

QUALITY DEER MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION STATE CHAPTER CHARTER - ARTICLES

Article I - Name, Area and Affiliation

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Michigan State Chapter of the Quality Deer Management Association (hereafter referred to as QDMA)

Section 2. The State Chapter shall have as its area of organization the state of Michigan.

Section 3. The State Chapter, by signing this Charter, accepts the Branch Operational Policies and agrees to abide by and conform to the procedures as stated in the Branch Manual.

Section 4. Through this affiliation, the State Chapter is subject to the general supervision or control of QDMA. The State Chapter shall not consider itself as a private foundation.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1. The organization of this State Chapter is for the purpose of promoting ethical hunting, sound deer management, and the preservation of our deer-hunting heritage.

Section 2. The State Chapter shall raise funds through banquets, auctions, raffles, grants and other activities to assist with projects on the local, state and national levels that promote the mission of the QDMA.

Section 3. The State Chapter shall work to educate existing hunters, future hunters, landowners, and the general public on the concept of and the need for Quality Deer Management and ethical hunting practices.

Article III – State Chapter Year

Section 1. The State Chapter shall have the calendar year as its fiscal year or whatever is adopted by the QDMA in the future.

Section 2. The State Chapter initial year shall begin with the date of its Charter and end with the last day of that calendar year.

Article IV - Acceptance of the Charter

Section 1. In order for the State Chapter Charter to be accepted, it must be signed by the President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer of the State Chapter.

Article V - Contributions

Section 1. In order for the State Chapter to remain chartered, it must make contributions to QDMA to continue to be in compliance with the requirements of classification for a 501(c)3 organization.

Section 2. In order for the State Chapter to remain chartered, it must abide by the policies and procedures outlined in the Branch Operational Policies.

Section 3. A State Chapter is subject to dissolution if the requirements of Article V, Sections 1 and 2 are not met.

Article VI - Dissolution

Section 1. Chapter dissolution shall be the same procedure as for Branch dissolution as stated in the Branch Operational Policies.

Article VII - Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors of this State Chapter shall consist of at least three (3) members and shall include the officers of the Chapter.

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall carry out the business and affairs of the State Chapter.

Section 3. Should any of the Directors resign before his or her term expires, the Board of Directors shall nominate and vote on someone to fill the balance of the term with the knowledge and approval of the National Office.

Section 4. Four (4) board members present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum and make decisions regarding the State Chapter.

Article VIII - Duties

Section 1. The elected officers, Board of Directors and Committees shall handle the business of the State Chapter. They shall follow the Branch and State Chapter guidelines so stated in the Branch Operational Policies.

Miscellaneous

Section 1. A member of the Board of Directors may be removed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the board.

Section 2. The Executive Director can cancel the membership of any QDMA member immediately upon discovery that the member has been convicted of a willful violation of a local, state or federal game law.

Section 3. The State Chapter President shall appoint an election committee of up to three (3) members to seek nominations for the Board from the general membership for positions open during normal elections. This election committee shall conduct the entire election process for any opening on the State Chapter Board of Directors.

Section 4. The charter of this State Chapter may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors. The State Chapter Board of Directors must receive written notice of the proposed change within 10 days prior to the meeting.

Section 5. In no way shall an amendment be enacted that conflicts with the State Chapter and/or Branch Operational Policies or mission of QDMA.

Adoption

It is hereby agreed that this Charter has been adopted by the State Chapter Officers and the State Chapter Board of Directors and certified by the Secretary of the Michigan State Chapter of the QDMA this Eleventh day of August, 2007.

By: _____ President

Approved: _____ Secretary

STATE CHAPTER CHARTER – ACCEPTANCE

We, the Michigan State Chapter of the Quality Deer Management Association (QDMA), by our signatures below, do hereby accept the State Chapter and Branch Operational Policies set forth by QDMA this Eleventh day of August, 2007.

Officers' Signatures

PRESIDENT _____

(PRINTED) _____

VICE PRESIDENT _____

(PRINTED) _____

SECRETARY _____

(PRINTED) _____

TREASURER _____

(PRINTED) _____

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STATE CHAPTER OFFICERS

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Please return the original of this State Chapter Charter promptly to your QDMA Regional Director. Please retain a copy for State Chapter records.

Thank you for your support of the mission and goals of the QDMA!