

RADIO AIRCRAFT MODELER'S SOCIETY (RAMS)

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I-NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Radio Aircraft Modeler's Society, hereafter referred to as the "club". It shall be a "Type 3 Independent Organization" established pursuant to the provisions of DoD Instruction 1000.15 "Private Organizations on DoD Installations", and Air Force Instruction 34-223 "Private Organization (PO) Program"

ARTICLE II-OBJECTIVE

Section 1. The purpose this club is formed is to realize the fullest possible enjoyment and to derive the greatest benefits from the hobby of constructing and flying radio controlled aircraft. Other purposes are listed below but shall not be considered exclusive.

- a. To encourage the study and discussion of problems and techniques involved with the hobby.
- b. To encourage an interest in the hobby in other people.
- c. To provide a meeting place and flying site for club members.
- d. To emphasize safety, courtesy, and cooperation among fellow enthusiasts within the club.

ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Charter membership shall include at least fifteen members.

Section 2. Membership shall be on a voluntary basis, and unrestricted with respect to age, race, religion, color, national origin, ethnic group or gender.

ARTICLE IV-DUES

Section 1. The Club officers may collect minimal dues only as required and to the extent required to maintain and distribute club information, reproduction of club membership cards and related materials, support club meetings and events, and any possible site maintenance.

ARTICLE V-OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected or appointed officers shall be active duty military or civilians currently working on base or military and WPAFB civilian retirees. Contractors not meeting these criteria may not serve as a club officer.

Section 2. The following officers will be elected at the annual membership meeting by a majority vote of active members of the club for a term of 1 year:

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary/ Treasurer

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ARTICLE VI-MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. There shall be one annual meeting of the general membership for the purpose of electing officers and conducting business. This annual meeting will not be later than 1 month before the end of the Club's fiscal year.

Section 2. Upon the written request of at least 50% of the active membership, the President shall be required to call a special membership meeting. Further, he may do so at his own discretion. All members shall be notified, if possible, at least two weeks in advance thereof.

Section 3. Active members only shall be allowed to vote on any matter requiring a vote and they shall be entitled to only one such vote, which may be made in person or submitted by mail, addressed to a Club officer. All votes cast by mail, stamped or electronic, must be received by a club officer by close of business the day before the meeting.

Section 4. There shall be no proxy voting.

Section 5. It shall require a majority vote of active members to effect passage of any resolution except when otherwise provided by regulations.

ARTICLE VII-PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1. The rules in "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII-AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a 2/3 vote of all the membership by mail and/or by members present at a regular or special meeting, provided the proposed amendment shall have been presented to the members of the Club at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered. Such amendments and changes must be consistent with applicable Air Force regulations. All votes cast by mail, stamped or electronic, must be received by a club officer by close of business the day before the meeting.

Section 2. Any proposed amendment or change shall be voted upon within 60 days of the time the proposal is made; and, in the event of favorable action, the amendment or change shall go into effect immediately unless specifically provided.

ARTICLE IX-AUDITS (N/A)

ARTICLE X –NON-PROFIT ASSOCIATION

Section 1. This association is organized and operated exclusively for pleasure, recreation, and other non-profitable purposes and no part of its earnings shall insure to the financial benefit of any member.

ARTICLE XI-DISSOLUTION

Section 1. Dissolution of the Club may be accomplished by majority vote of those present at a regular or special meeting of the Club.

ARTICLE XII-LIABILITY

Section 1. Members of this association can become peculiarly liable for the obligations or debts of the association if its assets fail to meet such obligations and debts.

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ARTICLE XIII-ADOPTION

Section 1. This Constitution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Club and approval of the Base Commander. Such authorization shall be filed with the original copy of the Constitution in the permanent records of the Club.