

Status: December 6, 2024

I. General

Art. 1 - Name, Affiliation, Location

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne is an association within the meaning of Article 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code.
2. Its seat is at l'Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Ecublens (VD).

Art. 2 - Purpose

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne's goal is to enliven the campus and facilitate student integration by offering them activities and events related to surfing and its alternatives.
2. It must primarily address the student community on campus.
3. It must comply with the EPFL Ethical Charter. It must respect the Directive on the recognition of student associations by EPFL.
4. It should promote networking among surfers and people interested in the sport. It also promotes contact, cooperation, and understanding with similar associations, organizations, and companies operating within the sport.

Art. 3 - Neutrality requirement

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne is politically and confessionally neutral and does not participate in political/confessional events or discourses. Politically motivated ideologies have no place in the University Surf Club Lausanne.
2. It is strictly forbidden for members to make political or confessional statements in the name of the club, either in word, writing, or sign and with respect to any form of communication.

Art. 4 - Tasks

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne primarily pursues the goals formulated in the Purpose.
2. Organizes events (generally at least once a month) during the semester. In addition, a regular training or session operation must exist.
3. Activities outside of the semester are optional.

Art. 5 - Liability

1. The club's assets are solely liable for the club's debts. Personal liability of members is excluded.

Art. 6 - Club logo

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne must only use the logo voted on during the General Assembly.

Art. 7 - Accreditation and Affiliation

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne must do everything in its power to be accredited/recognized at EPFL and UNIL.

II. Membership, Contributions & Finances

Art. 1 - Membership

Membership in the University Surf Club Lausanne can be acquired by natural persons. They must be enrolled students or alumni of the following [university/universities]:

- f. [École Polytechnique Fédérale (EPFL)]
- g. [University of Lausanne (UNIL)]
- h. [HEC Lausanne (HEC)]
- i. [Hospitality Business School Lausanne (EHL)]

The University Surf Club Lausanne operates exclusively in the listed [university/universities]. In exceptional cases, students or alumni of applied sciences universities in the region where the University Surf Club Lausanne is active are also eligible for membership. [The University Surf Club is a university club. That is how it should be. However, students from universities of applied sciences are generally eligible for membership. The "exceptional case" mentioned in the text is intended to grammatically emphasize the focus on universities.]

Art. 2 - Membership application

1. A membership application can be made using the designated forms or by email to the board.
2. The board reviews the application and decides on admission. The decision must be confirmed at the ordinary general assembly by a simple majority.
3. The board is entitled to reject an application directly if it obviously violates the statutes. If no obvious violation exists and the application is rejected, this must be justified in writing, and the rejection also confirms the rejection at the next general assembly by a simple majority.

Art. 3 - Membership termination

1. Membership expires due to resignation, exclusion, dissolution, or death.
2. Resignation from the club is possible at any time. The board must be notified in writing. The date of receipt of the message is considered the date of resignation. Members can be excluded at the general assembly upon the board's request by a four-fifths majority. If withdrawal occurs after the start of the club year, all contributions are owed in full.

Art. 4 - Contributions

1. The membership fee is CHF 29.- per semester and is payable at the beginning of the fall semester and the spring semester.
2. For board members, the contribution is voluntary.
3. For individuals who are actively involved in the club but do not hold a board position, such as trainers, the contribution is voluntary. The board must determine the "special status" for the individual by resolution. The resolution is valid for two semesters.

Art. 5 - General Financial Resources

The University Surf Club Lausanne derives its financial resources in addition to membership contributions from various club activities, as well as sponsor and patron contributions and others.

Art. 6 - Reserves

1. The University Surf Club Lausanne must allocate at least 15% of any net profit per year to reserves.
2. The use of reserves must be authorized at the general assembly with a qualified majority.
3. When establishing a new association, it does not have to respect articles 7.1 and 7.2.

Art. 7 - Financial Year

The financial year runs from September 1 to August 31 of the following year and is thus aligned with the University year.

III. Organs

Art. 1 - Organs

The organs of the University Surf Club Lausanne are:

- a. the General Assembly,
- b. the Board
- c. the Audit Committee

A. General Assembly

Art. 2 - General Assembly

1. The General Assembly is the supreme body of the University Surf Club Lausanne.
2. It has the following inalienable tasks and competencies:
 - a. Approval of the minutes of the last General Assembly.
 - b. Approval of the annual report of the board.
 - c. Receipt of the audit report, if an audit committee is in operation, and approval of the annual accounts.
 - d. Election of the board.
 - e. Election of the audit committee.
 - f. Recognizance of the annual budget.
 - g. Recognizance of the program of activities.
 - h. Decision-making on proposals from the board and members.
 - i. Amendment of the statutes.

- j. Decision on the exclusion of members.
- k. Decision-making on the dissolution of the association and the use of the liquidation proceeds.

Art. 3 - Meeting and location of meeting

- 1. An ordinary General Assembly takes place annually in March, at the latest in April, if possible before the General Assembly of the University Surf Club Switzerland.
- 2. The meeting location of the General Assembly is determined by the President. The location must be in the canton where the University Surf Club Lausanne has its seat.

Art. 4 - Setting of invitations and agendas

- 1. The date of the General Assembly must be announced at least three months in advance.
- 2. A written invitation to the General Assembly is sent at least 20 days in advance, stating the agenda to the members.
- 3. The Lausanne University Surf Club Board is responsible for setting the agenda.
- 4. Members can request the inclusion of an item on the agenda, provided that the request comes from 1/5 of the members. The request must be directed to the board one month before the start of the General Assembly.

Art. 5 - Proposals

- 1. Proposals for the agenda must be submitted in writing to the board at least 10 days before the General Assembly.
- 2. All members of the University Surf Club Lausanne have the right to make proposals.

Art. 6 - Convocation of Extraordinary General Assemblies

- 1. The board or 1/5 of the members can request the convocation of an extraordinary General Assembly at any time, stating the reason.
- 2. The assembly must take place no later than 6 weeks after receipt of the request.

Art. 7 - Resolutions

- 1. The members generally pass resolutions with an absolute majority.
- 2. In the event of a tie, the President makes the deciding vote.
- 3. Exceptions include:
 - a. Resolutions to amend statutes generally require a qualified majority.
 - b. Articles 2 and 3 are only amendable by unanimity because of their special significance.

- c. Article 1, paragraph 2 is only amendable by unanimity due to its special significance for the entire network.
4. A protocol of resolutions must be drawn up for resolutions that are passed.
5. Every properly convened General Assembly is quorate, regardless of the number of members present.

Art. 8 - Form of execution

1. The General Assembly will be held in physical form.
2. If circumstances demand, a digital alternative solution can be found.

B. Board

Art. 1 - Task

The board has the following minimum tasks:

- a. Conducts the day-to-day business.
- b. It represents the association externally.
- c. It issues regulations and develops internal rules.
- d. It can hire or commission individuals for the achievement of the association's goals for reasonable compensation.

Art. 2 - Competence in the case of emergency and unforeseen cases

The board has all competencies not legally or according to these statutes assigned to another body. It thus decides alone in all cases not provided for in these statutes and in cases of force majeure.

Art. 3 - Composition

The board consists of at least three, maximum 15 persons.

Art. 4 - Meeting

1. The board meets as often as business requires.
2. During the semester, there must be at least one meeting per month.
3. Any board member can request the convocation of a meeting, stating the reasons.

Art. 5 - Presidential position

1. The presidency has as a minimum area of responsibility:
 - a. Overall supervision of all club processes;
 - b. Presentation of an annual report at the General Assembly, informing about the most important activities of the club. This report consists of sub-reports from board members;
 - c. Overall supervision of strategic orientation and planning;
 - d. Mediation in disputes;
 - e. Representation of the section;
 - f. Leading negotiations;
 - g. Monitoring and coordination of board activities;
 - h. Convocation and leadership of meetings.
2. The Vice-Presidency has, as a minimum area of responsibility:
 - a. Direct support of the Presidency, as well as its direct representation in case of absence;
 - b. Preparation of meetings and assemblies;
 - c. Minute taking;
 - d. Member management;
 - e. Infrastructure management;
 - f. University communication.

Art. 6 - Head of Finance

The Head of Finance has as a minimum area of responsibility:

- a. Collection of membership fees and outstanding claims;
- b. Handling payment transactions and management of the club's assets;
- c. Preparation of the annual financial statement for the General Assembly and the annual report;
- d. Tax declaration.

Art. 7 - Head of Communication

The Head of Marketing has as a minimum area of responsibility:

- a. Development and implementation of advertising strategies;
- b. Management of social media accounts;
- c. Creation of an annual report of all marketing-relevant activities.

Art. 8 - Head of Sports and Events

The Head of Sports and Events has, as a minimum area of responsibility:

- a. Management of the entire range of sports and events offered by the section;
- b. Direct contact for university sports and sports organizations at the local level;
- c. Main responsibility for implementing new sports offerings and associated infrastructures and regulations in the section;
- d. Creation of an annual report of sports & event activities.

Art. 9 - Executive Support

This position serves to handle predefined support tasks. It is only to be filled if there is an urgent need.

Art. 10 - Office term, induction and resignation

1. The term of office of board members is aligned with the club year.
2. Board members who have been removed from the General Assembly must adequately train their successors. Training must be done before the start of the new club year.
3. Should a board member resign outside the regular term of office, they must ensure a suitable replacement.

Art. 11 - Signatory Authority

1. The Presidency and Vice-Presidency are each collectively authorized to sign. The Vice-Presidency may be represented by another board member in signing.
2. For authorization/obligation transactions valued at less than CHF 300, board members are generally authorized to sign alone.

C. Audit Committee

Art. 1 - Election

1. The ordinary club assembly elects the audit committee for a term until the next ordinary club assembly.
2. According to the regulations of the Code of Obligations, an opt-out can be made.

Art. 2 - Composition

Individuals on the audit committee need not be members of the club.

Art. 3 - Tasks and Competencies

The audit committee examines and verifies the inventory,

IV. Dissolution and Liquidation

Art. 1 - Dissolution

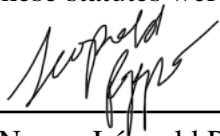
1. The dissolution of the club can be decided by a resolution of the General Assembly with a four-fifths majority.
2. Once dissolution is decided, the new purpose of the club is its liquidation.

Art. 2 - Liquidation

1. The liquidation process will be overseen and executed by the board of the University Surf Club Switzerland.
2. Once the liquidation is complete and all debts have been settled, any residual liquid and tangible assets will be allocated to other University Surf Clubs. In the absence of such clubs, these assets will be redirected to university clubs that promote student connection through surfing or similar activities, aligning with the foundational intent of the club.
3. Should there be no successor clubs at the time of liquidation, the University Surf Club Switzerland is tasked with safeguarding the funds designated for the University Surf Club Lausanne. In the event that no new clubs are established subsequently, the University Surf Club Switzerland has the discretion to utilize these funds as it sees fit.

3. Entry into force

These statutes were adopted and confirmed by the founding assembly on 06.12.2024.



Name: Léopold Popper
Date: 06.12.2024



Name: Julien Drouet
Date: 06.12.2024



Name: Jean-Sébastien D.
Date: 06.12.2024