

BY-LAWS

OF

WHITE MOUNTAIN SHOOTERS ASSOC., INC.

ARTICLE I - ORGANIZATION

1. The name of the organization shall be: White Mountain Shooters Assoc., Inc.
2. The organization may by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the members, change its name.
3. The organization shall be sub-divided into Divisions to represent each one of the organized shooting disciplines: e.g.: Practical Pistol, Bullseye, High Power Rifle, Small Bore Rifle, Cowboy Action, Black Powder/Muzzle loader, Silhouette, etc.
4. The fiscal year shall end June 30.
5. The initial number of directors shall be five (5).
6. The organization is a Not-for-Profit Corporation operated under TRC Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Code.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES

Following are the purposes for which this organization has been organized:

1. To foster and host local, state, national and international amateur shooting sports competitions.
2. To educate shooters in the safe handling of firearms, proper care of firearms and improved marksmanship.
3. To establish and operate an environmentally safe shooting range.
4. To foster the development of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self reliance. These characteristics are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of good citizenship.
5. To promote the organized shooting disciplines of the White Mountains. This includes the currently organized clubs: White Mountain Bullseye Shooters and White Mountain Practical Shooters. Other shooting disciplines may in the future organize and petition the board in writing for recognition. A shooting discipline shall consist of:
 - a) at least 10 (ten) shooters, 5 (five) of whom are members of WMSA, and who wish to shoot a particular form of shooting sport not currently represented. They may form under either existing rules of a recognized discipline or new rules created by the group,
 - b) the range safety officer shall agree in writing that the proposed rules are adequate for safety and forward the petition to the board of directors,
 - c) the board of directors shall agree by majority vote to recognize the discipline.
6. To provide a safe place to shoot for members, individuals, and organizations including, but not limited to schools, law enforcement, other youth groups and education and training organizations.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

1. Adult membership in the organization shall be open to all persons who are at least eighteen (18) years of age.
2. Junior membership in this organization shall be open to all persons under eighteen (18) years of age with written permission of their parents or legal guardian
3. Daily membership entitles use of the range for the specified day. This membership carries no voting rights.
4. It is the policy of WMSA, Inc. that discrimination against any individual(s) for reasons of sex, age, race, color, national origin, creed, religion, physical handicap or disability or sexual orientation is specifically and strictly prohibited.
5. The fiscal year of this club shall start July 1 and end June 30.

ARTICLE IV - DUES

1. The Board of Directors shall review the financial condition of the organization at least annually. Should changes in the dues be proposed, they shall be submitted for approval by a majority vote of the members present at an annual meeting.
2. Account statements shall be sent to each member in early June. Payment is due by June 30th annual meeting.
3. No member of the organization in arrears shall be eligible to vote or enjoy the privileges or benefits offered by this organization.
4. Initiation fees and annual dues shall be determined by the board for the following types of memberships: Individual, Family, Junior, and daily.
5. A Family shall consist of immediate family members living in the same household.
6. New members shall have their dues prorated quarterly.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

1. All meetings of the organization shall be held in accordance with Roberts' Rules of Order.
2. The annual meeting of the organization shall be held on or about the third Friday in July each year at a location decided by the Board of Directors. If an annual meeting cannot take place at the time fixed, it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter, and the officers shall continue in office until his/her successors have been elected. The presence of not less than fifteen (15) members, in good standing, shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this organization.. If a quorum is not present the meeting shall be adjourned and postponed till a special meeting can be called.
3. A special meeting of the organization may be held at any time upon the call of the president or upon the call of three (3) board members or upon demand in writing, by not less than ten per cent (10%) of the membership entitled to vote and stating the object of the requested meeting. The organization shall send notice of the time, place and objective of any special meeting to all officers and members in good standing by the United States Postal Service not less than ten (10) days prior to the date fixed for such meeting. The place of such meeting shall be fixed by the Board. Discussion and action shall be limited to the issue raised as the object of the special meeting.
4. A Board of Directors meeting shall be held quarterly at a time and place agreed upon by the directors.

ARTICLE VI - VOTING

1. Each adult member in good standing shall be entitled to one (1) vote.
2. Each family membership in good standing shall be entitled to two (2) votes.
3. Junior members shall not have a vote.
4. For election of directors, confidential ballots shall be provided.
5. If only one (1) person is nominated for director, that person will be elected by acclamation.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

1. The members shall elect the directors. A director shall be elected from each of the organized shooting disciplines by the membership of each discipline. That director must be an active participant in the discipline he/she represents. One director shall represent Junior Shooting
2. The directors shall elect the officers from the Board of Directors.
3. The officers of this organization shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Range Safety Officer.
4. The number of Directors may be changed dependent upon the number of organized shooting disciplines. In addition, there shall be one Director At Large for every 200 members of the White Mountain Shooters Association, Inc..
5. The Board shall have general supervision and responsibility for all activities of the organization and be responsible for maintaining the organization's affiliation with the National Rifle Association and other organizations.
6. Fifty one per cent (51%) of the Board shall constitute a quorum.
7. Vacancy of an office: If a vacancy should occur among the officers;
 - A. If the person vacating an office had been elected / appointed by a discipline; that discipline shall elect / appoint a replacement director who shall be appointed by the President to fill the vacated office for the remainder of the term.
 - B. If the person vacating an office was elected by the membership at large, the President shall appoint another director elected as Member-at-large to fill the vacated office for the remainder of the term. The President shall then appoint another member to serve on the Board of Directors as a replacement Member-at-large until the next election.
 - C. Any appointment by the President is to be ratified by the Board Members.
8. Organization Officer's shall maintain individual membership in the National Rifle Association for his/her tenure in office.
9. In addition to the duties assigned to each officer they shall perform such other duties as the organization or President may from time to time direct.
10. The President of the Organization by virtue of his/her office shall be chairperson of the Board.
11. The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Range Safety Officer shall serve for two (2) year terms.

ARTICLE VIII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

No Officer or Director shall for reason of his/her office be entitled to receive any salary or compensation. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an Officer or Director from receiving reimbursement for approved organization expenses.

1. The President shall:

preside at all meetings,
present at each annual meeting of the organization an annual report of the work of the organization,
appoint all committees, temporary or permanent
see that all books, reports and certificates required by law are properly kept of filed,
have such powers as may be reasonably construed as belonging to the chief executive of any organization..

2. The Vice-President shall:

in the event of the absence or inability of the President to exercise his/her office, become acting President of the organization
with all the rights, privileges and powers as if he/she had been elected President,
collect and maintain a history of the organization from news sources,
be authorized to sign checks or drafts of the organization,

3. The Secretary shall:

keep the minutes and records of the organization in appropriate books,
be his/her duty to file any certificate required by any statute, federal or state,
give and serve all notices to members of this organization,
be the official custodian of the records and seal of this organization,
attend to all correspondence of the organization,
exercise all other duties incident to the office of Secretary,
maintain all membership rosters and notify all members of renewals,
receive and record all monies and membership dues and submit all monies to the treasurer for deposit,
receive the bank statements, open and review them before submitting them to the Treasurer for reconciliation,
be responsible for the preparation and publication of the Association newsletter.

4. The Treasurer shall:

have custody of all monies/assets belonging to the organization and shall be solely responsible for them,
cause to be deposited in a regular bank or trust company the funds of the organization,
be authorized to sign checks or drafts of the organization,
render at no less than quarterly a written account of the finances of the organization and such report shall be physically attached
to the minutes of the Board meeting,
exercise all other duties incident to the office of Treasurer,
not set aside any special fund unless authorized by the Board.

5. The Range Safety Officer shall:

supervise the overall safety of range operation,
supervise all Range Officers who will be responsible for the safety of all the shooting disciplines while participating at all events at the WMSA Range,
schedule the use of the range for the various disciplines and public shooting,
be responsible for the recruitment, training, and scheduling of deputy range officers.

6. The Directors shall:

be responsible for representing the concerns of the membership of all disciplines. These concerns will be brought to the attention of the Board for consideration.

ARTICLE IX - REMOVAL, SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

1 Any member who seeks the removal of an officer, director or the suspension or expulsion of a member must file a written charge with the Secretary. The charge must clearly state the facts and be accompanied by all supporting evidence. The Secretary must immediately inform the President and Vice-President. The President shall set the date for a Special Meeting to hear the charges.

2. The Secretary shall give written notice of the special meeting to all members by mail.. The notice shall contain the time and place of the meeting and a statement of the charges.

3. An officer may be removed or a member suspended or expelled by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at the Special meeting called for this purpose. Charges and evidence will be presented, witnesses examined and the officer or member in question given the opportunity to refute the charges before a vote is taken.

4. Range safety violations are grounds for suspension or expulsion.

ARTICLE X - SALARIES

The Board shall hire and fix the compensation of any and all employees which they in their discretion may determine to be necessary for the conduct of the business of the organization. Officers and Directors may not be employees of the organization during their term of office.

ARTICLE XI - COMMITTEES

All committees of this organization shall be appointed by the board and their term of office shall be for a period of one (1) year.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, repealed or added to by an affirmative vote. This vote shall consist of not less than two thirds (2/3) of the members present at a general or special meeting.

2. All proposed amendments to the By-Laws shall be posted in the Association Newsletter.