**University of Oregon Table Tennis Club Constitution**

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**Preamble**

We, the members of the University of Oregon Table Tennis Club subscribe to the regulations and policies of the University of Oregon, and the University of Oregon Club Sports Program, and do herby establish this constitution to govern the matters within our organization.

**Article 1: Name of Club**

The name of the organization shall be UO Table Tennis, hereafter referred to as the *Club.*

**Article 2: Mission and Purpose**

The Club is established for the expressed purpose of

1. Providing a focal point for the enjoyment of the sport of table tennis;
2. Competing in regional and national Collegiate and non-collegiate events;
3. Welcoming new and experienced players;
4. Training ourselves to achieve a higher level of play;
5. Increasing the exposure, presence and awareness of table tennis at University of Oregon and other state colleges.

**Article 3: Membership**

***Section 1: Membership Eligibility***

Membership shall be limited to regularly enrolled University of Oregon students

***Section 2: Equal Opportunity Clause***

University of Oregon Club Sports Program is dedicated to the University of Oregon equal opportunity policy, which provides that membership will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, ethnic or national origin, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, veteran's status, or any factor that is prohibited consideration under applicable law.

***Section 3: Duties and Privileges of Club Membership***

1. A person becomes a member by attending a club meeting. That person remains a member in good standing by obeying the rules written in the constitution and by continuing to attend meetings.
2. A member gets access to the club’s training equipment. However, obtaining a personal table tennis paddle is recommended.
3. All new members independent of their level can start playing table tennis with other club members immediately.
4. In order to join the collegiate team for the collegiate tournament, members need to place first through four during the try-out tournaments early in the Fall and Winter terms. Members placed fifth and sixth will be listed as reserves.
5. All members agree to follow the Table Tennis Etiquette Rules during practice and mainly during competitions.
6. All members when representing the club in an intercollegiate tournament will have to use the team uniform (t-shirt provided by the club).
7. All members are encouraged to assist in the club’s fundraising events.

***Section 4: Club Affiliation***

The Club is a member of NCTTA (National Collegiate Table Tennis Association) which allows members to participate in Collegiate Regional and National tournaments.

***Section 5: Meetings***

The coordinator of the Club schedules the meetings prior to each term. Two meetings per week are optimal, however, if the coach suggests, an extra meeting before the tournament should be scheduled.

***Section 6: Table Tennis Etiquette***

These are some basic rules about table tennis etiquette that a member of the Club shall adhere to:

1. Do not throw your racket or hit it against the table. Keep your frustration to yourself. Remember, you are representing the University of Oregon.
2. Do not attempt to intimidate your opponents through direct verbal or physical confrontation.
3. On a point decided by an edge (the ball hitting a corner of the table) or a net (the ball is not able to be returned well after hitting the net), either say “Sorry” or raise your index finger.
4. Shake hands after the match.
5. If your opponent is being unusually rude or unsportsmanlike and you feel that it is interfering with the game played in any way, please contact the Club Coordinator or Club Coach

**Article 4: Financials**

There are no dues collected for the membership. If a member wants to use the Club’s discounts, the dues for the equipment or gear shall be collected by the coordinator prior to the purchase.

**Article 5: Leadership Team**

The leadership team of the Club shall consist of 3 officers.

***Section 1: General Requirements***

All Officers must be enrolled in credit hours at University of Oregon, paying University incidental fees. The Club Coordinator must adhere to responsibilities outlined in Club Sports Coordinator Agreement Form (provided by the Club Sports Office).

***Section 2: Club Sports Coordinator***

The club shall have a Club Coordinator, who shall be the primary liaison between the club and the EMU Club Sports Office. The Coordinator shall be agreeable to fulfilling the responsibilities outlined in the Club Sports Coordinator Agreement, as provided by the EMU Club Sports Program. The Coordinator is responsible to collect and manage funds.

***Section 3: Other Officer Titles***

Officer 1: Club Sports Coordinator
Officer 2: Treasurer
Officer 3: Webmaster

\*Note: Officer can be the same person as officer 1 or 2; however, Officer 1 and 2 should not be the same person.

***Section 4: Officer Terms***

Officers shall hold office for one year and re-selected at the end of season. Officers are selected based on agreement between returning Officer and the Club Coach.

***Section 5: Officer Responsibilities***

Officer 1 shall:

Manage equipment and gear;

Officer 2 shall:

Search fundraising opportunities and recruit members

Officer 3 shall:

 Manage website and online groups

***Section 6: Removal of Officers***

An Officer shall be removed upon failure to do the assigned responsibilities.

**Article 6: Coaches**

***Section 1: General Responsibilities***

Club Coaches are to be agreeable to responsibilities outlined in the Club Sports Coaching Agreement Form, provided by the Club Sports Office, as well as any specific expectations.

***Section 2: Process for Selection***

The Club Coach is selected with an agreement from all Officers for a non-ending term. If the Club Coach resigns a new coach shall be selected. The Club Coach can select a Club Coach Assistant if it is necessary.

**Article 7: Amendments**

The Club’s Constitution Amendments shall be approved, if 2/3 of the Officers agree with the nature of amendments.

**Article 8: Agreement to Mediate Clause**

In the event that a dispute arises involving Club Sports members, the parties agree to mediate this dispute under the administration of UO Conflict Resolution Services (CRS) and Competition Not Conflict (CNC). The parties will cooperate with each other in the selection of an acceptable date for the mediation session. The session will occur with the consent of both parties in an attempt to reach a voluntary settlement. A neutral, third-party mediator with adequate sports mediation training will be appointed by CRS and CNC. The mediator does not have the power to render a binding decision or force an agreement on the parties. The mediation session will take place on the University of Oregon campus.

**Article 9: The Club Sports Constitution**

***Section 1: Ratification Process***

The constitution is ratified upon the signatures of all Officers and enters into force on the day of the last signature.

***Section 2: Amendments***

The Amendments are approved according to Article 7 and enter into force on the day following the day of approval.

**Article 10: Signatures and dates**

Officer 1 Yi-Ting Lien

Officer 2 Yuxiao Hou

Officer 3 Yi-Ting Lien