

CONSTITUTION OF THE WESTERN CAROLINA AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY (WCARS)

Article I

Name: The name of this organization shall be the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society.

Article II

Purpose: The purpose of this organization shall be the promotion of interest in amateur radio communications and experimentation; the relaying of messages by radio without charge; the furtherance of the public welfare; the advancement of the radio art; the fostering and promotion of intercommunication by electronic means for the personal benefit of members and without pecuniary gain; the fostering of education in the field of electronic communications; the dissemination of knowledge and information by electronic means. The Society strongly supports and encourages an active relationship with emergency and disaster relief organizations.

No part of the assets or income of our corporation shall be the property of any member or members, but such assets and income shall be devoted exclusively to the purpose herein set forth.

The Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes as defined within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; including the fostering of education in the field of electronic communications and the dissemination of knowledge by electronic means.

Article III

Membership: Full membership in the society shall be open to any license amateur having an interest in the purpose of the Society upon payment of annual dues. Persons who are not licensed amateurs, but who have an interest in the purpose of the Society may become Associate members upon payment of annual dues. Other type of memberships may be authorized in the Bylaws. The amount of dues for each class of membership and method of determining dues will be specified in the bylaws.

Article IV

Officers: There shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer whose duties, eligibility for office, removal from office, succession and terms of office are defined in the bylaws of the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society.

Article V

Meetings: The times and places of meetings will be recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by a majority of those members present at

the next regularly scheduled business meeting. A minimum of eleven business meetings will be held each year.

Article VI

Committees: Committees shall be established to operate the Society in the most efficient and effective manner possible. The specific committees and their respective duties are defined in the bylaws.

Article VII

Quorum: No binding action may be taken by the Society unless a quorum is present at Society meetings. A quorum shall consist of twenty (20%) of the Society's total voting membership.

Article VIII

Society Radio Station: Radio station(s) for the use of licensed amateur radio operators may be maintained. The operation of the station(s) will be under the jurisdiction of the Trustee named on the station license and the operation of the station(s) must be conducted in a manner satisfactory and acceptable to the Trustee and in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission rules and regulations.

Article IX

Amendments: This Constitution may be amended by two-thirds of the voting members of the Society. Absentee ballots will be permitted for this purpose.

Article X

Authority: The purpose of this document, and its bylaws, is to update and clarify points of possible confusion in previous documents. Upon adoption of this Constitution on this the first day of January, 1993, all prior versions of the Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society Constitution and amendments thereto will become null and void. This Constitution together with the Society's Bylaws will be the primary documents controlling the Society's operations and business.

This Constitution was approved and adopted on the 2nd day of July, 1992.

By:

President

ATTEST:

Secretary