

CONSTITUTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY DX/CONTEST CLUB

PREAMBLE: We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasures and benefits of the association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves as the MISSISSIPPI VALLEY DX/CONTEST CLUB and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further exchange of information between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of amateur radio in the community.

MEMBERSHIP:

ARTICLE I

All licensed amateurs interested in DXing and contesting shall be eligible for membership.*
(Membership shall be by application and election upon such terms as the club shall by its By-Laws provide.)

OFFICERS

ARTICLE II

Sec. 1 – The officers of the club shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2 – The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of members present at the last meeting of the calendar year.

Sec. 3 – Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special elections at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal or resignation.

Sec. 4. – Officers may be removed by a three-fourths vote of the membership.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

ARTICLE III

Sec. 1. – The president shall preside at all meetings of this club, and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide on all questions of order; sign all official documents that are adopted by the club, and none other, and perform all other customary duties pertaining to the office of the president.

Sec. 2 – The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the president in the absence of the latter, and shall perform the duties of Activities Manager. The Activities Manager's duties shall be to organize club member activities, plan and recommend contests for operating benefit, and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club.

* Radio communication between amateur stations solely with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest.

Sec. 3 - The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit membership applications, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting, and mail written meeting notices to each member. At the expiration of his/her term he/she shall turn over all items belonging to the club to his/her successor.

Sec. 4 - The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for all monies paid to the club; keep an accurate account of all monies received and expended; pay no bills without proper authorization (by the club or its officers constituting a business committee). He/she shall submit an itemized statement of receipts and disbursements to be included in the record of the proceedings of the meetings. At the end of his/her term he/she shall turn over everything in his/her possession belonging to the club to his/her successor.

CLUB
CALLSIGN

ARTICLE IV

The club may elect to apply for a club call sign as provided by FCC rules Part 97.

The President shall assign trusteeship of the club call sign.

The trustee shall:

Be a member of the club in good standing

Meet FCC requirements.

Not had his/her Radio Amateur licensed revoked or sanctioned at any time.

AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE V

This constitution or By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the membership. Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting and shall be voted on at the next following regular meeting, provided all members have been noticed by mail of the intent to amend the constitution and/or By-Laws at said meeting

BY-LAWS

1. MEMBERSHIP. Applications for membership shall be submitted at a regular meeting in writing. Each applicant must express a willingness to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws and other rules promulgated by the club. Two-thirds of those present shall approve the applicant before he shall be considered elected to membership.
2. MEETINGS. Regular meetings shall be held monthly at such a place and time as the president shall order. Special meetings may be called by the president upon the written request of any five club members. Notices shall be sent to members concerning special meetings and the business to be transacted. Only such business as designated shall be transacted. Such notices shall be so sent to members by E-mail, postal mail, or by posting on the club Website.
3. DUES. An annual assessment of \$20.00 per member is hereby assessed for the purpose of providing funds for current expenses.

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