

LAKESHORE REPEATER ASSOCIATION
CONSTITUTION

AMENDED JULY 31, 2018

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Lakeshore Repeater Association.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

The objectives for which the Association is organized are:

1. To render a public service to governmental agencies during impending storms or severe weather, as well as to assist in disaster relief operation and other community functions as required.
2. To unite the amateur radio operators of this area for the purpose of exerting effectively a combined influence upon matters concerning amateur radio operation.
3. To promote good operating procedures and the exchange of technical information and assistance.
4. To stimulate adherence to a code of ethics, both written and understood.
5. To admonish members to comply with existing FCC rules and regulations.
6. To be an influence to new amateur operators of the area in the operation of their station.
7. To promote good will and fellowship among the members.
8. To further the art of electronics and encourage prospective members to participate in the purposes of the association.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Eligibility or membership in the Association is set forth as follows: Any person is eligible for MEMBERSHIP provided that:

- a. They hold a valid Amateur Radio Operator/Station license.
- b. They indicate a desire to become a member.

Any person who was included in the original organization of this Association will be considered as a CHARTER MEMBER. Other classes of membership may be implemented within the by-laws.

SECTION 2. To become a member of the association, a person who is eligible must furnish his name, address, call sign, and contact information to the Secretary. They must also submit their annual dues to the Treasurer.

SECTION 3. Honorary Membership may be bestowed on any eligible person by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting. Honorary memberships will not be subject to dues payments. Honorary members have voting privileges.

SECTION 4. Eligible persons residing in the same household may be granted membership privileges. All members of the same household shall have the same anniversary date.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE

Each member shall pledge themselves to adhere to the best of his or her ability to:

- a. All applicable FCC rules and regulations.
- b. The requirements of this constitution.
- c. The By-laws.
- d. The code of ethics adopted by the Association.

ARTICLE V - VOTING PRIVILEGES

All members shall have full voting privileges providing they are not delinquent in their dues and assessments.

ARTICLE VI - EXPULSION

Members of the Association may be expelled in accordance with such procedure as may be established in the By-laws for violation of this constitution, violation of the code of ethics of the Association, or for other conduct which would tend to cause discredit to fall upon the Association or upon amateur radio as a whole.

ARTICLE VII - RESIGNATIONS

Any member has the prerogative of resignation from membership in the Association and any resignation will be recognized and accepted when submitted to the Secretary. Resigned members will be restored to the Association prospective membership list as determined in the by-laws.

ARTICLE VIII – GOVERNMENT

The government of the Association shall be vested in the officers of the Association. The officers shall be:

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| a. President./Director #1 | d. Treasurer/Director #4 |
| b. Vice President/Director #2 | e. Trustee/Director #5 |
| c. Secretary/Director #3 | f. Technical Chairman/Director #6 |

ARTICLE IX - MEETINGS

SECTION 1. Regular meetings shall be held as determined in the By-laws. A Quorum shall consist of 20% of the members.

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be called for any purpose by any Officer of the Association who shall preside over the meeting. A Quorum shall consist of 20% of the members.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended in the following manner:

- a. Any proposed amendment shall be first presented at any regular or special meeting for approval.
- b. Proposed amendments approved by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting will be submitted to the entire membership for a vote to adopt proposals.
- c. The Secretary will email proposed amendments in the form of a voting ballot to the entire membership.
- d. Deadline date for return reply of the ballots to the Secretary will be plainly indicated in the email and return replies must be at least five days prior to the next regular meeting.
- e. The Secretary will tally the ballots and determine the results of the vote. A two-thirds majority vote of the ballots cast shall be required for approval.
- f. If approved, the proposed amendment becomes effective immediately.

ARTICLE XI – ASSOCIATION OWNERSHIP RIGHTS

The Association shall have the privilege of owning property both real and personal and the right to buy and sell in the Association name according to the provisions of the By-laws.

ARTICLE XII – ASSOCIATION STATION RIGHTS

The Association shall have the expressed right to establish and maintain a Association station and establish operating procedures within the privileges granted by the FCC.

ARTICLE XIII - TRUSTEE

The position of Trustee shall be filled as determined by the By-laws.