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ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 General

Region 3 shall be comprised of separate QMA clubs operating as individual units, grouped together geographically in the following four states: Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina and Mississippi.

Region 3 shall have the authority granted by, and recognized by, the Board of Directors of Quarter Midgets of America, Inc. to administer on a Regional and Local Level, all rules, regulations and decisions of Quarter Midgets of America, Inc.

SECTION 2 Applicants

All members living in Region 3 must belong to a Region 3 club in order to race in Region 3. Any persons 18 years of age or over and who is a paid member in good standing of a Quarter Midget Club belonging to Region 3 and has been accepted by their primary club shall be admitted as a member of Region 3.

ARTICLE II – OFFICE

SECTION 1 Appointing

The Region 3 Director is the appointing director for the positions held by the Board of Directors, for those offices not filled by member vote.

SECTION 1 Term of Office

Each Region 3 Director shall serve for two (2) years and hold office until a successor is elected and/or they resign their position. The term of office shall begin January 1st of odd numbered calendar years.

Each elected/appointed officer shall serve a one (2) year term and hold office until a successor is elected and /or they resign their position.

SECTION 2 Principal Location

The principal office of Region 3 shall be in the city of the Regional Director. Region 3 may also have offices at such place or places as the Board of Region 3 may require from time to time for purposes of conducting the business of Region 3.

ARTICLE III – MEETINGS

SECTION 1 Meetings

Region 3 meetings shall be held at least one time per year at a time and place designated by the Regional Director. Meetings of the Region 3 Board of Directors may also be conducted via conference calls as needed and when called for by the Regional Director.

SECTION 2 Special Meetings

Special meetings of Region 3 may be called at any time and place by the Regional Director.

SECTION 3 Notices

Notice of meetings shall be called or e-mailed by the Regional Director or Secretary of the Region to each Regional Board Officer and each Club President of Region 3 having 1 vote, giving each club one week notice of said meeting and place, with the exception of special or emergency meetings.

SECTION 4 Voting

Voting at meetings of Region 3 each Board of Directors will have a collective vote, plus one vote per each club President or appointed person filling in for the president. The Regional Director shall break any tie votes.

SECTION 5 RCP's

All members get a vote at their club level on RCP's, RCP's to be voted on by Club Presidents only, in case of a tie, the RD breaks the tie.

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1

The Regional Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) people; Regional Director, Assistant Regional Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Tech Director, Safety Director, Publicity Director.

Each club President or appointed person filling in for the president shall have one vote on voting matter of the Region.

SECTION 2

Any member of Region 3, in good standing, may be elected/appointed for any of the seven (7) regional officers. Only 1 person per QMA family membership is eligible for the Regional Board of Directors if they are currently a member of Region 3 and have been a member in "good standing" for at least two (2) years. This excludes a spouse that is the elected President of a Region 3 club.

SECTION 3

Removal of any Regional Board of Directors in Region 3 will follow QMA by-laws. Any vacancies by resignation of any board member in Region 3 may be filled by approval of the remaining Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V – OFFICER & DIRECTOR DUTIES

Each Board member shall perform the duties of his office, including duties as a member of any committee of the board of QMA upon which the Board member may serve, in good faith, in a manner such Board member believes to be in the best interests of the Region and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinarily prudent person in a like position would use under similar circumstances. Immediately following the appointing of officers, the officers so elected shall work with the present officers until they take office.

SECTION 1 Regional Director

The Regional Director shall:

- have the authority, granted and recognized by the Board of Directors of Quarter Midgets of America, to administer on a Regional and local level, all rules, regulations and decisions of Quarter Midgets of America;
- oversee all QMA State Races within Region 3 and inform the QMA National Secretary of track location, date and results;
- make sure that all State Races are conducted according to proper rules and regulations as prescribed by QMA;
- attend or cause the Assistant Regional Director to be present at all State Races and to assist when requested;
- follow all rules and regulations of the “QMA Authorities and Responsibilities of Regional Directors”
- be responsible for all Novice Training Programs in Region 3

SECTION 2 Assistant Director

The Assistant Director shall:

- assist the Regional Director in all phases of Regional operations
- in the absence of the Regional Director, assume the duties of the Regional Director
- carry out any duties assigned to him/her by the Regional Director or Regional Board

SECTION 3 Secretary/Head Scorer

The Secretary shall:

- be responsible for keeping a complete and accurate record of the activities of the Region and the Regional Board;
- keep minutes of all Regional business meetings and shall send these minutes via e-mail to all Regional Officers and Club Presidents within the Region after the completion of the meeting
- handle any correspondence requested by the Regional Director or other Regional officers
- keep the Regional Director advised of all incoming and outgoing correspondence;
- keep a current list of all members of all clubs within the Region, as well as a current list of the officers of these clubs
- Shall be in charge of overseeing registration and scoring at all Region 3 race events

SECTION 4 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

- keep a complete and accurate record of all financial transactions of the Region
- keep the funds of the Region in a recognized bank or trust company
- furnish to all Regional Officers and to all clubs within the Region, a complete written financial report at each annual meeting and at the end of each calendar year

Disbursements of funds from the Region may only be made with the approval of the Regional Board of Directors.

SECTION 5 **Technical Director**

The Technical Director shall:

- handle the technical affairs of the Region
- keep a complete list of all technical rules, regulations and interpretations of QMA
- work close with the Technical Chairman of each club in the Region to insure their knowledge of and compliance with these rules
- make rulings on local club requests for technical knowledge of and compliance with these rules
- make rulings on a local club requests for technical knowledge
- be available for consultation at all Regional QMA sanctioned events
- serve as a member of a committee headed by the National QMA Technical Director to assist in formulating, interpreting and administering the technical rules and regulations of QMA

SECTION 6 **Safety Director**

The Safety Director shall:

- have charge of the safety of the sport within his Region;
- keep a complete list of current QMA rules, regulations, decisions and interpretations covering safety;
- share this information with the Safety Chairman of each club within the Region and make sure that all safety procedures are being followed
- constantly be on the alert for and recommend changes or additions to existing rules or procedures which will provide greater safety for participants and spectators
- advise any club or individual of any unsafe practices
- insist on discontinuance of any unsafe practices or conditions
- report to the Regional Director any failure to comply
- serve as a member of a committee headed by the National QMA Safety Director to assist in formulating, interpreting and administering the Safety rules and regulations of QMA

SECTION 7 **Publicity Director**

The Publicity Director shall:

- work with each club to head the publicity in Region 3 and be part of a committee headed by the National QMA Publicity Director
- assist in formulating and carrying out plans and ideas to further the sport of quarter midget racing in the areas of publicity at local, regional and national levels

SECTION 9 **Compensation**

No board member or club representative shall receive any compensation for their time and efforts on behalf of the Region, except for actual out-of-pocket expenses incurred by them on behalf of the region . Regional Director shall have access to review finances online.

ARTICLE VI – REGION 3 BANK ACCOUNT/GENERATION OF FUNDS

- A bank account will be established and maintained by the Treasurer of Region 3 and may be located in the city of the Treasurer. The purpose of the account will be to fund all costs associated with the operating expenses, administrative expenses, expenses associated with annual regional meetings, advertising and promotion. The funding of the Region 3 bank account will be from pit fees collected at each regional race. The hosting club will submit a club check for the appropriate amount based on the number of entries at the end of the event. This fee shall be set at \$3 per car. All funding, assessments or taxation may be voted upon annually by the Region 3 Board of Directors and Club Representative based upon the Annual Region 3 Budget. Any money left in the Region account will be carried over for the following season's point series
- Region 3 pit fees are to be the same at each track. Such fees should be set at \$30 per car and shall include gas, with no additional charge for use of track transponders.
- Region 3 Championship Series fees to be eligible for Championship points will be set at \$12 per each class.

ARTICLE VII – REGIONAL QUALIFYING RACES

SECTION 1 States Race

Region 3 will hold the States Race on a rotation basis among each club in the Region, beginning with NGQMA, TVQMA and then HQMA. The only reason for changes shall be if one of the Region 3 clubs is hosting the Grands, then they shall have hosting rights to the States race.

ARTICLE VIII – AWARDS BANQUET

The Regional Board will be responsible for the location and scheduling of the annual awards banquet. Regional awards may be presented at club banquets at the discretion of the RD. The Regional Board is responsible for ensuring all awards are ready and presented at the banquet. The Regional Board may solicit volunteers to assist with awards and banquet preparations. Each club will forward their annual race schedule to the Regional Director when accomplished to ensure banquets are held for each club.

ARTICLE IX – ACCOUNTING BY REGION 3 OFFICERS/DIRECTORS

At the expiration of term of office, each Officer/Director shall account for and deliver to the Region, all the property and papers which may have come into their hands by reason of such office.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS

These by-laws may be amended or a new amendment adopted, by a two-thirds vote of those entitled to vote and present in person at a Region 3 meeting. Provided that such proposed new amendment is stated in full in the notice of the meeting.