



#### ARTICLE 1. NAME:

The name of the corporation will be 107<sup>th</sup> R/C Flyers Club, Inc. (the Club).

#### ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE OF THE CLUB.

- 1. The purpose of this Club shall be to further the development, building, and safe operation of radio- controlled and control line model aircraft as a hobby and sport only. The Club will be dedicated to the promotion of safety in all aspects of model aviation. The Club shall maintain a charter membership in the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA) and shall be incorporated in the state of Massachusetts, and will be operated exclusively as a charitable, educational, and scientific organization within the meaning of Section 501 (c), (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Code).
- 2. Subject to the foregoing, the primary objective of the Club will be to promote the educational and scientific aspects of model aviation, especially pertaining to radio-controlled model airplanes and helicopters, and carry on the activities of the Club.
- 3. No part of the net earnings of the Club shall inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Members, Officers, Board Members, or other private person, except that the Club shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for expenses and services rendered and make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in Sections 1 and 2 hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Club shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence Legislation and the Club shall not participate in or intervene in (including publishing or distribution of documents) any political campaign behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding, any provision of these articles, the Club shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from the Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by a Corporation, contributions to which, are deductible under Section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue code (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Service Law.)

#### **ARTICLE 3. OFFICERS**

The Club will be operated by the Board of Directors which will consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and five Board Members at large.

#### **ARTICLE 4. MEMBERSHIPS**

- 1. All members shall maintain a current membership in the AMA, (and FAA registration if in effect) and is open for all ages, as described below:
- 2. Student Member, under 18 years old, and must be accompanied by parent or responsible adult.
- 3. Regular Member, over 18 year's old and less than 65 years old.
- 4. Senior Member, age 65 or over.
- 5. Membership will run from January 1 to December 31, and fees will be established and published by the Board of Directors.
- Members will agree in writing to abide by the Club By-Laws, the Rules of the Club and Rules of the AMA.
- 7. Application for re-membership from a prior member will require current membership fees, but the New Membership fee will be waived.
- 8. A special "Non-Flying Membership" will be allowed for prior members wishing to enjoy all privileges of the Club, including field entrance, but will not be allowed to fly and will not require AMA membership. All other dues and obligations will remain.

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#### ARTICLE 5. DUTIES OF CLUB OFFICERS

- 1. President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and Membership. All Committees shall report to the President. The President will be responsible for making sure all actions of the Board and Membership are carried out in compliance with the Club By-Laws and other Rules of the Club. The President will co-sign all checks over \$1,000.00 dollars for fund distributions. A quorum of the Board shall consist of 2/3 of the Officers and Board Members. Only the President or designated appointee by the Board of Directors may contact the DCR regarding the business and operations at the 107<sup>th</sup> R/C Flying Club at the Rumney Marsh.
- 2. Vice-President. The Vice-President will assume duties of the President in the President's absence.
- 3. Secretary. The Secretary will take the minutes of all Board and Membership Meetings and distribute written copies at appropriate times. The Secretary, under the direction of the President, will keep all records of the Club, handle all correspondence and notify Board Members and General Members of meetings and special events, and handle all correspondence with AMA.
- 4. Treasurer. The Treasurer will handle all monies and material assets of the Club; will keep written inventory of any and all equipment owned by the Club, all checks over \$1,000.00 dollars to be co-sign by the president, will maintain a running ledger of expenditures/deposits, and will reconcile same with bank statements, will present financial status reports at Board and Membership meetings, and will set up all accounts with the bank(s).
- 5. Directors. The Board Members will assist the Club Officers, as requested by the Officers, and supervise operations of the Club. The Directors will audit the Club's assets when they are elected and just before they leave office.
- 6. Field Marshall. The Board may appoint a member in good standing to this position, with the members' acceptance. The Field Marshall at the Flying Field may decide when any person present is acting in a manner not in keeping with the Club By-Laws, Club Rules, and AMA Safety Rules, and can request the person to correct this. The Field Marshall has the authority to prohibit any person from flying or being on the field location if, in the Field Marshall's opinion, the person's behavior warrants this action.

## ARTICLE 6. ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Election of Officers and Board of Directors will take place at the Annual Membership Meeting. To be considered for election to the Board of Directors at large, a member must be in good standing, (Note - Members in good standing are those whose rights as members are not under suspension as a result of disciplinary action or notification.) and must have been a member in good standing for at least two years before running for office. In the event there are no qualified members in good standing that want to run, a member in good standing may be nominated at the discretion of the Board. To be considered for election to the Executive Board, a member must be in good standing, and have previously been on the Board of Directors for at least one complete year. However, members in good standing with less than the required qualifications may be nominated at the discretion of the Board. Prior to the Annual Election Meeting, a notification will be sent to the Membership asking if any qualified member in good standing is interested in running for any position on the Board. Upon request, any qualified member in good standing must submit their name in writing (for club records) so it can be placed on the ballot stating what position they are seeking; otherwise, they will be a write-in. At the General Election Meeting, a secret ballot will be taken by the attending members in good standing. The member receiving the most votes will be elected to office. In event of a tie, a re-vote will be taken until the tie is broken. If any vacancy in the Board exists between Annual Meetings, the Board may appoint any member in good standing to fill the void for the rest of the term.

# ARTICLE 7. COMMITTEES.

The Board will establish such standing or temporary committees as are deemed necessary to promote the purposes of the Club.

# ARTICLE 8. ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Board and General Membership for the purpose of electing Officers and Board Members shall take place on the third Thursday in November, unless otherwise designated by the Board of Directors. Members shall be notified of this meeting with the slate of nominees (as described above) in writing at least two weeks prior to the meeting. A quorum shall consist of at least 25% of the members in good standing and is required for elections.

The business of the Club shall be conducted in general accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.





#### ARTICLE 9. CHANGES IN THE BY-LAWS.

Any member in good standing may request a change in the By-Laws by approaching the Board at regular Board Meetings. If the proposed change is approved by a unanimous vote of the Board, it will then be presented to the General Membership at the next General Meeting (having a quorum) for a vote. If approved by a 2/3 majority of those members in good standing present, it will result in the proposed change being included in the By-Laws.

Notification of such a change shall be included in the aforementioned required notice for the General Meeting. The change will go into effect 30 days after the vote.

#### ARTICLE 10. SAFETY.

The attached Club Rules shall be considered to be included in the By-Laws. These may be updated from time to time by a majority vote of the Board. Any member in good standing wishing to revise these Rules may present the proposed change to the Board for consideration. The current AMA Rules also are considered to be included in the By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE 11. IDENTIFICATION.

All members must have their current Membership Card visible on them when flying at the Field. Failure to display current Membership Card may result in the member being prohibited from flying that time.

#### ARTICLE 12. FLYING HOURS

Flying hours are not officially limited, but will usually extend from sunrise to sunset and abide by the Club Rules. The exception is: NO gas, nitro or kerosene prior to 9:00am on Sunday.

# ARTICLE 13. CENSURE, SUSPENSION, EXPULSION

A Quorum of the Board, as described above, shall decide the punishment of any member if a violation has occurred. The degree of violation shall govern the punishment that the Board will hand out. A third offense for the same infraction in a calendar year will result in automatic suspension, unless otherwise exempted by the Board. The length of suspension will be a minimum of, but not limited to, one month.

Any member can be expelled by a unanimous decision of a quorum of the Board when proper charges have been presented and a hearing held. The decision of the Board regarding suspension is final.

### ARTICLE 14. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE:

Any Officer or Board Member can be removed from office for cause. This removal will be by a majority vote of the entire Board. The Membership can remove any Officer or Board Member for cause by a 2/3 vote of the current Membership in good standing.

#### ARTICLE 15. GUEST

Any member may bring a guest to the Field. The member is responsible for the actions of the guest. The sponsoring member must make the guest aware of our Club Rules, and remain at the field with the guest. A guest with current AMA (displayed) may also pilot an aircraft pursuant to the Club Rules. After 3 visits, the guest must apply for membership if they want to continue to fly at our club.

# ARTICLE 16. DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB CORPORATION.

In event of dissolution of the Corporation, the Board shall, after paying or making provisions for payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all assets of the Corporation exclusively to further the purposes for which the Corporation was organized in such a manner, or to such organization and organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable and scientific purposes as shall, at the time, qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501 (c) (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as the Board may determine.





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# ARTICLE 17. APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE.

The By-Laws as depicted above were hereby approved and accepted by a quorum of the Board, and a quorum of the General Membership this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

Signed:	In De	Mu	ت	, President: Date: _	1/25/18
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