

BY-LAWS

of the

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION OF RADIO CONTROL CLUBS

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ARTICLE I NAME, PURPOSES, AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.01 Name

The name of this association shall be the Milwaukee Association of Radio Controls Clubs, but may be cited in such short forms as the Milwaukee Association of R/C Clubs, or the Milwaukee R/C Association.

Section 1.02 Association Purposes

It shall be the purposes of this association of radio control clubs to:

- A. Promote, and aid member clubs in promoting, the hobby-sport of radio controlled model planes, boats, and cars including aiding clubs in the acquisition and development of sites for operation of such models; or the direct provision of such sites by the Association; safety in all phases of construction and operation of R/C models; furtherance of the art and technology of R/C modeling; coordination of radio frequency use; all toward the general enjoyment and recreation of participants.
- B. Organize and coordinate special events that may stimulate public respect and interest in the R/C hobby-sport, serve to raise funds for the association, and provide fellowship for modelers, including shopping mall displays, swap meets or auctions, conferences, contests, or other exhibitions.
- C. Affiliate with national groups which have similar purposes, and which provide liability insurance coverage to the clubs, to site owners, and to the individual modelers in the operation of their models, such as the Academy of Model Aeronautics, the International Model Power Boat Association, and Radio Operated Auto Racing.

Section 1.03 Club Eligibility for Membership

- A. Membership in this association shall be open only to clubs. Such clubs shall:
 - 1. Serve members residing in the general region in and around Milwaukee, Wisconsin;
 - 2. Be devoted to the purposes of radio control modeling of planes, boats or cars, as signified by their maintaining a charter with the appropriate national groups as the AMA, IMPBA and ROAR identified in 1.02 C. above.
 - 3. Be accepted into Association membership by a majority vote of those Association clubs present at a regular association meeting;
 - 4. Turn over to the Association and keep current a list of club members and officers.
 - 5. Provide delegates to the Association for the purposes of carrying on the Association's affairs.
- B. Individual persons shall not hold Association membership, though any person holding a valid operator's license issued by this Association for use on an Association operated site, shall be entitled to petition the Association, its officers, or its committees, for a redress of grievances, or to otherwise speak on an issue of concern to the petitioner.

Section 1.04 Classes of Membership and Representation

There shall be only one class of members – R/C modeling clubs as defined in 1.03 A. Each club shall be entitled to two delegates as representatives to the Association.

Section 1.05 Voting

Voting on the affairs and policies of the Association shall be by the Delegates from member clubs. Each Delegate shall cast one vote. There shall be no proxy voting, though substitute delegates shall be allowed.

Section 1.06 Withdrawal or Expulsion

- A. Withdrawal of a member club from the Association shall be granted at any time upon written receipt from the club's president stating that the club voted to withdraw. The effective date of the withdrawal shall be the date of receipt by an Association officer of the withdrawal letter.
- B. Expulsion of a member club from the Association may be done by a 3/4ths vote of all delegates present at a meeting called for that purpose. Prior to such a vote, the club proposed to be expelled shall be given opportunity to explain its defense against expulsion. The club shall also have been given 30 days written notice of the proposed expulsion by letter to its President. Any club officer or delegate in an Association club may propose an expulsion, but notice shall not be made unless approved by a majority of clubs present and voting at a meeting called for consideration of such a proposal.
- C. All rights in the Association or to its assets shall cease upon withdrawal or expulsion.

Section 1.07 Reinstatement

Once expelled, a club may be reinstated by a 2/3rds vote of those delegates present at a meeting, provided the notice for the meeting lists such proposed reinstatement as an item of business.

Section 1.08 Rights Non-Transferable

Membership in the Association and all rights arising therefrom are non-transferable.

ARTICLE II ASSOCIATION REVENUE

Section 2.01 Sources of Revenue

- A. The Association shall limit its revenues to the following sources:
 - 1. Admission or Exposition Fees, to its events
 - 2. Profits from fund raising ventures such as raffles, sales
 - 3. Donations or Gifts
 - 4. Loans, if interest free, and approved by officers unanimously
 - 5. License Fees from operators using Association sites
- B. The Association shall not raise any of its revenues through the levy of any dues or assessments on its member clubs, nor its licensed operators.

Section 2.02 Expenditures

- A. Segregated Revenues. Monies raised through site license fees, or through fund raisers designated for a specific site, shall be spent only for development and maintenance of that site. The exact use of the funds for the site shall be as determined by the Association or a Field Committee it has established for each site.
- B. General Funds, raised without designation for a specific site, may be spent as determined by the Association's delegates in furtherance of Association purposes.
- C. Joint Ventures in fund raising by the Association and any or all of its member clubs may divide the proceeds as agreed between the Association and the participating clubs.

ARTICLE III LICENSING

Section 3.01 Non-Discrimination

No person shall be denied a license to operate an R/C model on an Association operated site on account of race, creed, color, religion, place of national origin, sex nor age, except that persons under the age of majority may be required to furnish permission from their parents or guardians to operate under said license.

Section 3.02 License Period

Licenses issued to authorize use of sites operated by the Association shall be on an annual basis, March 1 to February 28.

Section 3.03 Purpose of Licensing

The purposes of issuing licenses to persons wishing to use R/C model sites operated by the Association shall be:

- A. To raise revenue to defray expenses of developing and maintaining each site;
- B. Identify R/C modelers using these sites so that they may be notified of rules regulating site use, and of changes in those rules;
- C. Provide a mechanism for radio frequency control at a site, including the identification of bona-fide licensees.

Section 3.04 Conditions on Licensees

Licenses shall be issued only to persons who meet the following conditions:

- A. Have tendered the proper license fee;
- B. Possess, or give evidence of application for, a Federal Communications Commission license to operate their radio equipment;
- C. Possess liability insurance such as that offered members of the AMA, IMPBA or ROAR as identified in Section 1.02 C. above; or the equivalent of such insurance, and offer proof of same.

Section 3.05 License Fee

Prior to the beginning of each annual license period set forth in Section 3.02 above the Association shall establish the amount of the license fee for each site, basing such fee on the estimated costs of development and maintenance and the number of operators likely to apply. License fees may be established in different amounts for persons over and under age 19 as of July 1st. Such fees shall be reduced pro rata for persons applying after August 1st. For subsequent license periods where the Association does not establish a new fee schedule, the previous schedule shall continue.

Section 3.06 Revocation of License

The license of an R/C modeler may be revoked or suspended by the Association in cases where the modeler has violated the rules of use given with the license, as posted at the site, or as may be published through the mails from time to time. The period of revocation or suspension shall be commensurate with the seriousness of the offense, as determined by the evidence presented to the Association, up to a maximum of one year from the date of action revoking or suspending the license. Persons subject to charges that may lead to such loss of their license shall be afforded due process protection of their rights, including written notice of the charges, the right to appear at the meeting where the charges will be considered, and the right to challenge the evidence or testimony of the accuser. A vote to revoke or

suspend a license shall be taken by secret ballot, shall pass with a majority of 3/4ths of the delegates voting, and a quorum shall be not less than one delegate from at least 60% of the member clubs.

ARTICLE IV ASSOCIATION DELEGATES AND OFFICERS

Section 4.01 Composition of Board of Delegates

The Association shall conduct its affairs through a Board of Delegates, consisting of the pairs of representatives sent by member clubs. Officers shall be elected by delegates from delegates, except the positions of Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by appointment of the Board of Delegates for the same term of office as all other officers.

Section 4.02 Qualifications of Delegates

Delegates sent as club representatives to serve as Association Delegates shall have the following qualifications:

- A. Be a member in good standing of the club represented
- B. Be at least 18 years of age

Section 4.03 Term of Office

Club representatives shall serve as Delegates for one year, beginning January 1 and extending to the following December 31. A period not to exceed 3 months may be added automatically to these terms to accommodate the meeting schedule of clubs electing their delegates, and of the Association Board.

Section 4.04 Vacancies

The positions of Association Delegate or Officer of the Association shall be declared and shall become vacant whenever:

- A. The person shall cease to meet the qualifications of 4.02 above, or
- B. The person resigns the position, or is recalled by his club, or
- C. The person's position shall be declared vacant by affirmative vote of 2/3rds of the Delegates in attendance at a regular or special meeting, whether for failure to attend meetings, neglect of duties, or any other reason deemed sufficient by the Delegates.

In the event of a vacancy involving a club representative, the club may supply a substitute replacement for the balance of the term. In the event of a vacancy of an Association Officer, the Association Board may elect a replacement, or make an appointment if the Secretary or Treasurer positions are involved.

Section 4.05 Officers

Association delegates shall elect from their midst, by affirmative majority vote of those present, the officers of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The term of office shall be coincident with the term of delegates pursuant to 4.03 above.

Section 4.06 Duties of Association Delegates and Officers

- A. President. The president shall be the presiding officer at meetings of the Association, and shall also be the principal person responsible that actions of the Association are carried out faithfully, and performing all other duties usually incumbent on such an office. The president may cast a vote at meetings.
- B. Vice President. The vice president shall assume the duties of the president in case of his absence or temporary disability, and assist the president as the president shall direct.

- C. Secretary. The secretary shall keep accurate records of all meetings, conduct correspondence, and maintain files of these matters as well as all valuable papers of the Association.
- D. Treasurer. The treasurer shall take custody of all monies of the Association, keeping an accurate account of the source and amount of income, and of expenditures, taking care that expenditures have been duly authorized by the Association. The treasurer shall also be the issuer of licenses.
- E. Delegates. The delegates shall represent the interests of their member clubs, and also establish and conduct the policies and affairs of the Association faithfully to the purposes thereof, serving conscientiously on the Association Board, and on any special committees as shall be formed. Delegates shall also endeavor to report and promote the activities of the Association at member club meetings.

Section 4.07 Committees

The president, after consultation with the Association Board, shall appoint committees as the need shall arise, setting forth clearly their responsibilities, appointing a chairman, who shall serve at the pleasure of the president. Committee membership and chairmanship thereof may also be established by the Association Board. Unless otherwise stated, the term of a committee shall expire with the term of office of the delegates and officers.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 5.01 Notice of Meetings

Notice of the time and place of all Association Board meetings shall be given by the Secretary to each Delegate by mail or telephone no less than 5 days before the appointed date. Any delegate may waive notice for a particular meeting.

Section 5.02 Quorum

Sixty percent of the clubs constituting the Association shall be represented by at least one delegate or substitute for a meeting to have a quorum, but a smaller number shall have the power to adjourn from time to time.

Section 5.03 Voting and Election

Voting shall be by show of hands, except that:

- A. All elections to an office or an appointment whenever there is more than one person nominated for the office shall be by secret written ballot.
- B. Upon request of any two delegates before or immediately after a vote, on any other matter, a secret written ballot shall be taken, and its results shall supersede any previous open vote. A roll call vote may be requested by any two members if there be no objection. If an objection is raised, whether to take a roll call shall be determined by majority vote. A roll call request may not be made after a secret ballot.

ARTICLE VI FIELD RULES, LIABILITY INSURANCE

Section 6.01 Adoption of Field Rules

Each R/C model site operated by the Association shall be governed by a set of rules adopted by the Association Board that are designed to achieve safe and enjoyable use of the field by licensed operators, and spectators. Original selection of the site and the rules adopted for it shall take into account any

nationally recommended standards by AMA, IMPBA, ROAR, etc., including consideration for the welfare of surrounding properties. Such rules shall be distributed to each licensee, if possible posted at the field, and supplemented as necessary with signs, field markings, fences or other means as necessary to encourage compliance.

Section 6.02. Emergency Rules

Emergency adjustment of the rules for a site may be made by the President upon his conferring with and obtaining the consent of any two other Association officers, or if there is a field committee for a particular site, with any two members of that field committee. Such emergency rules shall only be promulgated when necessary to protect against imminent danger to persons or property, or against loss of use of the property for R/C model use. Such emergency rule shall be in force as soon as it is posted at the site, and mailed to licensees of that site. Such emergency rules shall be presented for ratification by the full Association Board at its next meeting, which shall be called no later than 30 days after the effective date of the rules.

Section 6.03 Liability Insurance

This Association shall provide the owners of any sites it operates with liability insurance as the AMA, IMPBA, or ROAR shall make available for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended at any Association meeting called for that purpose provided the notice period of Section 5.01 is increased to 30 days, to give member clubs opportunity to comment on the change.