

ARTICLE 1 - NAME AND AFFILIATIONS

SECTION 1 NAME – The organization shall be known as the MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC., abbreviated and referred to as MAAD. The organization was organized in 1946 and incorporated in the State of Missouri in 1977. It is registered as a non-profit amateur sports organization engaged in charitable, benevolent, civic, cultural, educational, social, recreational and athletic activities pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 2 AFFILIATIONS – MAAD is affiliated with United States American Deaf Basketball (USADB), National Softball Association of the Deaf (NSAD), National Deaf Basketball Organization (NDBO), and United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA).

SECTION 3 REGION – The MAAD region includes the states of Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming, subject to change as determined by the applicable national athletic association of the Deaf (naaD).

SECTION 4 LOGO – The MAAD logo, which was designed by the late Joe Myklebust of Council Bluffs, Iowa, is represented by a basketball at rest followed by a trail signaling its prior bouncing in an 'M' fashion, followed by the underlined words 'Midwest Athletic Association of the Deaf.' The logo also contains a softball at the end of the line on which the 'M', the basketball, and the MAAD wording appear.