

BYLAWS OF
THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONTEST CLUB
A NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND PURPOSE

SECTION 1

This organization shall be known as the Southern California Contest Club.

SECTION 2

The purposes for which this club is organized are to bring together people interested in Amateur Radio contesting; to elevate the standards of contest techniques and ethics; to encourage participation in Amateur Radio contests of interest to the members; and to compete as a club in contest activities.

ARTICLE II

OFFICES

SECTION 1

The center of the club for affiliated club competition purposes shall be defined as the Rose Bowl, in Pasadena, California.

SECTION 2

The mailing address shall be that of the Secretary/Treasurer.

ARTICLE III

QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1

The club shall consist of three classifications of members: Full, Associate, and Inactive.

A. Full members shall possess a valid Amateur Radio operator's license, and reside in the club area. Full members obtain voting privileges, full club services, and the right to submit scores for club competition if all necessary criteria are met.

B. Associate members are those who cannot qualify as a full member, but wish to receive club services.

C. Inactive members are former full members who have ceased to pay dues. Such people will remain as inactive members until either full or associate membership status is achieved. An inactive member cannot receive club services, have voting privileges, or compete for club awards.

D. The club area is defined as Southern California from the Mexican border to the northern San Luis Obispo, Kern, and San Bernardino County lines, plus an area extending 175 miles in radius from the defined club center.

ARTICLE III(cont)SECTION 2

All new members must demonstrate an interest in contests.

SECTION 3

Any person desirous of becoming a member shall submit an application to the secretary.

SECTION 4

If the applicant has fulfilled all the requirements, the secretary shall submit the application to the president on or before the first available meeting date.

The president shall read, or cause to be read, the application to the membership. A two thirds majority of full members present at a regular meeting is required for acceptance. The secretary shall advise the applicant of the results of the ballot, and shall see that a membership kit is furnished.

SECTION 5

The Board of Directors may recommend that continuing membership be denied to a member. A 90% negative vote of full members present at the meeting the board makes it's recommendation is required.

ARTICLE IVOFFICERS

The officers of the club shall consist of a president, vice-president/contest chairman, and secretary-treasurer. All said officers shall be elected annually by ballot and by those members in attendance at the regular January meeting. They shall hold office for a term of no less than twelve months, commencing with the meeting at which elected. No officer shall succeed himself.

ARTICLE VBOARD OF DIRECTORSSECTION 1

The affairs of the club shall be managed by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2

The Board of Directors shall consist of the president, vice-president/contest chairman, junior past president, secretary-treasurer and two directors elected by the membership. The terms of office for the two elected directors shall coincide with those of the club officers.

SECTION 3

The Board of Directors shall meet at least once between regular general meetings.

SECTION 4

The Board of Directors shall have no power to change the bylaws; it may only make recommendations to the membership.

ARTICLE VIMEETINGSSECTION 1

The club shall meet at least bi-monthly at a time and place designated by the club president. The membership shall be advised two weeks in advance of the meeting by the secretary as to the time and place selected. Meetings may be closed to visitors as the occasion requires.

SECTION 2

Meetings shall consist of the necessary business, conforming to Robert's Rules of Order, followed by an appropriate program of interest to the members.

ARTICLE VIIAMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Amendments shall require a written petition to the secretary and have the signatures of at least five full members. The secretary shall mail a copy of the proposed amendment to each eligible member not less than seven (7) days prior to the next meeting. Amendments can also be passed from the floor through due process.

- A. For purposes of voting on an amendment, a quorum shall consist of two thirds of the full membership.
- B. A two thirds majority vote of the quorum shall be required for acceptance.
- C. In the absence of a quorum, the secretary shall distribute ballots to the eligible members at least seven (7) days before the next regular meeting. A two thirds majority of the vote received within thirty days from distribution shall constitute acceptance or rejection of the amendment.

ARTICLE VIIIFEEES AND ASSESSMENTSSECTION 1

Initiation fee of six (6) dollars if required for full membership. Renewal of dues shall be required prior to each anniversary date following initiation in order to retain full membership. Initiation fee for associate membership if four (4) dollars.

SECTION 2

Upon approval of the Board of Directors, assessments to the membership may be made.

SECTION 3

Any associate member delinquent in dues or assessments payable for twelve months shall be automatically dropped from membership.