

BY-LAWS OF THE BOG HOGS RADIO CONTROL CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of the Corporation is the Bog Hogs Radio Control Club, Inc.
Hereinafter it shall be referred to as the Corporation.

ARTICLE II PURPOSES

- A. The purpose of the corporation is to act and function as a charitable, non-profit corporation to promote and further the knowledge, education and science of model aeronautics; to promote and foster educational activities and scientific advancement in model aeronautics; and to provide guidance and direction to its members and members of the general public by furthering their knowledge, skills, and abilities in the science of model aeronautics.

In addition to and in furtherance of the above purposes, the corporation may receive and accept real and personal property by way of gift, bequest, or devise and may buy, sell, lease, own, mortgage, and assign all items of real or personal property and borrow, loan, and invest sums of money all to the furtherance of the above purposes and do all things legally permitted to a non-profit charitable corporation incorporated under Mass. General Laws, Chapter 180, and under the United States Internal Revenue Code, section 501 (c) (3) or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

- B. Said Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes and substantially all of its activities are in furtherance of these purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the United States Internal Revenue code as aforesaid. No part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation or the participation in any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to a candidate for political office or for any other purpose not permitted by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code as aforesaid.

In furtherance of the purposes set out in parts A. and B. above, the Corporation may sponsor competitive events involving the skills contained or a part of the science of model aeronautics and offer prizes, awards, and honors, and may encourage the study and discussion of those sciences through the use of demonstrations, speaker's books, publications, magazines, newsletter, scientific journals and films or video reproductions.

- C. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in Parts A. and B. hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Laws, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

ARTICLE III DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the assets after the payment of all creditors and other liabilities shall be distributed and disposed of to further the purposes and primary object for which the Corporation was formed or to a non-profit, charitable organization qualified as exempt under the United States Internal Revenue Code 501 (c) (3) or such corresponding section of any future Internal Revenue Code or shall be distributed to the federal, state, or local government for a similar charitable purpose.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Any individual who indicates an interest in the building or flying of model aircraft or in the skills and science of model aeronautics and is willing to share in the programs of the corporation and is a current member of the "Academy of Model Aeronautics, Inc." shall be eligible for membership.

Members shall be of the following classes.

- A. Regular Membership. Individuals 18 years of age or older. The total number of regular members may be limited from time to time by a majority vote of the executive committee at a regularly scheduled officers meeting, provided that no limit shall be voted which would reduce the number of regular members to a number less than the then-current total of regular members in good standing.
- B. Junior Membership. Individuals under 18 years of age who are being sponsored by a regular member. There shall be no limits on junior membership. Junior members, as they become 18 years of age, shall cease to be members, but upon application, shall be given preference for regular membership as vacancies occur. Junior member shall not be eligible to vote at any regular, annual, or special meeting.

- C. Family Membership. Individuals under 18 years of age who's parent/ guardian is an active member of the club, may become a family member, but are only allowed to fly with a club member present. When a family member who has been a family member in good standing for a minimum of two years attains the age of 18 they will be allowed to become a regular member and may exceed the capped limit of regular members.
- D. Honorable Lifetime Member. Honorable Lifetime Member Status must be voted on by the current executive committee. An honorable lifetime member must be a member of the Bog Hogs Control Club for a minimum of 5 years. The honorable lifetime member agrees to a No Fly Status except with a buddy box with an active club member. The honorable lifetime member receives all the rights and privileges as any other club member. The honorable lifetime member is not required to have an active AMA membership.
- E. APPLICATION AND ACCEPTANCE

Prospective members shall apply for membership by submitting an application using the club website, completing the paper based membership application and providing a scanned copy via email to the club secretary, or by sending the completed application via US mail to the club secretary. Voting on the application may take place at that or the next regularly scheduled meeting provided that the current limit in regular membership is not exceeded. If no vacancy exists, the application shall be placed on a waiting list, but in the order received and voted on in that order as each vacancy arises at a regularly scheduled meeting subject to the preference due former junior members. An affirmative vote of the majority of the Executive Committee in attendance shall be sufficient to elect to membership.

ARTICLE V DUES

- A. Annual dues shall be established for each class or membership by majority vote of the Executive Committee.
- B. Dues shall be assessed on an annual basis and shall be payable on or before the February meeting of each year except that new members accepted within the first half of any year shall be assessed for the full annual dues and initiation fee and those accepted for membership within the second half of any year shall be assessed for one-half the annual dues and initiation fee at 100%. In each case, dues and initiation fee are payable within seven (7) days of acceptance.

Any member whose dues remain unpaid after the February meeting, shall be considered as having resigned his or her membership and shall have that membership automatically terminated. Any member who desires to be reinstated may be reinstated as a new member subject to the then current limitation in the number of regular members.

ARTICLE VI TERMINATION

- A. Any member who fails to be a member of the "Academy of Model Aeronautics, Inc." and who consistently violates the field safety rules, the by-laws of the Corporation, or any other rules duly promulgated by the executive committee or the membership or who conducts himself in a manner not authorized by and prejudicial to the welfare of, or the good name of the Corporation shall be subject to censure or termination at the recommendation of the

Executive Committee by a majority vote present at a regularly scheduled officers meeting or special meeting of the officers.

- B. Written notice of the Executive Committee recommendation to terminate a member shall be sent by regular mail to the subject member immediately following the executive decision to terminate.
- C. The reason for the Executive Committee's recommendation shall be stated in full detail at the said meeting unless a reading of the details is waived by the subject member. The subject member shall be allowed to review all evidence, to question any and all witnesses against him, and to make a statement in his own defense. Upon termination, the member shall forfeit all of his rights and privileges of membership, all rights and title in and to the corporation or its assets and the right to use the official flying sites currently used by the Corporation members. Dues are not refundable.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

- A. The regular meetings of the membership shall be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at a location determined from time to time by the Executive Committee. Notice of a change in the time and location of the meeting shall be given via electronic mail 7 days in advance.
- B. The Executive Committee may meet from time to time at a time and location determined by the President. Any one or more of the Executive Committee may call an Executive Committee meeting by notifying the President who shall call said meeting within 7 days of said notice.
- C. Annual meetings of the membership for the election of officers and such other business as required shall be held on the second Tuesday in November each year if not a holiday; if a holiday, then on the next Tuesday following (that is not a holiday) and may be held within or without the Commonwealth.

Notice of the time and place of the annual meeting shall be given in writing by electronic email at least 7 days prior to such meeting to each member eligible to vote at the address currently appearing on the record of the corporation. The above notice may be contained in the monthly or periodic newsletter if said mailing meets the above requirements.

- D. Special meetings shall be called for any purpose by a vote of the Executive Committee or by the secretary/clerk at the written request by 25% of the then-current members entitled to vote. Said request must state the purpose or purposes of the requested meeting. Said meeting shall be called within 20 days of receipt of the request.

Written notice of the time, place and purposes of any special meetings shall be given by electronic mail in the same manner as required for the annual meeting. Said meeting shall be confined to the purpose or purposes stated in said notice.

- E. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised" insofar as they are applicable and not inconsistent with these by-laws.

ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

- A. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Executive Committee which shall be comprised of the officers of the Corporation. They shall also function as the Board of directors of the Corporation.

- B. The offices of the Corporation shall be as follows:

1. **PRESIDENT**

The President shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Executive Committee. He shall perform all of the duties of a presiding officer and shall implement all of the directives, policies and resolutions duly imposed by the members and/or the Executive Committee. He shall have the power to appoint members to such special committees as the Executive Committee shall establish and he or his appointee shall serve as chairperson of any said committees. Any appointee's term shall expire with the expiration of the term of the President. In addition, the President shall have all of such other duties, powers, and obligations authorized to the office by the membership, the Executive Committee, or the law.

2. **VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Vice-President shall preside over all meetings of the membership or Executive Committee in the absence or the disability of the President and may perform/exercise all of the presidential duties during that period, and shall have such other legal duties and powers as may be imposed upon him by vote of the membership and/or the Executive Committee.

3. **TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds of the corporation and shall keep an accurate record of all receipts of cash or property and the sale, disposition, or distribution of the same, in accordance with accepted accounting procedures in records which shall be the property of the Corporation and available to the membership and/or the Executive Committee, in appropriate circumstances.

All assets are to be held in the name of the Corporation and all monies shall be deposited in the name of the corporation, as may be designated by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer may disperse funds or dispose of assets only as may be ordered by the Executive Committee or the membership. No disbursements shall be made by check unless said check is signed by the President or the Treasurer. All bills of sale or other evidence of transfer of title to other Corporation assets shall require the signature of the President and Treasurer, accompanied by a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee or membership authorizing such sale or transfer.

4. **SECRETARY/CLERK**

The Secretary/Clerk shall attend all meetings (except those that circumstance or illness prevent) of the Executive Committee and all meetings of the membership (with the same exception) and shall act as clerk of each meeting, recording the minutes of all proceedings and the votes on all motions, proposals, and resolutions. He shall give notice of all meetings requiring prior notice in accordance with the terms of these by-laws or any otherwise required by resolution of the Executive Committee or membership. In addition, he shall maintain a list of all members, their addresses, applications for membership, and other required documents or information, and shall keep a list of pending applications for membership and make such lists available when required. The keeping of the corporate seal and its affixation to any instrument requiring the same, shall be part of the Secretary/Clerk's duties along with the conducting of all correspondence duly authorized. In the absence of the Secretary/Clerk the President shall appoint a Secretary/Clerk "pro tem" in his place to act in his stead.

5. SAFETY OFFICER

The Safety Officer shall serve on the Executive Committee. He shall be responsible for enforcing and implementing all rules and requirements voted upon by the Executive Committee and/or membership, relative to the safe and careful function of the activities of the Corporation. He shall have sole discretion as to the application and interpretation of all safety rules and said interpretation shall be binding on all members, including members of the Executive Committee, until such time as the safety rule be modified by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. The Safety officer shall be an ex-officio member of all committees created to consider, impose, or discuss rules of, or matters concerning, the safe conduct of, activities of, or the safe use of facilities or assets of the Corporation.

6. EVENTS COORDINATOR

The Events Coordinator shall be responsible for leading and directing all efforts related to the coordination of events or sub-committees to plan and execute club events. He shall work with the Public Affairs Officer to coordinate event logistics, publicity, including public relations, advertising and collateral material design, production and distribution.

7. PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER

The Public Affairs Officer shall be responsible for efforts to increase our standing within the community and generating funds through donations from local business. He shall work with the Events Coordinator as necessary to advertise and promote club events. He shall ensure articulation of Organization's desired image and position, assure consistent communication of image and position throughout the Organization, and assure communication of image and position to all constituencies, both internal and external

C. VACANCIES and RESTRICTIONS

1. Any vacancies which may occur in the Executive Committee may be filled until the date of the next annual meeting by a majority vote of the membership at the next regularly scheduled or special meeting, provided that notice of the intention to fill such vacancy is given to each member 20 days in advance according to the requirements for the annual meeting
2. All officers, except those appointed to fill vacancies, shall hold office for one year or until a new slate of officers has been properly elected by the membership. Officers may serve as an officer or member of another corporation and may be elected to succeed himself or be elected to any other office.

ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES

- A. The Executive Committee, by majority vote, may from time to time create committees for various purposes commensurate with the purposes of the Corporation. The president or his appointee shall be the chairperson of any such committees.

- B. There shall be at least one standing committee composed of three members who shall be known as the Safety Committee. The Safety Officer shall serve as a member of this committee. It will be the responsibility of this committee to promote the safe conduct of all Corporation activities and to consider, propose, and recommend safety rules to be applied at any field or flying site used for club activities to the membership for its consideration.

ARTICLE X FIELD SAFETY

All Corporation activities shall be conducted in a safe manner and in accordance with those safety rules currently in effect concerning those activities. Each member shall receive a copy of the current field safety rules and each agrees to conduct himself in accordance therewith. The serious or consistent violation of said rules shall be reason for censure and/or termination as provided in these by-laws.

ARTICLE XI NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. All members in good standing may seek or nominate someone else for any office by notifying the Secretary/Clerk in writing, via email, or via the club website, before the close of the regularly scheduled meeting immediately prior to the date of the annual election (the second Tuesday in November).

- B. The Secretary/Clerk shall obtain each nominee's consent and then cause the names of all persons properly nominated to appear in a ballot for consideration of the members present at the annual meeting. Copies of said ballot shall be sent to each member, along with notice of the time, date and place of the annual meeting at least 20 days prior to said meeting, in accordance with provisions in these by-laws for the annual meeting.

- C. In the event that the membership shall fail to properly nominate a candidate to one or more offices, then between the date of that regular membership meeting immediately preceding the annual meeting and the twentieth day prior to said annual meeting, the Executive Committee, sitting as a nomination committee, may nominate a candidate, with his consent, to fill such office and so notify the Secretary/Clerk to place that person's name upon the ballot.

- D. Each member qualified to vote, present at the annual meeting, shall vote by secret ballot and give his completed ballot to the Secretary/Clerk for validation and counting. No member shall vote for more than one candidate for any one office and any such votes shall be considered invalid for either candidate.

- E. Newly elected officers shall be duly installed and will assume office at the first regularly scheduled meeting following the date of the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS

These by-laws may be altered, amended, or repealed, or new by-laws may be adopted at any regularly scheduled or special meeting by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XIII GENDER

Wherever in these by-laws a word, phrase or pronoun is used in the masculine gender, that word, phrase or pronoun shall be read and interpreted to include the feminine gender also.

ACCEPTANCE

1. These by-laws were presented to the members of the Bog Hogs Radio Control Club in advance and accepted by unanimous vote of the members present at the second scheduled meeting of said club on July 12, 2016.
2. At the first meeting of the incorporation of the Bog Hogs Radio Control Club, Inc. and after election of officers and/or the Board of Directors, these by-laws were voted on and accepted by unanimous vote as the official by-laws of said non-profit, charitable corporation on said July 12, 2016.