

HUGHES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be HUGHES AMATEUR RADIO CLUB (HARC) of El Segundo, California.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The Hughes Amateur Radio Club is a non-profit organization formed 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 III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 - Membership is open to all Amateur Radio Operators and those aspiring to become Amateur Radio Operators.

Section 2 - The Membership Committee is composed of a chairman appointed by the President and two (2) members appointed by the chairman.

Section 3 - The official membership list is maintained by the Treasurer.

Section 4 – A Full member is one who holds a current Amateur Radio License and has paid his (or her) membership dues. Only Full members may vote at General Meetings.

Section 5 - An Associate club member is one who has paid club dues but does not hold an Amateur Radio License. Associate members may participate in most activities, but ‘on-the-air,’ activities must be supervised by a Full (Licensed) member. Associate members are encouraged to participate in all activities of the club, and become licensed amateur radio operators. Associate members may not vote at the General Meetings.

Section 6 – A Family member may be either a Full or Associate member but in either case the dues are reduced to approximately one third of the Full members dues. (Currently Full member dues are \$15 so additional family members are \$5.)

Section 7 - No officer or member of the Hughes Amateur Radio Club is entitled to any pecuniary gain from association with this group. Labor of any description, shall be donated by the members.

ARTICLE IV - DUES

Section 1 - The annual per person membership dues shall be determined by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Full members attending a General Meeting. Any proposed change in dues must be published in the newsletter at least one month before the meeting.

Section 2 - Annual club dues are payable at the July General Meeting. If dues are not paid by October 30, delinquent members may be dropped.

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ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 - The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers and the immediate Past President.

Section 2 - The Board of Directors shall be responsible for making policy for the club and for planning and carrying out activities.

Section 3 - The members of the Board of Directors are expected to attend a majority of both the meetings of the Board of Directors and regular club meetings.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS

Section 1 - The elected officers of the Hughes Amateur Radio Club are:

PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY/NEWSLETTER EDITOR
TREASURER	STATION MANAGER	IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Section 2 - DUTIES of the officers are as follows:

A - PRESIDENT - presides at General and Board of Directors meetings; is an ex-officio member of all committees; and appoints, with the approval of the Board of Directors, the chairmen of all committees. The President, with the consent of the Board, shall fill a vacancy in any elective office with a member, for the balance of the term.

B - VICE PRESIDENT - assumes the duties of the President in his absence. If the President is unable to serve his full term, the Vice President shall hold the office of President with all the duties thereof until the next election. It is customary, though not required, for the V.P. to arrange for General Meeting program.

C - SECRETARY/NEWSLETTER EDITOR - records the minutes of all General and Board meetings; takes care of all club correspondence; and notifies the members of all meetings.

D - TREASURER - is the custodian of all funds and collects and disburses all monies; presents a financial report at each Board and General meeting; and maintains the official membership list.

E - STATION MANAGER - Maintains the club station and repeater equipment, makes recommendations for upgrades and coordinates any facilities issues.

F - IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT - Chairman of the nominating committee and advisor to the board of directors with the intent of maintaining continuity of the various activities.

G - OFFICERS must be FULL members of the club.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTIONS

Section 1 - The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate of officers, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and published in the newsletter at least one month before the May meeting. The slate shall be presented at the May meeting, and elections will be held; at this time. Nominations may be made from the floor.

Section 2 - The Nominating Committee shall consist of the last available active Past President as chairman and two members selected by the chairman.

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Section 3 – All officers are elected by a majority of the Full members present at the May General meeting, provided that a quorum is present. The installation of officers will take place in June. The term of office is one (1) year; officers assume their duties starting JULY 1 through JUNE 30.

Section 4 – If requested by any member, voting shall be by secret ballot, otherwise, at the President's discretion.

Section 5 - If there is no candidate for President at the General Meeting, the existing Board may elect one.

ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS

Section 1 - Board Meetings shall be at the President's discretion.

Section 2 - General Meetings will be held each month. Additional General Meetings may be called at the President's discretion.

Section 3 - A quorum for a General Meeting is one-quarter of the Full members. A quorum for a Board meeting is one more than half of the Board of Directors.

Section 4 - Each Full member shall have one vote at all General Meetings. Members must be present at the General or Board Meeting to vote.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

The By-Laws maybe amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Full (paid-up) members present at a General Meeting, provided a quorum is present. Any proposed amendment must be approved by the Board of Directors and published with the newsletter at least one month before a General Meeting.

ARTICLE X - HONORARY MEMBERSHIPS

The Club may vote to designate as Honorary Members persons who have performed outstanding service to the Club and are not active members.

ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION

The property of this club is irrevocably dedicated to recreational purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this club shall ever inure to the benefit of any officer, chairman or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon dissolution or winding up of the club, any assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the club shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for recreational purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code. The distribution of such assets shall be decided by the Board.

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ARTICLE XII – CERTIFICATION

These By-Laws may be accepted by a majority vote of the membership at a regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Hughes Amateur Radio Club.

The current officers of the Club certify the acceptance by applying their signature to this document in the designated area below:

Barry Colston, KG6NWJ, President

Betty Barch, N6VZF, Vice President

Dale Birmingham, WB6MMQ, Treasurer

W. Brian Johnson, AB6UI, Station Manager