# OHIO JUDO., INC. CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I - NAME

THE CORPORATION IS OHIO JUDO, INC.

# ARTICLE II - TYPE

THE CORPORATION IS FOR SPORTS AND EDUCATION.

# <u>ARTICLE III</u> - DURATION

THE PERIOD OF ITS DURATION IS PERPETUAL.

# ARTICLE IV - MEMBERS

THERE SHALL BE GROUP MEMBERS AND OTHER CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP. THE VARIOUS CLASSES OF MEMBERS, THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP, THE METHOD OF BECOMING A MEMBER, THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS, THE LIABILITY OF MEMBERS FOR DUES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND THE TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE SET FORTH IN THE BY-LAWS. ALL MEMBERS SHALL BE BOUND BY THE BY-LAWS AND SUBJECT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE CORPORATION WITH RESPECT TO THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT IS ORGANIZED.

# ARTICLE V -PURPOSES

THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE CORPORATION IS ORGANIZED ARE:

- 1) DEVELOP INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION THROUGHOUT OHIO IN THE SPORT OF JUDO AND BE RESPONSIBLE TO THE PERSONS AND AMATEUR SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS IT REPRESENTS;
- 2) MINIMIZE, THROUGH COORDINATION WITH OTHER AMATEUR SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS, CONFLICTS IN THE SCHEDULING OF ALL PRACTICES, CLINICS, AND COMPETITIONS;
- 3) KEEP AMATEUR ATHLETES INVOLVED IN JUDO INFORMED OF POLICY MATTERS AND REASONABLY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF SUCH ATHLETES IN ITS POLICY DECISIONS;
- 4) PROMPTLY REVIEW EVERY REQUEST SUBMITTED BY AN AMATEUR SPORTS ORGANIZATION OR PERSON FOR A SANCTION TO HOLD TOURNAMENTS OR TO HOLD STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS;

- 5) PROVIDE EQUITABLE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMS FOR MALE AND FEMALE JUDO ATHLETES ON A STATE LEVEL;
- 6) ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT AMATEUR ATHLETIC JUDO SPORTS PROGRAMS FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS AND THE PARTICIPATION OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS;
- 7) ENCOURAGE, PROMOTE, SPONSOR AND SUPPORT PUBLICATIONS, INSTITUTES, CLINICS, ESTABLISHMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIPS, AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION IN THE AREAS OF SPORTS MEDICINE AND SPORTS SAFETY;
- 8) PROVIDE COMPETITIVE JUDO OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL AGES AND LEVELS OF ABILITY, INCLUDING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS;
- 9) ENCOURAGE PHYSICAL FITNESS AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF COMPETITIVE JUDO AMONG THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE SOLELY FOR THE PHYSICAL, EDUCATIONAL, OR SOCIAL BENEFITS DERIVED THEREFROM;
- 10) OPERATE EXCLUSIVELY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, EDUCATIONAL, AND CHARITABLE PURPOSES AND TO FURTHER THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF THE AMATEUR SPORTS ACT OF 1978 (PUBLIC LAW 95-606,92 STAT. 3045,36 U.S.C. & 371).

# ARTICLE VI - POWERS AND JURISDICTION

SECTION 1. THE POWERS AND JURISIDICTION OF THE CORPORATION ARE:

- A) REPRESENT THE STATE IN APPROPRIATE NATIONAL JUDO ORGANIZATION;
- B) ESTABLISH STATE GOALS FOR JUDO AND ENCOURAGE THE ATTAINMENT OF THESE GOALS;
- C) SERVE AS THE COORDINATING BODY FOR AMATEUR ATHLETIC JUDO ACTIVITY IN THE STATE;
- D) CONDUCT AMATEUR ATHLETIC JUDO COMPETITION WITHIN THE STATE;
- E) RECOMMEND TO THE UNITED STATES JUDO, INC. INDIVIDUALS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE NATIONAL TEAMS;
- F) RECOMMEND TO THE NATIONAL PROMOTIONS BOARD THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROMOTION TO HIGHER RANKS;
- G) TO SUE AND BE SUED;
- H) TO MAKE CONTRACTS;
- I) APPROVE AND REVOKE MEMBERSHIP IN THE CORPORATION;
- J) DO ANY AND ALL ACTS AND THINGS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION;
- K) AMEND ITS ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BY-LAWS IN A MANNER NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAWS OF OHIO.

SECTION 2. THE CORPORATION SHALL BE NONPOLITICAL.

SECTION 3. THE CORPORATION SHALL HAVE NO POWER TO ISSUE CAPITAL STOCK OR TO ENGAGE IN BUSINESS FOR PECUNIARY PROFIT OR GAIN.

SECTION 4. THE CORPORATION, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE V OF THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, SHALL PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE CULTURAL ASPECTS OF AMATEUR JUDO, AND OF THE BENEFITS OF PHYSICAL FITNESS AND PARTICIPATION IN AMATEUR JUDO ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES.

# ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. THERE SHALL BE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES AS SPECIFIED AND AS SELECTED AND/OR ELECTED IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BY-LAWS.

SECTION 2. ALL OFFICERS OR MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES, SUBCOMMITTEES, SECTIONS OR OTHER ENTITIES INVOLVED IN THE MANAGEMENT OR GOVERNING OF THE CORPORATION MUST BE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING OF THE CORPORATION.

# ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORTATON

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION MAY BE MADE BY TWO-THIRDS (2/3) OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE ANNUAL OR FALL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AMENDMENTS SHALL TAKE EFFECT AT THE CLOSE OF SUCH MEETINGS EXCEPT IN SUCH CASE WHERE IT MAY BE SPECIFIED AT THE TIME OF APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT WILL TAKE EFFECT DURING THE MEETING OR AT A LATER TIME.

SECTION 2. ALL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS MUST BE POSTMARKED TO THE SECRETARY IN WRITING AT LEAST FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION 3. NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF ANY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT WHICH AMENDMENTS ARE TO BE CONSIDERED, A GENERAL NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE SECRETARY TO ALL KNOWN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION 4. VOTING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BY-LAWS, ONE-PERSON ONE VOTE.

## ARTICLE IX LIMITATION

SECTION 1. NO PART OF THE NET INCOME OF THE CORPORATION SHALL INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTED TO, ITS MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PRIVILEGED PERSONS, EXCEPT THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED

TO PAY REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND TO MAKE PAYMENTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE V.

### ARTICLE X DISSOLUTION

SECTION 1. THE CORPORATION MAY BE DISSOLVED AFTER DISSOLUTION IS APPROVED BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, PROVIDED THAT NOTICE THAT A VOTE ON DISSOLUTION WILL BE TAKEN IS FURNISHED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION AT LEAST FORTY-FIVE (45) DAYS BEFORE SUCH VOTE.

SECTION 2. UPON 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 EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION IN SUCH MANNER, OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

### ARTICLE XI SAVING CLAUSE

SECTION 1. FAILURE OF LITERAL OR COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BY-LAWS IN RESPECT TO DATES AND TIMES OF NOTICES, OR THE SENDING OR RECEIPT OF SAME, OR ERRORS IN PHRASEOLOGY OF NOTICE OF PROPOSALS WHICH, IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AT THEIR MEETINGS, DO NOT CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL INJURY TO THE RIGHTS OF MEMBERS, SHALL NOT INVALIDATE THE ACTION OR PRECEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.