

BYLAWS  
Of the  
CATAWBA VALLEY  
RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC.  
Affiliated  
With the  
NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

ARTICLE I  
NAME

The name of this organization shall be CATAWBA VALLEY RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE II  
OBJECT

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle and pistol shooting among citizens of the United States resident in our community, with a view toward a better knowledge on the part of such citizens of the safe handling and proper care of firearms as well as improved marksmanship. It shall be our further object and purpose to forward the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team play and self reliance which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

ARTICLE III  
MEMBERSHIP

(a) Any citizen of the United States eighteen (18) years of age may become a member of this organization on unanimous vote of the members present at a regular monthly meeting after satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) Subscribing to the following pledge: I CERTIFY that I am a citizen of the United States of America and that I am not a member of any organization or group which has any part of its program the attempt to overthrow the Government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions by force or violence, that I have never been convicted of a crime of violence, and if admitted to membership I will faithfully endeavor to fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.
- (2) Payment of the usual initiation fee and dues.
- (3) Having attended three (3) regular monthly meetings.
- (4) And other requirements as voted on by the membership from time to time at any regular monthly meeting.

(b) Members are encouraged to attend at least six (6) meetings each year.

(c) The maximum number of club members shall be one hundred seventy-five (175). However, those age seventy (70) and with at least twenty (20) years of membership are designated as Distinguished Seniors whos' numbers are not counted to the total of club members. Those under this provision retain all rights, privileges, memberships, and publications received by other members in good standing.

ARTICLE IV  
DUES

(a) The amount of annual dues will be established by vote of the members from time to time. The club year begins May First.

(b) Each club member must maintain a membership in the National Rifle Association of America. It shall be the responsibility of each member to submit application, pay for, and renew his or her membership directly to NRA. Proof of NRA membership will be required at time and place of payment of club dues.

(c) No member of the club in arrears shall be eligible to vote or to enjoy any other privileges or benefits offered by the club. Failure to pay annual dues on time, unless waived by The Executive Committee, will place that member in arrears at the end of the June meeting and will be dropped from membership. If the membership limit has been reached and there is a waiting list, the applicant will fall in line and wait on a slot to open to re-join.

(d) Club members age sixty-two (62) and with at least twenty (20) years of membership are exempt from annual dues. Members exempt from paying dues under this provision retain all rights, privileges, memberships, and publications received by any other member in good standing.

(e) Members may be credited toward annual dues for work performed for the club. Maximum credit hours and hourly rate may be established by vote of the members from time to time.

ARTICLE V  
MEETINGS

(a) ANNUAL MEETING. The annual meeting of the club shall be held on the first Thursday in April each year. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed, it shall be held within a reasonable time before or after, and the officers shall hold over until the successors have been elected.

(b) REGULAR MEETING. The regular business meeting of the club for the transaction of ordinary business shall be held on the first Thursday of each month, at such time and place as may be fixed by The Executive Committee.

(c) SPECIAL MEETING. A special meeting of the club may be held at any time upon the call of the President or upon the call of the Executive Committee, or upon demand in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less than twenty percent (20%) of the members entitled to vote. Notice of the time, place, and object of any special meeting shall be given to all officers and members in good standing by electronic mail, posted on the club website and posted in the clubhouse not less than seven (7) days prior to the date fixed for holding of the meeting. The place of such special meeting shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.

(d) QUORUM. A quorum at any regular scheduled meeting shall be those members present for the meeting, but a quorum for club charter or bylaw amendments shall be twenty-five percent (25%) of the members eligible to vote.

ARTICLE VI  
OFFICERS

(a) The officers of this club shall be President, Vice- President, Secretary, Treasurer, Range Officer, and Executive Range Officer who, acting together shall constitute the Executive Committee. All past presidents of the club shall be exofficio member of the Executive Committee. Officers shall be elected by a majority vote by ballot of the members in good standing present at the annual meeting of the club. They shall hold office for one year or until their successor is elected.

(b) The Executive Committee shall have general supervision and control of all the activities of the club.

(c) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held from time to time at such time and place as the Committee may determine. Special meetings may be held at any time on the call of the President or on demand, in writing to the Secretary, by three members of the Committee.

(d) Members of the Committee present at a scheduled meeting shall constitute a quorum.

(e) A vacancy in the Executive Committee may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Committee.

ARTICLE VII  
DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(a) PRESIDENT. The president shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the Executive Committee. He shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to his office.

(b) VICE-PRESIDENT. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence or at his request.

(c) SECRETARY. The secretary shall maintain records of all Executive Committee meetings and regular monthly meetings, forwarding copies of monthly meeting minutes to the membership. He shall conduct routine correspondence as necessary on behalf of the club and shall be responsible for reaffiliating the club annually with the National Rifle Association. He shall receive all applications for membership and shall have custody of all books and papers of the club except records and books maintained by the Treasurer.

(d) TREASURER. The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the club and place the same in such bank or banks as may be approved by the Executive Committee. Such money shall only be withdrawn by check signed by the Treasurer and for the payment of such bills as shall have been approved at a monthly meeting or by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all his transactions and render a detailed report with vouchers at any meeting of the Executive Committee when requested and an annual report of the organization at its annual meeting.

(e) RANGE OFFICER. The Range Officer shall be responsible for preparing a list of matches conducted by the club, and assisting the Executive Range Officer in his duties.

(f) EXECUTIVE RANGE OFFICER. The Executive Range Officer shall be responsible for indoctrinating and training prospective and new members in safety procedures, club policies, and bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII  
SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

(a) Any officer or other member may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the member in good standing present at any special meeting called for this purpose. No vote on suspension or removal may be taken unless at least fifteen (15) days notice in writing have been given to the officer or member of the reasons for his removal and of the time and place of the special meeting at which such ballot on his removal is to be taken. At such special meeting the officer or member shall be given a full hearing.

(b) Any member who knowingly provides access for unaccompanied guests to range or range facilities by means of gate key, shall be permanently suspended from club membership and club property by process prescribed in paragraph (a) this Article. All current paid membership dues will remain property of the club treasury.

ARTICLE IX  
AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the club at any regular meeting or special meeting called for the purpose. They must be acted upon at a meeting called for the purpose, provided a copy of the amendment has been presented to each club member by electronic mail, posted on the club website and posted in the clubhouse at least ten (10) days previous to the meeting. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present will be necessary to pass.

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Club Secretary