

SDARC Constitution

Preamble:

We, the undersigned, wishing to secure for ourselves the pleasure and benefits of an association of persons commonly interested in Amateur Radio, constitute ourselves the

Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club “ SDARC ” Of (counties) Carbon and Emery (State) Utah

and enact this constitution as our governing law. It shall be our purpose to further the exchange of information and cooperation between members, to promote radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency, and to so conduct club programs and activities as to advance the general interest and welfare of Amateur Radio in the community.

Article I

Membership

All persons interested in Amateur Radio communication shall be eligible for membership. Membership shall be by application and election upon such terms as the club shall provide in its By-Laws. Membership may not be denied because of race, creed, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, political affiliation, marital status or any other reason that would be biased or prejudicial.

Article II

Officers

Section. 1. Offices

The officers of this club shall be President, Northern Vice President, Southern Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Communications.

Section. 2. Eligibility

In order to hold an office an individual must be a member in good standing for at least one year and hold a valid Amateur Radio license.

Section. 3. Elections

The officers of this club shall be elected for a term of one year by ballot of the members present, provided there be a quorum, at the annual meeting.

Section. 4. Term limits

An individual may not hold the same office for more than two terms and may not serve more than three consecutive terms as an officer.

An individual may not hold more than one office during the same term.

Section. 5. Vacancies

Vacancies occurring between elections must be filled by special election at the first regular meeting following the withdrawal or resignation of an officer.

Article III

Duties of Officers

Section. 1. President

The President shall preside at all meetings, and conduct them according to the rules adopted. He/She shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents adopted by the radio club, and perform all other duties pertaining to the office of President.

Section. 2. Northern Vice President (Carbon County)

The Northern Vice President shall be a resident of Carbon County and act as a liaison for events and activities in his/her district. He/She shall assume the duties of the President in His/Her absence when requested to do so by the President. In addition, he/she shall help plan and organize club activities and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club. He/She shall assist the Communication Officer as requested.

Section. 3. Southern Vice President (Emery County)

The southern Vice President shall be a resident of Emery County and act as a liaison for events and activities in his/her district. He/She shall assume the duties of the President in his/her absence when requested to do so by the President. In addition, he/she shall help plan and organize club activities and advance club interest and activity as approved by the club. He/She shall assist the Communication Officer as requested.

Section. 4. Secretary / Treasurer

The Secretary / Treasurer 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 / e-mail meeting notices to members. He/She 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). At the end of each quarter he/she submit an itemized statement of disbursements and receipts. 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.

Section. 5. Communication Officer

The Communication Officer shall with the help from both area Vice Presidents maintain close liaison with the local ARRL's local ARES ® Emergency Coordinator to further club participation in the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. ® He/She will coordinate the clubs Field day or other radio events to include Club Nets. He/She will ensure that all Net Control operators are properly licensed and that all FCC part 97 rules and procedures are used at all times.

In addition, he/she will be responsible for the operation of any Civil Defense facilities which the club may become involved in as well as any club stations.

Article IV

Meetings

The By-Laws shall provide for regular and special meetings. At meetings, a minimum of one-third of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern proceedings.

Article V

Dues

The club, by majority vote of those present at any regular meeting, may levy upon the general membership such dues or assessments as shall be deemed necessary for the business of the organization. Non-payment of such dues or assessments shall be cause for expulsion from the club within the discretion of the membership.

Article VI

Membership Assistance

The club, through designated interference, Public Relations, and Operating Committees will provide technical advice to members concerning equipment design and operation to assist in frequency observance, clean signals, uniform practice, and absence of spurious radiation's from club member-stations. The club shall also maintain a program to foster and guide new Amateur Radio operators and public relations.

Article VII

Club Call Sign

The club call sign as provided by the FCC rules part 97 is: **K7SDC & KF7TBD**

The President shall assign trusteeship of the club call sign.

The trustee shall:

1. Be a member of the club in good standing.
2. Meet FCC requirements.
3. Not had his/her Amateur Radio license revoked or sanctioned at any time.

Article VIII

Dissolution of The Club

Section. 1. Termination of Operations

In the event that the Board of Directors (club officers) votes that the Club should be dissolved the motion for dissolution must receive more than two thirds vote of the full membership to pass.

Section. 2. Disposition of assets

The Board of directors shall handle the disbursement of all assets of the club.

No member or group of members shall receive benefit from the assets.

All equipment purchased by the club will be sold and net proceeds donated to a non-profit organization.

All remaining cash will be donated to a non-profit organization.

Article IX

Amendments

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

Dated and passed this _____ day of _____, 2015, by the membership of the Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club, as read.

Signed: _____ President, Sinbad Desert Amateur Radio Club