

Redwood Practical Shooters

Bylaws of the Corporation

Article I: Name

Redwood Practical Shooters will be referred to as RPS or the Club in these By-Laws.

Article II: Objectives

- Redwood Practical Shooters is a membership club dedicated to educating members and the public in the safe and responsible handling, use and storage of firearms.
- Redwood Practical Shooters is incorporated under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit
 Corporations law and recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a nonprofit 501(c)(3)
 corporation and has a Public Charity Status of 509(a)(2).
- RPS promotes safe shooting for its matches and educational classes. RPS recognizes the enjoyment and fulfillment of shooting sports.
- 4. For the purpose of continued firearms education and training, RPS conducts an annual schedule of firearms events and matches according to the rules and procedures of the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA), International Confederation of Revolver Enthusiasts (ICORE), NSSF Rimfire Challenge and other recognized firearms sports disciplines. RPS is an officially recognized and Affiliated Club of the International Defensive Pistol Association, IDPA, www.idpa.com.
- RPS offers educational classes to members and the general public including NRA Basic Pistol and both Basic California Concealed Weapons (CCW) Certificate eligibility and Renewal Classes.
- RPS is affiliated with the National Rifle Association, www.nra.com with its Fire Arm Instruction and is also affiliated with California Rifle and Pistol Association www.crpa.org.

Article III: Membership and Dues

- Membership is open to anyone who is not prohibited by the laws of the State of California or
 of the United States of America from owning or possessing firearms and/or ammunition.
- RPS annual membership fees are due at the first match of the year, which would normally be the March Classifier.
- The Board shall set the amount of annual membership dues and schedule of payments and these shall be recorded in the Standard Operating Procedures.
- 4. Members will receive Club information via e-mail. Some information will be posted on the web site. If you do not get email, then it is suggested that you make arrangements with those that do in order to get your club information.
- Copies of these Bylaws and the Club's Standard Operating Procedures shall be made available to all members.

Article IV: Membership Meetings

- 1. Membership meetings shall be held twice a year, once in mid-summer and again at the end of season Barbecue and Awards Event.
- 2. The election of officers, and any other matter brought before the membership, shall be confirmed by a simple majority vote of a quorum in attendance consisting of a minimum of 20 percent of the current active members.

Article V: Board of Directors

- 1. RPS shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of 10 Club members and a President, elected by the Club membership.
- 2. Club offices are limited to the following:
 - a. President, elected at the end of each even year. President is to serve for two consecutive years.
 - b. Vice president, appointed by the President and approved by the board.
 - c. Treasurer, appointed by the President and approved by the board.
 - d. Secretary, appointed by the President and approved by the board.
 - e. Past President, Honorary position
 - f. Chief Safety Officer, appointed by the President and approved by the board.
 - g. Head Range Master, appointed by the President and approved by the board.
- 3. A quorum of the Board shall be 50% of the Directors.
- 4. Voting members of the Board are the President, the elected Members at Large and the Past President.
- 5. Decisions of the Board shall be made by majority vote. Abstentions count as neither a yes nor a no vote.
- 6. Email Voting
 - a. The purpose of this section is to assist the Board in executing their duties in an efficient and expeditious manner, using technology to their advantage, for instance during times when in person meetings are either redundant or discouraged because of difficult logistics or health department recommendations.
 - b. Email voting can be used for issues that are of a less complex nature and unlikely to require extensive debate, or do not involve sums of money greater than \$1,000.
 - c. Implicit in this section authorizing email voting is that the Board is agreeing to act in good faith and use active diligence in acknowledging and participating with a timely response.
 - d. When a matter comes up that is appropriate for voting by email, the issue in question will be clearly phrased in the body of an email and will be sent to all Board members. This email can be sent by the Secretary, Treasurer, President, or Vice President. The Board agrees to reply as soon as is reasonably possible with either a 'Yes', 'No' or 'Abstain'. Normal voting rules will apply as if the vote were being taken in person.
 - e. As a safeguard to the process, all members of the Board must respond for the vote to be valid.
 - f. The method of notice that an email vote has been sent out can be done by using phone, text, email or in person contact by and between fellow members of the Board. All of these methods are also satisfactory way to convey a Board member's vote when it goes back to the person that sent out the original email.
 - g. The voting responses from the various methods of communication will be noted and the results will be emailed to all the Board members.

h. These results will be read aloud and they will be written into the body of the minutes at the next 'in vivo' Board meeting.

Article VI: Elections

- Voting eligibility requires a current membership in RPS. Each Family Member within a Family Membership shall have one vote.
- 2. The President and Directors serve for two-year terms. Positions will be up for election as follows:
 - a. President, elected at the end of each even year.
 - b. Member at Large l, elected on end of odd year.
 - c. Member at Large 2, elected on end of even year.
 - d. Member at Large 3, elected on end of odd year.
 - e. Member at Large 4, elected on end of even year.
 - f. Member at Large 5, elected on end of odd year.
 - g. Member at Large 6, elected on end of even year.
 - h. Member at Large 7, elected on end of odd year.
 - i. Member at Large 8, elected on end of even year.
 - j. Member at Large 9, elected on end of odd year.
 - k. Member at Large 10, elected on end of even year.
- 3. The Board President shall be nominated and elected separately to a two-year term.
- Remaining members shall run on a common ballot and the highest vote getters for the number of seats up for election shall be elected.
- 5. Nominations:
 - a. Nominations for election of officers will be announced and opened at the July Match. The nominees will be reviewed by the Board and then placed onto the ballots. Ballots shall be distributed to all members at least 30 days prior to the date of the election.
 - b. Nominations may be made by any member of RPS.
 - c. Nominees must be an active paid up members for a period of not less than three full Years.
- Counting of Ballots and elections for officers will occur at the end of the shooting season at the Awards Barbeque and General Meeting. Ballots shall be counted by two Directors who are not on the current ballot.

Article VII: Duties of Officers

- 1. President
 - a. The President shall preserve order and decorum;
 - b. The President may appoint committees, with the consent of the Board.
 - c. The President shall cast a vote in order to break a tie or to create a majority vote.
 - It shall be the duty of the President to call Board meetings or special meetings.
 - e. The President may spend up to \$200 for immediate needs of the Club without the Board's approval. Money spent by the President in this way must be reported at the next Board meeting.
 - f. The President shall appoint the positions of Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Web Master, Chief Safety Officer, and Range Master, subject to approval by the Board.
- 2. Vice President
 - a. The Vice President has all the duties of the President when the President is not in attendance or not available.

3. Secretary

- a. Secretary will keep accurate and correct recordings of the meeting and minutes.
- b. The Secretary will record Minutes for every regular meeting with the minutes being submitted to the Board and accepted by email in a timely manner. Upon approval, the Minutes will be emailed to the membership.
- c. The Secretary will file Non Profit forms yearly.
- d. The Secretary or the Treasurer will keep the SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) current.

4. Treasurer

- a. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the financial and business transactions of the Club.
- b. Treasurer shall cause all monies of the Club to be deposited to the credit of the Club in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors.
- c. The Books of account shall be open for inspection, following advance notice, by any Director or Member at a reasonable time.
- d. The Treasurer will bring forth to the Board Meetings totals of all accounts and outstanding bills to be paid.
- The Treasurer and the Secretary will keep the SOPs (Standard Operating Procedures) current.

Article VIII: Accounting and Financial Management

- Redwood Practical Shooters fiscal year will begin January 1 and run 12 consecutive months through the end of December.
- 2. Two authorized signatures shall be required on all checks issued.

Article IX. Suspension or Expulsion of Member

- "Expulsion or suspension of a member shall be done in good faith and in a fair and reasonable manner." (Calif. Corporations Code §5341)
- 2. "The member to be expelled or suspended shall be given notice, including a statement of the reasons for the expulsion or suspension. The notice shall be delivered at least 15 days before the effective date of the expulsion or suspension." (Calif. Corporations Code §5341)
- The member to be expelled or suspended shall be given an opportunity to be heard by the Board of Directors, orally or in writing, not less than five days before the effective date of the expulsion or suspension. (Calif. Corporations Code §5341)
- 4. The Board of Directors' decision shall be final.
- 5. Nothing in this article shall limit the authority of a Safety Officer or Match Director to disqualify or eject a member or guest from any event or bar such person from future events until the Chief Safety Officer or another person or persons designated by the Board determine they are safe to return.

Article X: Safety Rules

- RPS promotes safe shooting for its matches and educational classes. All range rules contained
 in the Official IDPA Rule Book shall be in full effect at all times. RPS Club policies shall not
 contravene IDPA rules. Local policy, that enhances good tactics, may be enacted by the RPS
 Club membership as is necessary as long as there is no conflict with IDPA rules.
- The Board may establish additional rules and procedures to ensure safety at all times. Such rules and procedures shall be recorded in the Standard Operating Procedures.

Article XI: Standard Operating Procedures

1. The Standard Operating Procedures will also be referred as SOPs.

General business practices will be recorded for reference. These can be Match Fees, Class
fees, Membership fees, general Club procedures, committee reports, descriptions of the duties
of elected and appointed officers, lists of the active Safety Officers and the current Board
members, etc.

The SOP records will be recorded and will not be in the By-Laws. They will be maintained by the Secretary and the Treasurer and posted by the Web Master on the Web Page.

Article XII: Range Usage

1. RPS shall require that any person(s) or entities brought in to use the RPS range, equipment or supplies located at Gate 450 Hwy 20 Fort Bragg, CA, with the purpose of conducting any type of training, certifications, instruction, demonstrations etc., relating to the Shooting Sports in any way, will provide proof of insurance, listing Redwood Practical Shooters as an additional insured, at least 7 days prior to any such event. The policy number and effective dates of said insurance will be noted by the Club Secretary or Treasurer and made a part of the minutes of the next meeting of the RPS Board. This will be the case whether or not the RPS website or email list was used to promote the event, or if RPS took part in any other type of marketing to support any such events. The purpose of this clause is to protect RPS, its club members and Board members from unnecessary liability exposure while being associated with such events in any capacity.

Article XIII: Amendments to Bylaws

 These By-laws may be amended by a quorum present at any Board or Membership meeting, provided a quorum is present and a copy of the proposed amendment(s) is provided to each Board Member, or member at large in the event that the amendment(s) are to be considered at a membership meeting, at least one week prior to said meeting.

Bylaw amendments that affect voting rights of members must be approved by the membership by majority vote. (Calif. Corporations Code §5150)

Article XIV: Dissolution

 RPS may be dissolved by a vote of the Membership or lacking a Membership, by vote of the remaining Board members.

Following the vote to dissolve, the Board shall cause a Certificate of Dissolution to be filed with the California Attorney General. (Calif. Corporations Code §6611)

3. Following instructions of the California Attorney General, the board shall promptly wind up the affairs of the Club, pay or provide for its known debts or liabilities, collect any amounts due to it, take any other action as is necessary or appropriate for winding up, settling, and liquidating its affairs, and dispose of its assets.

4. After all of the known debts and liabilities have been paid or adequately provided for, the assets of the association shall be distributed in the following manner:

a. Assets held upon a valid condition requiring return, transfer, or conveyance of the assets, which condition has occurred or will occur, shall be returned, transferred, or conveyed in accordance with the condition.

b. After complying with subdivision 1, any remaining assets shall be transferred to another organization recognized under IRS Section 501 (c)(3). If there are no such organizations desiring such assets, they shall be sold at public auction and the

proceeds donated to an IRS Section 501 (c)(3) charity or charities designated by the remaining members and/or Board.

Article XV: Severability

 Should any portion of these Bylaws be deemed invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the balance of these Bylaws shall remain in full force and effect.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing Bylaws consisting of 6 pages, constitute the Bylaws of Redwood Practical Shooters, duly adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting properly noticed and held, and at which time was passed by a majority vote of the Directors present, on the 14th day of DECEMBEL, 2021

WITNESS our hands this 14 TH, day of DECFMBFE, 20 21

President

Secretary