

**BYLAWS OF PICK-UPS LIMITED - SAN DIEGO CHAPTER**  
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## **PREAMBLE**

It is the sole intent and purpose of these San Diego Chapter Bylaws to be a supplement to the Constitution of Pick-Ups Limited of Southern California. It is intended that these bylaws conform totally to the constitutionality only, and will contain the finite operating policies that are a part of any business. It is also our intent that each and every sentence contained herein be interpreted to the best interest of the Chapter.

## **ARTICLE I**

### **Name & Purpose**

#### **Section A.**

The name of this organization shall be Pick-Ups Limited of Southern California, San Diego Chapter, here-after referred to as Chapter. Its purpose is to encourage planned truck events and activities for all members, their families and guests. To encourage popular acceptance of 1948 to 1952 Ford F-1 & 1953 to 1983 F100 1/2-ton pickup trucks and panels, and to encourage vehicle safety and safe driving practices.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Non-Profit Organization**

#### **Section A.**

Pick-Ups Limited, San Diego Chapter, is a non-profit organization. In the event of dissolution, all chapter money remaining for disposition shall be used first to pay all dues and assessments owed to the National Council, and monies owed to anyone else. Any Chapter money remaining shall be assigned to a charitable organization to be specified by the National Council at the time of dissolution.

#### **Section B.**

Source of Funds: The principal source of funds for carrying out the Chapter administration shall be obtained from dues, assessments, fines, raffle moneys and fund-raising activities, as approved by 2/3 vote of the quorum as per Article VII, Section H of these Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE III** **Membership**

### **Section A.**

**Number of Members:** The chapter must maintain a membership of a minimum of 10 active member/trucks and a maximum of 80 member/trucks.

### **Section B.**

**Membership Classes:** There shall be 5 classes of membership in this organization, which shall be defined as follows:

1. **Active member:** All members shall be classified active members unless otherwise specified. An active member is defined as a member/truck and shall:
  - a. Have met all requirements as an applicant. (See Section D)
  - b. Have been accepted by 2/3 vote of the quorum.
  - c. Have paid his/her initiation fee (New Member Plaque fee, Yearly Dues - Prorated).
  - d. Keep current all monthly dues, assessments and fines.
  - e. Receive a membership card and New Member Plaque.
  - f. Attend meetings, outings, or events. Make at least three events in a calendar quarter. (1 per month).
  - g. Know that the spouse of an active member/truck shall be considered as an active member and be accorded all rights of a member/truck, including holding office and having a vote.
  - h. Know that he/she may go inactive by requesting to do so in writing or verbally to any board member, and must resign any office he/she holds.
  - i. Know that he/she may be made inactive by not responding to a letter within two weeks notifying him/her that he/she is not meeting all the requirements of an active member/truck.
  - j. All Active members must pay yearly dues of \$60.00 by the February meeting each year.
2. **Inactive member:** An inactive member shall be defined as a member/truck who is unable to attend the scheduled meetings and/or outings.
  - a. He/she shall be required to keep his/her dues current; however, an inactive shall lose his/her right to vote and to hold an office until he/she is returned to active status.
  - b. To be reinstated as an active member, he/she shall attend a meeting/outing and state his/her intentions.

3. **Sponsored Member:** Member other than a spouse shall, subject to chapter approval, be accorded all rights and privileges of an active member/truck in all chapter affairs. (example: additional family members)
4. **Associate Member:** An individual owning any Ford commercial vehicle built from 1946 through 1983. \*Or one who resides at a distance too great to attend meeting/outings regularly, but who maintains the privilege of attending any meeting or activity.
  - a. Shall attend meetings, outings, or events. Make at least three events in a calendar quarter. (1 per month) \* With the exception of long-distance members.
  - b. Shall be accorded most rights of an Active Member/truck, including having a full vote in all local chapter matters only.
  - c. Shall not have the voting privilege in matters governed by the National Council.
  - d. Shall be responsible for membership dues of \$60 per year.
5. **Honorary Member:** The chapter, at its discretion, may elect any individual as an honorary member. The candidate must be approved by a 2/3 vote of the quorum and shall be accorded whatever privileges deemed by the constitution.

### **Section C.**

**Membership dues** shall be set forth by chapter board and approved by 2/3 membership vote. Dues are due and payable by the February meeting. Late fines of \$1.50 will be applied to each and every month paid later than the February meeting.

### **Section D.**

#### **Membership requirements are as follows:**

1. Anyone under the age of 18 must have their parent or guardian join for them. Parent or guardian must attend, with their minor, at least three (3) events in a calendar quarter.
2. The sponsor of a prospective member shall introduce the prospective member to all members present.
3. The prospective member must attend three (3) meetings and two (2) outing events prior to acceptance as a member of the chapter.
4. Applicant will provide proof of: Ownership of a truck, current registration, driver's license and insurance, upon acceptance of his/her application.
5. Acceptance shall consist of 2/3 vote of the quorum.

6. Initiation fee shall include the cost of one New Member Club Plaque \$55.00 and membership dues prorated for the remainder of the year. This fee is due within thirty (30) days from acceptance of membership.
7. If a member sells his/her club truck, the member will no longer be eligible for any office or have any voting rights unless he/she buys another truck or begins construction of a club truck within thirty (30) days. If after 30 days the member has not purchased or begun construction of a club truck, the member will automatically become inactive for a period of ninety (90) days. If the member has not purchased or begun a club truck at the end of these 120 days (30 days to buy a truck and 90 days inactive) the member will be dropped from membership.
8. A "club truck" will be known as a 1948 to 1952 Ford F-1 & 1953 to 1983 F100 1/2-ton pickup truck, panels or any 1946 to 1983 Ford Commercial vehicle.

### **Section E.**

#### **Removal from Membership**

1. If a member is delinquent in his/her dues three (3) months, a certified letter will automatically be sent by the membership coordinator to said member, requesting valid reasons for his/her delinquency. If there is no response to said letter within two weeks from the date of mailing, said member will be dropped from membership. In the event that said member does respond within the required two weeks to explain extenuating circumstances, the membership will vote as to whether he/she should be removed from membership by 2/3 vote of the quorum. The vote will take place on the first scheduled meeting after the two-week time limit.
2. Any member may be removed from membership in the chapter if a request to do so is made by a petition signed by 2/3 of the chapter members. Such a petition passed by the chapter, shall place the member on a sixty (60) day suspension commencing on the date of notification. During these sixty days, the member may defend his/her case before the chapter board and membership. At the end of the 60 days, the member shall either be reinstated automatically or be removed by the chapter by 2/3 vote of the quorum.

### **Section F.**

#### **Transfers from membership shall be as follows:**

Any member who transfers from one chapter to another, who still resides in the same area, shall be assessed a ten-dollar (\$10.00) transfer fee.

**ARTICLE IV**  
**Officers Deemed Necessary**

**Section A.**

**The Board shall consist of nine (9) members: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, 2 National Council Delegates, Membership Coordinator and Activities Director.**

1. Any active member in good standing shall be eligible for office.
2. At no time shall board members that are authorized to sign checks be members of the same family.

**Section B.**

**Duties of the officers are as follows:**

1. **President:** Shall preside at all meetings, act as chairperson and spokesperson for the chapter, oversee all chapter functions, and certify the membership of every new member. He/she shall introduce guests; announce birthdays and anniversaries of the chapter members and families. Make special announcements and give prospective members a copy of the bylaws, constitution and an application for chapter membership. Keep on hand plaques, shirts and order name tags when needed.
2. **Vice-President:** Shall perform the duties of the President in their absence and preside over all committees. The Vice-President shall call for volunteers and/or appoint committees. i.e.: historian, parts, newsletter, safety, car council, and fund raiser.
3. **Secretary:** Shall record the minutes of each scheduled meeting, and email complete minutes to all chapter members.
4. **Treasurer:** Shall handle all moneys pertaining to the chapter. Prepare a monthly statement of the Chapter's income, expenditures, checking and savings accounts. Keep payment current on the chapter's post office box rents, and national council assessments. Collect member dues. Report any delinquent members to the Membership Coordinator so the member can be notified. He/she shall maintain a checking and a savings account in the chapter's name. Execute checks as prescribed in the bylaws (Article VII, Section A) and reconcile said accounts upon receipt of the statement. Prepare year end tax form for his/her term and submit same to the National Council. He/she shall announce verification of moneys received from chapter activities and collect fines.

5. **Sergeant at Arms:** Shall maintain attendance records for meetings and outings. Keep record of the point system earned by each member attending meetings, outings, parades, car shows special events, wearing the club jacket or shirt, driving the club truck to events and meetings, sponsoring a new member, and serving the chapter as an officer or committee chairperson. Tally up the points at the end of November in order to give the highest point the awards for Outstanding Participation at the end of the year. Shall assist the raffle chair person in conducting the raffle. He/she shall preside over the conduct of the membership at all meetings and functions of the chapter and take whatever steps reasonable to restore order. Have available at all meetings and outings, the point sheet to sign.
6. **National Council Delegates:** There will be two and they will attend all National Council meetings in person or online. Shall be spokespersons for the chapter, carrying business to and from the council, and will give the membership a report on the meeting at the next regularly scheduled chapter meeting. The chapter will provide gas expenditures for one vehicle to and from the National Council meeting. All members are subject to be appointed as alternates to the council.
7. **Membership Coordinator:** Shall keep chapter roster up-to-date and distribute to the members at least each quarter or as needed. Handle all chapter correspondence/emails, chapter invitations, thank you letters, and letters/emails to members regarding their membership status. Shall maintain official voting rolls for all chapter business. Keep and maintain important documents in paper or digital form, receive and maintain paper or digital records of all membership applications. Shall optionally provide club/chapter business cards for all chapter members requesting them.
8. **Activities Director:** Shall plan all activities and discuss them with the membership at the monthly meeting. Have one of the activities designated as the outing of the month. Furnish information as needed (prices of admission, mileage, parking facilities, gas stops, food, and lead and tail pickups for long trips, routes, time and location to meet. Plan games, entertainment and prizes as needed. Plan outings as far in advance as possible and issue a schedule of events to all members with updates as events are added, etc. Plan or oversee the planning of the year end dinner and awards presentation.

**ARTICLE V**  
**Duties of Committees**

1. **Historian:** Shall maintain the chapter albums, possess trophies and awards. Except when the President is present, he can accept and keep the award or trophy. See that photos are taken at all chapter outings and events for publication on Website and Facebook. Take photo of each year's board and committees. Forward all photos to Chapter Webmaster. Bring the chapter album to all meetings and put on display. In the historians' absence, he/she should arrange for another member to perform his/her duties.
2. **Safety Inspector(s):** Shall be responsible for inspecting all trucks per Article XI. A committee may be formed to help compensate for distant safety inspections. Active members will have trucks checked at a specified time per Article XI for street legality, safety, and insurance coverage. Inactive members will have their trucks checked once each year for proof of registration. A note is made for each individual problem and if these problems are not solved, fines paid, or trucks fixed by date set, the board must be informed and the member could be dropped from the membership. Active members with their trucks torn down will have their truck checked every three months for signs of improvement or completion or be put inactive.
3. **Parts Chairperson:** Shall keep a current list of all parts for sale or wanted by members. Shall give webmaster complete details and pictures of some, at their discretion, parts or trucks for sale for inclusion on Website.
4. **Raffle Chairperson:** Shall preside over raffles at all meetings outings. He/she will bring raffle tickets and basket as required, presides over the raffle, and announces the earnings at the raffle conclusion.
5. **Car Council:** Shall attend council meetings and report to the membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Act as liaison between the chapter and council.



**ARTICLE VI**  
**Annual Fund Raiser**

**Section A.**

A chairperson shall be appointed by the Vice-President and through the Treasurer shall maintain a detailed financial record of this event.

**Section B.**

He/she shall be responsible for appointing committee members to handle all phases of the fund raiser and oversee the collection and distribution of funds.

**Section C.**

A separate bank account may be established to facilitate the operations of the event. The account will be maintained as per Article VII, Section A.

**Section D.**

Financial receipts shall be given to the treasurer monthly during the event financial period. A detailed financial statement shall be prepared by the treasurer and presented at the monthly meeting during the event financial period.

**Section E.**

Each member/truck will be responsible for soliciting or donating a raffle prize valued at least \$25.00 and the cost of one trophy. The chairperson shall provide a list of delinquent members to the treasurer and Membership Coordinator for collection.

**Section F.**

Fifty percent (50%) of the profit earned from this event shall be donated to one or more charitable organizations that have been selected prior to the event and as advertised in the event publications. Per State Regulations, 90% of all Raffle proceeds is to be distributed to California Charities.

**Section G.**

In fairness and in considerations for the participants of the Fords and Friends Picnic, members of Pick-Ups Limited, San Diego Chapter may display their personal vehicle, but not enter them into the overall competition. A separate competition will include only club members. Members will pay the pre-registration amount for the Fords and Friends Picnic.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Special Rules and Requirements**

#### **Section A.**

Checks: All checks shall be signed at the time the check is needed.  
There will be no pre-signed checks.

#### **Section B.**

Expenditures: There shall be no expenditures above \$25.00 but less than \$100.00 without prior approval of the majority present at a regularly scheduled meeting. Expenditures above \$100 but less than \$250.00 will require a 2/3 approval of members present at a regularly scheduled meeting. All expenditures above \$250.00 but less than \$1,000.00 will require approval of 51% of all active members. Exceptions allowed for payment of National Council's monthly expense, daily chapter business expenses, our annual fund-raising event, and the annual Christmas party. The Membership Coordinator shall preside over and announce the results of balloting in a timely manner.

#### **Section C.**

Money owed to a member: Anyone feeling the chapter owes them money must present a receipt or written statement at a regularly scheduled meeting. If there is a question of the appropriateness of the bill, a vote of 2/3 of the quorum will decide the issue.

#### **Section D.**

Grievances: All members shall have the privilege of presenting any complaint in writing to a member of the board, who will then present it to the president to be discussed at the next board meeting.

#### **Section E.**

Attire: All members shall attend meetings in proper attire with shoes, shirt, etc.

#### **Section F.**

Additional Trucks: Any member who acquires another truck may buy another club plaque.

#### **Section G.**

Conduct: All members shall not bring discredit upon the club. They shall conduct themselves in an orderly and courteous manner at all meetings and events. Refrain from using profanity.

#### **Section H.**

A quorum shall consist of fifty-one (51%) percent of the active chapter members present at a meeting.

### **Section L.**

There shall be a 2/3 majority of the quorum to carry a vote.

### **Section J.**

All voting shall be done by secret ballot unless otherwise stated by the president.

### **Section K.**

Anyone seeking a charitable donation from the chapter shall submit written information to the chapter.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Membership Meeting, Outing, and Events**

#### **Section A.**

**Regular Meetings:** The regular meeting of the San Diego Chapter of Pick-Ups Limited shall occur on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. This date is subject to change upon approval of the majority of the quorum. In the event this date falls on a holiday, the executive board must notify the membership of such a change at least ten days prior to such meeting.

#### **Section B.**

**Annual Meetings:** The first meeting in January of each year shall be known as the Annual Meeting. Prior to the annual meeting, there will be a board meeting of all incoming and outgoing officers for the purpose of familiarization and orientation.

#### **Section C.**

**Outings:** An outing shall be scheduled at least once a month.

#### **Section D.**

**Planned Events:** Planned events are all other activities involving the membership of Pick-Ups Limited.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Elections**

#### **Section A.**

**Election of Officers:** President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, 2 National Council Delegates, Membership Coordinator and Activities Director shall take place following the final nominations at the meeting in November. New officers shall take office at the annual meeting in January. A simple majority of the membership present is necessary for election to office.

### **Section B.**

Order of Elections: The officers shall be elected individually by written secret ballot and in the following order: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms, 2 National Council Delegates, Membership Coordinator and Activities Director.

### **Section C.**

Vacancy: Any vacancy occurring in these elective offices shall be filled by election at the next regularly scheduled meeting following the existence of the vacancy, with the exception of the President. The office of President shall automatically be filled by the Vice-President and a new Vice-President shall be elected.

### **Section D.**

Inventory: The president shall maintain complete inventory of all chapter property. The inventory shall be dated and signed as chapter property is moved among members.

## **ARTICLE X Special Fines**

### **Section A.**

Any member who has passed the safety inspection shall be required to drive his/her truck to one meeting or outing each calendar quarter or be assessed five (\$5.00) dollars.

### **Section B.**

Any member who has a truck on the road has to have it inspected and passed in a period of one year or shall be assessed ten (\$10.00) dollars.

### **Section C.**

Any member shall be fined for late dues one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per late month.

### **Section D.**

Any member having a dirty truck at an outing of the month, car show, or parade shall be assessed two (\$2.00) dollars.

### **Section E.**

Any member talking during meetings a disruptive way shall be assessed fifty (.50) cents per offense.

### **Section F.**

Any member laying rubber at any chapter function will be assessed two (\$2.00) dollars.

### **Section G.**

Any planned event that would reflect on the chapter's image such as a parade, car show, charity function, shall be voluntary. If you volunteer and you don't show at the event, you will be subject to a five (\$5.00) dollar fine.

**ARTICLE XI  
SAFETY CHECK LIST  
Section A.**

Safety check period is from January 1st to the first meeting in April. If the club truck does not pass inspection, the owner will have sixty (60) days to pass inspection or be subject to a fine as stated in Article X.

**SAFETY CHECK LIST**

**Mandatory Items**

**Optional Items**

**Lights**

- High Beams
- Low Beams
- Tail and Brake
- Turn Signals\*

**Misc.**

- Steering
- Horn
- Wipers
- Tires
- Front Suspension
- Gas Cap
- Gas Linkage Return Spring
- Automatic Transmission Neutral Safety Switch
- Proof of current Insurance

- Spare Tire
- Flares
- Seat Belts\*\*
- Fire Extinguisher
- First Aid Kit
- Tools
- Jack
- Gas Can
- Oil
- Transmission Fluid
- CB Radio

**Brakes**

- Floor, 2" maximum Free Pedal
- Emergency

**Glass**

- Windshield (No Cracks)
- Door Glass
- Back Glass
- Mirrors -Rear & Side

\*Required on 1956 and newer and all others if optionally equipped

\*\*Not Required but Highly Recommended