

MILLSTONE RC FLYERS

(MRCF)

BY-LAWS

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AMA Charter # 5065

I. ORGANIZATION

- 1.1. The name of this club shall be the “**Millstone RC Flyers**”; herein after called “The Club”. The following constitutes the official **By-Laws** of the club. Membership automatically requires adherence to these rules.
- 1.2. The club shall only exist as a non for profit, Chartered, Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) club. The club shall comply with those organizational and safety rules as specified by the AMA and any official governing body of the club’s designated flying site.
- 1.3. Any improvements or work on the field will require a majority vote by the Executive Committee.
- 1.4. The club may change its name by a 2/3 majority vote of the Executive Committee.
- 1.5. FPV Flying – As per the AMA - The pilot must have a spotter capable of taking over and flying the craft safely.
- 1.6. As of August 1, 2023 the club will not allow turbine flying by members who are not grandfathered in.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of the club is to gather in the common pursuit of R/C Model Aviation. The club provides the atmosphere through which ideas are channeled in an effort to afford its membership with the knowledge and skills required to make ones modeling pursuits fulfilling, enjoyable and most important of all, safe.

III. MEMBERSHIP

1. MEMBERSHIP

- 1.1. Membership in the club shall be open to all individuals who are active members in good standing of the AMA.
- 1.2. The club shall have the following membership categories:
OPEN – All adults age **18** and above who have met the requirements and are in good standing.

JUNIOR – Applies to those members up to and including **17** years of age who have met the requirements and are in good standing. (Up to and including age **21** for full time students).

HONORARY (Non-voting) – A recognition awarded by the club to an individual for service to the club or the community. This individual will be nominated by the **Executive Committee** and approved by an Executive Committee Majority Vote. Honorary members are exempt from annual dues.

Requirements for Membership are as follows:

- 1.2.1. Applicant must be sponsored by a current member in good standing and include, with their application, a copy of their current AMA membership card
- 1.2.2. Applicant must complete a Club Membership Application Form and forward it to the Treasurer for a majority approval vote by the Executive Committee.
- 1.2.3. Upon acceptance the new member will be under a one year probationary period before they are considered a permanent member.

All members must comply with the following to remain in good standing:

- 1.2.4. Annual club dues must be Paid In Full on or before the end of March each year.
- 1.2.5. A member failing to pay the annual dues by the end of March will be notified and will have a 30 day grace period to pay or contact the Executive Committee.
- 1.2.6. If payment is not received by the end of the grace period the member will be notified and dropped from the Club Roster. Where a financial hardship exists, this deadline may be extended by approval of the Executive Committee by a majority vote.
- 1.2.7. A member dropped from the roster may seek reinstatement. A Majority Vote of the Executive Committee shall be required for reinstatement. If appropriate, the member will be placed at the end of the waiting list. All dues will be paid at the reinstatement time.
- 1.2.8. Possess a current AMA License.
- 1.2.9. Comply with the AMA Safety Code and all Club Safety and Flying Field Regulations, as well as these By-Laws.
- 1.2.10. Any member deemed to be not in good standing by the Executive Committee may be suspended or expelled from the club after the following actions.
 - 1.2.10.1. The member will be notified, upon the second infraction, by certified mail.
 - 1.2.10.2. If the infraction persists an appropriate hearing will be held by the Executive Committee and the member not in good standing must be notified and allowed, if the member so desires, to address the Executive Committee.
 - 1.2.10.3. A Majority Vote of the Executive Committee shall be required to reinstate said member if the issue is resolved and all aforementioned qualifications for membership are met.
 - 1.2.10.4. A member in good standing is defined as a member that has passed their one year probationary period.

IV ORDER OF BUSINESS

2. ORDER OF BUSINESS

The following order of business is suggested for regular meetings:

- A. Call To Order
- B. Acknowledge Guests
- C. Reading of Last Meeting's Minutes
- D. Treasurer's Report
- E. Committee Reports & Introduction of New Members
- F. Old Business
- G. New Business
- H. Presentations, etc.
- I. Question and Answer
- J. Adjournment

V OFFICERS

3. OFFICERS

3.1. The officers of the club shall be as follows:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Member-At-Large
- Safety Officer(s)

PRESIDENT

1. The President shall preside at all Membership Meetings and as Chairman of the Executive Committee.
2. The President shall ensure that all Standing Committees are operating.
3. The President shall ensure that all books, reports and certificates are properly kept or filed.
4. The President shall have such powers as reasonably construed as belonging to the Chief Executive.

VICE-PRESIDENT

1. The Vice-President shall act as President in absence of the President and shall exercise all rights and privileges as such.
2. The Vice-President shall perform those duties as assigned by the President.
3. The Vice-President shall succeed to the Presidency should the President resign or be permanently unable to serve and shall serve the remainder of the President's term.

SECRETARY

1. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and organization records.
2. The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping the Club's AMA Charter current.
3. The Secretary shall be the official custodian of all organization records and seals.
4. The Secretary shall present to the Executive Committee any communication, which shall be addressed to him/her as Secretary.
5. The Secretary shall attend to all organization correspondence and exercise all duties incident to the office of Secretary.

TREASURER

1. The Treasurer shall have the care and custody of all moneys belonging to the club.
2. The Treasurer shall sign all Club Checks.
3. The Treasurer shall provide a status report of Club Finances at Executive Meetings
4. The Treasurer shall prepare and present to the Executive Committee an Annual Financial Report by the end of January of the year following the most recently completed year.
5. The Treasurer shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Treasurer.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE

1. The Member-At-Large shall be a member in good standing chosen by the Executive Committee.
2. The Member-At-Large shall act as a liason between the membership and the executive Committee.
3. The Member-At-Large will work with the Safety Coordinator(s) in any disputes concerning any member.

SAFETY COORDINATOR

Safety Coordinators (Officers) manage all matters of safety at the club level including a safety audit of club facilities, equipment, and grounds; establishing emergency protocol; and ensuring, understanding, compliance of AMA and club safety rules.

- 3.2. Officers are, by virtue of the office, Members of the Executive Committee.
- 3.3. No Officers shall be entitled to receive any Salary or Compensation by reason of their office.

VI COMMITTEES

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 4.1. The Executive Committee shall have control and management of the affairs and business of the club. They shall only act in the name of the club. Responsibilities of the Committee are as follows:
 - 4.1.1. General conduct of club business and affairs.
- 4.2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers. The President shall preside as Committee Chairman.
- 4.3. A minimum of Two (2) Executive Committee meetings shall be held yearly. This Committee shall meet at a time and place as directed by the President. The President may call for additional meetings, as he deems necessary. 2/3rd of Committee Members present at these meetings shall constitute a Quorum. Each Committee Member shall have One (1) Vote (No Proxy Permitted). If a tie should occur during voting, the President shall act as tiebreaker.

5. COMMITTEES

- 5.1. The President, at his/her discretion, may form committees as deemed appropriate to effectively conduct club business. A group of members may be appointed by the President for the purpose of conducting club business, running an event, etc.
- 5.2. A Majority Vote at an Executive Meeting must approve funds for a Committee.
- 5.3. The Committee Chairman, Contest Director, Safety Director, etc., for a particular program or club event is in complete charge until the term of the Committee or club event is complete or the Authority is removed by the Executive Committee.

VII CLUB EVENTS

6. CLUB EVENTS

- 6.1. All club sponsored events (flying/non-flying) shall comply with all club, AMA Competition and Safety Guidelines. Deviation from club and AMA Competition Guidelines may be permitted provided that all Safety Guidelines are adhered to.
- 6.2. The CD shall be responsible for properly applying the rules, maintaining fairness and providing high levels of safety in connection with the event.

VIII DUES & FEES

7. DUES AND FEES

8. THE DUES structure for the coming year will be set by the Treasurer and a majority vote of the Executive Committee and the club will be notified
 - 8.1. All dues are considered non-transferable and non-refundable.
 - 8.2. Reinstatement to membership requires payment of full, non-prorated membership dues.

IX MEETINGS

9. MEETINGS

- 9.1. Club Membership meetings will be held when deemed necessary. Dates to be set by the Executive Committee.

X DISPOSITION UPON DISSOLUTION

10. DISPOSITION UPON DISSOLUTION

- 10.1. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, or in the event it shall cease to engage in carrying out the purposes and goals set forth in these Bylaws, all of the business, properties, assets and income of the Corporation remaining after payment , or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this Corporation, shall be donated to the “Academy of Model Aeronautics”

XI AMENDMENTS

- A. These By-Laws can only be amended or added to by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.