

## **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE**

Citadel Men's Rugby Football Club Team

### **ARTICLE I – NAME**

The Name of this SPORTS CLUB shall be the CITADEL MEN'S RUGBY FOOTBALL TEAM.

### **ARTICLE II – PURPOSE**

The purpose of the CITADEL MEN'S RUGBY FOOTBALL TEAM shall be:

To play on the collegiate level against other collegiate and men's rugby club teams according to USA Rugby Association's guidelines.

### **ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

The requirements for membership in this organization shall be:

1. Pay club dues set by Team Officers and Advisors.
2. Be Conduct, Academically and Physically proficient.
3. Sign and adhere to set rules and regulations by the USA Rugby Association, The Citadel, and the team itself.
4. All classes are eligible for membership.

### **ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS**

The officers shall consist of PRESIDENT, VICEPRESIDENT, TREASURER, MATCH SECRETARY, FIELD MANAGER, TEAM DISCIPLINARY BOARD, and TEAM CAPTAINS (FORWARD CAPTAIN AND BACK CAPTAIN).

Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at a regular meeting at the start of the season.

The Citadel Men's Rugby Football Team shall be composed of a Team Officer Chain Of Command.

### **ARTICLE V – POWERS AND DUTIES**

Officers:

Section 1 – President – Call meetings, Organize practice, Review team funds with Treasurer on a monthly basis, Ensure all orders are correct before departing for events, Maintain relations between team and school administration, Be a part of the team disciplinary board.

Section 2 – Vice President – Organize topics for meetings, Schedule field management, Organize officer meetings on monthly basis, be a part of the team disciplinary board.

Section 3 – Treasurer – Ensure all team dues and funds are accounted for, Reserve hotel and transportation accommodations, assist the Match Secretary with fund-raising. Organize any team sponsored social events.

Section 4 – Match Secretary – Attend all team meetings (Officer and Club), take minutes and accountability, Schedule games and events, ensure all orders are accounted For, plan Rugby sponsored fund-raisers (e.g., movie nights, donut sales, car washes, etc), Be a part of the team disciplinary board.

Section 5 – Field Manager(s) – Ensure practice and game fields are properly maintained and staged before events take place, Ensure the fields are properly broken down and surrounding areas are properly policed of all litter at end of all events.

Section 6 – Team Disciplinary Board – This board is convened in circumstances concerning members that violate team laws and/or regulations established by team officers and advisors, Consists of all prior established team officers, advisors, and two random team representatives. The board has the power to delegate the administrative action taken on all team violators by a unanimous vote.

Section 7—Team Captains (Forward Captain and Back Captain) – Organize and lead practices and games when they are not led by the advisor(s), be a part of the team disciplinary board.

## ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

There shall be meetings held when necessary of the Citadel Men's Rugby Team to be held when announced. The presence of a simple majority of the team's members shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE VII – ADVISOR

The advisor of the Citadel Men's Rugby Team shall be a member of The Citadel faculty or staff unless otherwise approved by the Director of Cadet Activities. His successor will be nominated by the incumbent officer and his appointment shall be effective upon approval of the Director of Cadet Activities.

## ARTICLE VII – DUES

The dues of the Citadel Men's Rugby Team shall be \$120 annually, or \$70 each semester. USA Rugby registration (e.g., CIPP) will be funded from dues.

## ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Citadel Men's Rugby Team by a 2/3-majority vote, provided at a prior, regular or special meeting. A copy of any amendments will be forwarded to the Director of Cadet Activities.

Amendment 1 – By playing for The Citadel Rugby Football Club and being a member of the team you are agreeing to play and live by the below Code of Conduct:

- Alcohol will not be used or consumed for any team sponsored event or while on orders.
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- Team members will show good sportsmanship and professional conduct at all times on and off the pitch.
- Fighting, cheap shots, strutting and posturing, talking back to the referee, etc. are not acceptable conduct.
- Team members must have proper medical insurance to play and report all injuries to the club advisors.
- Failure to comply with the Code of Conduct or any article or portion of the Club Charter, Constitution and By-Laws, or other related documents will result in a hearing and possible action by the Team Disciplinary Committee.

Amendment 2 – The criteria for lettering will consist of attendance to at least 60% of team practices, Play in at least one " A" side match and participate in at least half of the team matches.

Amendment 3 – The deadline to join the Citadel RFC is November 1 for participation in the Fall Season and 15 February for the Spring Season.