

**KEIZER R/C ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS**  
**4757 Lisa St.. NE, Salem, OR 97305**  
**A.M.A. Charter Club #971**

ARTICLE I. – NAME

SECTION 1. NAME:

The name of the Association shall be Keizer Radio Control Association, henceforth known as Keizer R/C Association or The Association. It shall be incorporated under the Corporation Laws of Oregon as a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE:

The purpose of The Association shall be to maintain an assembly of persons interested in the promotion and encouragement of radio control modeling. To assist its members in the construction, operation, and flying techniques of radio controlled model aircraft. To promote safety in all phases of the hobby. To provide a forum where members may exchange views and ideas concerning model aircraft. Through its duly elected officers, to represent the membership to government or private agencies in matters of interest to The Association.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:

Application for membership in The Association shall be open to all interested in modeling, provided that they are current members of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA). Membership is defined in Section 6 of this Article.

SECTION 2. DUES:

Dues shall be payable on or before the date of the January meeting shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per year except as provided in Article III, Section 6. First-time youth members will pay four dollars (\$4.00) for the first year and ten dollars (\$10.00) per year through their birthday. Dues paid after November 1<sup>st</sup> each year are applied to the next year.

SECTION 3. VOTE ENTITLEMENT:

Each member shall be entitled to one vote. Proxy votes will be accepted in writing only.

SECTION 4. FLYING PRIVILEGES:

Flying privileges shall be extended to current members of the Salem R/C Association holding current AMA membership and provided that the same privileges are extended to the members of the The Association on reciprocal agreement with Salem R/C Association.

SECTION 5. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:

Membership application will be accepted at any regular monthly meeting and will become effective immediately upon receipt of the written application and payment of dues. Proof of AMA membership or application thereto is required.

SECTION 6. MEMBERSHIP STATUS:

REGULAR MEMBER:

All persons having met the requirements of membership shall be extended full privileges and responsibilities as a member of The Association.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER:

All persons desiring to participate in and support The Association activities. They shall be afforded all privileges and responsibilities except flying privileges. AMA membership requirement is waived.

HONORARY MEMBER:

Honorary Members are granted this status upon a vote of acceptance by the membership. No dues are required and membership shall be for life unless revoked by vote of the members. Honorary members may participate in all club activities except flying privileges and will have no vote. AMA membership is not required.

YOUTH MEMBER:

Any Regular Member under the age of 18 years, with a current AMA license. Youth Members shall be afforded all privileges of Regular Members.

## ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

### SECTION 1. OFFICERS:

The officers of The Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Safety Officer.

### SECTION 2. ELECTIONS:

Election of officers will be held at the December meeting each year.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The Executive Committee will present a slate of candidates at the October meeting to be voted on at the December meeting . Nominations from the floor will also be accepted, subject to the approval of the nominee.

#### TERM:

Election shall be by majority vote of members present for a term of two years.

## ARTICLE V – OFFICERS’ DUTIES

### SECTION 1. PRESIDENT:

To preside at all regular monthly meetings of the Association and coordinate the business affairs.

### SECTION 2. VICE-PRESIDENT:

To assist the President and to serve in his place during his absence.

### SECTION 3. SECRETARY:

To take charge of all correspondence, record the minutes of all meetings, advise members of AMA information which may be pertinent, maintain files of AMA regulations, membership and insurance, and act as advisor to the President.

### SECTION 4. TREASURER:

To maintain the financial records of The Association and act as advisor to the President.

## SECTION 5. SAFETY OFFICER

To preside over the Safety Committee and to establish, maintain, and insure compliance with AMA and The Association's safety rules.

## ARTICLE VI – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### SECTION 1. COMPOSITION:

Current Officers, Past President, Chief Instructor, Activities Director, Membership Director, and Newsletter Editor, shall comprise the Executive Committee.

### SECTION 2. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DUTIES:

The Executive Committee shall direct the affairs of The Association and the day-to-day business. It shall be empowered to authorize expenditures of up to one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per expenditure without further approval of The Association. Annual audit of the books in January of each year shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee.

### SECTION 3. MEETINGS:

Executive Committee meetings may be called at any time by the President or his delegate.

### SECTION 4. MAJORITY:

A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE VII – SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

### SECTION 1. APPOINTMENT:

The Executive Committee shall have the authority to appoint Special Executive Positions within The Association at their discretion. Appointed officers serve at the discretion of the Executive Committee and will be afforded the same benefits as the Executive Committee.

SECTION 2. APPOINTED POSITIONS

Current Appointed Positions:

Membership Director, Field Maintenance Director, Newsletter Editor, and Activities Director.

SECTION 3. APPOINTED POSITIONS:

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

The Membership Director shall maintain a current Association roster of the membership, issue membership cards and Association badges.

FIELD MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR:

The Field Maintenance Director shall oversee the care of our flying site and maintenance equipment. Primary attention will be the runway, taxiways, and surrounding areas to ensure a smooth, weed-free operating surface.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

The Newsletter Editor shall assemble a monthly newsletter and prepare it for distribution prior to each Regular Meeting.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR:

The Activities Director shall maintain a calendar of scheduled Association and regional events and coordinate with the contest directors of each Association-hosted event.

ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS

SECTION 1. REGULAR MEETINGS:

Regular Meetings shall usually be held on the third Saturday of every month at noon, unless otherwise scheduled by the President.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS:

Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee at any time.

SECTION 3. QUORUM:

Twenty Five percent (25%) of paid members on that date of any official meeting shall constitute a Quorum.

## ARTICLE IX – SAFETY

### SECTION 1. AMA SAFETY CODE:

The current AMA Safety Code shall be that of The Association in addition to any local rules and regulations.

### SECTION 2. INSTRUCTORS:

Instructors shall comprise the Safety Committee. Instructors shall be provided red Association hats to signify them as “on duty” Instructors.

### SECTION 3. NEW INSTRUCTORS:

New Instructors shall be elected by the Safety Committee and shall be responsible to the Chief Instructor.

### SECTION 4. FIELD REGULATIONS:

A. The Safety Committee shall formulate a list of Field Regulations to ensure safe operating condition at the flying site and present them to the Executive Committee for approval. Rules may be added, deleted or changed and the need arises and members notified.

B. All members must fly in accordance with AMA and The Association’s Safety Rules. This four-tier policy is a response to blatant and/or repetitive violations of club rules. Any club member can report a violation (in writing) to the Executive Committee of the club (or appointed committee). The Executive Committee will investigate all complaints and determine what or if any corrective action is warranted, including retraining and/or utilizing tiers one through four. This is a formal, constructive tool for the club to use in order to avoid escalating and dangerous situations that could lead to serious problem, injuries and/or the loss of our flying field.

#### TIER ONE:

A member of the Executive Committee will speak to the individual member and identify strategies to remedy the issue.

#### TIER TWO:

If a further complaint is reported to the Executive Committee within a year, the individual member’s flying privileges may be suspended for up to one month.

TIER THREE:

If a third complaint is reported to the Executive Committee within a year from the date of the last incident, the individual member's flying privileges may be suspended for up to one year.

TIER FOUR:

If an individual violates the suspensions in either Tier Two or Tier Three, the individual may be expelled from the club.

A written letter documenting violation of any tier of the disciplinary procedure will be sent to the individual member after verbal notification.

Any member receiving a Grievance, who directs any retaliation, will be subject to immediate expulsion from the club. This is to include threats, intimidation, physical harm, intentional equipment damage or any other action deemed retaliatory by the club.

SECTION 5. SITE OWNER LIAISON:

All contact with the site owner is to be the responsibility of the members of the Executive Committee **or** a special Delegate assigned for that purpose. Members other than the aforementioned **WILL NOT** contact the site owner relative to Association business. This is considered a safety matter due to the fragile nature of our flying site conditions.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

SECTION 1. BYLAW AMENDMENTS:

These Articles may be amended by majority vote of the Members in attendance at any at any Regular Meeting (A membership Quorum is required). Amendments will be presented at the meeting at least one month prior to the vote.

Revised: November 20th, 2021