

National Control Line Racing Association

Constitution & Bylaws

Name

The name of the society shall be the **National Control Line Racing Association (NCLRA)**.

Objectives

The objectives of the society shall be an association for persons interested in the construction and operation of Control Line Racing aircraft and for the purposes listed below.

1. Encourage presentation of papers to be presented in the Newsletter.
2. Encourage the study and discussion of scientific problems and to disseminate scientific news and views.
3. The promotion of control line racing and the recruiting of new people to the hobby.
4. Promote racing events at the national level and to recruit officials for those events.

Membership

1. All applicants for membership and persons accepted into the membership shall be bound to the Bylaws.
2. The association from time to time, as it sees fit may elect honorary or life memberships to individuals who have helped in some outstanding way to the support of the society or the promotion of control line racing in general.
3. Membership duration shall be 24 months from the date of application or renewal, plus the remainder of the calendar year. Memberships shall expire on December 31 of the appropriate year.

Dues

1. The membership dues shall be set at the annual meeting. If no change from the previous year is deemed necessary, no action shall be required.
2. Membership dues shall be payable at the time of application or renewal.
3. Honorary or life members shall be exempt from payment of dues.

Meetings

The annual meeting shall be open to all members and shall be held during the month of the AMA national model meet, at a time and place to be designated by the officers of the association.

Officers of the Association

1. The officers of the Association shall consist of;
 - a. President
 - b. Vice president
 - c. Secretary/Treasurer
 - d. District Representatives
2. The term of the officers shall be for 2 years. The term of the officers will start at the conclusion of the National Championships on the even number years.
3. The term of the District Representatives shall start at the conclusion of the National Championships in the odd number years.
4. The District Representatives shall be residents of the district they represent; moving from the district terminates their representation of that district.
5. All officers and District Representatives will have current membership status for the duration of their terms.

Duties of Officers

1. President

1. The president shall preside at all meetings of the association and have control of the general direction and management of the affairs and expenditures of the association.
2. The President shall appoint any committee's necessary for carrying out the affairs of the association.
3. The President shall act as the official spokesperson for the NCLRA to the modeling press and the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).

2. Vice President

1. Perform the same duties of the president in the event of the presidents' absence and carry out any business as directed by the president.

3. Secretary/Treasurer

1. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a complete record of the financial transactions of the association.
2. Receive all moneys due the association, and deposit the same as well as keep complete records of all transactions.
3. Disburse by check only, under direction of the President & Vice President, all amounts necessary for carrying out the affairs of the association.
4. Prepare for submission at the annual meeting a statement showing the true financial standing of the association for the past year.

4. Representatives

The members of their district will elect area representatives. Representatives are required to submit a report for each Newsletter outlining the activity of their district. They will also provide a source for the membership to convey their concerns and desires to the Officers. They will also promote the NCLRA and Racing in their district. As well as carry out any other business that may be directed by the President.

1. **Southwest:** California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Hawaii, Southeast Asia and Oceania

2. **Northwest:** Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Alaska, British Columbia, Yukon

3. **South Central:** Texas, NM, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana

4. **North Central:** Montana, N & S Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Alberta, Saskatchewan, N.W.Territories, Manitoba, Ontario(Central Time Zone)

5. **Midwest:** Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois, Michigan

6. **Northeast:** everything north of North Carolina and east of Ohio, Ontario(Eastern Time Zone) and all Eastern Canadian Provinces, and all of Europe

7. **Southeast:** Everything south of and including North Carolina and east of Louisiana

Other Committees and Representatives

The President shall appoint all other committees and representatives other than those above provided for that he/she may find necessary for the welfare of the association.

Newsletter

1. The name of the Newsletter shall be **Torque Roll**, and shall be published 6 times per year, with the month of February being the first publication of the year.

2. The Newsletter Editor shall publish contributions of members relative to racing in general and competition in particular, subject to the necessary editing to maintain the quality of the newsletter.

3. The Newsletter Editor shall publish all surveys authorized by the Officers, and all election ballots.

Election

1. Nominations are open, anyone wishing to hold office will submit their name to the President and Newsletter Editor between March 1 and April 30, for publication in the June Newsletter.
2. Ballots will be in the June Newsletter, and must be returned by July 1. The results will be announced at the annual meeting at the Nationals.
3. All open category members, who were members prior to March 1, shall have the right to vote.
4. District Representatives will be voted on by members of that district.
5. In the event of a vacancy the President shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy. Vacancies shall be filled only for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Amendments

1. Any active member may submit a proposed Bylaw amendment. Amendments shall be submitted to the President.
2. The proposed amendment shall be forwarded to all Officers and Representatives. This board will determine if the proposed amendment should be presented to the membership, and if so, the exact wording thereof. All proposed amendments and action taken thereon shall be reported to the membership in the next issue of the Newsletter.
3. Presentation of a proposed amendment to the membership shall be made in the newsletter, and adoption thereof shall occur only on a favorable vote of a 2/3 majority of those members responding.

NCLRA Event Rules

1. The Association shall on occasion define rules for CL Racing events.
2. The President shall appoint any necessary committees for the formulation or modification of any event rules.
 1. The committee will perform its duties and create a report to be returned to the NCLRA Board
 2. All rules shall be adopted only by majority vote of the Board.
 3. Committee members shall solicit input from the members in their area to aide in their deliberations.
3. Only NCLRA members may serve on a rule-making committee.
4. Only NCLRA members may make rule proposals for NCLRA events.
 1. A rule change must be submitted to the President who will then poll the Board to see if there is a desire to consider the change.
 2. If the Board deems it so, the President shall create a committee to consider the change and report back to the Board.
 3. Any rule change shall become official only upon majority acceptance by the Board.
5. When an event is advertised at a contest as an "NCLRA Event", the NCLRA rules must be followed.

6. The official NCLRA rules will be the version that is kept on the NCLRA web site.

7. As required, the President shall appoint committees to consider AMA CL Racing rules.

1. Any such committee shall also make a report to the Board.

2. Any report accepted by the board shall be taken to the AMA rule-making process by the President.

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