

BY-LAWS
FLAGLER COUNTY SPORT FISHING CLUB
(Approved by membership on September 10, 1990)
(Amended March 5, 2008)

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: In accordance with Flagler County Sport Fishing Club Charter, the club maintains open membership and a person or family may apply for membership upon completion of an application for membership and payment of fees as prescribed in ARTICLE II-DUES AND FINANCES.

Applicants will be presented and introduced at one regular meeting of the FCSFC.

Applications name will be listed in the first issue of the monthly publication of the FCSFC newsletter.

The Board of Directors in regular session will function as a membership committee approving or disapproving membership applications following consideration of recommendation or negative reports from FCSFC members.

New members will be admitted to FCSFC at the first regular meeting following the Board of Directors approval.

SECTION 2: Members of the club may be expelled or dropped for non-payment of dues, rules violation or serious misconduct during any FCSFC sponsored event. Members of the club may also be expelled for any act detrimental to the club. Such members shall be given written notice and an opportunity to reply. Such action shall be taken by the Board of Directors, but may be recommended by any club member. Expulsion of a member of the club shall terminate all the right, title, and interest, if any of the expelled member in and to the club, its assets or activities.

SECTION 3: Honorary Members: Shall be those who have contributed to the promotion and improvement of the sport. Honorary Members shall be those deemed not otherwise interested in becoming regular members. Honorary membership shall be voted upon by the members of the Club at a regular meeting at which a quorum in attendance. Secretary shall inform the recipient by letter of the decision and invite the Honorary Member to attend a future meeting for the purpose of so conferring. Honorary Members shall have no vote and shall hold no office. Honorary Members shall not be subject to assessment of annual dues.

ARTICLE II - DUES AND FINANCES

SECTION 1: Beginning January 1, 2006 any new memberships will be charged an initiation fee determined by the Board of Directors. Members shall pay annual dues determined by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2: New members paying after April 30th of the year in which they become members will pay a prorated amount the year in which they become members.

SECTION 3: Annual upcoming dues shall be announced in the February and March newsletter. Renewal memberships will be invoiced in the month of March and dues are payable in the month of April and shall be considered delinquent on the first day of May. Any member not paying dues by May 1st will be considered delinquent and his/her membership becomes null and void. The members will become ineligible to participate in any club functions or club tournaments. To be reinstated as a member in good standing, the member must then pay an initiation fee determined by the board of Directors. Exceptional circumstances will be considered and voted upon by the Board of Directors for approval or disapproval.

SECTION 4: Membership consists of additional members of the persons who desire membership in the FCSFC, i.e., spouse, significant other and any children through age 20 years. Membership shall be considered a club membership with all responsibilities and privileges with the following exceptions: That children may not hold office, but they may but are not required to serve on a committee. One vote per person with a maximum of two (2) votes is allowed per membership. A child who has been a member upon reaching the age of 21 years can become a member by paying the annual yearly dues.

SECTION 5: Finances: No member shall have the power to expend the finances of the club or to obligate the club except as expressly approved by the Board of Directors or the club members voting at a regular meeting in which a quorum is in attendance, whichever applies.

SECTION 6: Expenditures up to Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars must be approved by the Board of Directors. Expenditures over Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars must be recommended to and by the Board of Directors, and must have full approval of the members voting at any meeting at which a quorum of the membership is in attendance.

SECTION 7: In the event the club is disbands, all remaining assets shall be given to the Florida Sea Grant College Program, University of Florida.

ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

SECTION 1: Meetings shall be held the first Wednesday of the month throughout the year. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President or by the Board of Directors, provided a written notice is sent to all members of the club. Such notice shall also be sent for any regular meetings at which there will be a vote to change any portion of the By-laws, election of officers or any major change in club policy.

SECTION 2: A quorum of the club shall consist of 33% of the membership. The transaction of any business where a quorum is called for shall be done by a majority vote of those present.

SECTION 3: The Board of Directors shall meet prior to the regular meeting of each month. A majority vote of the entire Board of Directors is necessary for action. Special Board meetings may be called at any time deemed necessary.

SECTION 4: All meetings shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

SECTION 1: The officers of the Corporation shall be President, Vice President Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Weigh Master and a Sergeant of Arms. These officers are all members of the Board of Directors by reason of their office. Any office shall be considered vacant if the officer misses three (3) consecutive meetings regular or Board) without proper notice to the Presidents or Board of Directors.

SECTION 2: A nominating committee appointed by the President, consisting of not less than three (3) members and including at least one Board members, shall make the selection of nominee for each office. A nomination box shall be present at the regular meeting in April. The slate of officers as selected by the nominating committee and the tally of the nomination box shall be presented to the membership during the meeting of the month of May at which time nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

SECTION 3: Voting shall be by written ballot, either absentee or present. The list of nominees and ballots shall be sent by mail to members in good standing at least ten (10) days before the election.

SECTION 4: Election of officers shall be held at the meeting in May of each year. Officers shall be installed the June monthly meeting.

SECTION 5: Officers are elected for a term of two (2) years. All officers may succeed themselves for

two (2) additional years. Officers of the club shall serve until their respective successors are duly elected and installed. Should any office become vacant, the same may be filled by the Board of Directors from the membership and the successor so selected shall serve until the next annual election, or until a special election is called by the majority of the members voting at any meeting of the membership at which a quorum is in attendance. Qualifications to be considered for an officer is that a member be in good standing for one year.

SECTION 6: Yearly membership dues will be waived for any elected officer and their immediate family members during their term in office.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

SECTION 1: PRESIDENT: Shall preside at all meetings when he is present. Shall appoint special committees when deemed necessary. Shall be considered an ex-officio member of all committees. Shall vote only to break a tie. Shall see that all Directors remain enthusiastic and keep current with their assigned tasks. Shall represent the club in public and at all and any official functions. Shall be official spokesman for the club in all official correspondence and legal tender. Shall maintain close working arrangements with all other members of the Board of Directors and the club membership.

SECTION 2: VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice-President shall oversee Purposes/Programs/Project, shall receive reports of committee chairmen and shall preside in the absence of the President.

SECTION 3: RECORDING SECRETARY: Shall keep an accurate record of the meetings and report at the following meeting. Shall maintain a close working arrangement with all members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4: CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Shall attend to all correspondence assigned by the President or the membership. Shall see that any proposed amendments or changes to the by-laws are properly stated and see that they are properly inserted the affected section and advise all members of the club in writing. Shall file any necessary reports to any and all associations to which the club is or may become a member. Shall be responsible for the (name of publication) and the roster. Shall contact members to notify same of meetings.

SECTION 5: TREASURER: Shall be responsible for receipts and disbursements of all funds and for keeping accurate records. Shall give a financial report at Board meetings and at all general meetings. Shall handle all related financial matters.

SECTION 6: WEIGHMASTER: Shall be the club official International Game Fish Association Weigh Master. Shall be advised on all IGFA records (world fishing records as certified by IGFA), shall be advised on all IGFA official rules and regulations. Shall serve the club and the community as official Weigh Master. Shall maintain certified scale locations and so advise all places and persons who may desire or require services of Weigh Master. This office shall be filled and shall comply with IGFA rules and regulations concerning its function. Shall report to club on any and all regulatory changes.

SECTION 7: SERGEANT OF ARMS: Shall be knowledgeable of all by-laws. Keep all meetings in order by enforcing Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE VI - PURPOSE/PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

SECTION 1: Each PURPOSES/PROGRAMS/PROJECTS so deemed necessary by the majority vote of the membership Voting at any meeting at which a quorum is in attendance shall be headed by and under the direction of a Chairman.

SECTION 2: PURPOSES/PROGRAMS/PROJECTS may be eliminated, added or changed when deemed necessary by vote of majority as described above.

SECTION 3: Should a PURPOSE/PROGRAMS/PROJECTS be added during the year, a Chairman may be appointed by the President to serve until the next annual election.

SECTION 4: PURPOSES/PROGRAMS/PROJECTS shall be as follows (Note: The order in which they are listed does not in any way reflect their importance.)

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SECTION 4A: PROGRAMS DIRECTOR: To arrange interesting programs for meetings, banquets tournaments and other special affairs. To work with Publicity Director and other directors to coordinate programs and bring the work of each activity to the light and view of the membership and general public.

SECTION 4B: PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS: To handle all matters concerning increasing our public image. To get publicity for club activities. To get community cooperation and recognition. Helping with those activities, which benefit the community and educational institutions, etc. Work with established community organizations in this and related matters.

SECTION 4C: WEATHER, BOAT HANDLING AND BOAT SAFETY, ETC.: Chairman to be advised of all of the above segments of our sport. To work with local Sheriffs, Coast Guard, Power Squadrons and any other organizations promoting and keeping records of benefit to any of the above. To be in contact with and advise other fishing and boating clubs of these and other related items of necessity and interest. To arrange with Program Director to have those skilled and knowledgeable in any of the above present programs at meetings, etc.. To be advised on and work with Tournament Director on matters concerning the above with regard to tournament events.

SECTION 4D: TOURNAMENTS: Director to handle all matters concerning club tournament events and related activities. To work with other directors in coordinating all committees, which will better promote, benefit, make more interesting and enjoyable the entire fishing program. To officiate in the absence of the President. Children between 0 and 11 years of age (Small Fry) will not be charged an entry fee for any club tournament. Children between 12 and 16 years of age (Junior Angler) will only be charged half the amount of a tournament entry fee.

SECTION 4E: MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: To promote membership enrollment. To contact long absent members and those ill and report to club membership. Be responsible for membership procedures as outlined in ARTICLE I, SECTION 1. To maintain proper records to accomplish same. Will coordinate with Recording Secretary and Treasurer regarding member admittance, illnesses, absences, club roster, dues collections and other details as necessary to maintain accurate up-to-date membership information. Shall keep accurate memberships rolls, and keeps records of membership dues.

SECTION 4F: SUPPLY OFFICER: To be responsible for ordering all saleable articles and for maintaining records, handling and sale of all club supplies, including charts.

ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1: The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than five (5) members, including all elected officers outlined in ARTICLE V. The outgoing President shall automatically be considered a member of the Board of Directors and serve as Sergeant of Arms for the Board of Directors meetings only.

SECTION 2: Should the elected officers not number five (5) then the remaining Board position(s) would be filled by a club member(s) appointed by the President.

SECTION 3: Elected Board Members shall serve for a term of two years beginning with their installation in June until new officers have been elected and installed the following year.

SECTION 4: Should a board seat become vacant, the remaining board members may appoint a successor from the membership of the club and successor so selected shall serve until the next annual election or until a special election is called by a majority of the members voting any meeting of the membership at which a quorum is in attendance,.

SECTION 5: Yearly membership dues will be waived for any appointed Board of Director and their immediate family members during their term in office.

ARTICLE VIII - ANNUAL STATEMENTS

SECTION 1: The President and each member of the Board of Directors shall present in writing an annual report giving a full and complete statement of the business and affairs and activities of the club for the preceding year. Such statements shall be prepared and presented in whatever manner the Board of Directors shall deem advisable.

SECTION 2: All reports will become attached to and become a part of the official record of the club.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: The By-laws of the club shall be made, altered or rescinded by the Board of Directors of the club with final authority resting with the membership voting at any meeting at which a quorum of membership is in attendance.

SECTION 2: Amendments to the By-laws must be adopted by a majority of the members voting at any meeting of the club at which a quorum of the membership is in attendance.

SECTION 3: Written notice of all meeting for the purpose of amending as outlined above shall be sent to all members at least five (5) days in advance.

SECTION 4: Written notice of all changes and amendments must be sent to all members of the club within (5) five days of the change.