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BY-LAWS OF THE FLORIDA SKEET ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE I NAME

This corporation shall be known as FLORIDA SKEET ASSOCIATION, INC., a nonprofit Florida Corporation.

ARTICLE II PURPOSES

The purpose of this organization is to encourage sportsmanship and the sport of Skeet Shooting within the State of Florida; to promote the passage of laws to prohibit the criminal use of firearms and to penalize those who break such laws; to oppose the passage and to seek repeal of laws that unduly restrict legal supports with firearms; to protect fish and game; to preserve forest and waterways; and to those ends to have and exercise all the corporate powers enumerated in Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

- A. Individual Membership: Membership in the Florida Skeet Association is a privilege and not a right. Membership is open to any amateur or professional shooter, as defined by the National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA), who is in good standing with same and meets the residency requirements set forth by the NSSA for the State of Florida shall qualify for membership upon payment of \$5.00 dues, which shall be paid annually, and upon the payment of such dues, shall automatically be admitted to membership.

Individual membership carries no voting privileges. Professional shooters may compete only for those trophies and awards specifically designated for professionals. It is mandatory for any resident, who is a member of the NSSA shooting registered targets in the state to join and maintain membership in the Florida Skeet Association. Only current members of the Florida Skeet Association will be allowed to shoot NSSA registered targets within the state of Florida. All memberships received by November 1st of the current year shall be considered a paid up member for the following shoot year.

- B. Club Membership: Any gun club in the State of Florida that has at least one skeet field for its use and is an NSSA registered club may become a club member upon the payment of \$ 10.00 dues, which shall be paid annually and upon the payment of such dues, the club shall automatically be admitted to membership. The president of each member club shall automatically become a Director of the Corporation; however, the president of each member club may name the individual named as Skeet Activity Chairman of their club to hold the office of Director in lieu of the president. If a Director is unable to attend a regular or special meeting of the Board, the club may be represented by proxy signed by the Club's director.

ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

DIRECTORS

The Directors of this corporation shall be made up of the named director of each member club. Each director shall have (1) one vote.

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OFFICERS

The Officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Southern Vice President, a Central Vice President, a Northern Vice President and a Secretary/Treasurer.

The Executive Board of Directors will be made up of the President, Southern Vice President, Central Vice President, and Northern Vice President.

The President, Vice Presidents, and Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected by the Directors at the annual spring meeting on odd numbered years, and all shall hold office for two years or until the successors are duly elected and qualified.

The Officers shall have no vote, except the President may vote in event of a tie vote by the Directors. A Director who holds office votes the Director's vote only.

The NSSA elected National Directors for Florida and any elected NSSA Directors at Large who are FSA members and Florida residents will serve as an advisory committee to the Officers to help insure the association operates in concert with the NSSA. National Directors have no vote.

ARTICLE V DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The duties of the President or Vice Presidents shall be to preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Corporation; to execute all contracts and legal instruments; to have general charge and supervision over all business of the Corporation; to create and appoint such needed committees as may be necessary; and to be ex-officio member of all committees.

Any of the Vice Presidents may in the absence of the President discharge the duties of the President. If either the President or any of the Vice Presidents are unable to act as President, the President may appoint any individual member to act with full power and authority or to act within specified limits of power and authority as specified by the President.

The Secretary/Treasurer, as Secretary, shall keep the minutes of the Board of Directors and of the Corporation. The Secretary shall issue all notices, and shall perform such duties as the President or Board of Directors may require. The Secretary shall also be responsible for setting the date and time for the annual meeting along with scheduling a meeting to set dates for the following years shoots. The Treasurer shall collect all dues and fees, is custodian of all monies, trophies, securities and vouchers of the Corporation, and shall preserve the receipts for money paid out. The Treasurer is authorized to receive, for the Corporation, all funds due the Corporation. The Treasurer shall deposit all money to the credit of the Corporation in such bank or banks as the Board shall designate. The Treasurer shall issue checks for incidental or regular expenses. A detailed report of all money received and disbursed by the Treasurer shall be made available to the board at least twice each fiscal year.

ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Officers of the Corporation shall have general charge of the affairs of the Corporation and may properly assume such other duties as are not specifically assigned to or performed by any other committee or Officers. The Board of Directors shall have full charge of all matters relative to the finances of the Corporation.

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The Executive Board of Directors shall have the authority to conduct investigations or hearings relative to any complaint against any shooter, who, or club that, in the opinion of the Board, may be guilty of conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Corporation and has the authority to implement sanctions or discipline any member as a result of such investigations or hearings up to and including suspension or revocation of membership in the Florida Skeet Association.

The Board of Directors shall have full charge of all matters not fully covered in the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws or not otherwise taken care of by resolutions at any annual meeting or special meeting. The Board of Directors shall have full charge of the annual State Championships and have the right to change the format or number of days needed for the State Championships. The Board shall determine requirements for trophies, entry fees, the program, and the site, and shall enumerate these requirements in a Standard Operating Procedure for execution. The Board shall enter into written contract with the host club. The President shall appoint a committee to annually select an Honorary All-State Florida Team. The method of selections is set in a separate Standard Operation Procedure. The Board of Directors shall have power to establish annual dues for persons participating in registered matches in the State of Florida. The Board of Directors shall not give support to any individual running for State National Director.

ARTICLE VII REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

Entertaining the removal of a sitting officer should not be taken lightly, and should be only executed for cause. Justifiable cause in this case would mean anything that is unlawful or a breach of ethics. The following procedures will be followed in order to remove a sitting officer:

- A. A sitting President can only be removed by a simple majority vote of the Directors and endorsement by all Vice Presidents.
- B. A sitting Vice President can only be removed by the President and only after a unanimous vote of all Directors from that zone.
- C. A sitting Secretary or Treasurer can only be removed by the President and only after a unanimous endorsement by all Vice Presidents.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

The By-Laws may be amended as follows:

- A. A Proposed amendment will be considered only after endorsement by three Directors or Officers.
- B. The proposed amendment(s) must be delivered to the President and Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Directors
- C. The Secretary shall notify each Director of the proposed amendment(s) at least fifteen (15) days before the annual meeting. If the nature of the proposal or its urgency seems to justify such action, the Secretary may call a special referendum of the member clubs on the proposed amendment. Special referendum for constitutional amendments cannot be called sooner than fifteen (15) days after notification.
- D. Adoption of an amendment requires ratification by three Officers and sixty percent of the Directors eligible to vote.

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ARTICLE IX ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be as follows, except that items 7 & 8 apply to annual meetings only:

- (1) Roll call and qualifications of Directors
- (2) Reading of minutes and their acceptance of previous meeting
- (3) Treasurer's report
- (4) Reports of Officers
- (5) Reports of committees
- (6) Old Business
- (7) Election of Officers (Odd Numbered Years)
- (8) Transfer of chair to new President (Odd Numbered Years)
- (9) Selection of site for annual State Championships one year hence at the Annual meeting; selection of site for JB Maszk Hall of Fame Shoot one year hence at the Fall meeting.
- (10) New Business
- (11) Adjournment

ARTICLE IX QUOROM

The requirements for a quorum are as follow:

- (1) To change the By-Laws, three Officers and three-quarters of the voting Directors must be present and vote affirmatively.
- (2) To obligate money or change dues or fees, two Officers and one-half of the Directors must be present. A simple majority is required.
- (3) To transact other business, two Officers and six Directors must be present. A simple majority is required.

ARTICLE X PARLIMENTARY RULES

All meetings of the Board of Directors and of the general membership shall be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of "ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER". Any individual member shall be permitted to speak at any meeting of the Board of Directors of the general membership.

ARTICLE XI SHOOTING RULES

The latest revision to the official NSSA rules shall apply to any registered tournaments in the State of Florida.

ARTICLE XII MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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The Board of Directors shall hold two (2) meetings annually, one at The Annual Florida State Championships and the other at the JB Maszk Hall of Fame Shoot. The Secretary shall make arrangements for a meeting place and shall notify each Director of the exact time and place at least two (2) weeks before the meeting. The meetings shall be held during the Florida State Championships and during the JB Maszk Hall of Fame Shoot, unless it is felt necessary by the Board of Directors or Officers of the Corporation to change from these dates for other reasons. The President may call special meetings, if required, by notifying the Directors at least fifteen (15) days before the date established for the special meeting. The President must respond to a written request by three Officers and/or Directors for such a meeting.

ARTICLE XIII TOURNAMENT DATES

Any club desiring to register a tournament with the National Skeet Shooting Association shall make their application through the Secretary of the Florida Skeet Association in order that the date of the tournament may be recorded by the Secretary and the records of the corporation kept up to date. The Secretary is authorized to refuse to schedule more than one tournament on the date or to block out specific dates when necessary.

ARTICLE XIV MONEY SHOTS

No money shoots will be endorsed by the Florida Skeet Association. Money shoots will be left to the sole discretion of individual club management.