

# **IMTA Safety & Maintenance Council**

## **Code of Bylaws**

### **ARTICLE I**

#### **Authority**

By authority of the Indiana Motor Truck Association (IMTA) Code of Bylaws Article VI, Section 6.1. The Indiana Motor Truck Association Safety & Maintenance Council (SMC) is established. By approval of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc., these bylaws are adopted to govern the operations and proceedings of this organization.

### **ARTICLE II**

#### **Name**

The name of this organization shall be the IMTA Safety & Maintenance Council (SMC).

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **Objectives and Purposes**

*Mission Statement: The goal of the Safety and Maintenance Council (SMC) is to provide membership with the best possible resources to enhance current and future safety processes and to recognize members for safety achievements. The intent is to educate and support membership in order to improve the safety of employees as well as the general public.*

The objectives and purposes of this council shall be:

(a) To develop and promote methods, materials and procedures, and conduct research for improved safety in the field of motor carrier transportation;

- (b) To foster the exchange of ideas and materials on accident prevention among persons and organizations in the field of motor carrier safety;
- (c) To sponsor and promote conferences, meetings and other activities aiding the general safety and maintenance program of the Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc.;
- (d) To develop and promote safety and personnel practices;
- (e) To conduct such other activities and programs as are necessary to accomplish the foregoing purposes consistent with the policies of the Indiana Motor Truck Association.

## **ARTICLE IV**

### **Organization**

**Section 1.** The Safety & Maintenance Council of the Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc., shall be statewide in scope.

## **ARTICLE**

### **V Membership**

**Section 1.** Membership is on individual basis and must belong to an IMTA member company. Individuals desiring to promote or be associated with the activities of The Safety & Maintenance Council and who is a full paid member of The Safety & Maintenance Council, shall be allowed to participate in the Council.

**Section 2.** Retired persons who have been active in the Council shall be excused from paying council dues, but may continue to receive the Truck Talk Weekly and continue to participate in the council on the same basis as all members.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Meetings**

**Section 1.** The Safety & Maintenance Council of the Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc. shall meet at least four (4) times annually at times and places designated by the officers and committee chairmen. The full membership will be given at least ten (10) days notice of the time and place of such meetings.

**Section 2.** The election of officers shall be held during the Annual Meeting (SMC Awards Banquet) of the council. The elected officers shall take office on July 1.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Voting**

At all meetings of The Safety & Maintenance Council all members in good standing will have a vote.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Dues and Finances**

**Section 1.** Annual dues shall be determined by majority vote of the membership based on recommendations of the officers, committee chairs, and the executive director.

**Section 2.** On a year to date basis, the IMTA will render to each member a bill covering the annual dues.

**Section 3.** Any member who fails to pay dues within sixty (60) days of the billing shall be dropped from the membership of the Council.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Officers**

**Section 1.** The officers of the council shall be Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary/Treasurer.

**Section 2.** The officers of the Council - Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary/Treasurer will be members of the council and shall be elected by a majority vote of members present at the annual election meeting.

**Section 3.** Appointment to fill any vacancy in the officers shall be made by action of the Board of Governors.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Board of Governors**

**Section 1.** The Board of Governors shall consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer and Past Chairmen.

**Section 2.** The Board of Governors shall, between council meetings, represent the full membership. The Board of Governors is empowered with the full authority to take whatever action is deemed proper and necessary and consistent with the objectives of the Council.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **Committees**

**Section 1.** The officers shall oversee the following events/committees:

- a. Truck Driving & Technicians Championships
- b. SMC Awards Banquet: Driver of the Year/Fleet Safety Awards
- c. SMC Meetings

**Section 2.** The recommendation of all standing committees, within the SMC shall be submitted to the Chairman for approval by the Executive Director.

**Section 3.** The nominating committee, consisting of the Board of Governors, will be chaired by the most immediate past chairman.

**Section 4.** The Chairman shall appoint other committees as needed.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **Quorum**

The members present at any regular meeting or special meeting called to order after proper notice shall constitute a quorum.

## **ARTICLE XIII**

### **Rules of Order**

In all matters not covered herein, Roberts Rules of Order Revised shall govern the proceedings.

## **ARTICLE XIV**

### **Cooperation with the IMTA**

In view of the relationship between The Safety & Maintenance Council and the Indiana Motor Truck Association the Council shall report to the parent organization and shall cooperate with the programs of the Indiana Motor Truck Association, Inc. The President of the IMTA shall appoint an Executive Director. The Executive Director will be a member of the staff of the IMTA and serve as staff liaison with various council and industry units, with government agencies, and with organizations concerned with motor carrier safety. The Executive Director will be responsible for maintaining organizational records, supervising the council staff, and for the processing of services and materials essential to the effective conduct of industry and motor carrier safety programs.

## **ARTICLE XV**

## **Amendments**

**Section 1.** Proposed Amendments of these bylaws must be approved by the majority vote of the Board of Governors before being submitted to the membership for vote.

**Section 2.** Proposed Amendments to the bylaws shall be submitted for voting to the members in attendance at any meeting of The Safety & Maintenance Council

**Section 3.** Proposed Amendments may be adopted only by two-thirds majority of the members voting.