

**The CONSTITUTION OF
The Rogue Valley Amateur Radio Club
Medford, Oregon**

Amended Dec 4, 2025

ARTICLE 1

1. NAME:

This club shall be called the "ROGUE VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB" of Medford, Oregon.

ARTICLE II

1. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this club shall be to bring together at frequent intervals those who are interested in Amateur Radio for fellowship, exchange of technical information concerning Amateur Radio, and public service. This organization is not organized for profit, and no part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder.

2. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES:

This club is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Club shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from the Federal Income Tax under section 501(c)(3) of the internal Revenue Code.

3. DISSOLUTION:

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Club, after paying or adequately providing the debts and obligations of the organization, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which has established its tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE III

1. MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall be open to any person interested in the purpose of the Club.

ARTICLE IV:

1. OFFICERS:

The officers of this club shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined at the discretion of the Executive Board.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

A nominating committee will be appointed by the President no later than the September meeting. This committee will make a report of their recommended nominations at the October meeting. At the November meeting nominations will be accepted from the floor, and election by majority vote will be held for the term of one year beginning January 1. Installation of new officers will take place at the December meeting.

ARTICLE V

1. EXECUTIVE BOARD:

The President, Vice—President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three active Club members shall constitute the executive board. The three Club members will be appointed or dismissed by the President. The President may include the immediate past President and the bulletin editor as members of the Board at his discretion. The purpose of the Board is to assist the President in the administration of the Club.

ARTICLE VI:

1. MEETINGS:

The Club shall meet regularly on a chosen day of each month agreed upon by the Executive Board at a location approved by the President. No regular meetings will be planned in July and August. The regular November meeting shall be the annual meeting for hearing reports from all the officers and committees. Special meetings for special purposes may be called by the Executive Board at such times as are thought advisable; Such special meetings may transact only such business as specified in the call. Special meetings may not supersede regular meetings except when specially provided for.

ARTICLE VII

1. AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION:

If an amendment to the Constitution is proposed and seconded, adoption will be governed by two-thirds vote of the active members present at the next meeting. Due notice must be given each member in good standing in advance of the meeting at which such vote will be held. Publication in the Bulletin/Newsletter will be considered due notice. However, no vote may be made with less than a quorum of active members present. A quorum of active members shall be considered as being thirty-three percent of total active membership.

2. DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

A. PRESIDENT: To preside at all meetings, appoint and dismiss all committees at will, plan the meetings with the assistance of the other officers, and serve as member ex-officio of all standing committees, except the nominating committee.

B. VICE —PRESIDENT: To act in the absence of the President, monitor the programs for the meetings, and maintain a log book listing of the Club property and its location.

C. SECRETARY: To keep all correspondence, minutes of the meetings, and keep an up-to-date roster of paid-up and delinquent members. In the absence of the President and Vice President, the Secretary will assume their duties. The minutes shall be published in the next newsletter.

D. TREASURER: To receive and record all dues and monies received by the Club and deposit same in an account or accounts approved by the Executive Board. Non-recurring expenditures exceeding one hundred fifty dollars must be published in the newsletter and then voted on at the following meeting. This excludes continuing expenditures such as insurance.

3. TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:

- A. Active Member: An active member is a member whose dues are current, thus giving them the right to vote.
- B. Associate Member: Spouses of Active Members will automatically become Associate Members of the Club, without voting privileges.
- C. Family Members: Licensed Radio Amateurs of an Active Member's immediate family (living in the same household) are eligible for a full voting membership upon payment of a reduced annual amount as determined by the Executive Board. This membership remains valid as long as the Active Member's dues are current.
- D. Lifetime Member: This title may be bestowed, by a majority vote of the Active Members, on Club members that they feel deserve the honor 'with regards to exemplary service rendered to the Club. Lifetime Members will have full voting privileges and will not be required to pay annual dues.
- E. Honorary Member: This title may be bestowed, by a majority vote of the Active Members, on deserving individuals, with due regard to services rendered to the Club. Honorary Members will not pay any dues but will not have voting privileges.
- F. Dual Member: An active member of the club who has joined both the RVARC and another local amateur radio club as approved by the Executive Board. The dues collected for such membership shall be split one-half to RVARC and one-half to the other club. This member has voting privileges.

4. DUES:

- A. The annual dues shall be as assessed by the Executive Board. They may include student and/or senior citizen rates.
- B. Annual dues are payable by the first Club meeting in January.
- C. Persons joining the Club after 1 July, but prior to 31 December will be assessed one-half the regular annual dues.
- D. Members who have been declared in arrears in the payment of dues shall not be eligible to vote.
- E. Any member who has been dropped from the membership because of non-payment of dues shall not be reinstated until they have paid dues in full like a new member.
- F. Any member whose dues have not been paid for three months from the date on which they were due shall be dropped from the membership.
- G. No refund of dues shall be made.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- (1). Meeting called to order
- (2). Roll call
- (3). Program
- (4). Reports of officers and committee chairmen
- (5). Unfinished business
- (6). New business
- (7). Adjournment

6. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY:

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for this Club.

7. TRUSTEE OF CLUB STATION:

A club station to be licensed must have a qualified trustee according to FCC regulations. The Trustee shall be appointed by the President. The term of the Trustee will be for the same period for which the station license is issued, or until the appointment is canceled by the President. If possible, the Trustee of the club's FCC-assigned club license should be an Amateur Extra Class licensee. If the Trustee is unable to act as control operator at an event, he/she may designate one. The Trustee must maintain an active or lifetime membership in the Club. A basic record of participants will be kept for such license activities.

8. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP:

If at any time a member wishes to resign from the Club, they shall give notice of such intention in writing to the Secretary.