

# LAKESHORE REPEATER ASSOCIATION

## CONSTITUTION

AMENDED APRIL 1984

### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be Lakeshore Repeater Association.

### ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

The objectives for which the Club is organized are:

1. To render a public service to governmental agencies during impending storms or severe weather, as well as to assist in disaster relief operation and other community functions as required.
2. To unite the amateur radio operators of this area for the purpose of exerting effectively a combined influence upon matters concerning amateur radio operation.
3. To promote good operating procedures and the exchange of technical information and assistance.
4. To stimulate adherence to a code of ethics, both written and understood.
5. To admonish members to comply with existing FCC rules and regulations.
6. To be an influence to new amateur operators of the area in the operation of their station.
7. To promote good will and fellowship among the members.
8. To further the art of electronics and encourage prospective members to participate in the purposes of the Club.

### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Eligibility or membership in the Club is set forth as follows:

Any person is eligible for FULL MEMBERSHIP provided that:

- a. He holds a valid Amateur Radio Operator/Station license.
- b. He indicates a desire to become a member.

Any person who was included in the original organization of this Club will be considered as a CHARTER MEMBER.

SECTION 2. To become a member of the Club, a person who is eligible must furnish his name, address, call sign, telephone number and annual dues to the Secretary or the Treasurer.

SECTION 3. Honorary Membership may be bestowed on any eligible person by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting. Honorary memberships will not be for more than one year. Honorary members will, not have voting privileges.

SECTION 4. Eligible persons residing in the same household may be granted full membership privileges. All members of the same household shall have the same anniversary date.

SECTION 5. Associate membership may be established by any person 62 years of age or older or who resides outside of Racine and Kenosha Counties by the contribution of an amount as set forth in the By-laws. Associate members will not be granted the privilege of voting, holding office or use of the special features of the system.

(Such as Auto Patch)

SECTION 6. "Retiree" membership shall enjoy all privileges but shall be limited to those members 62 years of age or older.

#### ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE

Each member shall pledge himself to adhere to the best of his or her ability to:

- a. All applicable FCC rules and regulations.
- b. The requirements of this constitution.
- c. The By-laws.
- d. The code of ethics adopted by the Club.

#### ARTICLE V - VOTING PRIVILEGES

All full members shall have full voting privileges providing they are not delinquent in their dues and assessments.

#### ARTICLE VI - EXPULSION

Members of the Club may be expelled in accordance with such procedure as may be established in the By-laws for violation of this constitution, violation of the code of ethics of the Club, or for other conduct which would tend to cause discredit to fall upon the Club or upon amateur radio as a whole.

#### ARTICLE VII - RESIGNATIONS

Any member has the prerogative of resignation from membership in the Club and any resignation will be recognized and accepted when submitted to the Secretary in writing. Resigned members will be restored to the Club prospective membership list upon use of the corporations owned equipments.

#### ARTICLE VIII - GOVERNMENT

The government of the Club shall be vested in the officers of the Club. The officers shall be:

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| a. President./Director #1     | d. Treasurer/Director #4          |
| b. Vice President/Director #2 | e. Trustee/Director #5            |
| c. Secretary/Director #3      | f. Technical Chairman/Director #6 |

#### ARTICLE IX - MEETING

SECTION 1. Regular meetings shall be held as determined in the By-laws. A Quorum shall consist of 20% of the members.

SECTION 2. Special meetings may be called for any purpose by any Officer of the Club who shall preside over the meeting. A Quorum shall consist of 20% of the members.

#### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended in the following manner:

- a. Any proposed amendment shall be first presented at any regular or special meeting for approval.
- b. Proposed amendments approved by a majority vote of the members present at any regular or special meeting will be submitted to the entire membership for a vote to adopt proposals.
- c. The Secretary will mail proposed amendments in the form of a voting ballot to the entire membership. The ballots shall include a self-addressed envelope plainly marked to indicate ballot.
- d. Deadline date for return of the ballots to the Secretary will be plainly indicated on the ballots and return envelopes and must be at least five days prior to the next regular meeting.
- e. The Secretary will open the ballots and determine the results of the vote. A two-thirds majority vote of the ballots cast shall be required for approval.
- f. If approved, the proposed amendment becomes effective immediately.

#### ARTICLE XI - CLUB OWNERSHIP RIGHTS

The Club shall have the privilege of owning property both real and personal and the right to buy and sell in the Club name according to the provisions of the By-laws.

#### ARTICLE XII - CLUB STATION RIGHTS

The Club shall have the expressed right to establish and maintain a Club station and establish operating procedures within the privileges granted by the FCC.

#### ARTICLE XIII - TRUSTEE

The position of Trustee shall be filled as determined by the By-laws.