

Young Volunteer Examiners Club Constitution and Bylaws



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PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the Young Volunteer Examiners Club and enact this Constitution and Bylaws as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, to advocate for the repeal of the minimum age requirement for Volunteer Examiners under Section 97.509(b)(2) of the FCC Rules (47 C.F.R. § 97.509(b)(2)), and to so conduct Club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community.

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

All persons interested in Amateur Radio communications and supportive of the Club's mission to repeal the minimum age requirement for Volunteer Examiners under 47 C.F.R. § 97.509(b)(2) shall be eligible for membership, provided that:

- (a) members under eighteen (18) years of age shall hold a General class license or higher;
- (b) members eighteen (18) years of age or older shall hold a General class license or higher and hold a current Volunteer Examiner accreditation;
- (c) if the applicant is a foreign national, the licensing requirements of subsections (a) and (b) shall mean the equivalent Amateur Radio license class issued by the applicant's country of licensure;
- (d) applicants who do not meet the requirements of (a), (b), or (c) may nonetheless be admitted to membership upon the affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the officers.

Membership shall be by application and election upon such terms as the Club provides.

Membership may not be denied or terminated because of race, creed, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status, disability or any other reason that would be biased or prejudicial.

Membership may be terminated for any reason upon the affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the officers. Before any vote to terminate membership, the member shall be given written notice of the grounds for the proposed termination and an opportunity to respond.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS

Section I: Offices

The officers of the Club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section II: Election

The officers of the Club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, provided there be a quorum, at the annual meeting.

Section III: Term Limits

An individual duly elected to an office may serve an unlimited number of terms therein, provided they meet the requirements outlined by Section V.

Section IV: Vacancies

Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by special elections at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal or resignation. Until then, the Vice-President shall assume the role of President, the Secretary shall assume the role of Vice-President, and the Treasurer shall assume the role of Secretary. If the Treasurer role is vacant, the President will assume that role.

Section V: Eligibility

In order to hold an office, an individual must be a member in good standing for at least one (1) year and hold a valid Amateur Radio license. These requirements shall not apply during the Club's first year of existence following the Constitution and Bylaws' adoption.

Section VI: Resignation

Any officer may resign their position in writing, at which time all records and assets of the Club shall be turned over to the President or Vice President.

Section VII: Removal of Officers

Officers may be removed from office for cause, upon written petition of three (3) or more members presented to the President, who shall investigate the petition; provided that if the President is the officer who is the subject of the petition, the petition shall instead be presented to the Vice President, who shall assume the President's responsibilities under this Section, including the investigation, for purposes of that petition.

After investigation, the petition shall be presented to the membership at the next regular meeting of the Club and voted on by the membership.

Removal of an officer requires a three-fourths vote of the present membership.

Section VIII: New Officer Elected

If a new officer is elected, the previous officer shall turn over everything in their possession that belongs to the Club to their successor.

ARTICLE III. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section I: President

The President shall preside at all meetings and conduct them, preferably, through Robert's Rules of Order; shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and Bylaws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the Club; and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of President.

Section II: Vice President

The Vice-President shall assume all the duties of the President in the President's absence. In addition, the Vice-President shall organize Club activities, plan and recommend contests for operating benefits, and advance Club interest and activity as approved by the Club.

Section III: Secretary

The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit membership applications, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting, and disseminate meeting notices to each member through electronic mail, snail mail, phone calls, or any other method deemed appropriate.

Section IV: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the Club; keep an accurate book; and pay no bills without authorization from the President and Vice-President. At the end of each quarter, the Treasurer shall submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS

Meetings may be called as the officers direct, but not less frequently than quarterly, one of which shall be designated the annual meeting.

A quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the membership shall consist of a majority of the members in good standing at the time of the meeting. A quorum for any vote of the officers shall consist of a majority of the officers then serving.

ARTICLE V. DUES

The Club will not, under any circumstance, levy dues or assessments upon the general membership.

ARTICLE VI. CLUB CALL SIGN

The Club may elect to apply for a club call sign as provided under Part 97 of the FCC Rules (47 C.F.R. Part 97).

The President shall serve as trustee of the club call sign. In the event the President is not eligible to serve as trustee, the President may appoint another current elected officer as trustee.

ARTICLE VII. DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

Section I: Termination of Operations

In the event that the officers propose that the Club should be dissolved, such dissolution shall not take effect unless approved by more than a two-thirds vote of the full membership.

Section II: Disposition of Assets

The President shall handle the disbursement of all assets of the Club, upon directive of the other officers. All remaining cash shall be donated to the American Radio Relay League, Inc.

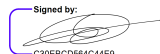
ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the present membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting and shall be voted on at the next following regular meeting, provided all members have been noticed of the intent to amend the Constitution and Bylaws at said meeting.

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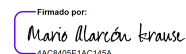
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