

**MARCO MEN'S CLUB BY-LAWS  
AND CONSTITUTION**  
(Revised and Approved 01/11/2023)

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

MARCO MEN'S CLUB

**ARTICLE II: OBJECT**

The purpose of the Marco Men's Club is to bring together male residents of the area so that they may meet and make new friends for social purposes.

**ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1:

Membership shall be extended to men who are residents of Marco Island, Goodland, or Isles of Capri. (Revised 5/27/2014)

SECTION 1-A:

Approval for membership requires that applicant submit a membership application with proof of residency.

The criteria for membership is a copy of one of the following showing that the applicant is a resident of Marco Island, Isles of Capri or Goodland: 1.) Property Tax receipt, 2.) Florida's driver's license with a Marco Island, Isles of Capri or Goodland address, or 3.) Voter registration card.

SECTION 2:

Club membership is limited to six hundred (600) members who are residents of Marco Island, Goodland, or The Isles of Capri. All current limited resident members are grand-fathered into the Club. Any man who has been a member of Marco Men's Club who moves, but remains in Collier County shall, if he requests in writing, will remain in the Marco Men's Club as a nonresident member.

SECTION 3:

Membership shall be for an extended period beginning from the month membership is effective though December 31 of the calendar year.  
(Amended November 2019)

SECTION 4:

Resignations of Officers, Committee Chairmen and members shall be in writing.

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## **ARTICLE IV: DUES**

### SECTION 1:

An active member is one who pays yearly dues. Membership dues are renewable yearly. Dues run from the date of application through December 31, renewal year is then January 1 through December 31. There are no partial dues. (Amended November, 2019).

### SECTION 2:

A member shall become delinquent after his dues remain unpaid for two weeks. He shall be considered to have resigned at that time.

## **ARTICLE V: OFFICERS**

### SECTION 1:

The officers of the Club shall be President, Vice Presidents of Activities, of which there shall be a minimum of three (3) to a maximum of five (5), Secretary and Treasurer. These Officers, with the immediate Past President shall constitute the Board of Directors. The Vice Presidents of Activities shall designate the Senior Vice President of Activities at a meeting called by the President within one week of the general election. (Revised 5/10/2018)

### SECTION 2:

The Officers shall be elected in January for a term of one (1) year. The term of office is from May 1 to the following April 30. To be Eligible, an Officer must be a paid member, a full time resident, and shall have signified his willingness to serve a full term. (Amended November 2019)

### SECTION 3:

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall present the nominees for Club Officers for the coming year to the Board of Directors for Board approval at the November Board Meeting. (Amended November 2019)

### SECTION 4:

The approved slate of nominees shall be announced in the November Newsletter and MMC Email Blast, and presented to the general membership at the December General Meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the December General Meeting. Nominations will be closed at the close of business of the December General Meeting. (Amended November, 2019)

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## SECTION 5:

Election shall be by the simple majority of votes cast by the members present at the January Annual Meeting. New Officers and Board members will be installed and begin their term of office in May of that year. (Amended November, 2019)

## SECTION 6:

When a vacancy occurs among the Officers, such vacancy shall be filled by an appointee of the Board of Directors. Any Officer who holds office for more than six (6) months shall be deemed to have served a full term.

## SECTION 7:

To encourage general participation of the members and also to gain the advantages of experience, the President shall not hold the position for more than two (2) consecutive terms. No other Board member shall serve more than Five (5) consecutive terms in the same elected position on the Board. (Amended January, 2023)

## SECTION 8:

All candidates for Vice President of Activities must have been an event chairman for at least one (1) event or have been a member of the Board of Directors.

## SECTION 9:

All candidates for President or Senior Vice President of Activities must have served on the Board Of Directors for at least one (1) term.

## **ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

### SECTION 1:

The President shall be general executive head of the Club and the Board of directors, and shall be ex officio member of all activity groups and committees. He shall appoint all standing committees and special committee chairman. He shall preside at the meetings of the Club and the Board of Directors, and may call special meetings at his discretion. He shall vote only in the case of a tie.

### SECTION 2:

The Senior vice President of Activities shall assist the President in general supervision of the Club, and shall perform all the duties of the President on any occasion when the President cannot officiate.

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## SECTION 3:

The Secretary shall take the minutes of the Board and General Meetings and be responsible for general correspondence of the Club and shall file the Annual Report to the State of Florida. The Secretary shall preside over General and Board Meetings in the absence of both the President and the Senior Vice President of Activities. The Secretary shall be the custodian of the By-laws, the Policy Procedures, and any amendments to either. (Revised 5/13/10)

## SECTION 4:

The Treasurer shall receive all monies, pay all bills, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors and be responsible for sending notices to members of dues payable. He shall prepare and maintain a budget, keep an account of all receipts and expenditures, and furnish a monthly financial report to the Board of Directors as well as an annual financial report to the general membership at the July meeting. He shall file the appropriate IRS returns in November and shall file with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, the Annual Report notice that list the MMC officers. The Treasurer shall preside over General and Board of Directors meetings in the absence of the President, Senior Vice President of Activities, and Secretary. (Revised November 8, 2018)

## SECTION 5:

Committee Chairmen shall appoint their own committee members.

## SECTION 6:

The nominating committee shall consist of five (5) members. The President shall appoint the Chairman and one (1) member of the committee from the Board. The Chairman of the committee shall appoint the remaining three (3) members from the general membership. (Revised 5/10/2018)

## SECTION 7:

The May Board meeting shall be joint with new and current officers and Committee Chairmen who shall turn over their completed notebooks and financial records, including a written report of the past year's activities to their successors. (Amended November 2019)

## **ARTICLE VII: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the general supervision of the affairs of the Club. They shall by simple majority of the Board, approve an annual budget and the commitment of funds over \$2,500.00. (Revised November 8, 2018)

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## **ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS**

### SECTION 1:

Meetings shall be held monthly, or as determined by the Board.

### SECTION 2:

The Board of Directors meetings shall be held monthly and at other such times as the President deems necessary.

### SECTION 3:

The Annual meeting shall be held in January unless otherwise set by the Board of Directors, with notification given to all members. (Amended November 2019)

## **ARTICLE IX: BY-LAWS**

These By-Laws may be amended at the January Annual Meeting or the May General Meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, providing the proposed written amendment has been submitted at a Board of Directors meeting within the previous three (3) months. Amendments shall become effective upon the meeting at which adopted. **(Amended November 2019)**

## **ARTICLE X: COMMITTEES**

The work of the Club shall be carried on through the following standing committees plus any other committees the Board of Directors may feel necessary; Newsletter, Membership, Member at-Large, and General Meeting.

## **ARTICLE XI: ACTIVITIES**

Activities of the Club are varied and are the outgrowth and desires of the wishes of its members. Due to limited facilities and instructors, activities are available to members only, unless otherwise designated by the Board of Directors.

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**ARTICLE XII: QUORUM**

For the transaction of business, any number of the membership present at a meeting of members or two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors at any meeting of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum. (Revised 5/10/2018)