



National Academy of Model Aeronautics Charter Club Number: 1759
Washington State Non-Revenue Business Number 601 793 330
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CLUB BYLAWS

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1. ARTICLE I: NAME AND REGISTRY

- 1.1. The name of this organization shall be the Clark County Radio Control Society (CCRCS). CCRCS will be a chartered club of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), registered as club #1759, hereafter called “the club” or “club,” and registered as a non-profit entity with the residing state.

2. ARTICLE II: MISSION AND VISION

- 2.1. Vision: CCRCS’s vision is to establish the club as an exceptional community organization that promotes the building and flying of radio-controlled model aircraft while maintaining an environment of friendliness, safety, camaraderie, and mutual respect.
- 2.2. Mission: CCRCS’s mission is to spark and feed passion for building and safely flying radio-controlled model aircraft, cultivating community relations through charitable and educational events, growing the knowledge and experience of our members, and promoting the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

3. ARTICLE III: VESTED AUTHORITY

- 3.1. Other than the current club officers, no individual or group may speak or represent the club except as designated by the club during an official club event or proceeding. No individual or group, including the club officers, may commit the club in any way to some action or official club position with other individuals or organizations (or business) without prior membership approval or authorization. No member, individual or group may obligate any liabilities, including financial or contractual in any way except as directed by the President and through the course of normal club business.

4. ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP RULES AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 4.1. Every club member must hold a current club membership card and present proof of membership upon reasonable demand of any other club member.
- 4.2. Every club member must hold a current AMA membership and present proof of that membership upon the reasonable demand of any other club member.
- 4.3. Club members shall also abide by all local, state, and federal laws pertaining to radio-controlled flying.
- 4.4. Membership in the club is open to any person interested in the design, construction, and/or flying of radio-controlled model aircraft/Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) regardless of gender, race, color, religion, age, or sexual orientation.
- 4.5. Every member in good standing will be afforded all the benefits and privileges of the club.
- 4.6. All members shall have read and shall comply with these Bylaws, and the club’s Airfield Operations and Safety Rules (AOSR).
- 4.7. HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS: Honorary Life memberships are bestowed upon individuals who have made a significant and profound impact on the club, as nominated by the club president and voted by simple majority approval during any regular or special club meeting. Honorary members must meet all membership rules and qualifications with the exception of annual membership dues.
- 4.8. Members will proactively monitor club communications for updates and notice of airfield closures.

5. ARTICLE V: DUES / ASSESSMENTS

- 5.1. DUES: All new members will be assessed an initiation fee at the time of joining the club and shall pay yearly dues.
- 5.1.1. Current club officers, as well as members filling appointed positions will not be required to pay dues when currently holding those offices.
- 5.2. ASSESSMENTS: Assessments for special/emergency funding may be levied on the total membership when found necessary by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regularly scheduled meeting, and after all members have been given 30 days prior notice that an assessment vote will be held at that meeting along with an explanation of the assessment.
- 5.2.1. Members electing not to participate in assessments will thereby forfeit their current membership without renewal for two calendar years.

6. ARTICLE VI: RESIGNATION, TERMINATION, EXPULSION AND REINSTATEMENT

- 6.1. RESIGNATION: Any member may resign his/her membership by giving written notice to the club without cause. Membership fees are forfeited in this instance.
- 6.2. TERMINATION: If any member ceases to have the qualification necessary for, or terminates his/her membership in the AMA, and/or upon losing FAA certification, his/her membership in this club shall thereby terminate and any dues or fees forfeited.
- 6.3. EXPULSION/SUSPENSION: The Executive Board, by majority vote, shall have the authority to revoke membership in the club or impose the loss of flying privileges at any club flying site(s) if a member violates the AOSR, rules of conduct (Article XII) or membership rules (Article IV).
- 6.4. REINSTATEMENT: An expelled/suspended member may petition the club for reinstatement in writing to any current Executive Board officer. Said officer will then expeditiously present the petition to the Governing Board, who will provide reinstatement at their discretion.

7. ARTICLE VII: GOVERNING/APPOINTED/EXECUTIVE OFFICERS: The Governing officers of the club shall be the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. All club officers shall be club members in good standing.

TERM OF OFFICE: The term of office for Governing Officers will be one year. Appointed Officers have no such term and may remain each year.

7.1. GOVERNING OFFICER'S DUTIES

- 7.1.1. The Governing Officers shall operate as a board to facilitate the adoption of rules pertaining for club operations, including general management and specific administrative operations, airfield operations, safety policies and procedures.
- 7.1.2. **The PRESIDENT** shall preside at meetings, preserve order, enforce the club bylaws, and appoint other officers as needed for operational considerations.
- 7.1.3. **The VICE-PRESIDENT** shall preside at meetings, preserve order, and enforce the bylaws in the absence of the President.
- 7.1.4. **The TREASURER** shall manage club dues, deposits, and memberships.
- 7.1.4.1. The Treasurer will maintain a club budget(s) and provide requisite reports
- 7.1.4.2. The Treasurer will maintain a relationship with the AMA in order to verify individual club member status, manage the club Charter, and maintain our club roster with the AMA.
- 7.1.4.3. The Treasurer will maintain applicable licensing requirements by the State of Washington and manage any tax liabilities.
- 7.1.5. **The SECRETARY:** The Secretary shall record and publish the proceedings of all meetings including a list of attendees in the meeting minutes; shall conduct the correspondence of the club as directed and shall retain a copy of all correspondence received by the club.

7.2. APPOINTED OFFICERS: The Governing Officers shall be responsible for developing procedures to appoint or terminate special officers to assist in managing and operations of the club.

7.3. EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 7.3.1. The Executive Board shall consist of the current year's Governing Officers, the current year's Appointed Officers and the officers who held office prior to the existing office holder.
- 7.3.2. The purpose of the Executive Board shall be to recommend actions to the general membership,

plan activities, and fulfill other duties as directed by the president.

7.3.3. The club President shall act as Chairman of the Executive Board.

7.3.4. The Executive Board shall meet at least once a year, or at any time by direction of the President.

7.3.5. All members may attend Executive Board meetings but may not participate in such meeting unless a specific request has been logged, or a member open forum is included the meeting agenda.

7.4. **OFFICER VACANCIES:** Officer vacancies are to be filled by vote of the remaining Governing Officers at an appropriate time as directed by the President, or until regular officer elections.

8. ARTICLE VIII: FISCAL POLICY

8.1. The fiscal year shall run from January 1st through December 31st.

8.2. All club Governing and/or Appointed officers and members are accountable to the club Treasurer for expenditures and profits, to include a ledger of activity.

8.3. Officers will participate and assist in club financial audits when requested and may request supplemental budget approval for expenses pertinent to their responsibilities.

8.4. The recommended and final budgets must be balanced. Proposed expenditures must not exceed estimated dues, assets, and other income for the fiscal year.

9. ARTICLE IX: MEETINGS

9.1. **REGULAR MEETINGS:** The club will hold regular meetings throughout the year. Said meetings are open to all members, their guests, and the general public.

9.1.1. The president shall publish an agenda prior to each scheduled meeting.

9.1.2. "Roberts Rules of Order" shall govern all questions of procedures not otherwise covered in these bylaws.

9.2. **SPECIAL MEETINGS:** The club shall hold a special meeting at the request of any Governing Officer.

10. ARTICLE X: NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS, AND RECALLS

10.1. **NOMINATIONS:** Nominations for club Governing Officers shall be submitted during the November meeting. Nominations for officer positions can be from the floor, or before the meeting by typical electronic communications, or postal mail delivered at least three days before the meeting.

10.2. **ELECTIONS:** Governing Officer elections shall be held during the January meeting.

10.2.1. Only current members in good standing are eligible to participate in club elections.

10.3. Governing Officers are elected by a simple majority of members in attendance.

10.4. **RECALLS:** Any Governing officer may be recalled by a majority vote of the whole membership. The membership shall be notified, in writing, of the time and place of any recall vote at least 30 days prior to the vote.

11. ARTICLE XI: FLYING SITES(S): CCRCS shall maintain a site, or sites, for use by members and their guests for the purpose of flying radio-controlled model aircraft, otherwise known as Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS).

11.1. Such site(s) are to be designed and maintained as guided by the AMA.

12. ARTICLE XII: RULES OF CONDUCT

12.1. A spirit of good sportsmanship will prevail in all activities, and members will conduct themselves in such fashion as to always respect our neighbors and our lease agreement(s).

12.2. All club members will support and abide by these Bylaws, and will conform to the CCRCS Airfield Operations and Safety Rules (AOSR).

13. ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENT OF THESE BYLAWS

13.1. **PROPOSALS:** Proposals to amend club bylaws may be submitted by any member in good standing to any member of the club Executive Board. Board members are obligated to present proposals to the Governing Officers in a timely manner, but no later than the next regular club meeting as an agenda item.

13.2. **APPROVAL:** Bylaws may be changed by the affirmative vote of 50.1% of currently registered club members in good standing as of the date of the vote.

13.3. **VOTING:** Club members will receive 28 days advance notice of a vote to approve. Final approval of

proposed bylaw changes will be authorized by the total votes collected at the meeting of members in attendance at the time of the meeting, to include votes cast by mail, and/or by electronic communication of members not in attendance.

13.3.1. Voting may be conducted by typical electronic communications, but mail-in ballots must be received at least 3 days prior to the meeting. Each member gets one vote, regardless of voting method.

14. ARTICLE XIV: DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

14.1. The club may be dissolved in a special meeting with the approval of a two-thirds majority vote of the total club membership in good standing, and in attendance at the time of the vote. Voting shall be held only after 30 days' notice of the vote to all current and qualified members.

14.2. Upon dissolution of the club, and after payment of any and all liabilities of the club, all of the assets of the club shall be disposed of to one or more US-registered organizations that are exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501c (3) or (7) of the Internal Revenue Code, and as determined by the Executive Board.