

FLYING SCOT® SAILING ASSOCIATION
FLEET CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE C-I: NAME

The Fleet shall be called Flying Scot® Fleet Number _____ and shall hereafter be referred to herein as the Fleet.

ARTICLE C-II: HEADQUARTERS

Fleet Headquarters shall be located in _____

ARTICLE C –III: OBJECTIVES

The Objectives of the Fleet shall be to encourage and promote on and off the water activities for Flying Scot® owners, promote Flying Scot® Class racing under uniform rules, and to actively encourage new sailors to improve their sailing and racing knowledge.

ARTICLE C-IV: POLICY

The fleet shall cooperate with other sailing organizations and insist upon strict observance of the Association Rules.

ARTICLE C-V: JURISDICTION

Section 1. The Fleet Constitution and Bylaws shall be binding on its members and shall not conflict with those of the Flying Scot® Sailing Association. The Association rules shall take precedence but shall not be in conflict with the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS.)

Section 2. District jurisdiction: (if desired). Participation in District events is encouraged.

ARTICLE C-VI: DUES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS (if desired)

Section 1. Dues may be levied by the Fleet Officers and shall be due and payable annually. Fleet and Association dues must be paid in order for a member to be in good standing. Members must pay District dues when applicable.

ARTICLE C-VIII: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Fleet Membership shall be in accordance with those of the Flying Scot® Sailing Association Constitution and Bylaws. A member shall have the privilege of voting and holding office in the Fleet. He may command a class sloop in a Fleet Sanctioned Event in accordance with the Rules. He must be an owner of substantial part owner of a class sloop. He shall receive fleet communication as a member and may attend all activities for which he pays dues, fee, and assessments. Other special membership categories may be designated by the Fleet.

Section 2. All membership applications shall be approved by the Fleet Officers.

Section 3. Fleet Membership is required in all Fleet Sanctioned Events. FSSA membership should be mandatory for Fleet and District Events. For Sanctioned events FSSA membership is mandatory according to the FSSA Constitution.

ARTICLE C-VIII: FLEET GOVERNMENT

1. GOVERNMENT

Section 1. Government of the Fleet shall be vested in the duly elected Fleet Officers, which shall establish major Fleet policy.

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2. FLEET OFFICERS The Fleet Officers shall consist of the following:

Section 1. The Fleet Captain shall be the chief officer of the Fleet and shall assume Fleet leadership. (Guidance may be found in the Fleet Captain's manual published on the FSSA website). He shall serve as Chairman of the officers. He shall vote only to break a tie vote. His general duties shall include: Calling meetings, presiding, representing the Fleet, ruling on procedure and jurisdiction, summarizing decision, appointing committees, authorizing disbursements, settling disputes and rule violations, and serving as ex officio member of all committees except the Nomination Committee. Fleet management information can also be found on the US SAILING One Design Class Council web site. There is a link to the Council's information on the FSSA Website.

Section 2. (If desired) The Fleet Measurer shall assume the duties of the Fleet Captain in his absence temporarily or permanently in his vacancy of the office. He shall serve a Chairman of Measurement Committee. He shall advise on matter pertaining to boat construction, sails, rigging, fittings, and equipment of the class sloop He shall be responsible for communication with the Class Measurer and be aware of specification or measurement changes.

Section 3. The Fleet Secretary shall preserve and maintain papers, letters, and correspondence of the Fleet. He shall take the minutes of all meeting and maintain an up-to-date roster.

Section 4. (If desired) The Fleet Treasurer shall collect record and disburse all Fleet funds as directed by the Fleet Captain.

Section 5. (If desired) The Fleet Scorekeeper shall supervise the collecting and analyzing of Fleet racing results for all Fleet sanctioned events. He shall maintain records and furnish results to the Fleet Editor for prompt publication.

Section 6. The officers shall serve a term of one year or until replaced by duly elected officers.

ARTICLE C-IX: MEETINGS

Section 1. Fleet Meetings may be called by the Fleet Captain on two weeks notice to the Fleet. The meetings shall be held at a time and place, which is reasonably accessible and convenient to the majority of members.

Section 2. An Annual Meeting shall be held prior to November 1. One month's notice shall be given the Fleet, if possible. Business at the Annual Meeting shall include: Election of new officers, amendments to the Constitution, and the presentation of the Annul Report from the Fleet Captain. Results of the election of Fleet Officers shall be filed with the Association not oater than November 15 of each year.

ARTICLE C-X: ROLL CALL AND QUORUMS

Section 1. A majority of the Fleet officers shall constitute a quorum for an Officer's Meeting.

Section 2. One-third of the Fleet Members shall constitute a quorum for a Fleet Business Meeting.

ARTICLE C-XI: NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The Fleet Officers shall be elected at the Annual Meeting to serve from November 15 through November 14 of the following year. Any vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the Fleet Captain to complete the term.

Section 2. To be eligible each candidate must indicate his willingness and capacity to serve a complete term or remainder of a term. He/She should be familiar with the class practices/policies and expectations of the Fleet. This is very important. Too often the rookies get the job and that can lead to poor communications among other more disastrous situations.

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Section 3. A Nominating Committee appointed by the Fleet Captain shall present their nominations at the Annual Meeting. Nominations shall also be received from the floor. If there are more than two candidates for an office, successive votes shall be conducted until one receives a majority of the votes. No proxy voting shall be allowed.

ARTICLE C-XII: VOTING

Section 1. The manner of balloting shall be decided by the Fleet Captain.

ARTICLE C-XIII: SUSPENSIONS, EXPULSIONS, AND IMPEACHMENTS

Section 1. Any member whose dues are in arrears for a year shall be automatically expelled from the Fleet and he shall not be reinstated except by reapplying for membership.

Section 2. Any member may be suspended or expelled for good cause at any time by action of the Fleet Officers

Section 3. Any suspended member shall be reinstated at the end of the suspension period set by the Fleet Officers.

ARTICLE C-XIV: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. The Constitution and Bylaws may never be suspended except upon dissolution of the Fleet.

Section 2. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3. The Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of those present at a meeting of the Fleet Officers

Section 4. Amendments passed shall take effect immediately unless otherwise stipulated in the amendments.

ARTICLE C-XV: DISSOLUTION

Section 1. The Fleet may be dissolved by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Annual Meeting, or a two-thirds vote of the entire Fleet at any time, or automatically should the membership drop below three boats.

Section 2. Obligations shall be settled and any balance in the treasury divided equitably among the members in good standing of record.

ARTICLE C-XVI: FLEET CHAMPION

The Fleet Champion shall be determined by the outcome of the Season Series.

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ARTICLE B-I: DUES

Section 1. Dues shall be due and payable annually by all members. Nonpayment after _____ shall render the member delinquent.

Section 2. A Delinquent Member shall not be eligible to participate or be recognized unless his dues are paid in full. All rights and privileges are suspended automatically until payment is made.

Section 3. Dues shall be used only for the general benefit of the entire fleet membership in good standing so that each member benefits equally as possible. Dues may be spent on such items as: Fleet sanctioned events, Newsletters, Yearbooks, Rosters, Invitations, Notices, Correspondence, Stamps, Stationery, and general fleet business.

ARTICLE B-II: FLEET SANCTIONED EVENTS

Section 1. Fleet Sanctioned Events shall be determined by the Fleet Officers each year and they shall encourage participation as a class in them. Consideration shall be given to travel time and distance and the wishes of the Fleet.

Section 2. Participation in any sanctioned event shall be the option and sole responsibility of each member and shall be at his own risk.

Section 3. The latest edition of the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) shall govern all Fleet Sanctioned Races and all informal races. Decisions shall be made in the spirit and intent of the rules with consideration of past precedents when applicable, but not when in conflict with RRS.

Section 4. All Fleet Sanctioned Events should be sailed according to the Flying Scot® Sailing Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Specifications. Membership in FSSA should be mandatory.

Section 5. This section has been deleted.

ARTICLE B-III: GUEST AND NEW MEMBER POLICY

Section 1. A Guest may be invited to race his class sloop in one Fleet sanctioned regatta; thereafter, he shall apply for membership. All Guests must be sponsored by a Member.

Section 2. The Fleet Captain shall develop a system of processing applications in conformance with the Constitution and Bylaws to be approved by the Fleet Officers.

ARTICLE B-IV: FISCAL POLICY

Section 1. The Fleet shall not be liable for any debts contracted by its members or officers other than legitimate and lawful expenses authorized by the Constitution and Bylaws.