



**MONROE COUNTY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
MONROE, MICHIGAN**

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS (Revised 9-89)**

1. NAME

This organization shall be known as the MONROE COUNTY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION.

2. PURPOSE

To further the cause of Amateur Radio, to teach Radio Fundamentals, Code and to hold classes for same. To further exchange of information and co-operation 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. Recognition and enhancement if the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary non-commercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications. Continuation and extension of the amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art. Continuation and extension of the amateur's unique ability to enhance international good will.

3. OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers shall be as follows:

President  
Vice-President  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Board of Directors

A] Board of Directors shall consist of the executive Officers, and three (3) Directors.

B] At all meetings of the Board of Directors, 51% of that body shall constitute a quorum.

Duties of Officers:

President

Shall preside at all meetings of this club, and conduct the same according to the rules adopted. He shall enforce due observance of this Constitution and By-Laws; decide all questions of order; sign all official documents that are adopted by the club and none other, and perform all other customary duties pertaining to the office of president.

Vice-President

Shall assume all the duties of the president in the absence of the latter.

Secretary-Treasurer

Shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members, submit applications for membership, carry on all correspondence, read communications at each meeting and mail written meeting notices to each member. He shall at the expiration of his term, turn over all items belonging to the club to his successor. Shall upon notice from any club member, send flowers for death or Hospital confined illness to either the hospital of funeral home whichever may be the case. Dollar amount for said items to be set by the Board of Directors each January. Limited to member or spouse.

4. MEMBERSHIP

Active Membership

Any person subscribing to the purpose and Constitution and By-Laws of this organization shall be eligible for membership.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- 1. Election of Officers, Directors and others shall be held at a(n) annual meeting in January of each year, under the supervision of the Nominating Committee which will have been appointed by the president in the November meeting. The Committee shall consist of three (3) Members.
- 2. Removal of an officer or a director shall be by 3/4 vote of the membership.
- 3. Vacancy  
Shall be filled by the Board of Directors and is subject to membership approval at the next regular meeting.

Duration of offices shall be as follows:

- 1. President 1 year
  - 2. Vice-President 1 year
  - 3. Secretary-Treasurer 1 year
- An officer can only be elected for 2 consecutive terms.

Board of Directors - Three (3)

- 1. Board member no. 1 1 year
- 2. Board member no. 2 1 year
- 3. Board member no. 3 Shall be elected and become station trustee and shall hold office concurrently with station license. (5 years)

6. QUORUM

Shall consist of 30 percent of the membership and 51percent of the same shall constitute a majority vote.

7. MEETINGS

Shall be held at the call of the Board of Directors, but not less than three (3) times yearly.

Upon the written demand of the members (three or more) the president shall be required to call a meeting of the membership. Notice of such meetings shall be sent to members at least five (5) days previous to the meeting.

## 8. DUES

The dues for all members (except students) of the Monroe County Radio Communications Association shall be a fee set by the Board of Directors and can be changed by Board Action, subject to the approval of the membership.

Dues are payable for the following year at the October meeting and a grace period of Ninety (90) days will be given. All members dues must be paid in order to vote in the January Annual Meeting and Election.

Dues for full-time students qualifying for membership shall be 1/2 (One-Half) of Regular Dues, subject to State Guide Lines and student qualifications.

New members shall pay dues prorated on a calendar year (12 months).

## 9. AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by a majority vote of 75% \_membership at anytime according to the following procedure:

Proposals for amendments shall be submitted in writing at a regular meeting and shall be voted on at the next following regular meeting provided notice has been sent by mail of the intent to amend the constitution at said meeting.

## 10. COMMITTEES

The Club shall have the following Standing Committees:

1. Publications Relations
2. Activities
3. Membership

The president shall have the power to form committees for various projects in reference to the organization.

### ARTICLE 11: By-Laws

The by-laws of the Association shall govern the day to day operation of the organization.

### ARTICLE 12: Amendments to the By-Laws

Amendments to the By-Laws shall be a majority vote of the members present at a regular meeting.

## **AMENDMENTS**

### AMENDMENT 1

ARTICLE 3: OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, The amendment is to separate the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, and define their respective duties, passed in 1991:

The Officers shall be as follows:

President; Vice President; Secretary;  
Treasurer; Board of Directors

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall collect all fees and assessments due the Association and deposit same in an approved depository, make payments in a manner authorized by the Board, and make an accurate accounting of financial status at General Membership meetings. He shall maintain an accurate ledger and shall permit the same to be reviewed by general members upon request. The Treasurer shall notify delinquent members of their status, and maintain an accurate record of all members in good standing. The Treasurer shall have signature authority for the purpose of disbursement of funds held in the name of the Association.

Secretary.

The Secretary shall keep the official record of all proceedings, meetings, and activities of the Association. He shall also be responsible to ensure notification of the general membership of regular and special meetings and to receive and record proxy statements. It shall be the responsibility of the Secretary to maintain the official Constitution and Bylaws, including approved Amendments, to have same present at each general membership and/or Board of Directors meeting, and to make them available to members should the need arise.

AMENDMENT 2: ARTICLE 3: OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, An additional amendment is to define the method of filling vacant offices, passed in 1991.

Vacancies

Vacancies occurring during a term of office may be filled, on an interim basis, by a majority vote of the remaining board members, until such time as a General Membership meeting is held for the purpose of election of Officers.

**BY LAWS:**

BY-LAW 1: Meeting Schedule  
Regular meeting shall be held the third Thursday of each month.

BY-LAW 2: Dues  
"Dues as established by the Board of Directors shall be eight dollars per annum for regular members, four dollars for students, retirees and handicapped members.

BY-LAW 3: Honorary Membership  
The president has the power to grant an honorary one year full membership to individuals as a token of appreciation for any services rendered to the club for the Association.