

# **ELECTRIC R/C UNLIMITEDS CONTEST BOARD BY-LAWS**

## **Article I: NAME**

The official name of this board shall be the “Electric R/C Unlimiteds Contest Board” (Hereinafter called the “Board”)

## **Article II: OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSE**

It is the object and purpose of the Board to ensure equality of all members in every aspect of Electric R/C Unlimiteds (Hereinafter called “ER/CU”) functions, regardless of race, color, creed, political preference or otherwise.

## **Article III: MEMBERSHIP, OFFICERS**

1. The Board shall be composed of seven At-large members who shall be elected by all persons within ER/CU who have registered an Electric R/C Unlimiteds boat with the Board Registrar at the time of elections to the Board.
2. The officers of the Board shall be a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer/Registrar, Statistician, Race Coordinator, Technical Inspector, and Scale Inspector.
3. The Chairman of the Board shall be elected by and from the membership of the Board he will chair.
4. Any vacancies that may occur shall be filled by a vote of the Board. The new member will complete the term of the vacated position.
5. The term of membership shall be for two race seasons, the term to begin and end with the year-end banquet. Three members shall be elected in even number of years, and four members shall be elected in odd years.
6. Each Board member shall be entitled to one vote only on any matters of the Board.
7. Board members may vote by proxy. A Board member may designate another member of the Board to cast a proxy vote. No member of the Board may act as a proxy for more than one vote.
8. All Contest Board members will receive one free boat registration and one free admittance/dinner at the yearly awards banquet for each year served. Board members are responsible for supplying trophies for the year-end awards banquet.
9. All Contest Board members will assist in the running of the Gold Cup event. Board Members are responsible for securing the site, trophies, equipment set-up and officiating. Board members will be granted one free race entry.
10. The Chairman will poll all Board members at the conclusion of the racing season, prior to the awards banquet, on members to receive the following awards: Most Improved Driver, Race Sponsor of the Year, Sportsmanship and Contribution Awards.

## **Article IV: RULES AND PROCEDURES**

1. The Board shall have the power to adopt, modify, amend or otherwise change the ER/CU Racing Rules.
2. The Board shall have the power to adopt, amend or otherwise change the ER/CU Racing Rules by vote of not less than the majority of the Board

members on issues not previously voted into effect by the **ER/CU** membership.

3. All changes made to the **ER/CU** Racing Rules by the Board shall become effective as of the date of the meeting at which the change was voted unless a later effective date is fixed by the Board.

#### **Article V: MEETINGS**

1. All actions taken by the Board shall be by a vote at a regular or specified meeting of said Board.
2. There shall be at least one regular meeting of the Board in each calendar year.
3. Special meetings may be held at any time or place at the call of the Board Chairman with ten days written notice of such meeting. A special meeting must be called upon receipt of a written petition to either the Board Chairman or by not less than two members of the Board.
4. The Chairman of the Board may call a Board meeting at any ER/CU sanctioned regatta, and notice of the sanction is notice of a possible Board meeting.
5. At any meeting, four members, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum.

#### **Article VI: COMMITTEES**

1. The Board shall establish such standing committees as it deems necessary for the proper conduct of its business and shall prescribe the duties of such committees.
2. Special committees may be appointed at any time, by motion or resolution, to take into consideration and report on special matters.

#### **Article VII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

1. The Chairman shall preside over all meetings of the Electric R/C Unlimiteds Contest Board and shall perform all the usual duties of a presiding officer. The Chairman can call special meetings as required.
2. The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Board, shall record all proceedings, and shall perform such other duties as the Board may designate. The Secretary shall compile votes from the yearly Board position elections. If the Secretary is up for election, the Board shall appoint a club member to count votes.
3. The Treasurer/Registrar shall act as the chief distributing officer of the Board, and shall provide, at least once a year, a financial statement showing the fiscal condition of the ER/CU treasury. He shall keep all records necessary to maintain an accurate listing of members and their respective registered boats. He shall maintain the Master Hull Roster.
4. The Statistician shall maintain the yearly race and historical point records of ER/CU.
5. The Race Coordinator shall be responsible for setting up the yearly race schedule and for making available to each Contest Director the necessary information and equipment to stage a regatta.

6. The Technical Inspector shall have the authority to enforce the rules covered in the “Electric R/C Unlimiteds Racing Rules.”
7. The Scale Inspector shall be responsible for approving the appearance requirements of each boat per the rules of the club.

**Article VIII: ORDER AND BUSINESS**

1. The order of business at each regular meeting shall be as follows:
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Reading and adoption of minutes of the previous meeting.
  - c. Reports of Officers
  - d. Reports of Standing Committees
  - e. Reports of Special Committees
  - f. Old or Unfinished Business
  - g. New Business
  - h. Adjournment
2. At any special meeting, the special business for which the meeting is convened may be taken up immediately after Roll Call at the discretion of the Chairman.

**Article IX: BY-LAW AMENDMENTS, REMOVAL FROM OFFICE & APPEALS**

1. The Electric R/C Unlimiteds Contest Board By-laws may be amended, a Board member may be removed from office, and/or the ER/CU Racing Rules may be modified by a vote of the registered ER/CU members. A formal vote by the registered ER/CU members concerning any of the aforementioned items may be initiated by a petition of not less than twenty percent of the registered ER/CU members or by the ER/CU Board. The Board shall then submit by mail a ballot regarding the petition matter to the registered ER/CU members within thirty days of receipt of the petition. All ballots received by the Board within thirty days after mailing the petition shall be tallied, and the vote considered final.
2. Any petition submitted by registered ER/CU members shall be accompanied by a \$30.00 fee to cover the cost of printing and mailing ballots.
3. A By-law may be amended or a Board member may be removed from office by a majority vote of the total ballots received under the conditions set forth under Section 1 of this Article.
4. An ER/CU Racing Rule may be adopted, modified or otherwise changed by a majority vote of the total ballots received under the conditions set forth under Section 1 of this Article.

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