



LAFAYETTE COLLEGE MODEL CLUB CONSTITUTION
(Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club - LafSpikes)
(Spikeball is the company which manufactures equipment for the sport
officially known as Roundnet)

ARTICLE I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club.

ARTICLE II: Purpose

- I. Section 2.1.** The purpose of this club is to teach new members how to play roundnet while helping experienced players build upon their skills. The primary objective of this club is to bring the sport of roundnet to Lafayette's campus in order to provide a local roundnet community interested in the game and competing at a higher level.

- II. Section 2.2.** In pursuit of said purpose, the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club will aim to:
 - A. Consistently hold at least 2 practices a week
 - B. Foster a growing sense of companionship among teammates
 - C. Diversify members
 - D. Reach out to the Spikeball community beyond Lafayette College

ARTICLE III: Relationship

As a recognized Lafayette College student organization, the above named organization will have access to advising and resources through the Division of Campus Life and the Lafayette Student Government, however, the above named organization's activities are not supervised by Lafayette College staff or SG Representatives. The members of the organization itself are responsible for following all College policies and State laws and for ensuring the safety, security and the appropriate and lawful behavior of the membership as well as any students involved in activities sponsored by the organization.

ARTICLE IV: Membership

- I. Section 4.1.** Active membership in the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club shall be limited to students who are currently enrolled at Lafayette College. Active members are eligible to vote and hold office in the coming spring semester.

- II. **Section 4.2.** Associate membership in the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club is open to all Lafayette College faculty and staff. Associate members are not eligible to vote or hold office in this club.
- III. **Section 4.3.** The number of active members in the club must be one more than 50% of the total number of members in the board.
- IV. **Section 4.4.** To obtain active member status, prospective members can join after attending two consecutive club meetings. There is no formal application or interview required.
- V. **Section 4.6. - Anti-Discrimination Clause:** Membership in registered student organizations are open to all students of Lafayette College, regardless of race, religion, sex, ability status, national origin, color, age, gender identity, gender expression, sexual identity, or veteran status.

All members register via the <http://dosportseasy.com/lafayetteclubs/> web site.

ARTICLE V: Organizational Leadership

- I. **Section 5.1.** The officers of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club shall be the President, the Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers make up the Executive Committee. All executive officers must be current Lafayette College students.
- II. **Section 5.2.** The President shall:
 - A. Will serve as the Program Chair
 - B. Will be in charge of running practices
 - C. Will run club meetings
- III. **Section 5.3.** The Vice-President shall:
 - A. Will serve as the primary safety officer
 - B. Will serve as the risk manager
 - C. Will assist the President in any duties he/she may have
- IV. **Section 5.4.** The Secretary shall:
 - A. Will be in charge of emails or messages concerning club activities
 - B. Will be in charge of scheduling any roundnet events
- V. **Section 5.5.** The Treasurer shall:
 - A. Will decide how funds will be spent
 - B. Will handle any money the club is using (ex. competition money, payments for roundnet material, purchasing new equipment, etc.)
- VI. **Section 5.6.** The terms of all officers of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club will be one calendar year; with the exception of students studying abroad who will step down from their position.

- VII. **Section 5.7. Impeachment Process:** The impeachment process begins if a vote is brought up by one of the officers. If two-thirds of the current attending members vote to impeach as well as two-thirds of the officers, then the selected officer or president will be removed from their current position.

ARTICLE VI: Elections

- I. **Section 6.1.** Upon the end of each calendar year, the Lafayette Spikeball Club will host a write-in ballot during its second to last meeting. Each member will cast one vote for who they see best fit for each position. Members are allowed to and are entitled to:
- A. Fill in as much or as little of the ballot as they choose
 - B. Write the same nominated individual for any amount of positions
 - C. Nominate themselves for any amount of positions they choose

Any ballots marked inappropriately, deemed by the current President, are subject to review by the rest of the board and may be discounted in the results. Upon the end of the final meeting in the first term, new board members will be announced.

Section 6.2. The President of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club will open the election meeting(s) by seeking nominations for each office in the following order:

- D. President
 - E. Vice-President
 - F. Secretary
 - G. Treasurer
- II. **Section 6.3.** Any active member of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club may nominate any active member for a position, including themselves. All nominations must be accepted by the nominee in order to be considered.
- A. Nominations will be closed by the President after all nominations are accepted for each office.
 - B. In the event that only one individual accepts nomination for a position, they will assume the position for the coming semester. If two or more individuals accept nomination, it will be put to a vote.
 - C. Voting shall occur by a secret ballot distributed to each active member of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club in attendance at the meeting. A majority is required to elect Executive Officers.

ARTICLE VII: Meetings

- I. **Section 7.1.** At least one “business meeting” shall be held of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club per semester during the fall and spring semesters at Lafayette College. Proper notice must be given before all business meetings, and the Student Organizations Committee must be made aware of these dates.

- I. **Section 7.2.** At least one “social meeting” shall be held twice a month and it shall be marketed in such a way that the general members are all made aware of the organization of such a meeting.

- II. **Section 7.3.** At least 25% of all active members must be present at any meeting in order for business to be conducted, and at least 50% must be present at Election meetings.

ARTICLE VIII: Constitutional Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Lafayette Spikeball Roundnet Club by a two-third majority vote of the active members present at the meeting, as long as the amendment was submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.

Article IX: Risk Management

Section I: Injuries: All members should stretch/warm up before playing or practicing roundnet. This could include jogging, stretching, or any other relevant aerobic exercises. During play or practice, all members should be courteous and respectful to each other in order to avoid accidents or injuries.

Section II: Finances: All finances must be spent on things that are necessary to playing roundnet. This mainly includes roundnet sets and balls. Judging on the budget, members can vote on whether or not they wish to purchase other miscellaneous roundnet gear (ex. t-shirts, hats, glow in the dark balls etc.). Ultimately, the Treasurer will be in charge of the budget and fundraising, and must report to the President on any spending or deficits. In case of a financial problem, the executive board will meet to decide who was responsible and how to proceed accordingly.

Section III: Hazing: If anyone in the club or anyone outside of the club observes behavior that they are uncomfortable with and could be categorized as hazing, they should bring it up immediately with board members so that it may be addressed. Hazing is not permitted and members that do not comply will be removed from the club. The member’s actions will also be reported to Lafayette, and be subject to the College’s disciplinary process.

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