

The following THQMA bylaws have been updated with every effort made to comply with the following.

1. National QMA By-laws
2. National QMA Code of Conduct
3. State of Indiana Regulations for Non-Profit Corporations

These bylaws were read and were accepted by a majority vote of the members in good standing present at the following meetings of the regular membership: April 14th, 27th, and 28th 2011 they shall take effect as of April 29th where applicable.

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By-laws
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BYLAWS

OF THE TERRE HAUTE QUARTER MIDGET ASSOCIATION, INC.

An Indiana Nonprofit Corporation

INCORPORATION STATUS

Terre Haute Quarter Midget Assoc., Inc. was duly incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Indiana. Articles of incorporation were completed, approved, and filed in the State of Indiana on May 25, 1984.

ARTICLE 1

Section 1

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and civic purposes, and to provide support for the sport of quarter midget racing, in West Central, Indiana, and to do all things necessary in and about the accomplishment of these objectives, including but not limited to the acquisition and holding of real estate, and to do any and all things necessary and essential in connection with the above, including for such purposes the collections of receipts as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). The corporation shall have power to sell, lease, exchange or encumber by mortgage, or otherwise, any real estate from time to time owned by it without applying to any court for prior authority thereof or subsequent approval thereof.

Section 2 Organization

THQMA shall be composed of members with the following purposes and objectives:

1. To provide a safe racing environment for all participants
2. To promote, finance projects, and provide awards for quarter midget drivers.
3. The principle office of this association shall be 2300 S. 13 Street, Terre Haute IN

ARTICLE 2

Section 1 General

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Section 2 Application

1. Regular Full Membership – Anyone having a regular full membership with drivers, cars, and/or a THQMA parking spot. This membership has full voting rights (one per family) and can run for any office.
2. 2. Non-Racing Full Membership - A Non – Racing Full Member is anyone who does not have any drivers, cars, or a THQMA parking spot. This membership has full voting rights (one per family) and can run for any office.
3. 3. Alternate Handler Membership – Any 1 individual who only wishes to be a handler. Handlers will be allowed in the hot chute and/or on QMA tracks. This membership does not have voting rights and cannot run for an office.
4. 4. Membership will run from November 1st thru October 31st of the following calendar year.

ARTICLE 3

Section 1

The officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Directors.

1. The officers of the Association shall be elected at the meeting to be held on the second Thursday of October of each year. Members seeking to hold an office/board position must submit written intent and/or nominations to run, to the secretary, on/or before the September meeting of same year. Candidates will be announced to the membership at the September meeting and will be given an opportunity to address the membership. Members will be allowed to run for multiple officer positions although may only accept one position if elected, and will be removed from subsequent ballots. Ballots will be counted by three members appointed by board members present and shall not be candidates. The officers shall take office October 31st.

2. In the event that a vacancy should occur in the office of President or that the membership of the President is terminated prior to the end of his term, the Vice President shall assume the full president duties of the office vacated for current term. In the event Vice President does not want to assume the President's position he must act as president until a special election can be held by membership to fill President's position.
3. In the event that a vacancy should occur in the office of Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer, the Board of Directors shall appoint a member to assume the duties of the office vacated for current term.
4. In the event a vacancy should occur in the Board of Directors, the President shall direct the membership in good standing present at a regular or special meeting to elect a member from the Association to fill the vacancy. Candidates for vacancy must present themselves as a candidate at the meeting prior to election. Board members must vacate his/her position to take an officer position.
5. Any member of the Board of Directors may be removed for cause by majority vote of the general membership at a meeting called and held for such purpose.
6. Any member of the Board of Directors or elected officers prior to a meeting shall notify the President or Secretary of his/her reason for not attending a meeting. Two consecutive missed meetings not excused by the president will be cause for vacating of office.

Section 2

The Board of Directors will consist of 10 members: The President, Vice President Treasurer, and Secretary and 6 elected Board Members. Board Members shall be elected for 2-year terms; 3 elected per year, alternating years. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of a minimum of 2 individuals who do not have family members actively participating in quarter midget racing and candidacy eligibility will contingent on this stipulation each year.

Section 3 Power

All of the corporate powers shall be exercised by, or under the authority of the Board of Directors. It shall manage, regulate, and control the policies and business affairs of the Corporation. THQMA specific track rules, regulations, and/or procedures may be amended, changed or removed, as the board deems necessary by majority vote at a board meeting. It may adopt a Code of Regulations not inconsistent with these bylaws. Racing schedule and format shall be voted on together, as one, by the membership at the January.

Section 4

1. No member shall be eligible to hold elective office unless they have attended a minimum of half plus 1 of the regular meetings and be a member in good standing.
2. In the event there are not enough “eligible” members to fill vacancies, positions will be filled by a vote of the membership. Any member in good standing may run.
3. If you are a non-racing member wanting to run for a position on the board, you must pay your membership fees before/or immediately following the election at the October meeting.
4. If no non-racing members run for a non-racing Board Position any full member in good standing may run to fill that position.
5. If a member cannot attend the October meeting. They may vote absentee for general elections. Their vote must be submitted in writing to the secretary prior to the October meeting.

ARTICLE 4

Section 1 President

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, have general supervision, direction, and control of the business and officers of the Corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation. He shall be “ex officio” member of all standing committees, and shall perform such other duties as he may be assigned by the Board of Directors. The President may appoint such aides and assistants and committees, as he may deem necessary. Such appointees shall perform duties as the President shall assign to them, and they shall serve during his term.

Section 2 Vice President

The Vice President shall assist the President and in the absence or incapacity of the President, he shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President. He shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of

Directors. In addition, he shall act as Race Director, may appoint an assistant Race Director and is responsible to identify and utilize qualified individuals to assume race director responsibilities in his/her absence.

Section 3 Secretary

The Secretary shall:

1. Keep a record of all the proceedings of THQMA Inc., and of the Board of Directors.
2. Have custody of the bylaws of THQMA Inc., and the Articles of Incorporation thereof.
3. Keep a record of all members of THQMA Inc.
4. Attest to all instruments in writing, when so directed by the President or by the Board of Directors.
5. Send out notices of meetings as required in Article 5 of these bylaws.
6. Make a written report at all meetings and at such other times as the President or the Board of Directors may order, as well as perform such other duties as are required by the bylaws, or which may be assigned to him/her by the Board of Directors or by the President.
7. Ensure that minutes from all membership and board meetings are sent to webmaster within 7 days of the meeting to be posted on website.

Section 4 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

1. Collect all monies due and owing and hold all monies and securities owned by THQMA Inc. in such a manner as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.
2. Pay all current bills. Expenditures other than current expenditures shall be acted upon by the Board of Directors subject to a majority vote of the Board. Keep a true record of all monies received and disposed of by him/her, and preserve proper vouchers for such expenditures.
3. Make a written report at the regular meetings, together with a written statement of all receipts, disbursements, and financial condition of THQMA Inc., and report at such other times and to such extent as the President or the Board of Directors may order.
4. Have the responsibility for filing all tax returns and legal filing notices.

5. Maintain a Property Book showing all equipment \$100.00 and above owned, borrowed, received as donations, or otherwise acquired by THQMA Inc. Book to show purchase date and cost and location (user) of the equipment. Property book shall be available for review by Board of Directors at all board meetings.
6. The Treasurer and the President will sign all checks written for the amount of \$500.00 or above.

Section 5 Technical Committee

The committee may consist of up to four members of the association and shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors, prior to the January meeting. The committee is directly responsible to the President and Board of Directors for the administration and interpretation of all rules having to do with the specifications of all cars as to design, general construction, size, weight, fuel and engines. One member of committee shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board as the Technical Director.

Section 6 Safety Director

The Safety Director shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors, prior to the January meeting. The Safety Director shall be directly responsible to the President and the Board of Directors for the administration and interpretation of all rules having to do with all driver equipment, the handling of all fuel, gasoline, and other volatile substances as well as all rules and regulations involving the safety of drivers or of the public in the conduct of all qualifying, competitive events, training, or educational programs. The Safety Director may appoint a committee with approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 7 Publicity Director

The Publicity Director shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors and will handle the publicity affairs of the Association as directed by the Board of Directors and or the President. He/she shall also be responsible for public relations and promotional programs as aids to THQMA Inc., including maintenance of the association's website.

Section 8 Tower Director

The Tower Director shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors and will be responsible for all race day results, scoring, point series tabulation and any other race day duties as directed by the Board of Directors and or the President.

Section 9 Novice Director

The Novice Director shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors and will be responsible for the training of all novice drivers and will adhere to the National QMA Novice rules and procedures. The Novice Director and Assistant Novice Director will be a part of the Novice Committee which will consist of the President, Vice President, Safety Director, Tech Director and Novice Director.

Section 10 Pit Stewart

The Pit Stewart shall be appointed and approved by the Board of Directors and will be responsible for the following duties and will adhere to the National QMA rules and procedures.

1. Keep two races staged at a time. Including the alternate car. Announcing which class should be moving into staging as one class is entering the race surface.
2. Check that each driver has all required safety equipment on before entering the racing surface.
3. Check that arm restraints keep a drivers fingers from touching the front top part of the roll cage
4. Check that seatbelts are buckled and snug to the driver
5. Check that each driver has brakes, (not able to roll the car forward while the driver is applying the breaks.)
6. Check that each car has appropriate numbers securely on their car.
7. Watch that persons in the hot chute have proper foot wear
8. Watch that only OMA members 16years and older are past in the hot chute.
9. Line car/drivers up numerically for qualifying. Let the race director know that breaks & safety equipment has been checked for each driver so that they may enter the racing surface to qualify. With the approval of the race director send drivers out when it is their turn to qualify.

1. ARTICLE 5

Section 1 Meetings

1. Meetings of the membership will be held on the second Thursday, with the exception a venue is not available on the second Thursday if so a location, time, and date will be announced 30 prior to meeting, of the following months; March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, and November. The January and February meeting will be announced and

posted on website with location, time, and date 30 days prior to the meeting. All meetings will be at a destination established by the President and/or Board of Directors Consumption of alcoholic beverages during monthly meetings is prohibited.

2. Agenda topics for discussion and/or consideration at membership meetings shall be submitted to the President 5 days prior to the meeting. Notification to all members shall be given at least 2 weeks prior to change of destination of meeting.
3. The President or the Board of Directors may call meetings of the membership or of the Board of Directors as conditions and circumstances warrant. The active members may also call meetings of the membership. If so called, shall be by written request filed with the Secretary not less than 15 days before the request for the meeting. The request shall be signed by at least 10 regular members.

Section 2. The Board of Directors may meet monthly at a location designated by the President, within 30 miles from the track and minutes from board meetings will be posted on the THQMA website. Communication to Membership from the officers and Board of directors will be via email, website postings and tower postings. Any member without Internet access may request a written copy of club communications via US mail from the Secretary.

ARTICLE 6

Section 1 Dues

The membership dues shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors subject to approval by a majority vote of the membership present and must be paid currently. Failure to pay yearly dues and parking by October 31st will forfeit parking space and membership seniority. Reinstatement may be effected only by payment of all back dues. Parking cannot be reclaimed unless it is open.

Section 2 Parking

To purchase a yearly THQMA parking spot you must be a full member transporting race car(s) to and from the track. To park in someone else's THQMA paid parking spot you must buy your own parking spot (with the exception of bigger events and the track parking committee will fill the spots of members not attending the event). Parking must be paid by October 31st to keep your parking spot and seniority. If you fail to renew your THQMA parking spot by October 31st you forfeit your THQMA parking spot and sonority. At the January meeting

THQMA parking members will be called up by sonority to see if they choose to stay in their previous parking spot or if they wish to move. After all the previously paid parking members have been called up all other members wishing to perchance a spot will be called up.

ARTICLE 7

Section 1 Quorum

At all meetings of the Board of Directors a majority must be present before business can be conducted, and at general membership meetings, those present constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE 8

Section 1 Profits

No profits or earnings of any kind will be distributed to the members of the Association, and all such earnings and profits, if any, shall be used by the Association according to the purposes set forth in its Articles of incorporation.

ARTICLE 9

Section 1 Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, scientific, literary, fostering amateur sports competition, or other purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes. In the event the THQMA Inc. Dissolves, any funds or assets, other than the land, after all debts are paid are to be given to the United Way of the Wabash Valley, a 501(c) (3) organization. The land shall be returned to the Vigo County Commissioners.

ARTICLE 10

Section 1 Book of Rules

1. Club rules may be established but are not to be contrary to these bylaws. Bylaws may be changed only by majority vote of those present at three consecutive membership meetings.
2. Club rules and racing schedules will be submitted by the membership. They must be received, by the Board of Directors, no less than thirty (30) days before the January meeting. The Board of Directors shall review said schedules and/or club rules. Should duplicate or similar schedules and/or rules be submitted, the Board may contact the author and ask for revisions or withdrawal.

ARTICLE 11

Section 1 Code of Conduct

As a condition of membership all members agree to adhere to the National QMA code of conduct.