

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CEDAR PARK

BYLAWS

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety. *i*

Article I – Organization

1. The name of the fellowship shall be Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park
2. Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park shall be an AA Group as defined in *The AA Service Manual Combined with the Twelve Concepts for World Service.ii*
3. Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park Group Fellowship shall at all time follow The 12 Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Article II –Purpose

Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park shall exists as a 501(c)(3) non-profit public charity organization, with the primary purposes of – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

Article III-

The Twelve Traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous shall be incorporated into and be part of these By-Laws.

THE TWELVE TRADITIONS OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

(SHORT FORM)*iii*

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends upon A.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority – a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants, they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for A.A. membership is a desire to stop drinking.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or A.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose – to carry its message to the alcoholic who still suffers.
6. An A.A. group ought never endorse, finance or lend the A.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property and prestige divert us from our primary purposes.
7. Every A.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting declining outside contributions.
8. Alcoholics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committee directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Alcoholics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the A.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our Traditions, every reminding us to place principles before personalities.

Article IV – Membership

As per Alcoholics Anonymous Tradition 3 “The only requirement for AA memberships is a desire to stop drinking.”

Article V – Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park meets once a month at a time decided on by voting members.

Article VI – Elected Officers

As per Alcoholics Anonymous Tradition 9 “A.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committee directly responsible to those they serve.

Steering Committee is composed of the elected Service Positions Representatives as defined in Group Guidelines.

Article VII – Anonymity

As per Alcoholics Anonymous Tradition 11 “Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio and films.”

Article VIII – Parliamentary Authority

Roberts Rules of Order shall guide all Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park meetings.

Article IX - Amendment to Bylaws

Any changes to the Bylaws must be proposed at least one month prior to the vote on the change. A change to the Bylaws is defined as any deletion, change of wording, or amendment in whole or in part to any section of the Bylaws.

The posting the amendment or revisions will be 30 days for membership viewing, and the voting on the changes would be conducted at the Monthly Business Meeting.

Adopted by Alcoholics Anonymous Cedar Park on March 5, 2018 by The Group Conscious.

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