

**BYLAWS OF
TRIAD AEROMODELERS, INC.**

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I. Name

The formal name of this corporation shall be Triad Aeromodelers, Inc. and shall also be known and designed herein by the short title of TAI. This is a chartered club within the Academy of Model Aeronautics, a national organization.

II. Objectives

The objective of this club shall be:

1. To promote and encourage the construction, design, building and flying of radio controlled model fixed-wing aircraft.
2. To promote fellowship among radio control modelers in this area during participation of this activity.

III. Activities

This club shall have at least one (1) non-flying session each month. At this session the business of the club shall be carried on. At these sessions social activities will be scheduled according to the wishes of the members. It is the club aim that some type of program shall be in order at the end of the business session planned by the program chairman or designated committee.

Other activities shall include informal flying sessions during each month dependent upon weather conditions, some type of competitive activity and group participation in intra/inter-club activities subject to majority of membership wishes.

IV. Officers

The officers of this organization shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four (4) directors.

V. Term of Offices

The term of office for all officers and directors shall be for a period of one (1) year beginning January 1 of the year. The officers and directors shall be elected at the November business meeting of each year. Should any officer become vacant, an election will be held at any business session following such vacancy, provided all members have been notified at least two weeks in advance.

VI. Board of Directors

The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors consisting of nine (9) members who remain in good standing. The Board of directors shall include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four directors duly elected at the annual Election of Officers. The previous year's Ex-President shall automatically become an ex-officer/member of the Board of Directors and shall serve for a period of one year.

The Board of Directors meetings are open to the general membership. The members are invited to attend and discuss any issues brought before the Board of Directors.

VII. Officers and Committees

The President shall appoint a Safety Officer, Membership Chairman and a Field Marshall in accordance with the club charter requirement of the Academy of Model Aeronautics.

The President may appoint any other committee as the need arises.

VIII. Official Communications

The monthly periodical or newsletter called the "Fly Paper" shall serve the corporation as its official means of communication to the members of TAI. Members advised through the medium of the periodical shall consider the information contained therein as the official intent to inform the general membership of any scheduled meeting, proposed changes to the Board of Directors, dues structures or changes to the Bylaws. It shall be the responsibility of each member to advise the secretary of the corporation of any changes in the address or non-receipt of this periodical.

The President shall appoint the editor of the monthly periodical called the "Fly Paper"

IX. Membership

- A. Membership will be limited to fifty (50) adult members.
 - B. There shall be two classes of membership: a flying member and a non-flying member.
 - 1. A flying member shall:
 - a. Be a member in good standing with the Academy of Model Aeronautics.
 - b. Be an Adult or Junior member of TAI (a junior member is defined as a person under 21 years of age).
- Note: An Adult or Junior member of TAI may not have flying privileges until that member has demonstrated three solo flights as described in section X.A.5.
- 2. A non-flying member shall:
 - a. Be an Associate member
 - b. Not be required to be a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics.
 - C. Any member in good standing shall:
 - 1. Pay dues and/or assessments promptly.
 - 2. Abide by the official club rules and regulations approved and adopted by the membership of TAI.
 - 3. Not participate in any form of gross misconduct at any activity session.
 - 4. An Adult or junior membership includes all voting privileges.
 - D. Any violation of any of the membership requirements will subject a member to suspension.
 - E. A non-flying member may become a flying member by meeting the requirements for an Adult or junior membership and paying the appropriate membership dues.

X. Application for Membership

A. Any radio control modeler may make application to join TAI as a member provided the modeler meets the following criteria:

1. Announce his/her intention for membership and complete the personal information of membership application at a regular scheduled business session. At this time, the applicant will be appointed a sponsor from the club and the information obtained from the application shall be known to the voting membership through the next publication of the club newsletter.

Note: A sponsor may be any member in good standing with flying privileges and have completed a minimum of three years of membership in TAI. A sponsor may be appointed by the membership chairman or adopted by the applicant with the approval of the selected sponsor and the Membership Chairman.

2. Hold a valid AMA License
3. Be thoroughly versed in the Bylaws as well as the Rules and Regulations.
4. Submit applicable club dues, payable to Triad Aeromodelers Inc. along with membership application to the Membership Chairman.
5. Participate in three (3) solo flights at the official flying field under the supervision of a club appointed sponsor or any member in good standing who also has flying privileges.
6. Receive 100% approval by the Board of Directors voting from information obtained for the membership application and submitted by the applicants sponsor and/or the voting membership.
7. Receive 100% approval by the voting membership voting. (via signed secret ballot)
 - a. The membership Chairman will promptly notify the applicant by mail of his/her acceptance or denial for membership into TAI as decided by the voting membership. All fees and/or dues submitted shall be promptly refunded should the applicant be denied membership.

B. Any applicant who has been granted membership but has not completed the required three solo flights, described in A.5. Of the section, shall have all privileges except the following:

1. May not possess a key to the official flying field.
2. May not engage in solo flight without the supervision of a club appointed sponsor or a club member in good standing who has flying privileges.

C. The applicant who has been granted membership but completes the required three (3) solos flights at a later date shall be awarded those privileges outlined in B.1. and 2. of this section provided the applicant meets the following:

1. Submit to the Membership Chairman, the signatures of the applicants sponsor and/or any member(s) in good standing, who also have flying privileges, that the required three solo flights have been completed.

- D. Any prior member reapplying for membership must meet the following criteria:
1. A prior member is a person who has held membership in TAI but has not held membership with the previous calendar year.
 2. Hold a valid AMA License
 3. Submit a new membership application with appropriate dues to the Membership Chairman.
 4. Be thoroughly versed in the Bylaws as well as the Rules and Regulations.
 5. Obtain the approval of the membership application from the Board of Directors who will in turn submit the same to the general membership for its approval at a regular business session.
 - a. The membership Chairman will promptly notify the applicant by mail of his/her acceptance or denial for membership into TAI as decided by the voting membership. All dues submitted shall be promptly refunded should the applicant be denied membership.
 6. Would be required to purchase the \$100 base share.
 7. Would be required to pay \$6.00 per month for the partial and full months remaining in that calendar year, and then following the normal dues payment schedule.
- E. Anyone may make application to join TAI as an Associate member provided that the person meets the following criteria:
1. Submit a membership application with the appropriate dues to the Membership Chairman.
 2. Be thoroughly versed in the Bylaws as well as the Rules and Regulations,
 3. Obtain the approval of the membership application from the Board of Directors who will in turn submit the same to the general membership for its approval at a regular business session.
 - a. The membership Chairman will promptly notify the applicant by mail of his/her acceptance or denial for membership into TAI as decided by the voting membership. All fees and/or dues submitted shall be promptly refunded should the applicant be denied membership.
 - b. This class of membership does not include privileges.

XI. Dues

Dues shall be payable January 1 of each year or upon the application for membership into the club. The amount of the dues will be fixed according to the wishes of the membership

- A. The dues structure is as follows:
1. Base Share
 - a. The base share of \$100 must be submitted with the membership application. Payment of the base share is not applicable to an Associated or

Junior membership (Unless the Junior member does not have an immediate family member who is also an adult member of TAI).

2. Annual Dues

- a. Adult membership (over 21) - \$72 per year.
- b. Junior membership (less than 21) - \$36 per year.
- c. An Associate member - \$35 per year.

B. All membership dues are payable by January 1st and are delinquent beyond the February business meeting of each calendar year. Delinquent dues are subject to a \$5.00 late fee for dues received beyond the February business meeting.

1. A delinquent member is a member who has not paid the required dues by the February business meeting.
2. A delinquent member elects to be removed from the membership and shall relinquish all privileges that membership in good standing provides.
3. A member that elects to be removed from the membership must surrender their gate key at that time.
4. Membership and its privileges shall be reinstated provided dues and late fees are paid.

C. New adult members that join in the middle of a calendar year shall pay \$6.00 per month for the partial and full remaining months in that year, and then they follow the normal dues payment schedule.

New Junior members that join in the middle of a calendar year shall pay \$3.00 per month for the partial and full remaining months in that year, and then they follow the normal dues payment schedule.

Any change in the dues structure of TAI shall be proposed, discussed and voted upon at a scheduled business session. All members in good standing shall be notified of the proposed changes at least 2 weeks in advance. Any decision made to changes in the dues structure shall be based upon the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at the business session, provided a quorum is present. A quorum shall be a minimum of forty percent (40%) of the enrolled voting membership.

XII. Bylaws Changes

Any changes in the Bylaws of TAI shall be proposed, discussed and voted upon at a scheduled business session. All members in good standing shall be notified of the proposed changes at least two weeks in advance. Any decision made to changes in the Bylaws shall be based upon the vote of two-thirds of the members present at the business session, provided a quorum is present. A quorum shall be a minimum of forty percent (40%) of the enrolled voting membership. A proxy vote is permitted provided it is signed and dated and shall be considered in that count for a quorum.

XIII. Flying Field Procedures

All members using the official club flying field shall abide by the rules and regulations approved and adopted by the voting membership of TAI. Non-members may not use the facilities of the club unless they are the invited guest of a voting member in good standing and the guest fully complies with the aforementioned rules and regulations.

It shall be the responsibility of each member of TAI to remind any member and/or non-member of any infraction of the club's rules and regulations and to report any consistent infractions to the members of the Board of Directors.

A contest director shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of TAI for each AMA official sanctioned or non-sanctioned club organized session. For AMA sanctioned events the appointed contest director shall hold a current AMA Contest Directors License. The contest director shall enforce all AMA as well as club rules and regulations and shall retain the right to temporarily amend or suspend any club rules as circumstances may dictate.

XIV. Stock

There are one hundred (100) shares issued in the corporation valued at one hundred (\$100) each. Every member is required to purchase one (1) share of TAI Stock: if the members spouse, junior son, junior daughter, become a member and additional share is required. TAI will repurchase the share from a member if he/she decides to relinquish their membership. The repurchase will be made within thirty (30) days of the new member being accepted into the club to fill the membership spot which was vacated. A fee of \$5.00 shall be deducted from the \$100 stock repurchase if the outgoing members gate key is not returned to the club.

Upon dissolution of the corporation, holders of stock will have their one hundred dollars (\$100) per share repurchased out of assets of the corporation. All remaining assets will be distributed for one (1) or more exempt purposes, to charities selected by the Board of Director in the office at the time of dissolution.