

**Constitution of Algonquin Archers, Inc.**

**ARTICLE I**

**Name**

The name of this organization shall be Algonquin Archers, Inc.

**ARTICLE II**

**Purpose**

The purpose of this organization shall be to foster, expand and perpetuate the sport of archery in all forms, the spirit of good fellowship among all archers, and to encourage the use of the bow in hunting of all legal game, birds, and animals.

**ARTICLE III**

**Membership**

**Section 1 –**

Regular Monthly meetings will be held the first Tuesday of each month. Meeting may be changed by a vote at the previous meeting or in case of an emergency. All members shall be notified in the event of a change in the meeting time or date.

**Section 2 –**

Membership shall be available to anyone submitting proper application and having attained their eighteenth birthday. Upon approval of the membership, payment of fees and dues during attendance at a regular monthly meeting is required. In the event that applicant is rejected by at least (2) members, a special committee shall be appointed by the President to investigate the reason for such rejection. If rejection is upheld, the president will notify the applicant.

**Section 3 –**

Membership includes your spouse and any children, stepchildren who are under 18 years of age. Each membership in good standing is allowed one vote on matters of club business.

**Section 4 –**

Any member may be removed at any time for cause by a two-thirds majority vote of the board at an open meeting with thirty days prior notice having been given to the membership.

**Section 5 –**

All new members shall be on probation for a period of one year or upon approval of the Board. New members will be required to complete a mandatory of 10 work hours in their first 12 months of membership. New members will also be required to attend at least one-half off all regular monthly meetings of the club during their first year of membership. Probationary members have no voting rights. Any exceptions must be approved by the Board of Directors.

**Section 6 –**

An active member shall be defined as a member who is current in their dues payments and is not on any type of probation as per the constitution or Board of Directors.

**Section 7 –**

Life Membership – Any member who has at least 15 years of service to the club and whose age and years of service combined, exceed 80 years may be nominated for a Life membership by any club member. The Honorary membership must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

**Section 8 –**

A quorum at any given monthly meeting must consist of at least 12 active members or a minimum of 6 members of the Board of Directors. A quorum must be present to transact any business. In addition, at least one officer must be present to transact business.

**Section 9 –**

Non-members or participating guests shall not use club facilities unless they are accompanied by a member in good standing or participating in a public event being held at the club. All private guests are to sign in on the guest register located in the clubhouse and are limited to five visits per year.

**Section 10 –**

Club membership shall be limited to two hundred memberships at any one time. Life memberships shall not be included in this limitation.

**ARTICLE IV  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Section 1 –**

The Board of Directors shall consist of twelve club members as elected by the membership at the annual meeting each year. They shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Field Captain, and 3D Field Captain as well as six additional members.

**Section 2 -**

The Board of Directors shall manage the day to day operations of the club; approve, control and manage all activities of the club; establish policies and procedures; and maintain the properties of the club.

**Section 3 –**

A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of six members. No business shall be transacted at a Board of Directors meeting without a Quorum. Voting by proxy at Board meetings is not allowed.

**Section 4 –**

Any mid-year officer vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Board of Directors from existing Board members.

**Section 5 –**

The board of Directors shall meet a minimum of once each quarter at a time and place fixed by the board. The board may vote on interim operational items via social media as long as all board members are notified and a two-thirds majority vote is obtained.

**Section 6 –**

Members of the Board of directors shall attend at least one-half of the regular membership meetings. Failure to meet this obligation will result in forfeiture of their board position for the following year. A waiver may be granted by vote of the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE V**  
**OFFICERS and their DUTIES**

**Section 1 –**

The Officers of the Association shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, Field Captain, and 3D Captain.

**Section 2 –**

The President shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committees, and shall be responsible for the complete operations of the club with the assistance and direction of the Board of directors.

**Section 3 –**

The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in his absence or inability to act.

**Section 4 –**

The field Captain shall be responsible to oversee the maintenance of the Field Course and Practice Course located on the property.

**Section 5 –**

The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping all records of the organization, for producing all notices of meetings, distribution of all correspondence, keep all membership records, document notes from all regular meetings and Board meetings of the organization, and present a written report at the annual meeting.

**Section 6 –**

The Treasurer shall be responsible for the maintenance of all financial records of the organization. The treasurer shall receive all monies and keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements or the organization. The Treasurer shall provide a financial report at each

regular meeting and a written report at the annual meeting of the financial standing of the organization.

**Section 7 –**

The 3D Field Captain shall be responsible to oversee the maintenance of the 3D course located on the property.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**ELECTION and TERMS of OFFICE**

**Section 1 –**

Election of officers shall occur each year at the annual meeting which will be held the first Sunday in June.

**Section 2 –**

Officers shall serve for a term of one year or until their successor is elected.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**FEES and DUES**

**Section 1 –**

Membership dues shall be \$99.00 per year regardless of the type of membership. Lifetime members shall be exempt from dues payment.

**Section 2 –**

Any new member joining the club after January but before the June monthly meeting will be charged \$12.00 per month for each month remaining in the year prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>. Any member joining after January of any year shall pay the prorated dues and pre-rated assessment for the current year and the full year dues of \$99.00 and assessment for the subsequent year.

**Section 3 –**

A work hour assessment of \$50 shall be paid upon each renewal of membership if commensurate work hours have not been performed during the preceding year. New members shall be required to pay a \$50 work hour assessment upon election. The fee will be waived the following year if all requirements have been met.

**Section 4 –**

Dues are payable before the last day of June each year. Membership will be terminated if dues are not paid or a payment arrangement has not been made with the President by the last day of June. A penalty of \$20 will be assessed for anyone terminated for non-payment of dues.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**VOTING PRIVILEGES**

**Section 1 –**

In order for members to be eligible to vote at the annual meeting they must have attended at least three of the previous five monthly meetings. The same shall apply to any special meetings. Any member in good standing may request a waiver of this requirement. All waiver requests must be made at least 20 days prior to the scheduled vote.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**FISCAL YEAR**

**Section 1 –**

The fiscal year of the organization shall begin on June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and end on the last day of May.

**Section 2 –**

The President shall appoint an audit committee to perform an internal audit of the books and records prior to the annual meeting

**ARTICLE X**  
**SHOOTING STYLES and EQUIPMENT**

**Section 1 –**

Any type of tournament bow or arrow are permitted except for broadheads on the property. There is one outdoor target butt specifically designated for broadhead use. For those individuals hunting the property, arrows containing broadheads should be maintained in a quiver until you have reached your selected hunting location.

**Section 2 –**

All archery styles recognized by the NFAA, NAA, ASA, and IBO shall be recognized by this organization.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**AMENDMENT to the CONSTITUTION**

**Section 1 –**

The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the eligible voters in attendance at the annual meeting, or at a special meeting with thirty days prior notice.

**Section 2 –**

Any member in good standing may make a recommendation to the Board of Directors either verbally or written. The Board must respond to that motion by the next Board meeting but no later than 90 days from its initial presentation.

**ARTICLE XII**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Section 1 –**

No alcoholic beverages will be sold on club property. Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on club property during public events.

**Section 2 –**

The use of firearms of any kind on club property is prohibited.

**Section 3 –**

Violation of any section of the constitution shall be grounds for disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE XIII**  
**HUNTING ON PROPERTY**

**Section 1 –**

Five archery permits can be issued for hunting on the property at any one time.

**Section 2 –**

Permit applications must be submitted to the President. Permits will be issued and signed by the President one month prior to the appropriate season once the Board of Directors has reviewed the permit and approved it for signature.

**Section 3 –**

Members shooting the field and 3D courses during hunting season are advised to wear fluorescent orange clothing.