

Charleroi Sportsmen's Association

79 Gun Club Road - Charleroi, Pa 15022

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS 2009

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I. NAME:

This corporation shall be known as the Charleroi Sportsman's Association Inc.

II. OBJECTIVES:

It shall be for the purposes of developing and preserving the game, fish and forests of Pennsylvania. To develop marksmanship, to promote friendly cooperation with farmers and to assist in securing proper legislation for sportsmen. To promote conservation of wildlife and natural resources in general. And finally the promotion of the highest standards of sportsmanship.

III. OFFICERS:

The officers of the organization shall be as follows:

President
Vice President
Recording Secretary
Financial Secretary
Treasurer
13 Board members

1. Members of the board shall be elected in a six to five ratio. Six to serve for two years and five to serve for one year. Board members may succeed themselves. The president shall appoint two members each year.

2. Nominations shall be selected by a nomination committee and nominations off of the floor at the regular meeting in November.

3. Nominations and elections shall take place at the regular meeting in December. Candidates receiving the most votes shall be declared elected. In the case of a tie vote, the president shall cast the deciding vote.

4. Newly elected officers shall be installed and assume their elected position at the regular meeting in January and continue in office until relieved by their successor.

5. Board members missing three meetings in a calendar year without just cause will have their office declared vacant. A replacement will be made by a vote of the body at the next regular meeting.

6. All members must be in good standing.

7. If a member appointed by the president is vacated during the year, the president shall appoint a new member to fill out the balance of his term.

8. Any elective office vacated during the year shall be filled by nominations from the floor and elected at the next regular meeting.

IV. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS:

1. The president shall be the executive head of the association. He shall sign agreements made on the behalf of the association. He shall perform such other duties pertinent to the office. The president is subject to the constitution and by-laws of the association, the membership, and the board of directors.

1.1. The president can spend up to \$500.00 per month for the association without a meeting or vote from the board of directors.

2. The vice president shall assist the president in his duties and to preside at the meetings during his absence.

3. The recording secretary shall keep the minutes of all the meetings; shall keep a record of and attend to all correspondence for the association; Shall notify all board members of meetings of special nature; Shall have custody of the club seal, all papers, documents and statements, contracts, and shall perform other duties as the board may direct.

4. The financial secretary shall collect all dues and maintain records of same. Assist when and where he may be of most value to the association. He will also be in charge of the membership.

5. The treasurer shall disburse funds only on properly countersigned warrants. He shall keep an account of receipts and disbursements and submit a report of his activities monthly or when called upon to do so by the proper authority. He shall countersign all checks and sign all bills and other documents of financial character pertaining to his office when properly directed by the president or board of directors. The treasurer shall be bonded only if he is directed to become so by the board of directors.

6. The board of directors shall be an elected and appointed group of the members, which shall direct the destinies of the association. They may demand an audit at any time or they may call for an investigation of matters of the association when they deem it necessary.

7. Any monies being spent beyond normal expenses will be approved by the board of directors at a board meeting or regular meeting of the membership. Should a critical situation warrant it, an emergency meeting will be called to resolve the issue.

8. The five elected officers shall serve on the board of directors.

9. The board of directors shall meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. Any changes necessary can be made at a board meeting with the majority of the officers present.

V. PROCEDURE:

1. Regular monthly meetings shall be held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM. The board of directors shall have the power to change the meeting time when it is deemed necessary.
2. Meetings will be conducted according to Robert's Rules Of Order.
3. Special meetings may be called by the president, board of directors, or by written request of at least (15) fifteen members of the association.
4. Petitions pertaining to club affairs must be discussed and voted on by the membership at a regular meeting before any action is taken.

VI. QUORUM:

1. Fifteen members of the association shall constitute a quorum.
2. A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum.
3. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum.

VII. MANAGEMENT:

1. Any officer or member of the association shall receive compensation or remission of dues for services rendered by approval of the board of directors.

VIII. FISCAL YEAR AND DUES:

1. The fiscal year of the association shall be from July 1st to June 30th.
2. Dues are to July 31st. anyone not paying dues by July 31st will be considered a non-member. Dues will be accepted prior to April at the discretion of the financial secretary.

3. Annual membership dues are hereby fixed at \$25.00 for regular members and \$5.00 for life members. A life member is one who has been a member in good standing for five consecutive years prior to his 65th birthday.

IX. COMMITTEES:

1. THE HOUSE COMMITTEE: shall be appointed by the president and it will be directly responsible to the board of directors, as to its activities.

2. A minimum of three members are to serve on said committee.

2.1 Trap committee

2.2 Range committee

2.3 Conservation committee

2.4 Special events committee

3. The head of each committee shall submit a monthly report to the board of directors, of its monthly activities.

4. Committee reports shall be read at the clubs regular monthly meeting to the body of the association.

5. The board of directors shall have the power to remove any committee or member of a committee, if actions warrant. The board of directors in this event shall have the power to reappoint a new member to a committee or replace the entire committee.

X. MEMBERSHIP:

1. A member may be any person, being a citizen of the United States and at least 21 years of age and of good character.

1.1 Junior member --16 to 17 years of age.

1.2 Non-Drinking member -- 18 to 20 years of age.

2. Any prospective person wishing to join the association should visit the club with a member in good standing and fill out a membership application. The \$35.00 initiation fee shall accompany the application.

3. Applications for new membership will be reviewed by the board of directors and submitted to the membership to be voted upon.

XI. SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION:

1. Any member of the association may be expelled or suspended from the membership upon conviction by the state, or willfully violates game or fish laws, or found guilty of any conduct unbecoming of a true sportsman. No member however, can be expelled or suspended without first a fair trial before the board of directors, with or without council at their own expense.

1.1 Any member of the association may be given a temporary suspension by the bartender or any officer or board member, from all club grounds and activities until their trial before the board of directors, if their actions are deemed detrimental to the association, property, or patrons.

2. A member of the association may be warned by a letter, suspended, or expelled from the membership when his actions are deemed to be detrimental to the association by the board of directors. The decided period of suspension or permanent expulsion cannot proceed without a fair hearing before the board. Failure to appear at the hearing shall be deemed an admission of guilt and the board will enforce suspension or expulsion.

XII. DONATIONS:

Strike # 1 from 1988 by-laws.

Any donations requested shall be submitted by the board to the body at a regular meeting.

XIII. AMENDMENTS:

1. The constitution and by-laws may be amended when an amendment has been presented in writing and subscribed to at least ten members in good standing, at any regular meeting.

2. The proposed amendment must be read at two regular meetings and voted on at the third regular meeting. The majority vote shall be final and binding and added to the existing by-laws.