

Anderson Island Amateur Radio Club
Constitution and ByLaws
April 30, 2023 Rev. 2

Preamble:

The name of this organization is: Anderson Island Amateur Radio Club (AIARC). It is organized as a non-profit Amateur Radio club.

It shall be our purpose:

- To further the exchange of information and cooperation between members
- To promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating proficiency
- Conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community.
- To provide volunteer radio communication services to local and state government agencies and the general public in times of emergency. Reference document “Anderson Island Amateur Radio Club EMCOMM Charter”, latest revision.
- To provide amateur radio licensing classes, test sessions and educational programs.

Article I. Membership

Membership shall be open to any person who actively supports AIARC’s purpose as set forth in this document.

Article II. Officers

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

Sec. 2. The positions of President and Vice President, if permanently vacated, shall be filled through a nomination and vote of the membership.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the President and Vice President.

Sec. 4. A member shall be designated as the Amateur Radio License Trustee. The Trustee shall establish and maintain an Amateur Radio Club Station for the use of the licensed members of AIARC and other licensed radio amateurs, and shall carry out the duties designated by the Federal Communication Commission for the trustee of this station. In the event that the trustee can no longer perform the duties of Trustee, he shall designate another club member who holds an amateur license to apply to the FCC to succeed him as trustee. The President shall concur in the selection of this new Trustee.

Sec 5. All elected officers shall be elected to serve a one year term

Article III. Duties of Officers

Sec. 1. The President or designated representative, shall preside at all meetings, and conduct them according to the rules adopted. He/she shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the club, and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of President. Meeting minutes of AIARC are maintained by the President at his/her discretion.

Sec. 2. The Vice-President shall assume all the duties of the President in his/her absence.

Sec. 3. The Treasurer shall account for all monies paid to the club.

Article IV. Nominations

Sec 1. Any member may nominate any other member, or place one's own name in nomination for any position being considered for election.

Sec 2. Each nominee must consent to be nominated. Each nominee for office must be a current active voting member of the AIARC.

Article V . Meetings

All meetings of AIARC shall be informal. Such meetings may take place in person, over amateur radio or through other electronic communication means.

Article VI. Dues

AIARC shall collect dues from each member on an annual basis for the ongoing expenses required for the operation of the organization. The amount of the dues shall be established at the beginning of each year by a vote of the membership.

Article VII. Equipment and Property.

Unless purchased with funds from the organization's treasury, all equipment used by the organization remains the property of the respective member. All equipment purchased by the organization itself, from its treasury, remain property of the organization.

Article VIII. – Dissolution

Section 1 – Qualification of Dissolution

The AIARC may be dissolved at any time by a unanimous vote of the active voting members present at a general membership meeting called for this purpose.

Section 2 – Disposal of Possessions

After dissolution has been approved in the preceding action, the disposal of the AIARC assets shall be as follows:

A. All equipment on loan from members shall be returned within fifteen (15) days after the adoption of the dissolution resolution.

B. The acting treasurer shall pay all outstanding bills within fifteen (15) days after the adoption of the dissolution resolution.

C. There shall be an open auction of all the AIARC property at a place and time designated by the President and Vice President.

D. The Treasurer shall inform the State of Washington, FCC, and any other agency involved of the AIARC dissolution.

E. All funds then left shall be donated to an Anderson Island, Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization as specified by the dissolution resolution.

Article IX – **Nondiscrimination Policy**

The AIARC does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, age, religion, political views, nationality, ethnic origin or sexual orientation. All members are entitled to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities made available to members of the AIARC.

Article VII. **Amendments**

The constitution or 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 at least one month in advance by mail or email of the intent to amend the constitution and/or By-Laws at said meeting.

Constitution and ByLaws adopted on April 24, 2023 by a vote of the membership

Change Log, Rev. 2

Added: “Anderson Island Amateur Radio Club EMCOMM Charter” as a reference document under club purpose

Updated: Article VI to specify that dues will be collected each year.

Added: Article VIII. Dissolution

Added: Article IX Nondiscrimination Policy