

**CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE
ALAMO MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB, INC.
OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the ALAMO MUZZLE LOADING GUN CLUB, hereinafter called AMLGC.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose of AMLGC will be to preserve traditions symbolized by the muzzle loading weapons of our forefathers. AMLGC will foster appreciation of fine craftsmanship in such weapons by providing the friendly association of people sincerely interested in muzzle loading firearms, and various other shooting sports. AMLGC will further provide contests to encourage marksmanship in an atmosphere of fair play and good sportsmanship. AMLGC will also provide instruction and training to members. AMLGC strongly supports the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

ARTICLE III: CHARTER

AMLGC will be chartered under the rules of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association and the National Rifle Association. AMLGC will preserve its charter with these organizations during the period of its existence by satisfying all obligations to these organizations.

ARTICLE IV: INCORPORATION

AMLGC will be incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas as a non-profit organization, operated solely for the benefit of its members. If for any reason AMLGC disbands, all assets will be liquidated, all outstanding debts will be paid in full, and all remaining monetary assets belonging to AMLGC will be divided equally among the members of AMLGC who are in good standing at that time.

ARTICLE V: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Constitution was voted upon and passed by a majority of the members present at the General Members' Meeting held January 9, 1993.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I: MEMBERSHIP

A. Eligibility:

1. Any person eighteen (18) years of age or older and of good character who is a member in good standing of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association, or the National Rifle Association shall be eligible for membership if sponsored by a member in good standing. Sponsorship of new members shall be limited to a total of three (3) such sponsored new members per calendar year, per member.

2. Any person who is older than twelve (12) years of age but younger than eighteen (18) years of age will be eligible for junior membership under the sponsorship of an adult member in good standing.

3. Club membership in AMLGC is a family membership. Dues cover all members of the immediate family, living at one address. All family members are eligible for full membership privileges as outlined in part B of this Section.

B. Privileges and Duties of Members:

1. Adult members of AMLGC will be entitled to participate in any and all activities held by the organization; they will be entitled to one (1) vote for each elected office; they will be entitled to one (1) vote on any issue presented for consideration by the full membership on a one dues, one vote basis.

2. Members will be obligated to assist in any way possible the fulfillment of the purpose of AMLGC; they will be obligated to encourage qualified persons to join AMLGC and at participate in activities and projects organized by AMLGC.

3. Junior members will not have the right to vote but may enjoy all other benefits and privileges of membership.

C. Termination of membership:

1. Any member in default in the payment of dues will be dropped from the rolls and membership terminated. A member is in default if dues are not paid within ninety (90) days of the due date.

2. Any member may terminate membership at any time by resignation, in writing, but such member will not be entitled to refund of any dues paid.

3. A member may be suspended or expelled for cause by a unanimous vote of the Officers of AMLGC. Such member will not be entitled to refund of any dues paid. Charges will be formally brought by registered letter to the member who will be allowed to defend himself before the Board of Directors at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

ARTICLE II: MEETINGS

A. The Annual Business Meeting of the full membership will be held on the second Saturday or Sunday of January. At this meeting the members will elect the Board of Directors for the coming year and the financial report of the preceding year will be heard.

B. Regular Board of Directors meetings will be held on the Tuesday following the first Sunday of each month.

C. In the event of a cancellation of a regular meeting or a change in meeting date, an officer of AMLGC will notify members in good standing. A meeting can be canceled or the date of a meeting changed at the discretion of the President.

D. Special meetings of the Board of Directors or of the full membership may be called at any time by the President for the purpose of presenting matters demanding immediate attention.

ARTICLE III: DUES

Dues will be fixed by the Board of Directors with the approval by vote of two-thirds of the Board Members attending that meeting. Dues will be payable at the first regular business meeting in January and will run for a calendar year. Members joining AMLGC after July 1, will have their dues prorated, but proration will take place in the second year dues. Dues will be payable to the Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

A. The officers shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. In addition to these four officers there shall be four other members of the Board of Directors.

B. Selection of Officers:

Four (4) directors will be elected from the general membership at the Annual Members' Meeting. Directors will be elected for a two-year term. These Board Members will select, from among themselves, the four principal officers and chairmen of the Standing Committees.

C. Replacement Board Members may be appointed to fill vacancies at the discretion of the Board by a majority vote of a quorum of Board Members present at a regular Board meeting.

D. A quorum will consist of a majority of the Board Members currently serving.

E. An Officer may resign from office by submitting his resignation, in writing, to the President.

F. Board Members will be dismissed from the Board for two consecutive, unexcused absences from regularly scheduled Board Meetings.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

A. PRESIDENT.

The President will preside at all meetings and functions of AMLGC and will insure orderly procedure at such meetings. He will instruct other officers in their duties. He will make all requests for donations. He will represent the Club. He will be in charge of all publicity (radio, newspapers, flyers, etc.). He will write, or cause to be written, two columns a year for the *SWAP SHEET*. No one may serve more than two consecutive terms as President.

B. VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President will act in place of the President in the event of his absence from any meeting. He will assist the other officers in such a manner that there is an equitable division of labor among the Officers. He will be an ex-officio member of all committees. He will be responsible for the regular publication of the *SMOKE SIGNAL*. He will serve as chairman of the Membership Committee. No one may serve more than two consecutive terms as Vice President.

C. SECRETARY

The Secretary will be responsible for keeping all records of the Club in an orderly and systematic fashion. He will keep permanent minutes of all meetings in a spiral bound notebook. He will get name tags for all special events. He will prepare all external correspondence for the signature of the President. He will keep all records in order for the State of Texas. He will keep available a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws for the use of the membership. No one may serve more than two consecutive terms as Secretary.

D. TREASURER

The Treasurer will be responsible for collection of dues and for all financial transactions of AMLGC. He will account for all funds. He will pay all bills and payments and reimburse other members for legitimate expenditures. He will keep financial records for the State of Texas. He will assist, as necessary, in the ordering of medals, awards, refreshments for special events, and other approved expenditures. He will keep the target money box.

ARTICLE VI: STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be four Standing Committees: The Match Committee, The Range Committee, The Entertainment and Special Events Committee, and the Membership Committee. Chairmen for these committees, except the Membership Committee, will be selected from among members of the Board of Directors not holding primary offices. Members of the committees will be selected by the committee chairman from the general membership. Committee meetings will be held separate and apart from Board of Director meetings, and a report in writing will be presented to the President at the Board of Directors meeting next following the committee meeting. This report will be read into, and made a part of, the minutes of the meeting.

A. MATCH COMMITTEE

The Match Committee will consist of members who have a great deal of experience shooting on both the state and national level and, of course, with the AMLGC.

The duties of this committee will be as follows: Determine all matches for all shoots. Produce and publish all Match and Range Safety Rules. Serve as jury for all major shooting events and make final determination on any and all protests and violations. Make final decision on rule and match changes and publish and distribute those changes prior to the affected match. Distribute trophies and prizes to all winners. Order targets for all shoots, and make the necessary posters for all events.

B. RANGE COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Range Committee shall be the Senior Range Officer. He shall be responsible for the conduct of all matches or other competitive events. The committee shall consist of a sufficient number of members, chosen from the general membership, to perform its assigned tasks. Duties of the Range Committee will be as follows: Run the range house. Raise and lower the flags for all events and see to it that the flags are clean and ready. Keep classification records and records of all shooting events. Be in charge of maintenance and improvements on the range. All Board Members will serve as Assistant Range Officers when requested by the Senior Range Officer.

C. ENTERTAINMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

The duties of the Entertainment and Special Events Committee are as follows: Purchase and dispense all beverages at all events as required. See to it that the beverages are appropriately iced or hot. Be responsible for collecting beverage money and turning it over to the Treasurer. Chairmen shall act as Sgt-at-Arms at all meetings. Be in charge of fund raising and raffles. Get all food for all functions as necessary. Be in charge of decorations for all events.

D. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Vice President shall serve as Chairman of the Membership Committee. The duties of this committee are as follows: Maintain a listing of current members, including home and work telephone numbers. Maintain records of members' talents or special abilities. Be in charge of membership drives.

ARTICLE VII: AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendment to the Constitution or ByLaws of AMLGC may be introduced by any member of AMLGC at any regular annual or special meeting. Action on such amendment may not be taken at the meeting at which the amendment is introduced. Notice of such proposed amendment will be given to all regular members of AMLGC and a vote will be taken on the proposed amendment at a special meeting, or at the next regular meeting following the introduction of the amendment. A two-thirds vote of the members present at such meeting will be necessary to pass the proposed amendment. This article must be complied with in order to change the Constitution and ByLaws of AMLGC.