



NORTHEASTERN OHIO REGIONAL GROUP MUSTANG CLUB OF AMERICA



**REVISED BY-LAWS
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ARTICLE I – PURPOSE

This club shall be known as the Northeastern Ohio Regional Group of the Mustang Club of America. For local purposes, the club shall be known as the Northeastern Ohio Mustang Club. The general purpose of the Club, incorporated as a non-profit organization, shall be the restoration, preservation, maintenance, history and safe enjoyment of Ford Mustang automobiles starting with the 1964-1/2 up to and including current models. The club's purpose shall also be to serve as a technical source of information concerning these automobiles for the benefit of its members and the general public.

ARTICLE II – OFFICAL EMBLEM

Section 1. The official emblem of the club shall be the outline of the State of Ohio with the Mustang Pony emblem in the upper left quarter of the outline, a star in the northeast quadrant and the NORTHEASTERN OHIO MUSTANG CLUB in the lower right portion of the outline.

- A. The official Club emblem may be used and displayed by any member in good standing of the Club.
- B. The official Club emblem is the property of the Club.
- C. A secondary/alternate emblem shall be an outline of the State of Ohio with the Mustang Pony emblem in the center of the State, a star in the northeast quadrant. A circle with the words Northeastern Ohio Mustang Club aligned on the bottom portion of the circle and Est 1981 centered on the top portion of the circle.

ARTICLE III – CLUB GEOGRAPHIC AREA

The Northeastern Ohio Mustang Club is open to anyone interested in joining.

ARTICLE IV – CLUB OFFICERS

Section 1. Club management shall be comprised of Elected Officers and Elected Positions

Section 2. Elected Officers shall include the following:

- A. **PRESIDENT** - shall preside over all meetings of the members and shall appoint Committee Chairpersons. He / She shall sign all contracts approved by the membership.
- B. **VICE PRESIDENT** - shall preside in the absence of the President; assume the President's responsibility; and shall be chair person of the Membership Committee.
- C. **SECRETARY** - Shall keep full and complete record of the proceedings of meetings of members; shall be responsible for all official correspondence; shall control the keeping of documents and items of interest to the club; shall prepare the Club newsletter which includes the minutes of general meetings; shall submit an annual roster to the National Club; shall certify the Club Officers to the same and shall discharge such other duties as pertaining to the office.

- D. TREASURER – shall receive and safely keep all funds of the Club and deposit same in such in such bank as maybe convenient. Such funds shall be only on the check of the Northeastern Regional Group. The treasurer shall control the keeping of all financial records and accounts of the Club.

Section 3. Elected Positions shall include the following:

- A. TECHNICAL ADVISOR – shall assist Club members with questions about Ford Mustang Automobiles and obtain information for them as required.
- B. NATIONAL DIRECTOR – Shall maintain regular contact with the National Club, report on their activities and review the National Club minutes at each meeting.

Section 4. The election for all club positions as defined in Section 2 and 3 of Article IV shall begin with the Nomination of candidates at the October meeting. This slate of candidates will be published in the October newsletter. The slate of candidates will be presented at and voting for officers will be held at the November monthly meeting.

- A. Terms of Office shall be the following:
 - 1. Officers - 1 year
 - 2. Positions – 1 years
 - 3. All terms will run from January 1st to December 31st
 - 4. Special Appointments – To be appointed by the President, such as but not limited to: Event coordinator & Facebook administrator to serve at the President's request.

Section 5. Committees

Committees shall be established on an as-needed basis by the officers for that year.

Section 6. Removal and Resignation

- A. All elected officers shall serve until their successors have been elected or are appointed and are in place.
- B. An officer or a member can be removed from Office / Club by 2/3rd majority vote of active members present. Such action must be introduced on the floor at a regular meeting, published once in the following newsletter and voted on at the next meeting. The Club will send a certified letter stating the charges of removal.
- C. An Officer shall submit in writing to the membership a letter resigning the position

Section 7. Whenever a permanent vacancy shall be declared in an elected office or position for whatever cause, it shall be announced at the next regular meeting of the Club in order to identify any interested members. It will be filled by vote for the remainder of the term of the vacated position and announced at the next regular meeting of the Club.

Section 8. Right of Vote

- A. Any active paid member in good standing is eligible to vote on any matter or issue before the Club at any meeting of the Club. If that member would like their spouse or significant other to be a voting member of NEOMC issues, that member will pay 20% of normal dues. This will be tracked on the NEOMC roster.
- B. All elected officers and representatives of the Club shall have the right to with the general membership and to debate questions and issues, same as any other member.

ARTICLE V – Membership

All officers are required to join the National Club (MCA). All members are encouraged to join the Mustang Club of America. Mustang ownership is not essential to be a member of the Club.

ARTICLE VI – Revenues

Section 1. Annual dues must be paid by February 28 each year; otherwise the person will be excluded from this Club. New members will be registered upon payment of dues. For New members joining the club after September 1st of any calendar year, those member's dues would also pay for the following years dues.

Section 2. Any proposed increase in Annual Dues shall be established once a year for the following year. If a change in dues is needed, it shall be voted on by the members at the time of officer elections in November so it can be in place by Jan 1.

Section 3. In the event of dissolution of the Club, all remaining revenues shall be distributed to a charitable organization as determined by the members present at the last meeting.

Section 4. All officers and appointees (no more than 8) will have their dues paid by the NEOMC for the calendar year that they are elected or appointed.

Section 5. New members joining the NEOMC after the month of June will pay 50% of annual dues for the remainder of the calendar year. New members joining after August will pay normal dues. Their membership will be good through the following calendar year.

ARTICLE VII – MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

Section 1. Club meetings shall be held monthly on the First Wednesday of the month. There will not be a meeting in July (*Picnic*) and December (*Christmas Party*) and the January meeting date may be changed so as not to conflict with the holidays.

Section 2. The Club newsletter will be sent to all members in good standing on a monthly basis with the exception of July & December when no newsletter will be sent.

Section 3. The Club newsletter shall be sent via email to all members.

ARTICLE VIII – CONTRACTS

No officer or other Club representative shall have any authority to bind the Club by any contract or agreement to any amount without the consent of the majority membership present.

ARTICLE IX – PERSONAL LIABILITY

Neither the members of the Club nor Officers present nor future shall be held personally liable for any claims, damage or debt against the Club or its members.

ARTICLE X – PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these by laws and any special rules of order the club may adopt.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

Changes of the above shall be made by the simple majority of the members. Any approved Amendments shall be recorded in writing and attached to these By-Laws.