute towards the payment of the debts and liabilities of the Club or the costs charges and expenses of the winding up of the Club is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the Club as required by Rule 9.

**Rule 11. DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS**

11.1. Members of the Club shall be disciplined if any member shall wilfully refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of the Rules of the Club or MDSFA, or shall be guilty of any conduct of which, in the opinion of the Directors or Sub-Committee, is unbecoming of a member or prejudicial to the interest of the Club. The Directors or Sub-Committee shall have power to reprimand, fine, suspend and expel such member from the Club. Provided that at least 7 days before the meeting of the Directors or Sub-Committee at which a resolution to reprimand and/or fine and/or suspend and/or expel such member or any combination thereof is put, the member shall have had notice in writing of such meeting and of what is alleged against the member and that the member shall at such meeting and before the passing of such resolution have had an opportunity of giving orally or in writing any explanation or defence the member may think fit and provided further that no member shall be expelled from the Club unless the resolution for his expulsion is passed by a majority of two-thirds of those Directors or Sub-Committee members present and voting.

11.2. In addition thereto any member who is guilty of a breach of playing rules or rules of the game of soccer may be dealt with by a resolution of the By- Laws of the Club which By-Law shall also have the power to reprimand and/or fine and/or suspend and/or expel any such member in the manner as determined in the By-Laws.

11.3. The Sub-Committee as defined in Rule 11.1 shall be known as the Special Purpose Committee (S.P.C.) and members of the Special Purpose Committee shall be determined by the Directors.

11.4. Executive Directors shall not be members of a Sub-Committee as defined in Rule 11.1.



## **Rule 12. RIGHT OF APPEAL OF DISCIPLINED MEMBERS**

12.1. A member may appeal to the Executive Directors against a resolution of the S.P.C., which was passed under Rule 11.1, within 7 days after notice of the resolution is served on the member, by lodging with the Club Secretary a notice to that effect.

12.2. Upon receipt of a notice from a member under Rule 12.1, the Club Secretary shall notify the Executive Directors, which shall convene a meeting to be held within 21 days after the date on which the Club Secretary received the notice.

12.3. Any member dealt with by a resolution pursuant to Rule 11.2 may appeal to the members of the Club in accordance with the By-Laws of the Club.

## **PART 4: DIRECTORS**

### **Rule 13. THE MANAGEMENT GROUP**

13.1. The Directors of the Club shall be known as the Management Group. The Management Group shall consist of,

- (a) The Executive Directors.
- (b) The Managing Directors.

13.2. The Executive Directors shall be named,

- (a) President
- (b) Secretary
- (c) Financial Controller
- (d) Senior Vice President
- (e) Junior Vice President

13.3. The Managing Directors shall be named,

- (a) Registrar
- (b) Canteen Manager
- (c) Child Protection Officer
- (d) Grounds Maintenance Officer
- (e) Sponsorship & Merchandise Coordinator
- (f) Competition Secretary
- (g) Assistant to the Financial Controller
- (h) Assistant to the Registrar

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## **RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACCOUNTABILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS**

### **Rule 14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

#### **14.1. President**

- (a) Ensure that all Rules and By-laws of the Club & MDSFA are adhered to
- (b) Chair all Management Group meetings.
- (c) Chair the Club General Meetings.
- (d) Chair all A.G.M.'s and S.G.M.'s.
- (e) Be a master signatory of all bank accounts.
- (f) Instruct the Secretary to call Executive Director meetings for extraordinary business if no date was set at the preceding Executive Director meeting.
- (g) Instruct the Secretary to call regular Director meetings.
- (h) Ensure that all Sub-committees are properly constructed and operational

#### **14.2. Secretary**

- (a) Shall hold the common seal of the Club and attend to all correspondence.
- (b) Be a master signatory of all bank accounts.
- (c) Shall be a Club Delegate.
- (d) Shall prepare the Annual Report.
- (e) Cause minutes to be taken at all meetings and circulate copies of said minutes as directed by the E.D.
- (f) Shall cause a record to be taken of the attendance at all meetings.
- (g) Shall cause notices of meetings to be forwarded in accordance with these Rules and By-Laws.
- (h) Maintain a register of defaulting, suspended or other ineligible players.

#### **14.3. Financial Controller**

- (a) Cause functional banking of all monies.
- (b) Be a master signatory of all bank accounts.
- (c) Preparation of all budgets and cause preparation of all functional budgets.
- (d) Preparation of annual accounts.
- (e) Cause issuing of functional monthly statements and variance reports.
- (f) Pay all accounts passed for payment by the Directors.

#### **14.4. Senior Vice President**

- (a) Implement policies as determined by the Directors in relation to the Club players.
- (b) Shall manage all senior competitions conducted by the Club and shall make reports as determined by the Directors.

- (c) Shall be Chairman of the Judiciary Committee.
- (d) Shall manage all senior competitions conducted by the Club and shall make reports as determined by the Directors.  
Competitions.
- (e) Deal with correspondence regarding Senior Competitions.

**14.5. Junior Vice President**

- (a) Implement policies as determined by the Directors in relation to the Club Junior and mini players.
- (b) Shall manage all junior and mini competitions conducted by the Club and shall make reports as determined by the Directors.
- (c) Shall be Co-ordinator of the Club for external Junior and Mini Club Level Competitions.
- (d) Deal with correspondence regarding Junior and Mini Competitions

**Rule 15. MANAGING DIRECTORS**

**15.1 Sponsorship & Merchandise Co-ordinator.**

- (a) Develop, implement and monitor programs of identified opportunities for the marketing of the Club through the Community and the Business Community.
- (b) Shall have overall co-ordination of Sponsorship to include Sponsorship merchandise.
- (c) Shall be responsible for the promotion of soccer within the Mt Annan Region.

**15.2. Canteen Manager.**

- (a) Co-ordinate all purchases and delivery of products for the canteen.
- (b) Oversee the overall functioning of the canteen.
- (c) Provide a detailed team roster for the manning of the canteen.
- (d) Maintain a cash float.

**15.3. Registrar.**

- (a) Maintain and update the Association Register of all Club Members, Club Teams and Players of the Club in a manner approved by the E.D. Receive and stamp registrations and issue players, coaches and managers I.D. cards in accordance with the Rules and By-Laws.
- (b) Index and register proof of age of all players playing age competitions within the Club.
- (c) Under no circumstances divulge any information regarding Registration unless directed to do so by the E.D.

**15.4. Assistant to the Registrar.** The Assistant Registrar shall,

- (a) Assist with the registrations of Club Members, Club players, team Coaches and team Managers under the guidelines laid down for the Registrar.

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**15.5. Member Protection Officer.**

- (a) Implement policies as determined by the Directors in relation to both Junior and Mini teams.
- (b) Shall Record all incidents and report such incidents to the Association Secretary via the Club Secretary.
- (c) Implement all policies as determined and formulated by the MDSFA

**15.6. Grounds Maintenance Officer.**

- (a) Ensure that the field markings at both Birriwa and Windarra are suitable marked.
- (b) Liaise with Camden City Council for all maintenance improvements to both Birriwa and Windarra.

**15.7. Competition Secretary.**

- (a) Co-ordinate all pre-trial games.
- (b) Assist the Club Secretary where applicable and conduct the roles of the Club Secretary in accordance with Rule 14.2 in their absence.
- (c) Maintain a record of defaulting, suspended or other ineligible senior players.

**15.8. Assistant to the Financial Controller.**

- (a) Assist the Club Financial Controller where applicable and conduct the roles of the Club Financial Controller in their absence.

**Rule 16. POWERS AND DELEGATION OF THE DIRECTORS**

16.1. The Directors of the Club, subject to the Act, the regulation and these Rules and to any resolution passed by the Club in an A.G.M. or S.G.M.

- (a) Shall control and manage the affairs of the Club.
- (b) May exercise all such functions as may be exercised by the Club other than those functions that are required by these Rules to be exercised by a General meeting of members of the Club.
- (c) Has power to perform all such Acts and do all such things as appear to the Directors to be necessary or desirable for the proper management of the affairs of the Club.
- (d) To form such Sub-Committees and appoint persons to serve on such Sub-Committees as may be desirable and appropriate to exercise all its duties and to delegate to such Sub-Committees such powers as the Directors themselves may exercise. Provided, however that any decision of any Sub-Committee so formed shall be subject to review by the Directors.
- (e) Develop, implement and maintain policies of both the Club and the MDSFA.

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## 16.2. **Delegation by Directors to Sub-Committees**

- (a) The Directors may delegate to one or more Sub-Committees (consisting of such persons as the Directors think fit) the exercise of such of the powers and functions of the Directors as the Directors think fit.
- (b) All sub-committees appointed by the Directors, shall have a written charter detailing the powers and responsibilities of that subcommittee.
- (c) A function, the exercise of which has been delegated to a Sub-Committee under this Rule may, while the delegation remains unrevoked, be exercised from time to time by the Sub-Committee in accordance with the terms of the delegation.
- (d) A delegation under this section shall be made subject to such conditions or limitations as to the exercise of any function the subject thereof, or to time or circumstances, as shall be specified by the Directors.
- (e) Notwithstanding any delegation under this Rule, the Directors may continue to exercise any function delegated.
- (f) Any act or thing done or suffered by a Sub-Committee acting in the exercise of a delegation under this Rule has the same force and effect as it would have if it had been done or suffered by the Directors.
- (g) The Directors may revoke wholly or in part any delegation under this Rule.
- (h) A Sub-Committee may meet and adjourn as it thinks proper, or as directed by the Directors.

## **Rule 17. CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP**

17.1. Subject in the case of the first members of the Directors to Section 21 of the Act, the Directors shall consist of,

- (a) President
- (b) Secretary
- (c) Financial Controller
- (d) Senior Vice President
- (e) Junior Vice President
- (f) Sponsorship & Merchandise Co-ordinator
- (g) Registrar
- (h) Canteen Manager
- (i) Grounds Maintenance Officer
- (j) Member Protection Officer
- (k) Competition Secretary
- (l) Assistant to the Financial Controller
- (m) Assistant to the Registrar

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17.2. Each Director shall, subject to these rules, hold office for a period tender of two (2) years until the conclusion of the A.G.M. following the date of the member's election, but is eligible for re-election.

17.3. The President, Financial Controller, Sponsorship & Merchandise Co-ordinator, Vice President and Registrar, shall be elected on odd years and the Club Secretary, Senior Vice President, Member Protection Officer, Competition Secretary, Assistant to the Registrar and Assistant to the Financial Controller shall be elected on even years.

17.4. In the event of a casual Director vacancy the Directors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy (subject to Rule 18.6 - election of directors) and the person so appointed shall hold office until the conclusion of the next A.G.M. following the date of the appointment

### **Rule 18. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

18.1. Nominations of candidates for election as Directors, as defined in Rule 17.1, (constitutional membership)

(a) Shall be made in writing (Appendix 1? – Form Mt Annan 00/00), signed by any two Club members and/or Life Members, and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate with a personal resume (which may be endorsed on the form of the nomination), and shall be delivered to the Secretary no later than 14days prior to the A.G.M. at which the election is to take place.

(b) If insufficient nominations are received in writing then, at the time nominations are called for during the course of the A.G.M., provided such nomination is moved by two members of the Club and the candidate either orally, if he/she be in attendance at the meeting, or in writing including a personal resume if he/she not be in attendance at the meeting indicates his consent to nomination.

18.2. If only one nomination is received for a position, the person nominated shall subject to Rule 18.5 be deemed to be elected.

18.3. If more than one nomination is received for a position, a ballot shall be held.

18.4. The ballot for the selection of Directors shall be conducted at the A.G.M. by secret ballot in such usual and proper manner as the Directors may direct.

18.5. Any vacant Director positions shall be deemed to be casual vacancies.

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## **Rule 19. CASUAL VACANCIES**

19.1. For the purpose of these Rules, a casual vacancy in the office of a Director occurs if the:

(a) member

- i. Dies.
- ii. Becomes an insolvent under administration within the meaning of the Companies (New South Wales) code.
- iii. Resigns office by notice in writing given to the Secretary.
- iv. Becomes of unsound mind or a person whose person or estate is liable to be dealt with in any way under the law relating to mental health.
- v. Is absent without the consent of the Directors from three (3) consecutive Directors meetings.

(b) Position is not filled at an A.G.M.

## **Rule 20. REMOVAL OF A DIRECTOR**

20.1. The Club in an S.G.M. may by resolution remove any Director from office before the expiration of the Directors term of office and may by resolution appoint another person to hold office until the expiration of the term of office of the Director so removed.

20.2. Where a Director to whom a proposed resolution referred to in Rule 20.1 relates, makes representations in writing (not exceeding a reasonable length) to the Secretary or Chairman and requests that the representations be notified to the Club Members, the Secretary or the President may send a copy of the representations to each Club Member and Life Member of the Club or, if they are not sent, the Club Member is entitled to require that the representations be read out at the meeting at which the resolution is considered.

## **Rule 21. MEETINGS AND QUORUM**

21.1. The Directors shall meet together for the dispatch of business and adjourn at such times and such places and at such frequency as the Directors may determine.

21.2. By any two Directors, notice of which shall be given by the Secretary to each member of the Directors at least 48 hours (or such other period as may be unanimously agreed upon by the members of the Directors) before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.

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21.3. Notice of a meeting given under Rule 21.2 shall specify the general nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and no business other than that business shall be transacted at the meeting, except business, which the Directors at the meeting unanimously agree to treat as urgent business.

21.4. Any four (4) Directors constitute a quorum for the transactions of the business of a meeting of the Directors.

21.5. No business shall be transacted by the Directors unless a quorum is present and if within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present the meeting stands adjourned to the same place and at the same hour within seven (7) days.

21.6. If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.

21.7. At a meeting of the Directors,

(a) The President or, in the President's absence, the Financial Controller shall preside.

(b) If the President and the Financial Controller are absent or unwilling to act such, one of the remaining Directors may be chosen by those present at the meeting to preside.

## **Rule 22. VOTING DECISIONS OF DIRECTORS**

22.1. Questions arising at a meeting of the Directors or of any Sub-Committee appointed by the Directors shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Directors or Sub-Committee present at the meeting.

22.2. Subject to Rule 21.4 re: quorum, the Directors may act notwithstanding any vacancy in their numbers.

22.3. Any act or thing done or suffered, or purporting to have been done or suffered, by the Directors or by a Sub-Committee appointed by the Directors, is valid and effectual notwithstanding any defect that may afterwards be discovered in the appointment or qualification of any member of the Directors or Sub-Committee.

## **PART 5: GENERAL MEETINGS**

### **Rule 23. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - HOLDING OF**

23.1. With the exception of the first A.G.M. of the Club, the Club shall, at least once in each calendar year and after the expiration of each financial year of the Club, that being the 30th June; an A.G.M. of the Members must be convened.

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**Rule 24. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - CALLING OF AND NECESSARY BUSINESS**

24.1. The A.G.M. of the Club shall, subject to the Act and to Rule 23, be convened on such date and at such place and time as the Directors see fit.

24.2. In addition to any other business which may be transacted at an A.G.M., the business of an A.G.M. shall be,

- (a) To confirm the minutes of the last preceding A.G.M. and of any S.G.M., not previously confirmed.
- (b) To receive from the Directors reports upon the activities of the Club during the last preceding financial year.
- (c) To elect Directors and Committees of the Club and other Sub- Committee positions as per the By-Laws. (Law 113)
- (d) To receive and consider the statement, which is, required too be submitted to members pursuant to Section 26.6 of the Act.

24.3. An A.G.M. shall be specified as such in the notice convening it.

24.4. A member being a Club Member shall have one (1) vote, Life Members shall have one (1) vote only, but in the event of an equality of votes on any question, the person presiding may exercise a casting vote only.

**Rule 25. Club GENERAL MEETINGS**

25.1. Regular General meetings of the Club shall take place on the second Tuesday of every month, excluding October to January or such other times and at such places as the Directors shall from time to time determine.

25.2. Business at such regular Club General meetings shall include,

- (a) Confirmation of minutes of preceding regular General meeting or any S.G.M. held since the previous regular General meeting.
- (b) To receive reports from Directors and any Sub-Committees.
- (c) General Business.

**Rule 26. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS - CALLING OF**

26.1. The Directors may convene a S.G.M. of the Club under Rule 27.

26.2. The Directors shall, on the requisition in writing of not less than three (3) Club Members, convene a S.G.M. of the Club.

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- 26.3. A requisition of Club Members for a S.G.M.,
- (a) Shall state the purpose of the meeting.
  - (b) Shall be signed by the members making the requisitions.
  - (c) Shall be lodged with the Secretary.
  - (d) May consist of several documents in similar form, each signed by one or more of the Club Members making the requisition.

26.4. If the Directors fail to convene a S.G.M. to be held within one (1) month after the date on which the requisition of members is lodged with the Club Secretary, any one or more of the members who made the requisition may convene a S.G.M. to be held not later than 3 months after that date.

26.5. A S.G.M. convened by a Club Members as referred to in Rule 26.4 shall be convened, as nearly as is practicable in the same manner as S.G.M.'s are convened by the Directors and any member who thereby incurs expense is entitled to be reimbursed by the Club for any expense so incurred.

#### **Rule 27. NOTICE**

27.1. Except where the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a S.G.M. or A.G.M. requires a special resolution of the Club Members, the Club Secretary shall, at least 7 days before the date fixed for the holding of the S.G.M. or A.G.M., cause to be sent by pre-paid post, facsimile, email or other form of electronic transmission to each Club Member, Life Member and Director a notice specifying the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business proposed to be transacted at the meeting.

27.2. Where the nature of the business proposed to be dealt with at a General Meeting requires a special resolution of the Club, the Club Secretary, at least 21 days before the date fixed for the holding of the General Meeting, cause notice to be sent to each member in the manner provided in Rule 27.1 specifying, in addition to the matter required under Rule 27.1, the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution.

27.3. No business other than that specified in the notice convening a S.G.M. or A.G.M. shall be transacted at the meeting except in the case of an A.G.M., business which may be transacted pursuant to Rule 24.2.

#### **Rule 28. PROCEDURE**

28.1. No items of business shall be transacted at an A.G.M., S.G.M. or General Meeting unless a quorum of members entitled under these rules to vote is present during the time the meeting is considering that item.

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28.2. Ten (10) members present in person (being members entitled under these rules to vote at an A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M.) ten (10) of whom shall be Club Members, constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of an A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M.

28.3. If within half an hour after the appointed time for the commencement of a General meeting a quorum is not present the meeting if convened upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved and in any other case shall stand adjourned to the same time and (unless another place is specified at the time of adjournment by the person presiding at the meeting or communicated by written notice to members given before the day to which the meeting is adjourned) at the same place.

28.4. If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour after the time appointed for the commencement of the meeting, the meeting shall be abandoned.

**Rule 29. PRESIDING MEMBER**

29.1. The President or, in the President's absence, the Financial Controller shall preside as Chairman at each A.G.M. and S.G.M. of the Club.

29.2. If the President, Financial Controller or the next senior Director is absent from the A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M. or unwilling to act, the members entitled to vote who are present shall elect one of their number to preside as Chairman at the meeting.

29.3. The presiding member of all meetings shall have a casting vote only.

**Rule 30. ADJOURNMENT**

30.1. The Chairman of an A.G.M. or S.G.M. at which a quorum is present may, with the consent of the majority of members present at the meeting, and entitled to vote, adjourn the meeting from time to time and place to place, but no business shall be transacted at an adjourned meeting other than the business left unfinished at the meeting at which the adjournment took place.

30.2. Where an A.G.M. or S.G.M. is adjourned for 14 days or more, the Club Secretary shall give written notice of the adjourned meeting to each member of the Club entitled to receive such notice stating the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting.

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30.3. Except as provided in Rule 30.1 and Rule 30.2, notice of an adjournment of an A.G.M. or S.G.M. or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting is not required to be given.

### **Rule 31. VOTING DECISIONS**

31.1. A question arising at any meeting of the Club shall be determined on a show of hands and, unless before or on the declaration of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, or an entry to that effect in the minute book of the Club, is evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against that resolution.

31.2. At an A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M. of the Club, a poll may be demanded by the Chairman or by not less than three (3) members eligible to vote who are present in person at the meeting.

31.3. Where the poll is demanded at an A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M. the poll shall be taken,

- (a) Immediately in the case of a poll which relates to the election of the chairman of the meeting or to the question of an adjournment.
- (b) In any other case, in such manner and at such time before the close of the meeting as the Chairman directs and the resolution of the poll on the matter shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting on that matter.
- (c) No member is eligible to vote and an AGM, SGM unless the member has attended a minimum of five (5) GM general meetings within the calendar year or during the calendar year the member has placed his/her apologise to the club secretary for the purpose of alibility.

### **Rule 32. SPECIAL RESOLUTION**

32.1. A resolution of the Club is a special resolution if,

- (a) It is passed by a majority which comprises not less than three (3) quarters of such members of the Club as, being entitled under these rules so to do, vote in person at a S.G.M. or A.G.M. of which not less than 21 day's written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution was given in accordance with these rules.
- (b) Where it is made to appear to the Commission (Department of Fair Trading) that it is not possible or practicable for the resolution to be passed in the manner specified in paragraph (a) – the resolution is passed in a manner specified by the Commission.

### **Rule 33. VOTING**

33.1. Upon any questions arising at any General Meeting of the Club, a Club Member has one (1) vote and Life Members shall have one (1) vote only.

- (a) For the purpose of voting only one member of a family, irrespective of the number of child registered with the Club, shall only be entitled to (1)one vote.
- (b) A Club Member must attend a minimum of five(5) General meetings to be eligible to vote at a club AGM.

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- 33.2. All votes shall be given personally.
- 33.3. In the case of an equality of votes on a question at a General Meeting, the Chairman of the meeting is entitled to exercise a casting vote only.
- 33.4. A member is not entitled to vote at any General Meeting of the Club unless all money due and payable by the member to the Club has been paid.
- 33.4.A. Club Members must pay all accounts in full, putting any queries/complaints in writing, in letter form detailing alleged discrepancies. No amounts are to be deducted before payment.

**Rule 34. APPOINTMENT OF PROXIES**

- 34.1. No member shall attend or vote at any meeting of the Club or of any Directors of the Club or vote at any election of the Club as a proxy of another person.

**PART 6: MISCELLANEOUS**

**Rule 35. MEMBERSHIP OF Macarthur District Soccer Football Association Inc**

- 35.1. The Club shall at all times be bound by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations of MDSFA. Where there is any inconsistency between any provision of the Constitution and or Rules and Regulations of the Club and those of MDSFA, then to the extent of such inconsistency the Constitution of Rules and Regulations of MDSFA shall prevail. The Club shall be bound by the lawful decisions of the Board of MDSFA and it shall do all things reasonably necessary to implement and enforce such decisions.
- 35.2. The Club shall do all such things necessary to implement and enforce any decision of MDSFA relating to any player, Official or Club Member who is a member of or affiliated with the Association or seeks to be a member or affiliated with the Association.

**Rule 36. INSURANCE**

36.1. The Club shall effect and maintain insurance pursuant to Section 44 of the Act.

36.2. In addition to the insurance required under Rule 36.1, the Club may effect and maintain other insurance.

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**Rule 37. FUNDS – SOURCE**

37.1. The funds of the Club shall be derived from entrance fees, and annual subscriptions of members, donations, and sponsorship and, subject to any resolution passed by the Club in A.G.M. or S.G.M., such other sources as the Directors determine.

**Rule 38. FUNDS – MANAGEMENT**

38.1. Subject to any resolution passed by the Club in General meeting, the funds of the Club shall be used in pursuance of the objects of the Club in such manner as the Directors determine.

38.2. All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by any two (2) of the designated signatories, one of whom shall be a master signatory.

38.3. All money received by the Club shall be deposited the next banking day or within 48 hours and without deduction to the credit of the Clubs bank account.

38.4. The Club shall, as soon as, and where practicable after receiving any money, issue an appropriate receipt.

**Rule 39. ALTERATION OF OBJECTS AND RULES**

39.1. The statement of objects and these rules may be altered, rescinded or added to only by a special resolution of the Club.

**Rule 40. COMMON SEAL**

40.1. The common seal of the Club shall be kept in the custody of the Public Officer.

40.2. The common seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the

authority of the Directors and affixing of the common seal shall be attested by the signatures of two (2) Directors.

**Rule 41. CUSTODY OF BOOKS ETC**

41.1. Except as otherwise provided by these rules, the Public Officer shall keep in his or her custody or under his or her control all records, books and other documents relating to the Club.

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**Rule 42. INSPECTION OF BOOKS ETC**

42.1. The records, books and other documents of the Club shall be open to inspection, free of charge on written request by the member of the Club.

**Rule 43. SERVICES OF NOTICES**

43.1. For the purpose of these Rules, a notice may be served by or on behalf of the Club upon any member either personally or by sending it by post to the member at the member's address shown in the register of members or by facsimile, email or other form of electronic transmission.

43.2. Where a document is sent to a person by properly addressing, prepaying and posting to the person a letter containing the document, the document shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed for the purpose of these rules to have been served on the person at the time at which the letter would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post.

43.3. Where a document is sent to a person by any form of electronic transmission, the document shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed for the purposes of these rules to have been served on the member at the time of transmission by the Club.

**Rule 44. PATRONS**

44.1. The Club may elect Patrons as the Club at an A.G.M. or S.G.M. desire. Patrons shall hold office for as long as the Club may determine. Patrons shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the Club but shall not be entitled to vote there at.

**Rule 45. BY-LAWS**

45.1. The Club may at an S.G.M. or A.G.M., alter or repeal all such By-Laws as it may deem necessary or expedient for the proper conduct and management of the Club.

**Rule 46. PAYMENTS TO DIRECTORS**

46.1. Directors shall not be appointed to any salaried office of the Club or any office of the Club paid by fees, and no remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth shall be given by the Club to any member of the Directors except,

- (a) Repayment of out-of-pocket expenses.
- (b) Interest at a rate, not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being which is or would be charged by the Clubs bankers for money lent to the Club.
- (c) Honorariums if any as determined by the A.G.M.

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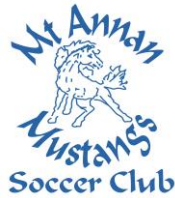
**Rule 47. SURPLUS PROPERTY**

47.1. In the winding up of the Club the surplus property of the Club shall, subject to any trust affecting that property or any part of it vest in another organisation has objects substantially similar to the Club and is not carried on for the object of trading or securing, procuring gain for its members, or failing such special resolution as nominated by the Corporate Affairs.

\*\*\*\* END OF DIVISION ONE \*\*\*\*

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# Mount Annan Soccer Club 'Mustangs' Inc

*MT ANNAN (MUSTANGS) SOCCER CLUB INC*  
*DIVISION TWO*  
*CONSTITUTIONAL BY-LAWS*  
**(As amended at SGM 09/11/2009)**

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**PART 1: GENERAL**

**Law 101. Name**

101.1. The name of this Club shall be the MT ANNAN (MUSTANGS) SOCCER CLUB INC

101.2. This document may be cited as the Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc By-Laws.

101.3. These By-Laws shall be binding on all members and affiliates of the Club.

101.4. Each Club Members affiliation shall be furnished with a copy of the Rules and By-Laws, the receipt of which shall be regarded as sufficient proof that the Club Members are aware of all incurred responsibilities.

101.5. All matches played under the control of this Club shall be played under the rules of F.I.F.A. subject to the MDSFA By-Laws and Competition Rules.

101.6. Any reference to the masculine gender or the feminine gender shall, where consistent with the text of these Rules and By-Laws, include the other gender.

**Law 102. MISSION STATEMENT**

102.1. The mission of the Club shall be to promote and develop the game of Soccer in the Mt Annan Region for the benefit of all within a framework of sound and ethical practice.

**Law 103. ALTERATIONS TO BY-LAWS**

103.1. Alterations to the Constitutional By-Laws can only be made at the A.G.M. or at a S.G.M. of the Club, provided at least twenty one (21) days notice of the alteration/s in writing have been given to all Club Members, Directors and Life Members.

103.2. No alteration or amendment or addition to the Constitutional By-Laws shall be binding unless carried by a two thirds (2/3) majority of those present and entitled to vote. (Note: See Incorporated Rule 39 – Alteration of Objects and Rules)

**Law 104. DELEGATES**

104.1. Delegates from the Club to affiliated bodies shall vote as authorized and where not specifically instructed, in the best interests of the Club.

(a) No Delegate or Director shall put forward, Propose or Commit the Club to any proposal, plan etc without the approval of the Management Group.

104.2. For a Club to have voting eligibility the Club must,

(a) Be a financial member as per the Rules and By-Laws.

(b) For an A.G.M., S.G.M. or G.M. a Club must supply two (2) delegates of their choice.

**Law 105. ASSOCIATION AUDITOR**

105.1. An Auditor, who is not a member of the Club shall be elected at the A.G.M.

**Law 106. CLUB COLOURS**

106.1. The Club colours shall be predominantly Grey with white and royal blue trim and royal blue socks.

**PART 2: JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

**Law 107 JUDICIARY Committee**

107.1. This Committee shall consist of four (4) members, including the Chairman, with no more than one person from any one Club Team. The Chairman does not have a deliberate vote, but only he will determine the sentence as determined by the E.D. The members shall be selected from a roster of Club Teams and/or members submitted to the Club, Sub-committee members, but having no connection with the Players Team involved in the match in which the send off occurred.

107.2. The Judiciary shall meet on Tuesday evenings at a time and place notified by the Chairman. Should less than three (3) rostered Judiciary members be available to hear a case, then that case shall be deferred to a later date.

**Law 108. APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES**

108.1. **Special Purposes Committee (S.P.C.)**

(a) The role of the S.P.C. as indicated in the Rule of Incorporation 11.1 to 11.4 inclusive.

(b) The S.P.C. shall consist of a Chairman and four (4) other members as appointed by the Directors.

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- (c) The Chairman shall be a member of the Management Group and shall have a casting vote only.
- (d) Any two members plus the Chairman shall constitute a quorum.
- (e) Executive Directors shall not form any part of this committee.

### **PART 3: CAUTIONS AND SEND OFF OF PLAYERS**

#### **DEFINITION OF MATCH**

##### **Law 109. CAUTIONS**

(a) Pursuant to this section a match suspension shall apply to competition matches involving the team and grade in which the player is registered within the Club regardless of the team and/or grade in which the send off occurred. Such suspension shall commence from the completion of the match in which the offence occurred.

(b) Any player suspended from playing in the team with which he/she is registered with shall also be ineligible to compete in any other team or grade during the period of such suspension.

109.1. An official booking (or caution) is administered by the Referee recording players' name and/or number on the relevant match card.

109.2. After an individual player has received five (5) official cautions in separate competition matches in any one season, the player will then serve a one (1) match suspension. (refer to 114.5).

109.3. Any individual player who receives a further three (3) official cautions in any one season, making a total of eight (8), will then be suspended for a further two (2) matches.

109.4. Any individual player who receives nine (9) or more official cautions in any one season shall appear before the next J.C. meeting following receipt of this caution.

(a) The J.C. may apply a bond, fine or suspension for each caution received after eight (8) in any one season.

109.5. There shall be no appeal against suspensions incurred after receiving 5, 8 or more official cautions.

109.6. Suspensions incurred from 109.2 or 109.3 will commence at the completion of the match in which the fifth (5) or eighth (8) official caution was given.

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109.7. Any two (2) official cautions received by an individual player in any one (1) match causing that player to be sent off for Persistent Misconduct, shall not be counted for the purpose of automatic suspensions in 109.2 or 109.3. (refer to 110.3 send offs)

109.8. Competition Secretary shall maintain a record of players' official cautions and shall automatically stand down the player accordingly and note the stand-downs on the match card.

(a) Five (5) official cautions, one (1) match.

(b) Eight (8) official cautions, two (2) matches.

109.9. Official cautions shall not carry over from season to season.

### **Law 110. SEND OFF'S**

110.1. Any player sent from the field of play by a Referee shall be dealt with by the J.C.

110.2. A player may be sent from the field for any offence prescribed for in the Laws of the game: (as per FIFA rules)

110.3. The fact that a player has been sent from the field by a Referee is sufficient notice for the player that he/she must appear before the Club Judiciary. Offences deemed minor offences, i.e. R5, R6, R7, R8, R13 a mandatory 1-match suspension shall be served. For all other offences the player shall appear before the J.C.

(a) Any player sent from the field of play shall serve a mandatory 1 match suspension.

110.4. Any suspension not completed during the year in which it is incurred shall carry over to the following year of registration of the player.

110.5. All suspensions incurred by a player from any other affiliated body shall be recognized by the Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc.

### **Law 111. Judiciary Committee. PROCEDURES**

111.1. Players who appear before the J.C. must surrender their I.D. card to the Chairman.

111.2. Players found guilty and suspended will have their I.D. card retained by the Club Secretary.

(a) On completion of a suspension, the Team Coach can redeem the player's I.D. card from the Club Secretary.

111.3. Players found not guilty will retain their I.D. card.

111.4. Where a player does not appear before the Club Judiciary on the scheduled meeting date then, subject to the Chairman being satisfied that there is sufficient evidence available, the J.C. may make a determination in his absence.

111.5. Players may no later than twenty four (24) hours prior to the hearing, inform the Chairman in writing that they consent to the matter being heard expiate and may submit written evidence in support of their defence or in mitigation of penalty.

110.6. Parents/Legal Guardian Attendance. A parent/legal guardian shall be in attendance at all Judiciary proceedings involving a child from the age of sixteen years and below. A child who is aged seventeen years may appoint any mature and responsible adult to be present during Judiciary proceedings.

**Law 112. CITATIONS**

111.1. An Incident Report involving player/s and or Member/s (as interpreted in Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc. Rules of Incorporation Part 3 – MEMBERSHIP Rule 3.5.) may only be lodged by.

- (a) Club Member (through Club Secretary)
- (b) Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Official

112.2. The Incident Report must be lodged with the Secretary in writing and within 7 days of the incident occurring.

- (a) A copy of the Incident Report will be sent to the player/s and or Club Members to the Club Secretary within 72 hours of receipt.
- (b) A response to the incident report shall be returned to the S.P.C. chairman within 7 days of the incident report being sent to the Club Secretary.
- (c) Permission for an extension in time to respond to the incident report may be given by the S.P.C. chairman.

112.3. The S.P.C. shall deal with all citations.

112.4. Any player/s and or member/s required to appear before the S.P.C. shall be notified through the Club Secretary.

112.5. Non appearance of a player/s and or member/s before the S.P.C. without a deferment from the S.P.C. Chairman, the citation shall be deemed to have been upheld.

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**APPEALS**

**Law 112. SUSPENSIONS**

113.1. Any player shall have the right to appeal to the Directors, through the Club Secretary against any suspension received from the J.C.

113.2. Grounds for any such appeal must be lodged in writing with the Club Secretary by no later than 24 hours following the J.C. hearing. The number of witnesses (if any) which the appealing player intends to call shall be given to the Club Secretary at the time of notification of appeal.

113.3. The Directors shall hear all appeals within 52 hours following the closing of such appeals.

113.4. An appeal fee of one Team Registration fee for the player's age group must be lodged with the Club Secretary prior to the hearing of the appeal. Such fee shall be forfeited if the appeal is not upheld. If the player fails to appear, the appeal is deemed to have not been upheld.

113.5. The Directors shall have the right to vary the period of suspension incurred by a player under Law 110; if after hearing the player's appeal they deem it just to do so. A reduction in the period of suspension by the Directors does constitute upholding of the appeal for the interpretation of Law 110.

**PART 4: GRADING COMMITTEE**

**Law 114. GRADING COMMITTEE**

114.1. The G.C. shall consist of the **Chairman, Registrar, Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President and Team Coach.**

114.2. The G.C. shall grade such teams as are nominated to the Club, in divisions of such age grades as determined by the G.C. each year providing that the following grading guidelines are adhered to: -

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(a) **Promotion.**

For a team to be considered for promotion into a higher division within an age group it must have finished in either 1st or 2nd place the previous season within the next division immediately below the proposed higher division. Furthermore, at least eight (8) players of the previous years' team must be registered to enable that team to be graded into a higher division.

(b) **Relegation.**

For a team to be considered for relegation to a lower division within an age group it must have finished either last or second last the previous season within the next division immediately above the proposed lower division. Furthermore, at least eight (8) players of the previous year's team, and/or players having played in a lower division team for the age group, must be registered to enable that team to be graded into a lower division. A team cannot be relegated by two (2) or more divisions, unless in the opinion of the G.C. that the interests of the players and the game would be best served.

(c) Registrations

114.3. Teams to be advised of their grading by the Chairman within 7 days of completion of grading.

114.4.

114.5. No avenue of appeal shall apply to decisions regarding grading.

**PART 5: REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS**

**Law 114. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS**

114.1. Both males and females shall be eligible for registration as players in Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc. up to and including Under 13. Both males and females shall be eligible for registration as players Under 14 and up for separate competitions.

**Law 115. REGISTRATION FEE**

115.1. The Club registering a player shall be responsible for the player's registration and fee, which shall be due at the time of registration of the player.

115.2. No player will be deemed registered until all requirements of the Rules and By-Laws are complied with.

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115.3. No new player registrations will be accepted after June 30th in any one year.

**Law 116. DURATION**

116.1. A Player's registration shall be current only for the calendar year in which the player registers.

**Law 117. FALSE REGISTRATIONS**

136.1. Any player who wrongly states his year of birth on a team registration form, or who signs a player's registration form knowing the facts stated to be untrue, shall be dealt with as the Directors may decide.

**Law 118. AGE**

118.1. The eligibility of a player to play in any age grade shall be determined by their age each year in accordance with the MDSFA Local Competition Rules 224.3 & 224.4.

**Law 119. PLAYING IN ANOTHER ASSOCIATION**

119.1. Any registered player proved to have played in any competition conducted by another Association or Soccer Organization within the current season without permission of the Directors shall be dealt with as the Directors may decide.

**Law 120. PLAYING FOR ANOTHER CLUB**

120.1. Any registered player of the Club found playing for another Club (affiliated) team shall be dealt with as the Directors may decide.

**Law 121. PLAYING WITHIN A CLUB**

121.1. Any registered player of a the Club found playing for a team in an age grade lower than his grade permits shall be dealt with as the Directors may decide.

121.2. A player may play a maximum of four times during the current season in a higher age grade or division within their Club without a regrade during the current season.

121.3. Any registered player of a Club found playing for his Team in a division of his age grade lower than the division than that for which he is registered, without first obtaining a regrade shall be dealt with as the Directors may decide.

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121.4. An ineligible player is deemed to be a player who has not complied with the Association Incorporated Rules and By-Laws.

**PART 7: TRANSFER OF PLAYERS**

**Law 122. TRANSFER OF PLAYERS**

122.1. In accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association or By- Laws of the Governing Body a player already registered with another Association is not eligible and cannot be registered by the Club unless he produces written clearances from the Club he is leaving.

122.2. Any player registered with Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc. who wishes to register in another Association or Federation Club must: -

- (a) obtain a clearance from Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc.
- (b) de-register with M.D.S.F.A.

122.3. A registered player of Mt Annan (Mustangs) Soccer Club Inc. may transfer to the registered team of another Club upon obtaining a written clearance signed by the Secretary of the Club from which he/she is transferring.

122.4. The application form/s and fee/s together with the written clearance shall be lodged with the Club Secretary.

122.5. Any registered player who seeks, and is refused a clearance from his Club, may appeal in writing to the L.C.C. MDSFA via the Club Secretary for permission to transfer to another Club.

122.6. Players will not be granted permission to transfer from one Club to another after June 30th in any year.

122.7. No registered player may transfer on more than one occasion in any year, after once having played for a registered team in a competition match.

122.8. A transferring player's registration card must be returned to the Association Registrar within seven (7) days of a clearance being granted.

122.9. Players transferring to another Club must submit a regrade form if the age grade and/or division differ from their current Club.

**Law 123. PLAYING IN DIFFERENT AGE-GROUPS**

123.1. A registered player from a team may play for his Club in a higher age grade subject to the provisions of the MDSFA140.2.

123.2. Players are permitted to play four matches in a higher age grade. Any player exceeding these requirements automatically becomes a member of the team with which he plays his fifth match.

- (a) At no time will more than three players be permitted to play in a higher age grade or division in any one team.
- (b) A team who plays more than three players in a higher age grade or division in any one team will be deemed to have forfeited that match.
- (c) A team who plays an unregistered player in an age grade or division in any one team will be deemed to have forfeited that match.

123.3. A registered player from any team may only play for his Club in a lower division in the same age grade by first applying for and obtaining a regrading.

123.4. No re-grades of registered players, shall be allowed after June 30th in any year.

123.5. A player who has been granted a re-grade shall not play again in a higher division or age grade without receiving permission from the MDSFA.

123.6. Where a Club has two teams in one division the teams shall be team A or B and/or a colour. No interchange of players shall be permitted except with the written permission of the MDSFA.

**\*\*\*\* END OF DIVISION TWO\*\*\*\***