



BYLAWS
Western Ohio Region,
Sports Car Club of America, Inc.



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Article 1: Name Purpose and Emblem

Section 1. Name: The name of the Club shall be Western Ohio Region, Sports car Club of America, Inc.

Section 2. Purpose: The general purpose of the club shall be to encourage the preservation, ownership, operation and interest of sports cars, to educate, to act as a source of information, to establish rules and regulations covering all activities of the club, to provide and regulate events and exhibitions for sports cars and their owners, to encourage careful and skillful driving on the public highways and to own real personal property, as incidental to the forgoing purposes.

Section 3. Emblem: Club logo is WOR SCCA with a checkered element approved by general membership in 2022 and finalized by WOR board in January 2023. Club colors are red, black and white. Historical awards may retain original logo by Michael L Farshey and approved in July of 1959. Historical design features an open wheel in black with Western Ohio lettered around the rim. A map of Ohio in red is centered in the wheel with WOR shown in white and S.C.C.A. lettered across the map.

Article II: Membership and Dues

Section 1. General Membership: All members in good standing of the incorporated Western Ohio Region of the Sports Car Club of America shall constitute the general membership of the club.

Section 2. Membership: Membership in the Club shall be restricted to members of the Sports Car Club of America. Applications, along with such annual dues and fees as may be required, shall be forwarded to the Membership Chair or the National Club.

Section 3. Dues: The annual dues shall be as established each fiscal year by a vote of the membership. Spouse dues shall be of the voted annual dues.

Section 4. Expulsion: The Executive Board may suspend a member at any time for infraction of any Club rule or any other cause including nonpayment of dues and is in the best interest of the Club. The Executive Board will afford the Member a reasonable opportunity to be heard by it or an independent committee appointed by the Executive Board. The Member will be heard in person or through a representative, prior to any action being taken by the hearing committee, unless it deems it imperative to suspend the member before a hearing can be held. The suspending body shall immediately notify a member who has been suspended, in writing, of the suspension. The suspended member shall then be entitled to a reasonable opportunity to be heard (but no later than 45 days from receipt of suspension). The Executive Board will review the hearing and issue a suspension for a specified period of time, rescind the suspension, or expel the member. The decision shall be final. The decision must be made available to the member not later than 45 days from date of hearing. In addition, if the Executive Board is the original suspending body, and a hearing is held prior to any action, the Executive Board may suspend for a definite term or expel the member without a second opportunity to be heard.

Section 5. Resignation: Any member may resign by directing a letter of resignation to the secretary. The resignation shall be effective on receipt, provided all indebtedness to the Club is paid.

Article III: Meeting of the Members

Section 1. Regular Meetings: Regular meetings of the members of WOR shall be held monthly on a date designated by the Regional Executive.

Section 2. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the members may be called by the Regional Executive, or by a majority of the Executive Board.

Section 3. Notice of Meetings: A printed notice in the Rev record, stating the place, day, hour and purpose of any meetings of the members shall be given by the secretary not less than 7 days nor more than 45 days for monthly meetings, or not less than 14 days nor more than 30 days for special meetings before such meeting, to each member by mail postpaid or electronic mail to the address appearing upon the club records.

Section 4. Quorum: At all meetings of the members, a simple majority of those members present shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5. Voting: Voting by proxy shall not be allowed. Absentee ballots will be accepted for elections and by-law voting providing the ballots are received by the Assistant RE prior to the start of the meeting when the voting is held.

Article IV: Organization

Section 1. Executive Board: The Executive Board will consist of the nine (9) elected and four (4) appointed officers. All have voting rights, one vote per person. The purpose of the executive Board is to meet monthly, or more if necessary, to attend to the administrative business of the club, recommend policy and programs to the membership and provide business-like management of the Club affairs. Executive Board meetings shall be open to all members in good standing. Non-board members should notify the host of the Executive Board meeting of their intention to attend.

Section 2. Elected Executive Board: There shall be nine (9) elected officers: Regional Executive, Assistant Regional Executive, Secretary, Treasurer, Activities Chair, Membership Chair, Road Race Chair, Solo Chair, and Rally Chair.

Section 3. Appointed Executive Board: There shall be (4) appointed officers: Rev Record Editor, Publicity Chair, WOR Games Chair, and Web master. These officers shall be appointed by the RE and approved by the Executive Board.

Article V: Duties of Elected and Appointed Executive Board:

Section 1. Regional Executive: The Regional Executive (RE) is the officially recognized representative of the Region and as such becomes the official voice of the Club in all matters of business and administration of welfare of the region and the membership. The RE may not, however, commit the region to a contract, financial or performance, without the approval of the Executive Board. In cases of emergency or where time will not permit, the RE may make decisions based on the knowledge and wisdom the position affords him or her, but the membership reserves the right to hold him or her accountable for those decisions. The RE'S primary functions shall be to set the direction and pace of the Club's activities, provide the necessary interface with the National Club and to coordinate the various activities of the Executive Board. The RE shall preside at all meetings of the members and Executive Board and shall perform the duties usually pertaining to this office. He or she may call special meetings of members under the provisions of Article III, Section 2.

Section 2. Assistant Regional Executive: The assistant RE shall assist the RE as required, and be ready to stand in for the RE in his or her absence. The Assistant RE shall also be held accountable for club property and maintain records of all club property as appropriate.

Section 3. Membership Chair: Club activities that shall be the responsibility of the membership Chair are: membership, maintaining an active membership roster, race official licensing, and any activities pertaining to the soliciting and development of members.

- Section 4.** Treasurer: The treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the Executive Board, have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations, belonging to the Club. He or she shall coordinate submitted budgets from the various club Executive Board for club activities. He or she shall receive all monies of the Club and deposit same in the Club account, and shall make payments of club debts. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes or other orders for payments of money shall be signed in the name of the Club by the Treasurer and other Executive board members as required by current board policy. He or she shall give a report on the financial status of the Club at regular meetings and if so requested at any meeting of the Executive Board. No obligations, debt or other liability shall be incurred by the Treasure without the specific prior approval of the Executive Board. The treasurer shall have the financial records audited at the end of each calendar year and submit an information tax return to the District Director, Internal Revenue Service before May 15 following the calendar year of his or her election.
- Section 5.** Road Race Chair: The Road race Chair shall have administrative responsibility for the development and the proper licensing of drivers, appointing and supporting chairs of events, and provide guidance in establishing and developing new competition facilities.
- Section 6.** Secretary: The Secretary shall attend all the meetings of the members and Executive Board and shall record all minutes and notes. He or she shall give all notices of meetings of the members required by these Bylaws and shall perform all duties incidental to this office or required by the Executive Board. In the absence of the Secretary from said meeting, a secretary Pro Tempore shall be chosen by Presiding Executive Board. All records shall be transmitted in a legible and orderly fashion to the successor at the end of the term of office.
- Section 7.** Solo Chair: The Solo Chair shall have administrative responsibilities for the development and proper training for solo drivers and the conduct and safety of all club sponsored solo events. In addition, the responsibilities include coordinating club solo activities on the calendar with competition events and providing guidance in establishing and developing new competition facilities.
- Section 8.** Activities Chair: The Activities Chair shall be responsible for the social gatherings of the Club. This is to include bid not limited to functions at the club meetings and social events held throughout the year.
- Section 9.** Rally Chair: The Rally chair shall be responsible for the implementation and administration of the region's rally program.

- Section 10.** Rev Record Editor: The Editor shall be responsible for editing, publishing and distributing the official club publication, Rev Record. It shall be published no less than 9 times a year.
- Section 11.** Publicity: The Publicity Chair shall be responsible for the promotion of the Club, it's activities and members to the National Club, and general public.
- Section 12.** WOR Games Chair: The WOR Games Chair shall be responsible for organizing the annual WOR Games.
- Section 13.** Web Master: The Web Master is responsible for maintaining the WOR website.
- Section 14.** Term of Office: The Term of elected and appointed Executive Board shall be one year from January through the next December meeting.

Article VI: Committees

- Section 1.** Appointment of committees: The Executive Board may appoint such committees as desirable from time to time and shall outline the duties of such committees. Any member in good standing shall be eligible to serve on a committee and each chair may appoint a staff of members of his or her choice in discharging the chair's responsibilities.

Article VII: Election of Executive Board

- Section 1.** Election: Election shall be the responsibility of the Assistant RE and shall be held at the November meeting. A proposed slate for Executive Board shall be presented at the October meeting. Nominations from the floor shall be accepted at the October and November meetings. Candidates shall be given an opportunity to give a campaign speech not to exceed 5 minutes at the November meeting. Absentee ballots will be sent out in the Rev record, mailing, and/or email postmarked at least 7 days prior to the night of the elections and must be in the hands of the assistant RE before the start of the November meeting to valid.
- Section 2.** Eligibility: All candidates for elected and appointed positions must be members in good standing of SCCA and Western Ohio Region.
- Section 3.** Succession of Power: If for any reason an RE cannot fulfill his or her term of office, the Assistant RE or an acting RE shall be appointed from the executive Board. Appointment shall be made by the Executive Board.
- Section 4.** Impeachment of an elected Officer: If any Executive Board member becomes derelict in his or her duties, petition for removal from the office

can be generated by any member of the executive board. Any impeachment must be upheld by 2/3 majority of the entire Executive Board.

Section 5. Replacement of Officers: Replacement of an elected officer will be by the RE with the approval of the Executive Board after the written notice of the vacancy is presented to the Executive Board but no later than 30 days from receipt of vacancy notice.

Article VIII: Fiscal Year

Section 1. The Fiscal year of the club shall be the calendar year.

Article IX: Personal Liability

Section 1. All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having any claim against the corporation or the Executive Board, shall look only to the funds and property of the corporation for payment of any such contracts or claims or for payment of any debts, damages, judgments, decrees or any other money that may otherwise become due or payable to them from the corporation or the Executive board, so that neither the members of the corporation nor the Executive Board, present or future, shall be personally liable.

Article X: Dissolution

Section 1. The Club may be dissolved by a 2/3 majority of vote of the membership present at any regular or special meeting provided written notice of this proposed action has been given each member at his or her last known address at least 14 days prior to by mail. Any remaining funds will be given to a charity named at the time of dissolution.

Article XI: Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order, Revised, shall be the Parliamentary Authority of this association in all causes to which they are applicable in which they are not consistent with these Bylaws.

Article XII: Nonprofit Association

Section 1. This club shall be a nonprofit organization and no part of its earnings shall be used to the financial benefit of any member.

Article XIII: Expenditure of Club Assets

Section 1. The acquisition of new fixed assets with a life expectancy exceeding three years must be approved by the Executive Board and ratified by the membership at a regular monthly meeting prior to acquisition.

Article XIV: Amendment of Bylaws

Section 1. The Executive Board of the club, or any three members in good standing by written petition submitted to the secretary, may propose an amendment of the Articles of Association or the Bylaws. Upon such proposal being made, a copy thereof shall be included in the notice of the next meeting of the members together with a ballot upon which members may vote for or against said proposal. If 2/3 of the members voting, vote in favor of the proposal either by ballot or in person at the meeting, the proposed amendment shall thereby be approved and adopted.