

BY-LAWS

EASTERN FULMONT AMETERUR RADIO CLUB

1. Secretary

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep the constitution and By-Laws of the club and have the same with him/her at every meeting. He/she shall note all amendments, changes and additions on the constitution and shall permit it to be consulted by members upon request.

2. Membership

Full membership is open to licensed Radio Amateurs.

Associate membership is open to those actively engaged in a class to an Amateur Radio license and all other interested persons.

Full membership includes all club privileges as well as rights to hold a club office and vote for club officers.

Associate membership includes all club privileges except for the right to hold office and vote for club officers.

Applications for membership shall be submitted at regular club meetings to the Secretary.

Membership is kept on a yearly basis. A member is in arrears if his/her dues are not paid by the second meeting after the beginning of the organization's fiscal year and is considered not in good standing and shall have no voting rights. Delinquent members may regain member status with the same fiscal year by paying the dues in arrears. Past members from previous years must reapply as a new member.

The Eastern Fulmont ARC expects its members maintain a high level of ethic, moral and lawful behavior due to the nature of our service and involvement in the community. In order for a person to obtain membership and/or retain their membership

in the Eastern Fulmont ARC, they must be in good moral and lawful standing. Any issue pertaining to a person's behavior having an impact on the Club's activities will be brought before the Ethics Committee. Said committee will consist of three members and one Board member in good standing. The Ethics Committee chair shall be a current board member appointed by the President with the approval of the remaining Board members. The Non-Board Committee members shall be members willing to volunteer for the committee and shall be approved by the Board and the general membership. The committee will determine the outcome of the issue. Final resolution(s) are to be determined by two thirds (2/3) vote of the general membership. A new committee will be appointed each time and issue needs to be determined. This will provide fairness to all.

3. Officer Nominations

Nominations for officers shall take place at the November monthly meeting. Election of officers shall take place at the December monthly meeting by the members in good standing. A quorum shall be present. Voting shall be held in the order of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. An unsuccessful candidate for an office may then be available for nomination for subsequent office. Secret ballots must be used in any contested election. The officers of this club shall be elected for a term January through December.

4. Meetings and Nets

Regular meetings are to be held the third Saturday of the month beginning January thru December at a time and place set by the club. Meetings shall be set and announced prior to the close of the previous meeting.

Special meetings may be called by either the President or by request, presented to the President in writing, by three (3) members in good standing. All members in good standing shall be notified at the earliest possible time of any meeting. Only such business in the notice may be transacted at the special meeting.

OPTIONAL

The Eastern Fulmont ARC may conduct weekly Nets on the club repeater or any usable frequency if the club repeater is not available. Other Nets will be held on an as needed or requested basis.

5. Dues

Dues necessary to carry on the normal and expected expenses of the operation of the Club shall be levied on an annual basis. The fiscal year for membership purposes shall commence in January and run through December of each year.

5a. Dues rates for the following fiscal year may be set upon motion and vote of the membership at any regular meeting. Current dues are set at \$15.00 (Fifteen dollars US) and gratis for new members of six months or less of the fiscal year. A fee of \$20.00 (Twenty US) shall be charged for addition of spouse or immediate family.

Termination of membership either by resignation or expulsion will not constitute a refund of dues paid.

6. Committees

The President shall appoint any committees as needed to pursue the interests of the club. The President is considered a member of each committee, even if unable to participate actively, and shall be kept informed of the committee's activity.

6a. Radio Frequency Interference (RFI) Committee. This committee shall assist members and affected parties with know-how to alleviate problems of interference to radio, television, telephone and other electronic devices.

6b. Repeater Committee (OPTIONAL). This committee shall maintain and operate a repeater or any additional repeaters for use of our club membership and the amateur community. Trustees of such repeater(s) shall be committee members approved by two thirds (2/3) vote of the general membership.

6c. Club History. The Secretary shall know where items of club history are stored.

6d. Public Service. This committee shall be appointed to provide service in the form of amateur radio communications to the community.

7. Amendments. Proposed amendments to the By-Laws or Constitution must be submitted in writing by a member in good standing at a regular meeting. The amendment shall be read at the meeting and upon acceptance, the amendment will be tabled for vote at the following meeting.

Proposed amendments, once accepted, may not be voted upon until the following meeting. The membership must be informed of the amendment along with the notice of the meeting. Once modified, a two thirds majority of those members in good standing at the meeting shall constitute passage of the amendment.

8. Rules of Order. A quorum shall be three (3) officers and three (3) or more members in good standing.

In the event of any votes resulting in a tie, the President or presiding officer shall break the tie.

Unless specified otherwise in this constitution and By-laws, all motions at regular or special meetings shall be passed upon a vote of majority of voting members present at the meeting.