

**By-Laws & Constitution
Mountain Amateur Radio Club
Woodland Park, CO**

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Mountain Amateur Radio Club (otherwise known as MARC), a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II - OFFICE

The office and business address of this organization shall be the home or business address of the President or any other designated address.

ARTICLE III - AIMS AND PURPOSES

The aims and purposes of this organization shall be as follows:

1. To provide fellowship among its members, those who use the Amateur Radio Service, and the surrounding community.
2. To assist in the area of communications as may be requested by local law enforcement agencies, search and rescue organizations, or other civic organizations (within the scope of FCC Rules and Regulations).
3. Further purpose is to train members in proper communications procedures and functions in accordance with FCC Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

1. General membership shall be open to any person having an interest in amateur radio.
2. Family memberships at no additional cost may include licensed spouses and licensed children residing at the same address as a dues-paying licensed member. Such family member shall enjoy all privileges of membership except separate mailing of newsletters, notices, etc. (Amended 8/16/89 and 8/18/92).
3. Any violation of the law, privileges of membership, or FCC regulations in the use of communications and/or associated equipment, shall be brought to the attention of the membership, and if in fact it is determined that a violation has been purposely committed, the violator may be expelled from membership by a majority vote of the members present and in good standing, at any regular or special meeting of the organization. Thirty (30) days notice of such a meeting shall be issued to all members.

ARTICLE V - DUES

Annual dues shall be determined at the annual meeting held in ~~September~~ October of each year, and will be paid no later than the following January 1st. Membership will be automatically terminated for those that have not paid by that time. Individuals joining after January will pay dues prorated to carry them through the end of the year. (Amended 01/17/01)

ART VI - MANAGEMENT

Management of the organization shall be entrusted to the elected officers.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OFFICERS:

1. Officers of this organization shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, all elected for a period of one (1) year. All officers shall hold a valid Amateur Radio License.
2. All officers shall begin their official duties on the first day of October and serve for a period of one (1) year.
3. ~~The President shall not be permitted to succeed himself as President without a break of at least one (1) year.~~ (Amended 03/20/96).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the four (4) elected officers and two (2) elected directors, plus the immediate past president. All shall hold a valid Amateur Radio License.
2. Two (2) Directors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years, with staggered terms.

ARTICLE VIII - DUTIES OF THE OFFICER

1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the organization, shall appoint all standing and special committees, and sign all official correspondence and documents.
2. Vice-President: The vice-president shall take over the duties of the president in the event of the president being unable to fulfill the obligations of the office, and perform any other obligations assigned by the president.
3. Secretary: The secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings and historical data of the club, notify members of club activities, and assume obligations as assigned by the president.
4. Treasurer: The treasurer shall receive and disburse club funds as authorized by the board of directors. Such funds to be deposited in a bank or depository as approved by the board of directors. The treasurer is not authorized to expend funds in excess of ~~\$50.00~~ \$100.00 per month, without prior approval of the board of directors, and shall be accountable for these and all club expenditures at all regular monthly meetings. (Amended 9/15/93).

ARTICLE IX - ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

1. Election of officers shall be held at the annual September meeting each year.
2. Nominations shall be opened at the August meeting each year.
3. Nominations shall be made from the floor for all officers and board members in the following sequence: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, for one (1) year, and one (1) Director for two (2) years.
4. Voting for each office shall be completed prior to closing of nominations for the next succeeding office.
5. Each officer shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast. A majority shall consist of more than fifty (50%) percent of the votes cast.

ARTICLE X - MEETINGS

The organization shall hold regular meetings on the third (3rd) Wednesday of each month, unless changed by the board of directors.

The meetings shall be held at a time and place designated by and approved by the board of directors. Special meetings may be called by the president or his designate, whenever necessary.

ARTICLE XI - EQUIPMENT

1. Any equipment acquired by the organization through gift or purchase, shall not be disposed of without the approval of the majority of the board of directors.
2. Dissolution and/or Disbursement: At such time as Mountain Amateur Radio Club may be dissolved or discontinued, the assets of the club shall be sold or auctioned in whatever manner appears appropriate to produce the greatest benefit. Decision as to the method of disposal of club-owned equipment and property shall be by the board of directors.
3. Members shall have first priority on acquiring any equipment or property owned by the club.

ARTICLE XII: INTERPRETATIONS

Any questions as to the meaning or construction of any part of this document shall be directed to board of directors who will determine the answer to said questions.

ARTICLE XIII: AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these by-laws and constitution may be proposed in writing at any regular meeting for consideration and discussion. The proposed amendment or amendments will then be voted on at the next regularly scheduled meeting, subject to approval by a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of those members present.

The foregoing by-laws and constitution were adopted by a two-thirds (2/3rds) majority vote of members in good standing attending the regular meeting held on the 18th day of March, 1992, and supersedes any previously written by-laws and constitution.

ARTICLE XIV: EMPLOYEES

There shall be no salaried or otherwise compensated employees of this organization. This shall not preclude reimbursement of expenses reasonably incurred by any person carrying out such duties and responsibilities properly authorized by the Board of Directors.
(Amended 11/20/02)

ARTICLE XV: APPLICABLE STATUTES

Where this constitution or its By-Laws conflict in any way with, or fail to cover matters prescribed by the General Nonprofit Corporation Law, the Revenue and Taxation Code, or other provisions of the Laws of the State of Colorado, those laws shall govern and these documents shall be deemed automatically amended to conform with it. (Amended 11/20/02)

ARTICLE XVI: DISSOLUTION

For the Mountain Amateur Radio club to be officially dissolved, for any reason, an affirmative vote by two-thirds of the members of record in good standing shall be required. All assets of the Club shall be distributed as specified by the Board to another, not for profit, amateur radio organization. (Amended 11/20/02)

s/President
s/Vice-President
s/Secretary
s/Treasurer

[Amended 08/16/1989]

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