

CONSTITUTION
MIDWAY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Kearney, Nebraska

PREAMBLE: We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the Midway Amateur Radio Club and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further exchange of information and co-operation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of amateur radio in the community.

MEMBERSHIP:

ARTICLE I

All persons interested in amateur radio shall be eligible for either full membership or associate membership as outlined in the By-Laws. Full members shall have full voting privileges. Associate members shall be eligible to participate in all club activities and functions but have no voting privileges. (Membership shall be by application and election upon such terms as the club shall by its By-Laws provide.)

OFFICERS,

ARTICLE II

Sec. 1 -The officers of this club shall be: President, Vice-President, Activities Manager and Secretary-Treasurer.

Sec. 2 -The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, as provided for in the By-Laws.

Sec. 3 -Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special elections at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal or resignation.

Sec. 4 -Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership.

DUTIES
OF

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS:

Sec. 1 -The President shall preside at all meetings of this club, and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and none other, and perform all other customary duties pertaining to the office of President.

Sec. 2 -The Vice-President and Activities Manager shall assume all the duties of the President in the absence of the latter and shall organize club member activities, plan and recommend contests for operating benefit, and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club.

Sec. 3 -The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit applications for membership, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting, and shall notify all members of regular and special meetings. He shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the club; he shall keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended. He shall pay no bills without proper authorization (by the club or its officers constituting a business committee.) He will also act as the Public Relations Manager. He shall foster and guide publicity dealing with club functions, club meetings and general amateur radio activities. He shall at the expiration of his term turn over everything in his possession belonging to the club to his successor.

MEETINGS

ARTICLE IV

The By-Laws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At meetings, a minimum of one-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

DUES:

ARTICLE V

The Club, by majority vote of those present at any regular meeting, may levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization within its objects as set forth in the preamble. Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for expulsion from the club within the discretion of the membership.

MEMBERSHIP
ASSISTANCE:

ARTICLE VI

This club shall enact appropriate rules to minimize interference in operation between stations of its members; it shall formulate adequate plans for disposition of any cases of interference to other radio services where reported as caused by any amateur station operation in the area of club jurisdiction. The club will provide technical advice to members concerning equipment design and operation to assist in frequency observances clean signals, uniform practice, and absence of spurious radiations from the club member-stations. The club shall also maintain a program to foster and guide public relations.

AMENDMENTS:

ARTICLE VII

This Constitution or the By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the total membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting and shall be voted on at the next following regular meeting, provided all members have been notified of the intent to amend the Constitution and/or By-Laws at said meeting.

RULES:

ARTICLE VIII

Robert's Rules shall govern proceedings.

BY-LAWS

- I. SECRETARY. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club and have the same with him at every meeting. He shall cause all amendments, changes and additions to be noted thereon and shall permit the same to be consulted by members upon request.
2. MEMBERSHIP. Applications for membership shall be submitted at a regular meeting in writing. Each applicant must express a willingness to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws and other rules promulgated by the club. Two-thirds of those present shall approve the applicant before he shall be considered elected to membership.

3. MEETINGS. Regular meetings shall be held monthly at such time and place as the president shall order. Special meetings may be called by the president upon the written request of any five club members. Members shall be contacted concerning special meetings and the business to be transacted. Only such business as designated shall be transacted.
 4. DUES. A regular yearly assessment of \$16.00 for full membership and \$3.00 for associate membership is hereby assessed in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the Constitution for the purpose of providing funds for current expenses. Dues will be due upon approval of membership and in September of each year thereafter.
 5. OFFICERS. All officers shall be full members holding amateur licenses above the rating of novice.
 6. FULL MEMBERSHIP. Eligible to any person with a sincere interest in amateur radio.
 7. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP. Eligible to any person interested in amateur radio and is a full time student (E.G. public schools, trade schools, college, etc.) or lives outside the immediate area and is a full member of another club. In the latter circumstance, determination of eligibility will be determined by the Board of Officers - President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and immediate Past President.
- B. TERMS OF OFFICES for President, Vice—President, Secretary— Treasurer. Terms of office shall run for one year commencing in March. The President will appoint a nomination committee of at least three full member licensed amateurs at the January meeting. At least two persons shall be nominated for each office and presented to the membership at the February meeting. Prior to presentation of nominees at the February meeting, all persons considered for nomination will be contacted by the nomination committee, explained the responsibilities of the office that he is being nominated for and receive unequivocal consent to have his name placed in nomination. Nominations will also be open from the floor. Election of officers will take place at the February meeting *and* the new officers will assume their responsibilities at the March meeting.

Approved by Midway Amateur Radio Club
January 13, 1977