

CONSTITUTION

PICK-UPS LIMITED OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PREAMBLE

THIS CONSTITUTION WAS CREATED TO ALLOW FOR A LOOSE CONFEDERATION OF INDIVIDUALLY GOVERNED CHAPTERS HELD TOGETHER BY MUTUAL GOALS AND INTERESTS, AND A NATIONAL COUNCIL THAT WILL CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE CHAPTERS.

ARTICLE 1 - NAME AND PURPOSE

Article 1 Section 1. **NAME:**

The name of this club shall be PICK-UPS LIMITED OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Article 1 Section 2. **PURPOSE:**

To encourage planned events and other non-profit activities for all members, their families, and guests to promote the collector vehicle hobby.

To promote popular acceptance of the 1948 - 1983 F-1 and F-100 Ford half ton pickup and panel trucks to include flat beds, long (8ft), short (6ft) bed trucks. Each chapter may exclude any year or model except 1953 to 1956 F-100 pickups and panels.

To encourage safe vehicles and safe driving practices.

ARTICLE 2 - NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Article 2 Section 1: Pick-Ups Limited of Southern California is a 501 (c) (7) non-profit social organization. No part of any net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private member.

Article 2 Section 2: In the event of dissolution, all Chapter's assets remaining for disposition shall be assigned to a charitable organization of the Chapter's choice. Any corporation assets remaining for disposition shall be assigned to a charitable organization to be specified by the National Council.

Article 2 Section 3: The principal source for carrying out the administration shall be obtained from member dues, fund raising activities, plus any fines or assessments approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership.

ARTICLE 3 – ORGANIZATION

Article 3 Section 1: The National Council shall represent all Chapters of Pick-Ups Limited and conduct the business of same.

Article 3 Section 2: The National Council shall be comprised of two (2) elected delegates, one primary and one alternate delegate from each Chapter. The term for elected delegates shall be one (1) year commencing on January 1, with no term limits. All National Council delegates shall meet once each quarter for the purpose of conducting Pick-Ups Limited business. A quorum constituting three fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) of National Council membership is necessary to carry a motion.

Article 3 Section 3: Officers of the National Council shall be elected by majority vote of all delegates at the first meeting of each year and have the authority to grant Chapter charters upon receipt of an application.

Article 3 Section 4: With good cause, National Council shall have the authority to suspend any Chapter membership for a period of thirty days (30) with an opportunity for the Chapter to be heard within that time. A suspended Chapter may be reinstated by a simple majority of the National Council.

Article 3 Section 5: National Council shall have the right to exclude any Chapter that incurs indebtedness or otherwise obligates Pick-Ups Limited.

Article 3 Section 6: The National Council shall present any matter of the respective Chapters for ratification by the general membership and accept all Chapters suggestions and grievances.

Article 3 Section 7: Chapters shall be unincorporated and chartered by the National Council. Chapter member dues to National Council shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per member per month. National Council by 2/3 vote can adjust said dues.

Article 3 Section 8: National Council Officers include:

1. Chairman:
 - (a) The Chairman presides over all meetings, accepts liabilities for same and shall sign chapter charters.

2. Secretary:
 - (a) The secretary shall keep and record all meetings and preserve all documents.
 - (b) Receive applications for and issue charters on the approval of the National Council.
 - (c) Maintain a current roster of all Chapter's memberships.

3. Treasurer:
 - (a) Keep accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements.
 - (b) Ensure that all funds sent to the National Council are payable to National Council Pick-Ups Limited of Southern California.
 - (c) Collect all assessments due from all chapters and disburse said funds as directed.
 - (d) Maintain a record of assessments and financial data for the purpose of filing all necessary taxes.
 - (e) National Council checking account shall be a joint account with National Council Chairman and/or Treasurer to issue and sign checks
 - (f) When the Chairman is absent during a scheduled meeting, the Treasurer will substitute.

ARTICLE 4 - CHAPTERS

Article 4 Section 1: Applicants for charter must have ten (10) members with a decreasing membership of five (5). Should any Chapter membership fall below five members the Chapter shall be suspended.

Article 4 Section 2: All regular meetings shall be conducted monthly.

Article 4 Section 3: All Chapters must assume the expenses of membership plaques, pins and any other expenses assessed by the National Council. Individual Chapters may adapt clothing such as a jacket and/or T-shirt at the Chapter's expense.

Article 4 Section 4: A Chapter whose charter has been suspended by the National Council may be reinstated or revoked by a simple majority vote of the National Council membership.

Article 4 Section 5: Elected officers shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Sergeant at Arms. At the discretion of the individual Chapters additional elected positions may be created.

Article 4 Section 6: All elected officers shall serve on the Executive Board.

Article 4 Section 7: Any active member in good standing is eligible to hold office.

ARTICLE 5 – MEMBERSHIP

Article 5 Active Member

Article 5 Section 1: Applicants should be sponsored by an active member.

Article 5 Section 2: Applicants must attend three (3) scheduled meetings and two (2) outings within a three (3) month period.

Article 5 Section 3: Comply with California insurance laws and have a valid California driver's License.

Article 5 Section 4: Be Accepted by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of attending membership.

Article 5 Section 5: Show proof of a 1948-1983 operating or non-operating Ford Commercial truck.

Article 5 Section 6: Keep current with monthly Chapter assessments. Any member three months in arrears may be considered inactive.

Article 5 Section 7: Chapter By-laws and annual dues are to be established by individual Chapters. Members joining a Chapter during the year will pay dues on a prorated basis for each remaining month of the year.

Article 5 continued:

Article 5 Associate Members

- (a) Associate Membership may be considered for members who live too great a distance to attend meetings regularly.
- (b) Be accepted by two thirds (2/3) majority vote of attending Chapter membership.
- (c) Maintain current dues as established by Chapter.
- (d) Associate Members do not have voting rights on National Council business.

Article 5 Inactive Member

- (a) Any member not fulfilling Active or Associate member requirements may be considered inactive. The member will be informed of this action in writing by Certified Letter, from the Chapter Secretary informing the member of his/her change of status. If there is no response to the inquiry within two (2) weeks from the date of receipt, the member will be declared inactive.
- (b) An Inactive member may be reinstated upon written request to the Chapter Executive Board provided the member has fulfilled the requirements of an Active member.

Article 5 Honorary Member

- (a) May pay no Chapter dues, at the option of the chapter, and does not have voting rights.
- (b) Conferred as an honor without the usual requirements or functions.

Article 5 Surviving Spouse Membership

- (a) Surviving Spouse Membership applies to families where the primary club member has passed away and they no longer own a qualifying vehicle. The Surviving Spouse may remain as a non- paying or paying member. They may participate in all Club activities but non-paying Surviving Spouses are not permitted to vote on National Council business.

Article 5 Transfer from another Chapter

- (a) An active member in good standing may transfer into any other Chapter provided the following requirements are met:
 - (1) Transferee meets the requirements of a new member.
 - (2) Transferred members are excluded from holding membership in multiple chapters.

Article 5 Removal of a Member

- (a) A Member may be removed from the chapter for.
 - (1) Acting in such a way deemed to be detrimental to the interests of the Chapter and its members as determined by the Executive Board.
 - (2) Failing to comply with dues requirements.
- (b) Members subject to removal shall be sent a certified letter by the Chapter Secretary informing the member of his/her change of status. If there is no response to the inquiry within two (2) weeks from the date of receipt, the membership shall be revoked.
- (c) Any Actions to remove a member from a Chapter must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the attending membership.

ARTICLE 6 – MEASURES, AMENDMENTS AND LEGISLATION

Article 6 Voting Procedures, Measures, Amendments and Legislation

- (a) Each paid active membership of a Chapter is entitled to two votes on all measures, legislation, and elections. This is to allow single members to have the same voting impact as members with spouses or partners.
- (b) All business matters brought before the Chapter members by the National Council requires a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the attending active membership to pass any motion at a regularly scheduled business meeting.
- (c) Any changes or amendments to the Constitution of Pick-Ups Limited require the following:
 - (1) Any active member may propose an amendment to this Constitution by a petition approved by twenty percent (20%) of their Chapter's active members and present it to their Executive Board for administration.
 - (2) Voting shall take place at the next regularly scheduled meeting after open discussion. The active membership is to be notified that a special vote will be taken at this meeting.
 - (3) All passed petitions are to be officially presented in writing to the National Council membership during a regularly scheduled meeting for discussion.
- (4) National Council will review the Chapter's amendment petition for accuracy and then forward to all chapters for voting.
- (5) Tally of the votes will be taken at the next National Council meeting and chapters notified of the results.
- (6) The National Council will make any approved revisions to the Constitution and issue a new Constitution document to the Chapters.

ARTICLE 7 – PLAQUES AND CLOTHING

1. National Council and Chapter Plaques

- (a) Pick-ups Limited plaques shall be issued by the National Council.
- (b) Each Chapter shall pay the National council for new member plaques and all anniversary plaques.
- (c) Any Chapter plaques, clothing, decals, stickers etc., are the property of the member.
- (d) Chapter clothing may consist of any garment of the members' choice. These items may be displayed by all members.