

BY LAWS
OF THE
Bethel Sportsman Club, INC.

ARTICLE I
Name

The name of this organization shall be Bethel Sportsman CLUB, INC. The words “club”, “corporation” and “organization” used herein shall be construed to mean the Bethel Sportsman’s Club, Inc.

ARTICLE II
Seal

The corporation may adopt a seal at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III
Principal Office

The principal office of the corporation shall be in Bethel, Alaska, but it may have other offices and transact business at such other places as the Board of Directors may select.

ARTICLE IV
Membership

Any citizen of the United States 18 years of age or older may become a member of the Bethel Sportsman’s Club on the vote of the Board of Directors after subscribing to the National Rifle Association Pledge and payment of the required one year’s dues in advance to the Bethel Sportsman’s Club.

The National Rifle Association Pledge is as follows:

I certify that I am a citizen of good repute of the United States of America; that I am not a member of any organization or group having as its purpose or one of its purposes the overthrow by force and violence of the Government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions; that I have never been convicted of a crime of violence; and that, if admitted to membership, I will fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship. Applicants not meeting citizen requirement may petition the board of directors for membership.

ARTICLE V

Purposes and Objectives

The purposes and objectives for which this organization is formed are as follows.

- A. To provide, construct, operate, and maintain ranges, fields, buildings, and other facilities where members and their guests may meet, congregate, and assembly together for the enjoyment of rifle, pistol, shotgun, muzzle loader, and archery sports both indoors and outdoors.
- B. To provide appropriate recreational facilities for the furtherance of all types of sports and to promote all types of recreational activity.
- C. To provide, construct, maintain, and operate rifle and pistol ranges, trap and skeet ranger, archery ranges, clubhouses and other facilities and to hold organized meets, matches and other contests for the members, their guests and the general public.
- D. To develop and sponsor special or general programs designed to teach firearms safety, marksmanship and sportsmanship to novice or inexperienced hunters and other persons who are not familiar with firearms by the use of qualified and competent instructors.
- E. To monitor, foster, sponsor, and propose or resist legislation that may affect the ownership of firearms and keep the members of the organization and this community informed as to the status and effect legislation.
- F. To monitor, foster, propose, sponsor, or resist enactment of legislation or regulations affecting hunting, fishing, conservation or recreation in the State of Alaska.
- G. To do all of the things necessary and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes, the attainment of the objectives or in furtherance of any of the powers herein before set forth, either alone or in connection with other organizations or individuals, and to every other act or thing incidental, pertinent to or growing out of or connected with the objectives, powers and purposes of this corporation.

ARTICLE VI

Dues

Dues of \$80.00 per year, (\$15.00 a year to be put in the lead abatement fund) a \$750.00 agency fee, (\$150.00 a year to be put in the lead abatement fund), or day fee of \$10.00 per person for nonmembers. All annual dues shall be payable at the time of or prior to the annual meeting held in March. If a member joins after 01 September, dues will be 50% of the annual dues. No member in arrears in payment of dues shall be allowed to vote or to enjoy the benefits and privileges offered by the Club. Each member is allowed to bring a guest under their membership fee.

There shall be no initiation fees.

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

- A. The annual meeting of the Club shall be held during the month of March of each year. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter, and the officers shall hold over until their successors shall have been elected. Ten percent (10%) of the members entitled to vote shall constitute to a quorum at said meeting. Members may be represented by written proxy at such meeting. Notice of the Annual Meeting shall be given to each member entitled to vote and in good standing by U.S. Mail at the address shown on the books of the Club at least ten (10) days prior to said meeting. The notice shall designate the time and place of the meeting and describe the business to be transacted.
- B. Special Meetings – may be held at any time and upon the call of the President or a majority of the Board of Directors or upon a demand in writing signed by not less than twenty percent (20%) of the membership entitled to vote, stating the object of the proposed meeting. Notice of such special meeting shall be given to all officers, directors, and members in good standing in writing by U.S. Mail not less than seven (7) days prior to such meeting. The place for such meeting shall be selected by the Board of Directors.
- C. Emergency meetings – may be called on 24-hour notice, provided a crisis situation exists. The 24-hours notice will be given in the best way possible.
- D. Virtual meetings – virtual meetings may be held in place of regular meetings on teleconferencing platforms such as Skype, Google Hangouts, Vidyo, Zoom, etc.
- E. Proxy voting is allowed if ballots are delivered to members prior to the meeting. These voting ballots may be electronic or paper.

ARTICLE VIII

Directors

- A. The corporate powers of this Club shall be vested in the Board of Directors consisting of seven (7) members of the Club in good standing that shall be elected for three (3) year terms excepting the short-term Directors' seats described below.
- B. The officers of the corporation enumerated above shall be elected by the majority vote of the members of the Board of Directors at an election that will be held immediately following the annual meeting of the members of the corporation held during March of each year. The officers of the Club will hold office for one year – until the following annual meeting when vacancies will be filled, and an election will be again be held by the Board of Directors to select its officer.

ARTICLE IX

Powers of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall have the general management and supervision of the corporate activities of the Club and may delegate such powers to the various officers and agents of the Club as it may deem in

the best interest of the Corporation. The Board of Directors shall have full power to elect, appoint, and to remove any and all agents, employees, and officers of the corporation and to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation. The Board of Directors shall have the power to conduct, manage, and control the business and affairs of the corporation and to make rules and appointments of offices and agents consistent with the laws of the State of Alaska, the Articles of Incorporation, and these By-laws. The Board of Directors shall have the power to incur indebtedness. The note or other evidence of indebtedness shall be signed by the President and Secretary/Treasurer and shall be binding on the corporation. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of at least four (4) of the seven (7) directors present at any meeting.

ARTICLE X

Officers

- A. The officers of the corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Executive Officer and such other officers as the Board of Directors may determine proper. Officers shall hold office for a period of one year following their election by the Board of Directors or until such times as they are removed, resign, or until their successors are elected. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined and offices of Chief Instructor and Executive Officer may be combined.
- B. In an effort to maintain Board continuity and to stagger vacancies on the Board of Directors, the seven (7) Board seats shall be designated as a 3-3 year terms, 2-2 year terms, and 2-1 year terms at the first Annual Meeting. The seven-member Board elected at that time will draw lots to determine length of term in office. Henceforth, all Directors has 3 unexcused absences from meetings in a twelve-month period, that member shall be removed from office, the vacancy shall be handled as paragraph (D).
- C. The Board of Directors shall be elected by a majority of the members present or represented by proxy entitled to vote at the annual meeting held for election of directors. Ten percent (10%) of the members entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum at said meeting.
- D. In the event of a vacancy in the office of directors due to resignation, death, or inability to act, such vacancy shall be filled by a member selected by a majority vote of those directors remaining and directors so elected shall hold office for the remained of the term of the director he/she replaced. The Board of Directors shall at their first meeting after election elect one of their numbers to act as president and he/she shall preside over the meetings.
- E. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at any time upon the call of the President of the Board of Directors and shall be called upon the written request of any two members of the Board. Notice of such meeting shall be given at least five (5) days' prior of U.S. Main unless notice is waived by the members. At any such meeting, four (4) members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI

Duties of Officers

- A. President – shall preside at all meetings of the Club and of the Executive Committee. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to his/her office.
- B. Vice-president – shall perform the duties of the President in his/her absence or upon request.
- C. Secretary – shall conduct all official correspondence pertaining to the Club. The Secretary shall keep a full, accurate, and complete record of the proceedings of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee and of the meetings of the members. The Secretary shall keep the corporate seal, if one exists, and affix the same to appropriate instruments as may be required. The Secretary shall prepare and mail notices of meetings and any other notices which may be required.
- D. Treasurer – shall have the 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 an authorized member of the Executive Board and for payment of such bills as shall have been approved by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all the transactions and render a detailed report with vouchers at any meeting of the Executive Committee when requested and an annual report to the organization at its annual meeting.
- E. Chief Instructor – shall have charge of all small arms instruction with authority to appoint his/her assistants. The Chief Instructor shall contract no bills without the authorization of the Executive Committee.
- F. Executive Officer – shall have the charge of the ranges of the Club, the printing of scorecards, the arranging of competitions, etc. The Executive Officer shall contract no bills without the authorization of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XII

Membership Certificates

Each member shall receive a certificate of membership in such form as the Board of Directors may select.

ARTICLE XIII

Suspension or expulsion

- A. Any officer may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members 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 shall have been given to the officers of the reasons for the removal and of the time and place of the special meeting at which such ballot on his/her removal is to be taken. At such special meeting the officer shall be given a full hearing.
- B. Any member may be suspended or expelled from the club for any cause deemed sufficient by the Executive Committee by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members of the Committee present at any regular or special meeting. No vote on suspension or expulsion may be taken unless at least fifteen (15) days' notice in writing shall have been given to the members of the

charges preferred and of the time and place of the meeting of the Executive Committee at which such charges will be considered. At such meeting the member under charges will be accorded a full hearing.

- C. Charges against any officer or member may be preferred by any member in good standing. They shall be in writing clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits that are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the Secretary, who will immediately notify the President. The President will call a meeting of the Executive Committee to hear the charges. The Secretary will give at least fifteen (15) days' notice of the meeting to each members of the Executive Committee and to the accuser and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.
- D. Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Committee may appeal to the full membership of the Club. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Secretary who will notify the President. The President will call a special meeting of the club for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least fifteen (15) days' notice in writing too all members of the club in good standing stating the date, time, place, and reason for such a special meeting. At the meeting of the full club the Secretary will read the original charges, the supporting affidavits, and will read or display the accompanying exhibits, and will read the minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee at which the charges where heard and action taken. A full hearing will be given the accuser and the accused. A vote will be taken by ballot of the members in good standing present and a two-thirds vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XIV

Match Rules

All rifle, pistol, or revolver competitions held by the club may be governed by the rules and regulations laid down by the National Rifle Association of America, approved by the National Board for the promotion of Rifle Practice and the Secretary of the Army or other match rules as approved by the Bethel Sportsman's Club Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XV

Adoption of By-laws and/or Amendments

The initial By-laws shall be adopted and approved by the Board of Directors pursuant to law if the same shall have been ratified and approved by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the club in good standing and entitled to vote and present at the membership meeting. The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal By-laws is vested in the members of the club by the articles of incorporation. They may be amended, altered, repealed or otherwise changed or revised at any regular or special meeting or by mail upon the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Corporation in good standing and entitled to vote. A copy of the proposed amendment, change, or alteration must be sent to each member of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE XVI
Dissolution of the Corporation

Voluntary dissolution of the corporation and distribution of assets shall be made according to the laws of the State of Alaska.

The above and foregoing By-laws of the Bethel Sportsman's Club, Inc., were considered, ratified, and approved and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of the Bethel Sportsman's Club, Inc., at the monthly meeting of the corporation held September 14th, 2010, a quorum being present at said time and place.

Bethel Sportsman's Club

Code of Conduct

- A. Safety is my watchword. Nothing happening on the shooting range is more important than safety.
- B. Situational awareness will help me stay safe from my fellow shooters, the unexpected, and myself. I realize that by being aware of everything around me, I am better able to head off unsafe situations before they happen.
- C. Keeping my chamber empty until I am ready to shoot will help me ensure safety.
- D. Ricochets are common on frozen ground, but can happen any time. I can mitigate ricocheted rounds by shooting only approved targets on approved target stands.
- E. Our range rules forbid the consumption of mind-altering substances before and during firearms use. I will be sober while on the range and I will be watchful of the sobriety of fellow shooter.
- F. Brass, target debris, and trash diminish safety on the range and it looks bad. I will remove all of my refuse and any left behind by other shooters. The condition of the range is a reflection of stewardship of our shooting range.
- G. I believe that the best teaching method is to teach by example. I will model safety, sportsmanship, cooperation, and stewardship so that other shooters may use my example to emulate.
- H. Within the rules of the range, I will respect other shooters' right to enjoy their style of recreational and competitive shooting.