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CONSTITUTION OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY DX CLUB, INC.

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Willamette Valley DX Club, Inc. (hereinafter the "Club").

Section 2. The Club is organized to bring together radio amateurs interested in the pursuit of the sport of DX, DX-contesting and/or DXpeditions; to secure closer cooperation and coordination in their effort to elevate the standards of practice and ethics in the use of amateur radio communication; and to participate in the exchange of knowledge, methods, or any other expedient that would be mutually beneficial to the members.

ARTICLE II

Qualifications of Members

- **Section 1**. Members shall possess a valid amateur radio license and have been elected by a majority vote of a quorum of members at a regular Club meeting.
- **Section 2**. There shall be two classifications of membership: Full, and Distinguished.
- **Section 3**. Distinguished members shall have distinguished themselves by their contributions to the Club, the sport of DXing, DX contesting, or DXpeditions. Any Full member meeting the Section 2 criterion may nominate a candidate for Distinguished membership. Nominations shall be submitted, either verbally or in writing, and detailing the reasons for the nomination.
- **Section 4**. Only members whose dues have been paid for the current calendar year shall be eligible to be counted as part of the quorum, vote, nominate, and otherwise participate in Club business.



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ARTICLE III

Club Leadership

Section 1. The officers of the Club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and three (3) Directors. Officers shall be elected by a majority of a quorum at the regular September Club meeting. If elections cannot be held in September, they must be held as soon as possible thereafter at a regular Club meeting. The term of office shall commence at the first regular Club meeting following election and continue until the regular meeting following the next election.

Section 2. Any officer may be removed from office by a 75% affirmative vote of a quorum at a regular Club meeting. Upon removal, nominations for a replacement may be submitted and voted upon at the current or subsequent regular Club meetings.

Section 3. Any member may be expelled from the Club by a 75% affirmative vote of a quorum during a regular Club meeting. In the event a member is expelled, they shall be entitled to a refund of dues on a pro-rated basis for the remainder of the calendar year.

ARTICLE IV

General Meetings

Section 1. The Club shall meet regularly each month at convenient times and locations as selected by the officers or at the discretion of the membership.

Section 2. If a by-law or constitutional amendment is to be voted upon, a quorum shall be at least 20% of the total membership. For all other Club business, a quorum shall be at least 10% of the total membership (Ref. Article II, Sec. 2).

ARTICLE V

Chapters and Special Interest Groups

Section 1. Chapters may be formed for a particular geographical or special interest subject area as follows:

Section 1.1 Formation of a chapter shall require a petition by at least three (3) qualifying members of the Club, stating their desire to establish a chapter. The petition shall be submitted to the Board of Directors and shall include the specific territory or special interest to be pursued.

Section 1.2 The authorization of a chapter shall require approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors or by a majority vote of a quorum at a regular Club meeting.



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Section 1.3 The authorization of a chapter may be revoked. Revocation of authorization for a chapter shall require a two-thirds majority vote of a quorum at a regular Club meeting.

ARTICLE VI

Amending the Constitution and/or By-Laws

Section 1. This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended. Amending the Constitution or By-Laws shall require a two-thirds majority vote of a quorum (see Article IV, Sec. 2) at a regular Club meeting.

Section 2. The Secretary shall mail a copy of the proposed amendment to each member not less than 21 days prior to the meeting the amendment is voted on. Alternately, if available, this notification may be made by email.

REVISIONS;

REV A- Original as re-formatted

REV B - Feb 19, 2016, as voted upon during WVDXC meeting January 28, 2016:

Constitution:

Section 2: Was: There shall be *three* classifications of membership: Full, *Associate*, and Distinguished. **Removed Section 3:** Associate members shall have expressed a sincere interest in the sport of DXing,

DX-contesting, or DXpeditions, renumbered remaining Sections.

Removed Section 7: Only Full, Associate, and Distinguished members may vote.



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BY-LAWS OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY DX CLUB, INC.

- **Section 1.** Any initiation fee shall be determined by a majority vote of a quorum at a regular Club meeting and is payable at the time of induction into the Club.
- **Section 2.** Dues shall be determined by a majority vote of a quorum of the membership at a regular Club meeting.
- **Section 3.** Dues are due on or before the regular January Club meeting. Dues for new members are pro-rated for the current calendar year and are payable at the time of induction into the club.
- **Section 4**. Any member delinquent in dues for twelve (12) months shall be dropped from the membership rolls.
- **Section 5**. Radio amateurs, while operating outside the continental United States, shall qualify for a certificate of Honorary membership by submitting evidence of two-way amateur radio communication with at least ten (10) Club members.
- Section 6. Club Business shall be conducted using Roberts Rules of Order