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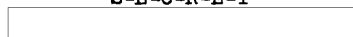
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ALL-UNION VOLUNTARY SOCIETY FOR ASSISTANCE
TO THE ARMY, NAVY, AND AIR FORCE

CONSTITUTION OF A DOSAAF
SPORTING MARKSMANSHIP CLUB

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Constitution
of a Sporting Marksmanship Club of the
All-Union Voluntary Society for
Assistance to the Army,
Air Force, and Navy.
(DOSAAF USSR)

I. GENERAL

1. A sporting marksmanship club of the All-Union Voluntary Society for Assistance to the Army, Navy, and Air Force is the sporting and instructional organization, and the center for mass sporting marksmanship work, of a republic, rayon, okrug, or city committee of DOSAAF.
2. A sporting marksmanship club, in organizing its work, depends on a wide base of creative initiative and spontaneous activity on the part of its members, whom it educates in the spirit of devotion to the Party of Lenin and Stalin, and the Socialist Fatherland.
3. A sporting marksmanship club is formed on a decision of the central committee of DOSAAF, USSR, within constituted limits of tables of equipment and organization. It is supported financially by the DOSAAF committee to which it is subordinate, and is carried on the accounts of that committee. The club holds a stamp bearing its designation, and a stamp for registering the payment of membership dues. It uses the seal of its DOSAAF committee.
4. A sporting marksmanship club is constituted as of the first or second class, or of special status, depending on the scale of its work and its commitment in the training of sporting marksmanship cadres; and also on the tables of equipment and organization laid down for it.

Should a club fail to fulfill the commitments placed on it, or the requirement given it for the training of cadres, by a decision of the Central Committee of DOSAAF it is reduced to a lower class, or liquidated.
5. With the aim of the widespread development of its work among the population, a club may, with the consent of the DOSAAF committee to which it is subordinate, organize affiliates attached to rayon and city committees of DOSAAF, or to major primary organizations of the association, using for this purpose active nuclei from among its members.
6. A sporting marksmanship club affords continuing assistance to primary organizations of the association in promoting mass sporting marksmanship work, and forms instructional groups for the training of classified marksmen, snipers, instructor-members, and marksmanship judges.

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II. COMMITMENTS AND TASKS OF A CLUB

7. Among the commitments of a sporting marksmanship club are the following:
- a) Popularization and promotion of the sport of marksmanship among members of the association, and the public.
 - b) The bringing together of members of the association with a view to the further improvement of their marksmanship qualifications and sporting skill. The inculcation of the sport of marksmanship in the broad masses of the workers.
 - c) The training of sporting marksmanship cadres.
 - d) Assistance in methods of instruction to primary organizations of DOSAAF and its committees in the development of the sport of marksmanship and the training of snipers.
8. To meet the commitments placed upon it, a club will:
- a) Organize lectures, addresses, and discussions on the problems of the sport of marksmanship, and will publicize literature dealing with these topics.
 - b) Form among its members instructional groups, marksmanship and sniping teams, and give these regular instruction. It will form sections concerned with various aspects of marksmanship work.
 - c) Form from among the best marksmen of the club not less than one picked team, consisting of ten marksmen, and, similarly, a picked sniping team, consisting of the five best sniping pairs. To these it will give systematic training in accordance with a plan made by the council of the club. A captain and a trainer will be appointed for each team.
 - d) Organize and conduct marksmanship and sniping contests to determine the best club marksmanship team, the best sniping pair, and the best shot—the club champion. It will conduct competitions and tournaments among the members of the club, and give wide publicity to their best achievements, fostering among them the urge to attain proficiency in marksmanship.
 - e) Attract its most proficient members (masters of sport, snipers, instructor-members, etc.) to work with young marksmen, both within the club and in the primary organizations of DOSAAF.
 - f) Organize and conduct the training of cadre instructors of the association, and of marksmanship judges.
 - g) Assist city and rayon committees of DOSAAF in the organization and conduct of marksmanship contests.
 - h) Assist primary organizations with its instructional cadres. Make available its material and technical resources (classrooms, indoor and outdoor ranges) for the training of members of the association in circles, instructional groups, and sports teams, without disrupting its own instructional effort.
 - i) Render assistance in methods of instruction to trainers and instructor-members in their work with the sporting marksmanship teams of primary organizations.

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- j) Organize and conduct development and inventive processes in the improvement and perfection of marksmanship weapons and instructional apparatus.
- k) Register and publicize club, city, okrug, rayon, republic, and all-union marksmanship records, of the association and of the Soviet Union.

III. MEMBERS

9. Membership in a sporting marksmanship club is open to members of DOSAAF not less than 16 years of age, trained to the minimum level of junior marksman, or from the age of 19 upwards, to the level of marksman third class, in the all-union standard sports classifications.

10. Membership of the club is accorded by the club council, on the written application of a candidate.

11. Members receive a membership card of the established pattern and pay the cost of this card, an entrance fee of three rubles, and membership dues of one ruble per month. Associates pay the cost of the membership card, an entrance fee of one ruble, and dues of twenty-five kopeks per month.

12. Members enjoy the right to belong to two or more sports teams using different weapons. Transfer from a team of lower grade to one of higher grade is permissible only on the raising of the marksman's grade in the sports classifications.

13. Members may not take part in marksmanship competitions on behalf of other sporting societies or organizations.

14. A member is bound:

- a) To pay his membership dues punctually and to take an active part in the work of the club.
- b) To work systematically to improve his level of training and to be constantly prepared to defend the sporting honor of his club and of the association.
- c) Strictly to observe the rules governing the internal affairs of the club, and to take good care of the equipment and property of the club.
- d) To obey the instructions issued by the council and head of the club.

15. A member has the right to:

- a) Take part in general meetings of the club, with the right to an active vote.
- b) Elect and be elected to the membership of elected organs of the club.
- c) Participate in the instructional groups and sporting teams of the club.
- d) Make use, in accordance with established procedure, of the weapons, ranges, ammunition, targets, and instructional equipment of the club.
- e) Participate, in accordance with regulations laid down, in mass undertakings conducted by the club.

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16. Exclusion from membership may be effected for the following reasons:

- a) Failure to pay dues for a period of six months.
- b) Infringement of the internal regulations of the club.
- c) The committing of anti-social acts.

IV. THE HEAD OF THE CLUB

17. The direction of all the affairs of a club rests with a head, appointed by the president of the DOSAAF committee to which the club is subordinate.

The head is the direct superior of the entire personnel of the club.

18. The head of the club is subordinated to the DOSAAF committee charged with the club's affairs.

19. The head of the club is directly responsible for:

- a) The fostering in his marksmanship cadres of a keen spirit of responsibility, discipline, and esprit de corps.
- b) The drawing up and implementation of all the club's working plans, subject to confirmation by the president of the committee to which the club is subordinate.
- c) Scrupulous compliance with internal regulations at indoor and outdoor ranges.
- d) The condition, numbers, storage, custody, care and proper use of weapons, ammunition, and all club property.
- e) The state of working discipline among club personnel.
- f) The proper expenditure of funds according to budgets approved by the DOSAAF committee, and the punctual presentation of accounts in regular form.
- g) Precautionary measures against fire on the premises of the club.

V. CLUB COUNCIL

20. To assist the head of the club in every way in his conduct of mass military work and sporting activities, the general meeting of the club elects by open ballot a club council of not less than seven members, to hold office for the term of one year.

21. From its own number, the club council elects a president, a vice president, and a secretary.

22. The composition of the club council is subject to confirmation by the DOSAAF committee to which the club is subordinate.

23. The club council:

- a) Accords club membership, and withdraws it.
- b) Works out annual and monthly plans for the mass military and sporting work of the club.
- c) Confirms the composition of the club's picked teams.

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- d) Examines and confirms scores in marksmanship competitions, tournaments, and matches.
- e) Examines scores in the mass military and sporting work of the club.
- f) Organizes sections for various aspects of marksmanship work, a sporting marksmanship section, an instructional methods section, a development and inventions section, a snipers' section, a quartermaster section, etc.
- g) Convenes general meetings of club members.

24. The council accounts for its work to a general meeting of members not less than twice a year. A general meeting of members is valid if not less than half the members are present.

25. The club council meets in session not less than once a month.

VI. AUDIT COMMISSION

26. For the verification of the state of payment of dues by members, and the proper use of funds and equipment for the mass military and sporting work of the club, the general meeting elects an audit commission, of from three to seven members, for the term of one year.

27. The audit commission accounts for its activities to the general meeting of club members.

28. In intervals between general meetings, the audit commission brings all irregularities discovered in the club to the notice of the DOSAAF committee and the club council.

29. The members of the audit commission of a sporting marksmanship club have the right of attendance at meetings of the club council with advisory votes.

VII. CLUB FUNDS

30. Club funds comprise:

- a) Membership dues and entrance fees of members.
- b) Grants from the DOSAAF committee.
- c) Grants from the local budget for the upkeep of buildings, and for public utility services (maintenance of buildings, water, light, etc.).

N.B. The proceeds of entrance fees and membership dues are included in the general club budget of income and expenditure, as confirmed by the DOSAAF committee, and may be spent only within the provisions of this budget.

VIII. LIQUIDATION OF A CLUB

31. The liquidation of a club is effected by a decision of the Central Committee of the All-Union Voluntary Society for Assistance to the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

32. All buildings, property, and funds of a club in liquidation pass to the control of the DOSAAF committee to which the club was subordinate.

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