



**BY-LAWS OF  
SEITZLAND RIFLE CLUB, INC.**



**NRA Club #  
C0109**

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**ARTICLE I – Name**

The name of this organization shall be Seitzland Rifle Club, Inc.

**ARTICLE II – Object**

The object of this organization shall be the encouragement of organized rifle shooting among citizens of the United States resident in our community; with a view toward a better knowledge on the part of such citizens of the safe handling and proper care of firearms, as well as improved marksmanship. It shall be our further object and purpose to forward the development of those characteristics of honesty, good fellowship, self-discipline, team-play and self-reliance which are the essentials of good sportsmanship and the foundation of true patriotism.

**Amendment #1** – Defines the word community, as meaning, within a 20-mile radius of the club property, with exceptions. If any applicant lives outside the 20-mile radius he/she may apply for associate membership only. Associate members will only have range privileges.

**ARTICLE III – Membership**

a) Any citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or over, may become a member of this organization on vote of the Executive Committee, after subscribing to the following oath, on payment of the usual initiation fee and dues, and members in good standing may renew their membership by providing proof of current membership in the National Rifle Association. Annual renewals of membership in the Seitzland Rifle Club, Inc., will be contingent on a continuing membership in the National Rifle Association.

**Oath of Allegiance**

b) I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of American and to the republic for which it stands. I certify that I am a citizen of the United States and that I am not a member of any organization or group pledged to, or working form, a program aimed at the destruction of our present system of government, established by the Constitution of the United States.

**Article IV - Dues**

a) The dues of Seitzland Rifle Club will run for a twelve month period, the club membership secretary collecting all dues. Individual members must not send them direct to the N.R.A. The year will start on the first day of January.

b) The annual dues of the organization shall be established annually, payable not later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of December.

c) The initiation fee of this organization shall be established annually.

d) Those, whose membership has been rescinded, must wait a minimum of one (1) Year, before being eligible to reapply for membership status.

e) Any member who becomes physically unable to take an active part in club functions after having been a member for 5 consecutive years shall, upon written request to the executive committee accompanied by a medical doctor's certification of said disability, receive an inactive members card. Inactive members shall not be liable for dues and shall be placed on an inactive basis until member shall make written application

to the executive committee to become active and pay dues for the year he desires to become active.

f) Dues shall be due from September 1st to the 3rd Sunday of December. Failure to pay the dues by the 3rd Sunday of December shall constitute automatic removal from the club membership roster.

**Amendment #2 – Sub-Article (g)** – A person who has been a dues-paying member in each of the five years preceding the year in which he reaches age 65 will become a senior member in said year. A senior member will pay reduced annual dues as set by the executive committee. Senior membership is the same as regular membership in all other respects.

**Amendment #3 – Sub-Article (h)** – The child of a person who has been a dues-paying or senior member in each of the five years preceding the year in which such child reaches age 18, may become a member without paying the initiation fee.

**Amendment #4 – Sub-Article (i)** – A person who has actively participated in club functions in the year preceding the year in which he reaches age 18 may, in the year he reaches 18, become a member without paying the initiation fee. The executive committee will determine whether the person desiring membership under this provision “actively participated” in the qualifying year.

#### **Article V – Meetings**

a) The annual meeting of the organization shall be held on the 3rd Sunday of December. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the fixed time, it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter. The annual meeting shall be the time that all new officers shall be elected. (All new officers shall take office on the first day of January.)

- b) Other club meetings shall be constituted as follows
- (1) There will be a General Membership meeting the 3rd Sunday of the month of December, 1st Tuesday of April and August.
  - (2) There will be an Executive Committee meeting the 1st Tuesday of every month.
  - (3) Members may attend all scheduled club meetings.
  - (4) Special Meeting - A special meeting of the organization may be held at any time, upon the call of the President, or upon the call of the Executive Committee, or upon demand in writing, stating the object of the proposed meeting, and signed by not less than 20% of the members entitled to vote. Notice of the time, place, and object of any special meeting shall be given to all officers and members in good standing, in writing by United States mail not less than seven days prior to the date fixed for the holding of the meeting. The place of such special meetings shall be fixed by the Executive Committee.
- c) To avoid block voting, all business conducted at regular monthly meetings shall be decided by the Executive Committee. General membership may vote on business matters at meetings held on the 1st Tuesday of April and August.

#### **Article VI — Officers**

- a) The officers of this organization shall be: President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and Range Officer. Acting together, they shall constitute the Executive Committee. They shall be elected by majority vote, by ballot of the members in good standing, present at the annual meeting of this organization. They shall hold offices for one year or until their successors are elected.
- b) There shall be a board of three Trustees, who will serve for the term of one, two, and three years, respectively.
- c) The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of all the activities of the organization.
- d) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held regularly at such time and

place as the committee may determine. Special meetings may be held at any time according to provisions in Article V, Section 5, of the by-laws.

- e) Six (6) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- f) Resignation of any officer may be accepted by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee.
- g) A vacancy in the Executive Committee may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the committee. However, if more than one vacancy exists, a special meeting of the organization shall be called and new officers shall be elected to fill the vacancies until the date of the next annual meeting.
- h) The President shall have the power to appoint any temporary replacements for any vacancies on the Executive Board, until the next executive meeting.

#### **Article VII Duties of Officers**

- a) **President** - The President shall preside at all meetings of the organization and of the Executive Committee. He shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to his office.
- b) **Vice-President** - The Vice-president shall perform the duties of the President in his absence or, at his request.
- c) **Recording Secretary** - The Recording Secretary shall execute all official correspondence pertaining to the proper preparation and forwarding of all reports required of the organization by the National Rifle Association and the Director of Civilian Marksmanship. He shall notify the Executive Committee and the organization. He shall have the custody of the books and papers of the club, except the Treasurer's books of account and the Membership Secretary's Records.
- d) **Membership Secretary** - The Membership Secretary shall be responsible for the collection of all fees and dues and shall remit the same to the Treasurer, taking his proper receipt therefore. He shall keep an updated record of the club roster.
- e) **Treasurer** - The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the organization and place the same in such bank or banks as may be approved by the Executive Committee. Such money shall be withdrawn by check only, signed by the Treasurer and President, for

the payment of such bills as shall have been approved by the Executive Committee, except the payment of current expenses. The Membership Secretary shall deliver to the Treasurer a receipt for all such checks, including a list of the names of the members for whom dues are being paid, and the dates covered by the membership fee. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all his transactions and render a detailed report with vouchers of any meeting of the organization at its annual meeting.

f) **Range Officer** - The Range Officer shall have charge of the ranges of the club, the printing of the scorecards, the arranging of competitions, etc. He shall contract no bills without the authorization of the Executive Committee.

g) **The Board of Trustees** - The Trustees will serve as chief advisors to the Executive Committee, voting on all matters pertaining to the welfare of the club. Final vote on all matters shall carry a two-thirds majority.

h) **Auditing Committee** - The President shall appoint an Auditing Committee, composed of three or more members, who shall audit the books at the end of each year, and shall present to the Executive Committee a written report on said duties.

### **Article VIII — Suspension or Expulsion**

a) Any officer missing two consecutive meetings shall be suspended from holding office for that term, unless he provides an acceptable excuse to the Executive Board. Two-thirds vote is needed for suspension.

b) Any member or officer may be suspended or expelled from the organization for any cause deemed sufficient by the Executive Committee by a four-fifths affirmative vote of the members of the Committee present at any regular or special meeting.

c) Charges against any officer or member may be performed by any member in good standing. They shall be in writing clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed by the Recording Secretary, who will immediately notify the President. The president will call a meeting of the Executive Committee to hear the charges. The Recording Secretary will give at least fifteen days notice of the meeting to each member of the Executive Committee, and to the accuser and to the accused. Notice

shall be in writing and shall include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.

d) Any member suspended or expelled by the Executive Committee may appeal to the full membership of the organization. Such appeal shall be made to the Recording Secretary in writing who will notify the President. The President will call a special meeting of the organization for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Recording Secretary shall give at least fifteen days notice in writing to all members of the organization in good standing; the date, time, place and reason for such special meeting. At the meeting of the full club, the Secretary shall read the original charges, the supporting affidavits and will read or display the accompanying exhibits, and will read the minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee at which the charges were heard and action taken. A full hearing will be given to the accuser and the accused. A vote will be taken by ballot of the members in good standing present, and a two-thirds vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Executive Committee.

e) Any official or member of the organization who has been suspended or expelled by the National Rifle Association of America shall automatically stand suspended or expelled from this organization immediately upon receipt of official notice by the Secretary of this organization from the Secretary of the National Rifle Association.

### **Article IX - Competitions**

The competitions held by the club shall be governed by the rules and regulations adopted by the committee appointed for such purpose.