



# DALLAS CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB

## BYLAWS

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## ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

### Section 1.01. ELIGIBILITY AND CLASSES,

Dallas Corinthian Yacht Club, hereinafter sometimes referred to as DCYC or the Club, in considering any applicant for membership, will make no admission to membership, nor denial of membership, based on any consideration of the applicant's race, color, religious beliefs, sex, country of origin, physical infirmity or handicaps. Membership shall be available to any applicant whose qualifications satisfy the requirements or restrictions stipulated below and who will pay the stipulated fees and assume the obligations of payment of dues and other financial obligations required by the Club and abide by Club rules and regulations as amended from time to time.

### Section 1.02. CLASSES LISTED AND DEFINED

- a. Membership shall be the following classes: **RESIDENT; NON-RESIDENT; ASSOCIATE; LIFE; SPECIAL;** and **HONORARY**.
- b. **RESIDENT** membership is the principal class. A **RESIDENT** must be at least 21. A **RESIDENT** is entitled to hold a membership certificate and to vote in any club membership meeting and to hold any elective office in the Club. **RESIDENT** membership also entitles the spouse of the **RESIDENT** to hold Club office and to cast the **RESIDENT'S** vote, both as provided in other sections in these bylaws. A **RESIDENT'S** spouse is not entitled to hold a separate membership certificate, but is entitled to hold all other **RESIDENT** member privileges not specifically requiring such certificate or specifically denied by this or other sections of these Bylaws. Upon the death of a **RESIDENT** member, the surviving spouse may assume the membership with its privileges and obligations. A **RESIDENT** member's child under 21 shall have the same privileges as the **RESIDENT'S** spouse, but shall not vote nor hold elective office. When any such child shall reach age 21, all the above privileges shall cease and the child shall have no privileges except as the guest of a Club member as provided elsewhere in these bylaws and Club policy.
- c. A **NON-RESIDENT** member must have already been a Resident or an Associate member. The **NON-RESIDENT** must live outside of a radius of 75 miles from the Club and may not hold a membership certificate and may not vote nor hold elective office. A Non-resident member MAY NOT keep boats or other property at the yacht club and will be required to sell any slip certificate they may hold at the time of conversion to non-resident status in accordance with the RULES REGARDING SALE OF SLIPS in the DCYC Club Rules. A **NON-RESIDENT** may, with Board approval, convert his membership status to **RESIDENT**. Upon the death of a **NON-RESIDENT**, the surviving spouse may assume the membership with its privileges and obligations, providing said spouse is at least 21 years of age.
- d. An **ASSOCIATE** member must be at least 18, but may not remain an **ASSOCIATE** beyond his/her 31st birthday; at which age he/she is required to convert his/her membership to that of **RESIDENT** or relinquish Club membership. An **ASSOCIATE** may not hold a membership certificate, vote, nor hold elective office. The age referenced above shall apply to the older spouse if the **ASSOCIATE** member is married. An **ASSOCIATE** may, with Board approval, convert to Residential status at any time, but if he/she shall have been an **ASSOCIATE** for less than one year, he/she will be required to pay a conversion fee equal to the difference between his/her original **ASSOCIATE** initiation fee and the current Resident initiation fee. Upon the death of an **ASSOCIATE** member, the surviving spouse may assume the membership, its privileges and obligations, provided said spouse is at least 18 years of age and no older than 30.
- e. A **LIFE** member must have been a good standing Resident member for 25 years, and must present to the DCYC Board a written request for **LIFE** membership. A **LIFE** member shall be subject to any Club assessment or liability for taxes. A **LIFE** member may retain his membership certificate, vote and hold any Club elective office. Any

person who held **LIFE** membership as of the date of enactment of the above provisions shall be entitled to retain such **LIFE** membership under the conditions which applied to it when he/she became a **LIFE** member. Upon the death of a **LIFE** member the surviving spouse may assume the membership.

- f. METRO: deleted 11/95.
- g. SUMMER: deleted 11/95.
- h. INACTIVE: deleted 11/95.
- i. The DCYC Board shall have the authority to create and confer (in its discretion and for what it may consider good cause) **SPECIAL** memberships on such terms as the Board may prescribe in each case.
- j. The DCYC Board shall have the authority to create and confer (in its discretion and for what it may consider good cause) **HONORARY** memberships. The terms for **HONORARY** memberships are:
  - An **HONORARY** member may not hold a membership certificate and may not vote nor hold elective office.
  - An **HONORARY** member will not have the privilege to rent or own a dock certificate.

Section 1.03. Deleted. Section combined with Section 1.02.

## Section 1.04. ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

In order to become a member of the Club, applicants shall follow the instructions and comply with the requirements set out below:

- a. Applications for membership shall be made in writing; they shall state the name, address and business of applicant and the type of membership desired; they shall be endorsed by three Resident members in good standing or the Membership Committee and shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee.
- b. Objections to an applicant becoming a member shall be made in writing and filed with the Secretary. It shall then be the duty of the Secretary to transmit such written objections to the Board of Governors, who shall promptly investigate the grounds for the objection, giving the member filing the same and the applicant, if necessary to the Board, an opportunity to be heard before them. The Board, after considering such written objections, shall determine whether or not the applicant objected to shall be admitted to membership but, in so doing, a two-thirds vote of the entire Board shall be required to admit any such applicant.
- c. With or without receipt of a written objection to an application, the Membership Committee shall consider the application and promptly notify the Board of its recommendation. If the report of the Membership Committee shall be unfavorable to any applicant, it shall be the duty of such Committee to so report immediately to the Commodore, who in turn shall notify the Board of such action of the Membership Committee. The Board, in its discretion after the investigation concerning the reason for the unfavorable report from the Membership Committee, may override such Committee and adopt a resolution favoring admission of the applicant, but such action shall require a two-thirds affirmative vote of the entire Board. If the Board should override the Committee, then thereafter all further proceedings in regard to such applicant shall be the same as if he were favorably reported by the Membership Committee.
- d. A new member, upon application, shall sign an agreement to acknowledge that he shall abide by the Constitution, bylaws and all Club rules and policies in force and effect at the time of his application, and afterwards as amended or revised according to the provisions of the bylaws and Constitution.

- e. All applications for membership must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Governors. Such approval shall be provisional for a period of three months. Payment of the initiation fee shall accompany the application. Regular dues shall be payable during the provisional period. The Board of Governors may deny membership within or at the end of this three-month provisional period upon return of the initiation fee less any outstanding debts or charges. A provisional member may purchase a dock; however, should membership be denied, he must abide by approved dock rules and policies.

### Section 1.05. RESIGNATION.

Any member of the Club may resign. Immediately upon filing such resignation, in writing, to the Secretary of the Club, member shall forfeit all rights to the use of the Club, including lockers used by him during his membership in the Club, as well as all membership fees paid by such member.

### Section 1.06. EXPULSION.

Any member of whatsoever class may be expelled in accordance with Section 3.04 of these bylaws and such expelled member shall thereupon forfeit his membership to the Club.

### Section 1.07. MEMBERSHIP NOT TRANSFERABLE.

Membership in this Club shall not be negotiable and/or transferable unless same shall be made transferable as a matter of right by the laws of the State of Texas, and in the event the law shall require such certificates to be transferable as a matter of right, and if such certificates are so transferred, whether voluntarily, involuntarily or by process of law, the transferee shall be entitled to the privileges of membership in the Club, but shall be entitled to receive from the Club only the amount of money the transferor would have been entitled to receive under the provisions of these bylaws, if he had not transferred such certificate.

### Section 1.08. REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO RESIGNATION, EXPULSION, or TERMINATION ETC.

- a. Should any Resident member resign, be expelled or terminated from the Club, he shall surrender immediately to the Club his membership certificate, duly endorsed on back, but failure to surrender such certificate shall not create any privilege of membership in the resigned, expelled or terminated member.
- b. No person shall have the privilege of the Club after the resignation of such person from membership is rendered, in writing, nor in the event of expulsion after the effective date of such expulsion as determined by the Board, nor in the case of termination for non-payment.
- c. If a person who has resigned, been expelled or terminated leaves personal property such as a boat, trailer, or dock box on the DCYC premises (including adjacent Army Corp. lease and docks), and does not remove such personal property from the premises within 30 days of his/her resignation, expulsion, or termination, that person will be assessed a monthly fee that is equal to the amount of his/her dues, capital improvements and dock maintenance fees prior to his/her resignation, expulsion or termination, and for the time period until that person's property has been removed from the premises. A resigned, terminated or expelled member who removes all personal property (boats, trailers, dock boxes) from DCYC premises, but still owns a dock at DCYC, will be charged dock maintenance fees until the dock is sold (Refer to Club Rules Regarding the Sale of Docks).
- d. A member who has resigned, been expelled or terminated and owns a dock certificate must sell that dock certificate according to the Rules Regarding the Sale of Dock Certificates.

- e. In the event that a Non-Resident member moves to within 75 miles of the Club site, such member shall automatically become a Resident or Associate member subject to the remainder of these bylaws and the Club Rules.
- f. Any Resident or Associate member who resigns in good standing may re-apply for membership at any later date subject to a fee, as determined by the Board of Governors, not to exceed one-half the initiation fee in effect at the time of re-application.

**Section 1.09. RESTRICTIONS ON MEMBERS.** Members shall observe the following regulations:

- a. The Club shall at all times have a prior lien upon the membership certificates, privileges, boats, motors, docks, slips, all rights of each member of every class and all other personal property of the member on the Club premises in favor of the Club for any and all damages, accounts and amounts of indebtedness due to the Club by such member. If any member fails or refuses to pay his dues or assessments, said debt shall be an assessment on any or all membership certificates, privileges, boats, motors, docks, slips, all rights of each member of every class and all other personal property of the member on the Club premises owned by said member and the Club may sell same to satisfy said indebtedness at public auction or private sale, with or without notice, as provided in the rules regarding sale of docks.
- b. No member shall entertain more than ten guests at any one time upon the Club premises without special permission of the House Committee, and any member entertaining guests upon the Club premises is subject to the current and prevailing rulings of the House Committee as to reservations being made in advance.
- c. All classes of members have the right to invite guests, subject to the numerical restrictions. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests and encumbrances and will assure that the guests follow the rules of the Club. All guests must be accompanied by a member who is on the Club premises, i.e., the grounds or docks, or engaged in a boating activity on the lake.

## ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES AND TAXES THEREON

### Section 2.01. MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES.

The following membership fees and dues shall prevail and be in force and effect:

- a. The membership initiation fee shall be set by the Board of Governors. The monthly or other dues for each classification of membership shall be set by a vote of two-thirds of the Resident and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members. Unless otherwise stipulated, any change made as provided herein in the dues paid by a Resident member shall also change the dues paid by other classifications of membership proportionately.
- b. Any Federal or State taxes levied on membership fees or dues shall be added to such amounts as herein provided.

### Section 2.02. MEMBERSHIP PURCHASE AND REDEMPTION.

There shall be no refund of membership fees, dues or assessments.

### Section 2.03. MONETARY OBLIGATIONS – MEMBERS TO CLUB.

DCYC, acting by and through its Treasurer, shall in each calendar month, mail to each member a statement and billing setting forth and requesting payment of any and all accrued debt or obligation owed to the Club by each member. The amount billed, already accrued, shall be due and payable upon receipt of the bill. This billing shall be considered the debtor-member's **FIRST NOTICE**.

Any such debt which has not been paid by the first day of the month immediately following the month of receipt shall be deemed to have become delinquent, including said first day of the month. The unpaid balance will be reflected on the next month's statement and this shall constitute the debtor-member's **SECOND NOTICE**.

If said debt remains unpaid through the first day of the next succeeding month (the second month following the date of billing), the Treasurer shall send the delinquent member a **THIRD NOTICE** requesting payment of the total balance due by a date certain to be determined by the Treasurer.

If said debt remains unpaid through the first day of the next succeeding month (the third month following the date of billing), the delinquent member's membership and all Club privileges are to be suspended. The Treasurer shall send the delinquent member a **FOURTH NOTICE** informing the member of the suspension and request payment by a date certain to be determined by the Treasurer.

If said debt remains unpaid through the first day of the next succeeding month (the fourth month following the date of billing), the delinquent member's membership is **automatically terminated**, and the Treasurer shall formally so advise the member by his **FIFTH NOTICE**.

- a. When the Club has mailed a billing by regular U.S. mail, said billing being due and payable upon receipt – if any dispute or question shall arise as to when any member received such billing, the Club shall be entitled to establish receipt date by inquiry of date of receipt by a suitable number of other Club members, and to consider that the member in question received the bill as of that date.
- b. But no member's debt shall be payable (nor subsequently delinquent) until he shall actually have received such billing, or the Club shall have established by above method a presumptive date of receipt. But no member's debt

or obligation shall be conditioned upon the Club's issuance of, or upon member's receipt of, **SECOND NOTICE**, or **THIRD NOTICE**, or **FOURTH NOTICE** or **FIFTH NOTICE**.

- c. No dues-delinquent member, and no member terminated by the Club, whether for dues delinquency or other cause, shall be by such delinquency or termination relieved of obligation to pay the balance of dues owing, or other charges owing to the club. Neither shall any member who resigns while owing the Club (whether dues or other obligations), be, by reason of such resignation, relieved of said debt.
- d. A member in a state of suspension (for whatever cause) shall not be permitted to vote in any Club business meeting, nor to attend any Club meeting, business or otherwise, nor to exercise any of the privileges of Club membership.
- e. The automatic suspension or termination of a delinquent member occurs without regard to whether the **THIRD NOTICE, FOURTH NOTICE or FIFTH NOTICE** is mailed timely by the Treasurer, since the member will have received previous statements from the Club showing his delinquent balance and subsequent non-payment thereof is deemed to be sufficient notice that suspension and/or termination will occur automatically under the time schedule set forth above.
- f. Members may be charged late fees in an amount and manner as determined by the Board.

#### Section 2.04. ASSESSMENTS.

An Assessment, if any, shall be set by a vote of three-fourths of the Resident and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting. Resident and Life members shall be subject to assessment.

#### Section 2.05. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND.

A monthly Capital Improvements Fund, if any, shall be set by an affirmative vote of two thirds of the Resident and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members.

- a. The accumulation of such Capital Improvements Funds shall be kept separate from other funds and shall be expended for such capital improvements to the Club's facilities as may be approved by a majority vote of the Regular and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members. Capital improvements shall be defined as new construction, addition, or remodeling that augment and increases the value of the physical assets of the Club, including but not limited to the residence, clubhouse, roads, parking areas, swimming pool, jib crane, waterfront bulkhead and breakwater.
- b. Capital Funds may be expended for payment of principal and/or interest of the Club's primary first mortgage debt, and/or for the payment of principal and/or interest for debt created to pay for capital improvements, if approved by a majority vote of the Regular and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members.
- c. If approved by majority vote of the Regular and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members, Capital Funds may be accumulated in a certain amount monthly and/or in aggregate to pay for future capital improvements. Such future capital improvements must be approved at such meeting or at a future meeting. The Treasurer shall be required to accumulate such Capital Funds, designated for future capital improvements, in a separate, interest-bearing account.
- d. If such Capital Improvements Fund is set as provided herein, it shall apply to Resident members, and to the other classes of members in an amount proportionate to the relationship of their dues to the dues of Resident members.

## ARTICLE III BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### Section 3.01. NUMBER AND TENURE.

The business of the Club shall be conducted by a Board of Governors which will consist of ten Resident or Life members, whose nomination, election, and tenure of office shall be as provided in Article VII of these bylaws.

### Section 3.02. OFFICERS NAMED BY THE BOARD.

All Officers of the Club shall be nominated by the Board of Governors and elected by a majority vote of the Board of Governors.

### Section 3.03. DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

The Board of Governors shall conduct, manage, and direct the business of the Club, and shall have control of all its property.

- a. The Board of Governors shall have the power and authority to borrow money in the name of the Club necessary for the management and operation of the Club and its facilities in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 in total increase in debt within a calendar year. A two-thirds vote of the Resident and Life members present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members shall be required to approve the borrowing of money in amounts in excess of \$10,000.00 during a calendar year.
- b. The Board of Governors shall have no authority to sell or otherwise dispose of any real property of a value more than \$1,000.00 in which the Club has any kind of interest, unless and until the Secretary, acting upon instructions from the Board, has obtained the affirmative written consent of a majority of the entire Resident and Life membership of the Club, or unless approved by a majority of the entire Resident and Life membership present at any annual meeting or special meeting called specifically for the purpose of considering such sale or disposition of which special meeting with a thirty day written notice shall be given all Resident and Life members of the Club. This limit does not include slips and boats, which have no limit.
- c. The Board of Governors shall have no authority to sell or otherwise dispose of personal property belonging to the Club or in which the Club has any interest of value of more than \$1,000.00 without the written consent of two-thirds of the members of the Board.
- d. The Board of Governors shall have the authority to promulgate and amend the Club Rules by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board. Such Club Rules shall be binding on the members of the Club.

### Section 3.04. DISCIPLINARY POWERS.

The Board of Governors shall have the power to remove one or more members of any committee, and to expel any member of the Club guilty of any violation of the Bylaws or Rules of the Club, or any offense against the good government of the Club which shall include any misconduct of a member or his affiliations rendering him undesirable as a member of the Club, whether committed on Club property or not. A copy of the charges against any member shall be delivered to the member at least ten days before the meeting at which such charges shall be considered; giving him/her notice of the time and place of meeting, and such member shall have an opportunity to be heard in their defense. In order to expel a member, a two-thirds vote of the entire Board of Governors shall be required.

### Section 3.05. PAST COMMODORES' ASSOCIATION.

The Past Commodores Association shall have the right to select and appoint one of its members to serve on the Board of Governors for a one-year term as a tenth member of the Board of Governors. Said member shall have all voting rights, and there shall be no limitations on the right of reappointment for successive terms. The immediate Past Commodore is ineligible for election by the Past Commodores Association to serve on the Board of Governors.

## ARTICLE IV\_Club OFFICERS

### Section 4.01. FLAG OFFICERS.

The Flag Officers of the Club shall consist of Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Fleet Captain and Fleet Surgeon. The other Officers shall be Secretary and Treasurer.

- a. The Commodore shall preside at all meetings of the Club and the Board of Governors, but shall not vote except in case of a tie. The Commodore shall serve as Registered Agent for the Corporation and shall, upon assuming office, direct the Secretary of the Corporation to file the appropriate forms with the Secretary of State to cause the Commodore to be named as Registered Agent for the Corporation.
- b. The Vice Commodore shall discharge all of the duties of the Commodore during his absence or inability to act.
- c. The Rear Commodore shall discharge all of the duties of the Commodore during the absence or inability of the Commodore or Vice Commodore to act.
- d. The Fleet Captain shall lead all the maneuvers of the fleet.
- e. The Fleet Surgeon shall be charged with the duty of properly advising the members of the Club with respect to sanitation and sanitary conditions and such other matters as he or she may deem pertinent.
- f. The Treasurer and/or Secretary shall perform such duties, give such bond, and receive compensation as the Board of Governors may direct.
- g. The Harbormaster shall be the Chairman of the Pier and Docks Committee and shall perform the duties required therein.

### Section 4.02. TERM OF OFFICE.

Officers shall be elected or appointed, as herein provided, for a term of office of one year beginning January 1 and ending December 31.

## ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

### Section 5.01. APPOINTMENT.

It shall be the duty of the Commodore, immediately after his election, to appoint the following standing committees and to name the chairman of each such committee to serve for a minimum of one year or until their successors are appointed:

- Executive Committee;
- Membership Committee;
- Race Committee;
- Financial Committee;
- Entertainment Committee;
- House Committee;
- Grounds Committee;
- Junior Activities Committee;
- Education Committee;
- Pier and Dock Committee;
- Legal Committee;
- Swimming Pool Committee;
- Long-Range Planning Committee;
- Audit Committee;

and other such committees as the Commodore shall require. Provided, however, that the appointment of all such committees shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

### Section 5.02. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall be composed of not less than three members, including the chairman, and shall be chaired by the Commodore. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore as a minimum. The Executive Committee shall operate under the direction of the Board of Governors, and shall act for the Board of Governors in all matters requiring a quick decision.

### Section 5.03. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee shall be chaired by the Rear Commodore. Said committee shall promote membership in the Club and shall advise the Board of Governors as to an applicant's qualifications.

### Section 5.04. RACE COMMITTEE.

- a. The Race Committee shall establish rules and regulations governing the conduct of races and of the members participating therein, which rules, as adopted, administered or altered, shall constitute the official rules for the Club insofar as pertains to racing and racing equipment, provided, however, that all rules and regulations, so far as it is possible and not inconsistent with these By Laws and with local conditions, shall be the same as are generally followed by other racing clubs in the United States and shall be, so far as is practicable, those established by the U.S. Sailing Association. The Race Committee shall establish a qualification system for members of the Club in sailing events, and it shall determine the various winners of trophies awarded by virtue of sailing races under the authority of the Club.
- b. The Race Committee shall be chaired by the Fleet Captain.

### **Section 5.05. FINANCIAL COMMITTEE.**

- a. The Financial Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated to it by the Board of Governors and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.
- b. The Financial Committee shall be chaired by the Treasurer.

### **Section 5.06. ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.**

The Entertainment Committee shall have supervision of all entertainment and social functions given by or at the Club.

### **Section 5.07. HOUSE COMMITTEE.**

The House Committee shall have charge and supervision of the Clubhouse and Club residence, and investigate and redress complaints with respect to such matters in its jurisdiction when brought to its attention. It shall make and enforce suitable rules for the government of the Clubhouse, provided, however, all rules made by this committee shall first be approved by the Board of Governors, and thereafter posted to a proper place in the Clubhouse.

### **Section 5.08. GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

The Grounds Committee shall have charge and supervision of the grounds occupied and used by the Club.

### **Section 5.09. JUNIOR ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE.**

The Junior Activities Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated and assigned to it by the Board of Governors and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.

### **Section 5.10. EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

The Education Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated to it by the Board of Governors, and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.

### **Section 5.11. PIER AND DOCK COMMITTEE.**

The Pier and Dock Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated and assigned to it by the Board of Governors, and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.

### **Section 5.12. LEGAL COMMITTEE.**

The Legal Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated and assigned to it by the Board of Governors, and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.

### **Section 5.13. SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE.**

The Swimming Pool Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated and assigned to it by the Board of Governors, and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions.

### **Section 5.14. LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE.**

The Long-Range Planning Committee shall assume and discharge such duties as shall be delegated and assigned to it by the Board of Governors, and it shall report to and be responsible to the Board of Governors for its actions. The committee shall be chaired by the Vice Commodore and the Rear Commodore will automatically be a member of the committee to ensure continuity.

### **Section 5.15 AUDIT COMMITTEE.**

The Audit Committee shall have three members, including its chairman, one of which can be Board of Governors members or Officers, and shall periodically, at times of its own choosing, conduct an audit of the Club's income and expense records maintained by the Treasurer. There shall be at least one such audit within ninety days prior to the end of each fiscal year, prior to the regular annual meeting of the membership. The Audit Committee shall report its findings to the Board of Governors and to the regular annual meeting of the membership.

## **ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS**

### **Section 6.01. REGULAR.**

The regular annual meeting of the Club for the purpose of electing Governors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before such meetings shall be held on any date fixed by the Board of Governors during the month of November of each year in the Clubhouse, or at such other place as the Board of Governors may designate, and said meeting may be adjourned from time to time.

### **Section 6.02. SPECIAL.**

Special meetings of the Club may be called either by the Commodore or upon the request of five Resident members, or upon resolution by the Board of Governors.

### **Section 6.03. NOTICE.**

Notice of any special or regular meeting shall be given by the Secretary, mailing to the last known address of each Resident and Life member, by posting on the Clubhouse bulletin board and posting on the DCYC Website, a notice of such meeting. Such mailing and posting shall be made within ten days after the request for a special meeting as provided in Section 6.02 herein. Such mailing and posting of the regular annual meeting or special meeting shall be made not less than seven days prior to such meeting. No business shall be transacted at any special or regular meeting other than that clearly set forth in the notice calling same.

### **Section 6.04. QUORUM.**

Twenty-five percent of the total number of Resident and Life members of the Club, when present at any regular or special meeting of the Club, shall constitute a quorum.

### **Section 6.05. ELIGIBLE VOTERS.**

No member shall be entitled to more than one vote at any meeting. No member shall be allowed to vote by proxy. No member shall be eligible to vote unless a membership certificate (Resident or Life) has been issued to him or her. In the absence of said member, his or her spouse may vote for said absent member, provided said member is not in arrears for dues or other indebtedness due the Club.

## **Section 6.06. MEETING OF DOCK CERTIFICATE OWNERS.**

Meetings of DCYC dock certificate owners will be called and conducted according to the rules which apply to special meetings, except for the following overriding modifications:

- a. Dock certificate owners who are Resident, Associate, and Life members in good standing and not in arrears, regardless of membership class, are eligible to vote. The Commodore of DCYC and the President of the Dallas Corinthian Education Foundation (DCEF) are eligible to vote for their respective organizations.
- b. Each eligible dock certificate owner shall be permitted to cast as many votes as the number of DCYC docks he/she or his/her organization owns; i.e., one vote per owned dock.
- c. An eligible dock certificate owner may designate a proxy to cast his/her vote(s). The designation of proxy shall be made in writing and signed by the eligible dock certificate owner.
- d. A quorum is constituted when a sufficient number of eligible dock certificate owners or their proxies are present to cast 25% of all possible votes according to the formula one vote per dock.
- e. A three-fourths majority of all votes cast by eligible voters, in person or by proxy, are required to pass motions which result in assessments. All other motions can be passed by a simple majority of all eligible votes cast in person or by proxy.
- f. All dock certificate owners are bound by motions passed at meetings conducted in accordance with this section and its subsections.

## **Section 6.07. Meetings by REMOTE COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY.**

Any meeting of the membership, dock certificate owners, Board of Governors, or any committee designated by the Board of Governors may be held by means of a remote electronic communications system, including video conferencing technology or the internet, only if:

- (1) each person entitled to participate in the meeting consents to the meeting being held by means of that system; and
- (2) the system provides access to the meeting in a manner or using a method by which each person participating can communicate concurrently with each other participant.

## **ARTICLE VII ELECTION OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS & OFFICERS**

### **Section 7.01. ELECTION PROCESS.**

The Governors of the Club shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members or, if for any reason such annual meeting is not held, the Governors shall be elected before any business is conducted at the first meeting of the Board of Governors in the calendar year. The newly elected Governors shall be eligible to vote to elect the Officers at such meeting.

### **Section 7.02. DETERMINING CANDIDATES.**

The candidates for Governors shall be nominated by the following method:

- a. At least thirty days prior to each annual meeting, the Executive Committee shall appoint a Nominating Committee of five Resident or Life members of the Club, none of whom shall be an Officer or Governor, who shall nominate candidates for Governors to be voted on at the annual meeting. The number of nominees for Governors shall be at least twice the number of vacancies on the Board. The names of such nominees for Governors shall be posted on the bulletin board at the Clubhouse, on the Club Website and members notified by mail to normally be reached not less than seven days before the annual meeting.
- b. In addition to the procedure from the preceding paragraph, five or more Resident or Life members in good standing may nominate candidates for Governors by posting such names on the bulletin board for at least three days before the election and signing their names thereto.

### Section 7.03. TERM OF OFFICE.

The Board of Governors shall consist of nine elected members and a tenth member appointed by the Past Commodores Association as provided in Section 3.05. Each year three Governors shall be elected for a period of three years. Election of such Governors shall be had by plurality of the vote of the Resident and Life members present and voting at the annual meeting, each member present to have one vote for each vacancy. Such newly elected Governors shall succeed the retiring Governors whose term of office have expired, and such newly elected Governors, when so elected, shall serve for a term of three years or until their successors are elected.

### Section 7.04. ELIGIBILITY.

- a. Both a member and their spouse shall be eligible for election as an Officer or a member of the Board of Governors provided that the member is eligible to vote under the provisions of these bylaws.
- b. The immediate Past Commodore is ineligible to serve on the Board of Governors in the year immediately following his/her term as Commodore.

### Section 7.05. ELECTION JUDGES.

At the annual meeting of members, the presiding Officer shall appoint three members of the Club, no one of whom shall be an Officer or candidate, as tellers and judges of the election, and shall cause to be distributed a list of the candidates for Governors previously nominated in accordance herewith.

### Section 7.06. VACANCIES.

All vacancies on the Board of Governors between annual meetings shall be filled by appointment by the Board of Governors at any regular or special meeting, such appointee to serve during the unexpired term of his predecessor. The appointee will be chosen on the basis of the last election and will be the individual runner-up who amassed the most votes at said election.

### Section 7.07. ATTENDANCE.

All Board members shall attend a minimum of 75% of all Board meetings called during each calendar year to remain eligible to serve.

## ARTICLE VIII VISITORS

### Section 8.01. RESPONSIBILITY FOR VISITOR.

A member introducing a visitor shall be responsible for the indebtedness of such visitor to the Club, as well as the conduct of such visitor while a guest of the Club. Any Officer or member of the Board of Governors shall have the right to ask a guest to leave the premises at any time if the conduct of the guest is unsuitable.

## ARTICLE IX RENTAL OF FACILITIES

### Section 9.01.

All Resident, Associate, Non-Resident, and Life members in good standing shall be entitled to rent lockers and boat space when available at whatever fee is fixed by the Club, payable to the Club as any other obligation.

## ARTICLE X BUDGETS

### Section 10.01.

All DCYC funds derived from any source except the Capital Improvements Fund shall be combined in an account under the name of **DALLAS CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB** in the bank designated by the Board of Governors out of which the

Club's expenses shall be paid. However, the Treasurer shall, if directed by the Board of Governors, maintain separate accounts for various funds created by vote of the members or the Board of Governors, and/or a special interest bearing account of surplus funds to obtain the greatest interest income for the Club. The Treasurer shall report to the Board of Governors the amounts in these accounts on a monthly basis.

### Section 10.02.

At the annual meeting of the Club, a budget shall be voted on by the Board of Governors for the operation of the Club in keeping with the general policy adopted by the action of the Club.

## ARTICLE XI. FISCAL YEAR

### Section 11.01.

The fiscal year of the Club shall be from January 1 to December 31. The terms of office for the Board of Governors and Officers of the club shall be the same.

## ARTICLE XII. RESPONSIBILITY

### Section 12.01.

The Club will not be responsible for loss or damage to personal property of members, visitors or guests. The Club will, however, endeavor to protect, to the best of its ability, any such property.

## ARTICLE XIII. BURGEE, SEAL AND DEVICE

### Section 13.01.

The Burgee of the Club shall be a triangular flag, the length to be approximately twice the hoist; the design and color arrangement shall be as adopted by the Club.

### Section 13.02.

The Device shall be an isosceles triangle, with the hypotenuse to the left and the apex to the right; the left one-third of the triangle to be a field of blue with a white, five-pointed star centered therein; the remainder to be horizontally divided into equal parts of white and red, the white portion forming the upper part and the red the lower part.

### Section 13.03.

The Club Seal shall consist of a circle with the name of **DALLAS CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB** along the outside edge, the year 1956 along the outside edge and a five-pointed star located in the center.

## ARTICLE XIV. ENTERTAINMENTS, GUESTS, VISITORS

### Section 14.01.

Members may give private parties, dances or entertainments by making arrangements with the House and Grounds Committee for which there may be a fee, if justified, including clean-up charges.

### Section 14.02.

At the request of any Resident, Associate, Non-Resident or Life member, guests, except those from Dallas, Denton, Tarrant or Collin counties, may be granted ten-day privileges of the Club, by an Officer of the Club. Guests with such authorization shall be allowed Club privileges and the use of sponsoring member's equipment. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests and encumbrances and will assure that the guests follow the rules of the Club.

### Section 14.03.

For regattas, other Club functions, and special situations, the Executive Committee may grant exceptions to the geographical limitations of Section 14.02.

### Section 14.04. VISITORS:

- a. Visitors who are members of a yacht club granting reciprocal privileges, may be extended privileges of DCYC as allowed in section 14.02, but without geographic restrictions.
- b. Visitors who arrive uninvited, but who are desirous of membership, may be granted guest privileges for the duration of their visit, not to exceed 24 hours.
- c. All other uninvited visitors shall be asked to depart the premises.

## ARTICLE XV. DISCIPLINE

### Section 15.01.

See Section 3.04, **DISCIPLINARY POWERS.**

## ARTICLE XVI. DISSOLUTION

### Section 16.01.

At the dissolution of the corporation whether from termination of its Charter or from any other cause, its affairs shall be liquidated under the superintendence of a committee of three Resident and Life members to be appointed at a general meeting called for such purpose, whereof ten days prior notice shall be given and such committee shall have full power to sell and dispose of all the property and effects of the Club, to pay its debts or liabilities, and divide the surplus if any equally among its Resident and Life members, but no dissolution shall take place without the consent of three-fourths of the Resident and Life members of the Club. No Resident and Life member shall be permitted to vote under this article unless in good standing with the Treasurer.

## ARTICLE XVII. GENERAL MISCELLANEOUS

### Section 17.01.

No contract over \$500.00 shall be accepted or extended by the Club unless it is duly signed and accepted by proper Officers of the Club.

### Section 17.02.

The Commodore and/or Treasurer may be relieved of the payment of annual dues if and when ordered by the Board of Governors, depending on the volume of detail delegated to these Officers by the Board of Governors.

## ARTICLE XVIII. AMENDMENTS

### Section 18.01.

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular or special meeting of the Resident and Life members or by majority vote of the Board of Governors at any regular or special meeting provided that the following named sections may be amended only by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Resident and Life members of the Club present and voting at any regular or special meeting of such members and provided further that the Secretary has mailed a printed copy of this proposed amendment and reasons therefore to each member at least seven days prior to such meeting. Amendments made by the Board of Governors shall be published in the next available issue of The Hailer or shall be mailed to the membership within 45 days.

Section 1.01 ARTICLE I  
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## ARTICLE XIX. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

### Section 19.01. PROCEDURE.

The current edition of Roberts Rules of Order shall be the final source of authority in all questions of parliamentary procedure when such rules are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

## ARTICLE XX. BYLAWS APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION

### Section 20.01.

The above and foregoing bylaws are approved and ratified on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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COMMODORE

SECRETARY

**Revisions:**

Approval Date	Description
06/16/2007	Amended Sections 1.08 and 2.03 regarding delinquency and member termination process
June 2009	Amended Section 1.08c to refine wording on terminated member responsibilities
November 2009	Amended Section 1.02e to reinstate Life Membership at annual membership meeting
August 2011	Updated various Bylaws per the Bylaws Review Committee recommendations and BOG approval.
November 2011	Updated various Bylaws per the Bylaws Review Committee recommendations and Membership approval.
June 2018	Amended each reference to Dock Owner to indicate "Dock Certificate Owner"
January 2020	Updated Section 1.02 to change the maximum age of an Associate member from 25 to 30 as approved by membership at November 16, 2019 Annual Meeting.
November 2021	At the 2021 AGM the definition of Non-Resident Membership in Section 1.02 was amended to prohibit Non-Resident members from storing property at the club or owning a dock certificate.
July 2022	Added Table of Contents. Update minor errors in spelling and grammar. Reviewed for consistency in descriptions and formatting.
October 2023	Updated formatting. Official source saved to webmaster's Google Drive.