

# CONSTITUTION OF CASCADE RADIO CLUB, INCORPORATED

#### PREAMBLE

We, the undersigned, being desirous of securing for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in amateur radio, for the purpose of furthering better cooperation among its members, of developing individual efficiency, and promoting an interest in radio among the general public, do hereby organize, and constitute and incorporate ourselves as the CASCADE RADIO CLUB, INCORPORATED, a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Washington providing therefore, and do adopt this Constitution as its governing law.

### ARTICLE I

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Name: Section 1.	The name of this non-profit corporation shall be: CASCADE RADIO CLUB, INCORPORATED.
	ARTICLE II
Membership: Section 1.	The membership shall be composed of two categories as follows:
	<ul> <li>A: All licensed amateur radio operators shall be eligible for full membership.</li> <li>B. All, persons interested in amateur radio but, not licensed amateur radio operators shall be eligible for associate membership.</li> </ul>
Section 2.	Full members shall have full, equal and complete rights. Associate members shall have full voice but no vote in the affairs of the club, and may not hold office in the club.
Section 3.	Membership shall be by application and election on such terms as the club shall by its By-Laws provide.
Officers:	
Section 1.	In order to provide a basic organization for the accomplishment of the objectives purposed by this corporation, the government of the club shalt be vested primarily in a Board of Trustees composed of seven members who shalt be elected by the membership at the times and in the manner provided herein.
Section 2.	The elected officers of this club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Trustee at Large. These officers along with the Club Call Holder and Past President shall constitute the Board of Trustees.
Section 3.	The officers of the club shall be elected annually for a term of one year by majority ballot of the members present provided there be a quorum at the meeting in November. Nominations will begin in October, continue at the November meeting, with the election of officers to follow at the November meeting. New officers will take office January 1st of the new year.

<u>Section 4.</u> Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled by special election at the regular meeting following the meeting in which the resignation or withdrawal is announced.

<u>Section 5.</u> Officers may be removed only by a majority vote of the membership. Members of the Board of Trustees, other than officers, may be removed for non-attendance or other cause by the President. Such action, however is subject to the review and approval of the Board of Trustees.

#### ARTICLE IV

Duties Of The Officers:	
Section 1.	The Board of Trustees shall have control and management of the property, activities and finances of the club.
Section 2.	The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the Board of Trustees, and shall conduct such meetings according to the rules adopted by the Board of Trustees. The President shall enforce the observance of this Constitution and By-Laws, decide all questions of order, sign all official documents adopted by the club through the Board of Trustees and perform all customary duties pertaining to the office of President.
Section 3.	The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in the event the President is absent from the meeting.
Section 4.	The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the club and the Board of Trustees, keep a roll of the members, submit applications for membership, carry on all correspondence, and read communications at the meetings and mail notices of every meeting to all members. The Secretary shall at the expiration of his/her term turn over everything in his/her possession belonging to the club to his/her successor.
<u>Section 5.</u>	The Treasurer shall receive and receipt all monies paid to the club and pay all bills after acceptance by a majority vote of the membership present at the meeting. He/she shall keep an accurate record of all monies received and expended and the Treasurer shall submit the club accounts for audit semi-annually by the Board of Trustees at such times as the Board shall direct. The Treasurer shall at the expiration of his/her term turn over everything in his/her possession belonging to the club to his/her successor.
Meetings: Section 1.	The By-Laws shall provide for regular and special meetings of the membership and the Board of Trustees. At all meetings of the membership, one quarter of the total membership shall constitute a quorum. Five members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for all meetings of the board.
	ARTICLE VI
Dues: Section 1.	The club by a majority vote of the total club membership may at any regular meeting levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization within its purposes as set forth in the preamble.
Section 2.	Non-payment of dues or assessments for three months in arrears shall be proper cause for a member being dropped from the roll. Such action shall be at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. A member desiring to be reinstated may do so without the penalty of payment of back dues at the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

## ARTICLE VII

#### Amendments: Section 1

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the total membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular club meeting and, may not be voted upon until the next regular meeting.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

Rules:	
Section 1	Proceedings of the meetings of the club or Board of Trustees shall be governed by: <b>Roberts Rules of Order.</b>
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