

BERGEN BOWMEN, INC.  
BY-LAWS  
Approved February 1981 and Revised from the February 1967 By-Laws  
(AS - Al Sabino)

- 1) Acceptance of membership shall be made by the following process:
  - a) Written application for membership.
  - b) Payment of required dues.
  - c) Acceptance by a majority vote at a regular meeting.
  
- 2) Dues:
  - a) Individual membership ( sixteen years and older) -----\$25.00
  - b) Family members of senior individual member ( included wife and children under sixteen years of age) or Junior member-----\$5.00
    - (1) Those children who reach the age of sixteen during the year under the family plan do not pay additional dues, but must join as a senior individual member the following year.
  - c) To remain a member in good standing, dues must be paid by the end of the March meeting.
  
- 3) In order to be eligible for participation in and to receive prizes in any club championship matches, a member must be in good standing.
  
- 4) All special committees shall be appointed by the President, who may at his discretion, delegate this power to the members at the meeting.
  
- 5) All members under sixteen years of age must be accompanied by an individual member of that child's family, or a member who has reached his or her twenty-first birthday, in order to participate in any club shooting activities.
  
- 6) Any member guilty of conduct unbecoming the club may be cited for his or her misbehavior upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee. A panel of at least five club members shall be chosen to decide what action, if any, should be taken. Should the offense be grave enough to warrant expulsion from the club, the errant member shall be required to show reason why he or she should not be dropped from the club roster. The merits of the case shall then be decided upon by the panel in a closed vote and the findings made known to the Executive Committee and the member in question.
  
- 7) All trophies and prizes donated to the club shall be administered by the Executive Committee according to the wishes of the donor. All conditions regarding such donations shall be in writing.
  
- 8) Any member charged with and found guilty of violating any game law shall show just cause to the club why he or she should not be expelled from the club under section #6 of the By-Laws.
  
- 9) All firing at any range under the supervision of the Bergen Bowmen, Inc. shall be supervised by a range officer chosen by those members firing. It shall be his or her duty to supervise all shooting and to make certain that the safety rules of the range are strictly complied with. He or she shall also be authorized to delegate these duties to another safety officer while he or she is firing.
  
- 10) All club tournaments and matches will be arranged by the Shoot Committee with the approval of the membership.

## CHANGES IN BY-LAWS

Approved 10/1982

Upon adoption by two-thirds majority of the members present at a regular meeting of the Bergen Bowmen, Inc., the following changes of the By-Laws of said organization shall be immediately enforced.

### 1) Membership:

- a) Regular Members: Persons holding regular membership in the organization at the time of the adaption of the resolution shall continue to do so without change.
- b) Probationary Members: Persons applying for membership to the organization after the adoption of the resolution shall be admitted as Probationary Members for a period of not less than one year nor more than eighteen months. Probationary members shall be afforded all rights and privileges afforded regular members, however they shall not vote for constitutional officers, or for new members.
- c) Regular Members who have voluntarily withdrawn from the organization may be readmitted as regular member provided that not more than three years have passed since the date of withdrawal.
- d) Persons who have been removed from the organization involuntarily may be readmitted only as probationary members.
- e) Membership Committee: A Membership Committee shall be appointed by the President, removal by Executive Committee, and shall make recommendations to the organization concerning Probationary Members who desire to become Regular Members. The form of the committee shall be:
  - i) Committee Chairmen: The Committee Chairmen shall be a Regular Member of the organization, in good standing, for a period of not less than five years. The Chairmen's term shall be for a period of three years.
  - ii) First Committee Member: The First Committee Member shall be a Regular Member of the organization, in good standing, for a period of not less than three years. The First Committee Member's term shall be for a period of two years.
  - iii) Second Committee Member: The Second Committee Member shall be a Regular Member of the organization, in good standing, for a period of not less than one year. The Second Committee Member's term shall be for a period of one year.
- f) Committee Procedure:
  - i) The Committee shall meet quarterly to consider applications for regular membership. The Committee shall review all information submitted by or on behalf of applicants. The finding of the Committee shall be reported to the Regular Members at the next regular organization meeting. The recommendation of the Committee concerning applications for regular membership may be either adopted or rejected by the Regular Members by a simple majority vote.
  - ii) Applications for Regular Membership shall be advised of the Committee's recommendation prior to the next regular meeting. In case of a negative recommendation, the Committee Chairman shall notify the applicant of that recommendation at least ten days prior to the next regular meeting. The form of a negative recommendation shall be in writing and shall be sent to the applicant via regular U.S. Mail.

Applicants who have received a negative recommendation from the Committee shall be afforded to present additional information in the support of the application to the entire membership at the next regular meeting. The simple majority vote of the Regular Members shall be binding and final.