

# **BYLAWS OF OREGON BOWHUNTERS**

## **ARTICLE I. OFFICES**

The principal office of Oregon Bow Hunters ("OBH") in the State of Oregon shall be located in Salem Oregon. The Executive Board may change the principal office of OBH, or establish such additional offices within or without the State of Oregon, as it may determine from time to time in its sole discretion.

## **ARTICLE II. MEMBERS**

**Section 1. Member Classes.** OBH will have three classes of Members. The qualification and rights of such members are as follows:

(a) Active membership shall be granted by this organization to anyone upon the acceptance of his/her dues.

(b) Life membership with exemptions from regular fees and dues may be granted upon payment of a life membership fee.

(c) Honorary membership with exemption from regular fees and dues may be granted for exceptional merit and service by the Board of Field Governors upon recommendation of the Executive Board.

**Section 2. Membership Districts.** OBH shall consist of eight (8) membership voting districts: Northwest, Midwest, Southwest, North Central, Central, South Central, Northeast and Southeast, defined as follows:

(a) The Northwest District shall be bounded by the Pacific Ocean, Columbia River, summit of the Cascades and Hwy. 20. This will not include any towns or cities on or throughout which Hwy. 20 passes.

(b) The Midwest District shall be bounded by the Pacific Ocean and Hwy. 20, including the towns and cities above mentioned summit of the Cascades, south to the Northeast corner of Crater Lake National Park and a line extended directly to Roseburg and from Roseburg west along Hwy. 42 to the Pacific Ocean. All cities and towns on Hwy. 42 shall be in this District.

(c) The Southwest District shall be bounded by the Pacific Ocean, Hwy 42 as stated above to the Northeast corner of Crater Lake National Park and including Crater Lake National Park, then south along the western boundary of Klamath County to the Oregon-California line and west to the Pacific Ocean.

(d) The North Central District shall be bounded by the summit of the Cascades, Columbia River, Hwy. 395 and Hwy. 26. All cities and towns on Hwy. 26 are in this District. (Those cities and towns on Hwy. 395 are in the Northeast District).

(e) The South Central District shall be bounded by the summit of the Cascades, the western boundary of Klamath County, Hwy. 20, Hwy. 395 from Burns to Riley, south on Hwy. 395 to the Junction with Hwy. 31, then northwest on Hwy. 31 to Hwy. 97, west to the summit of the cascades, then South to the Oregon-California border partially following the western boundary of Klamath County. All cities and towns on Hwy. 20 are in the Central District. Towns and cities on Hwy. 395 shall be in the South-Central District, except towns and cities between Riley and Burns shall be in the Central District with the exception of Burns, which shall be in the Southeast District.

(f) The Northeast District shall be the remainder of Northeast Oregon, Oregon-Idaho border, Oregon-Washington border. Hwy. 395 shall be in this District with the exception of John Day and Ontario, which shall be in the Southeast District.

(g) The Southeast District shall be the remainder of Southeast Oregon, bounded by Hwy. 395 from John Day to Burns and along Hwy. 395, from Burns to the Junction of Hwy. 31, and South t the Oregon-California border. All cites and towns on Hwy. 26 shall be in this district along with Burns, John Day and Ontario.

(h) The Central District would be the remaining area in the center of the state, and would include the larger towns of La Pine, Bend, Redmond, Prineville and Madras. The western border of the Central District would be the summit of the Cascades.

**Section 3. Voting Rights of Members.** Each Member, over 18 years of age, shall be entitled to one vote on each matter on which Members are entitled to vote as provided by these Bylaws, or as otherwise appropriately submitted to a vote of the Members by the Executive Board.

**Section 4. Termination of Membership; Reinstatement.** The Executive Board, by a two-thirds vote, may suspend or expel a Member for cause, including for non-payment of the dues specified in Section 6 hereinbelow. Notice of any proposed termination or suspension and the reasons therefor shall be given to a Member by first-class mail not less than 15 days prior to the effective date thereof. The Member shall be given the opportunity to be heard by the Board not less than 5 days prior to said effective date. The Executive Board may reinstate such members upon a two-thirds vote upon such terms and conditions as the Executive Board may determine.

Any Member may resign at any time, provided, however, that such resignation shall not operate to relieve such Member of the obligation to pay dues or other charges due to OBH, unless the Executive Board votes to relieve such Member by a two-thirds vote.

**Section 5. Membership Certificates.** When a Member has been elected to membership and has paid any dues, fees or performed any other acts necessary to qualify for membership, a certificate of membership shall be issued to the Member by the Secretary of OBH. Such certificate shall be in the form determined by the Executive Board, and shall be signed by the President or a designated Vice President, and by the Secretary or a designated Assistant Secretary. The name and address of each Member, the date of issuance of the certificate, and the number of the certificate shall be entered on the records of OBH. In the event a certificate is lost, mutilated or destroyed, a new certificate may be issued on the terms and conditions imposed by the Executive Board.

### **ARTICLE III. CHARTERED CLUBS**

**Section 1. Eligibility.** Chartered clubs are eligible to become Members of OBH if they meet the following criteria:

(a) Each club must have a minimum of five (5) adult head of household members who belong to OBH.

(b) Charter fees must be paid to OBH.

**Section 2. Field Governors.** Chartered clubs shall elect from its membership a Field Governor to be a representative on the Board of Field Governors, and a Game Committeeman to be a representative on the Hunting program Committee. Both must be current OBH members during their term. Clubs may appoint alternates if need arises, who shall also be current OBH members.

### **ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**Section 1. Combined Officers & Board of Directors.** The affairs of OBH shall be managed by the Executive Board which shall simultaneously function as

both the board of directors and the Officers of OBH. Members of the Executive Board need not be residents of the State of Oregon.

**Section 2. Executive Board.** The Executive Board of OBH shall consist of the President, Vice President of Membership and Publicity, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President of Bowhunting, 2nd. Vice President of Bowhunting and Legislation, Vice President of Tournaments, Director of Hunting Games, NFAA Director, Eight District Committeemen and the immediate Past President, and the immediate past Vice President of Bowhunting, who shall each serve a two-year term as Committeeman-at-Large. Each shall have one Executive Board vote and all of the above will be listed in the official OBH publication (name, title, address, phone, etc.).

**Section 3. Management of OBH.** The Executive Board shall control and manage the activities, policies and property of OBH, subject only to the provisions of the Articles, Bylaws, and such action as may be taken from time to time by the Board of Field Governors..

**Section 4. Reports of the Executive Board Members.** At the end of each fiscal year, all Executive Board Members shall prepare a written report of their activities and submit copies thereof to be published in the official publication. It is strongly recommended that Executive Board reports appear monthly with appropriate repetition of some articles because of the continual rotation and addition of new members.

**Section 5. Annual Meetings.** A regular annual meeting of the Executive Board will be held immediately after and at the same place as the annual meeting of Members.

**Section 6. Special Meetings.** Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called at the request of the President of OBH or by members of the Executive Board constituting not less than twenty percent of the total number of Executive

Board members. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Executive Board may fix the time and place thereof, either within or without the State of Oregon.

**Section 7. Notice of Executive Board Meetings.** Written notice of any regular or special meeting of the Executive Board shall be provided to Executive Board members not less than five days before the date of such meeting. Such notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting and, in the event of a special meeting, the purpose(s) for which the meeting has been called. The notice shall be delivered either by mail or in person at the direction of the President, Secretary or other persons calling the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the Executive Board member at the Executive Board member's address as it appears on the records of OBH, with postage thereon prepaid. An Executive Board member may waive his personal right to notice of a meeting.

**Section 8. Quorum.** A majority of the Executive Board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and all actions of the Board shall be taken by a majority vote.

**Section 9. Vacancies.** Any vacancy in the Board shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by a majority vote of the remaining Executive Board members, at any special meeting of the Board called for such purpose.

**Section 10. Removal of Executive Board Members.** Any Executive Board member may be removed from office by the affirmative vote of a majority of the full membership, at any regular or special meeting called for that purpose, with or without cause. Any such Executive Board member proposed to be removed shall be entitled to at least five days' notice of the meeting at which such removal is to be voted upon, and shall be entitled to appear and be heard at such meeting.

**Section 11. Action Without a Meeting.** Members of the Executive Board may take any action without a meeting which they could take at a duly called and noticed meeting, providing that a written consent is obtained from all Members entitled to vote on such action and delivered to the Secretary of OBH.

## **ARTICLE V. OFFICERS**

**Section 1. Officers.** The officers of OBH shall be President, Vice President of Membership & Publicity, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President of Bowhunting, 2nd Vice President of Bowhunting & Legislation, Vice President of Tournaments, Director of Hunting Games, NFAA Director.

**Section 2. President.** The President of OBH shall be the principal officer of OBH and shall supervise the affairs of OBH. Except as herein otherwise provided or designated, the President shall control the business and affairs of OBH. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Members or the Executive Board of OBH. The President may sign, together with the Secretary or any other officer designated by OBH, any contract, deed, mortgage, evidence of indebtedness or other document authorized to be executed by the Executive Board, except where the Executive Board, these Bylaws or applicable law has authorized execution by other parties. To the extent permitted by applicable law and these Bylaws, the President shall have all powers and perform all duties incident to the office of President, or as otherwise designated by the Executive Board.

The President shall also have the following duties: (1) preside at all meetings of the Board of Field Governors, Executive Board and business meetings; (2) appoint special and standing committees; and (3) be responsible for initiating and developing the purposes of the organization.

**Section 3. Vice President of Membership & Publicity.** In the absence of the President, the Vice President of Membership and Publicity shall act in place of the

President and possess all the authority, powers and duties of the President during such time. To the extent permitted by applicable law and these Bylaws, the Vice President of Membership and Publicity shall have all powers and perform all duties incident to the office of Vice President, or as otherwise designated by the Executive Board. The Vice President of Membership and Publicity shall be the chair of the Membership and Publicity committees.

**Section 4. Vice President of Bowhunting.** The Vice President of Bowhunting shall be in charge of a bowhunting program, shall direct and preside at the annual Hunting Program Committee meeting, shall direct all hunting sub-committees, shall be in direct correspondence with the National Field Archery Association (“NFAA”) Chairman for bowhunting, and shall be in direct correspondence with the Oregon Fish & Wildlife Commission.

**Section 5. Vice President of Tournaments.** The Vice President of Tournaments shall be in charge of the tournament program and: shall appoint an assistant director or directors as needed whose terms shall be for two (2) years; shall direct the annual Field Tournament with the assistance of the District Committeeman from that district; shall direct the annual 3-D Tournament with the assistance of the District Committeeman from and/or Assistant Tournament Director where the tournament is held; shall direct the annual Indoor Championship Tournament with the assistance of the District Committeeman and/or Assistant Tournament Director where the tournament is held; shall appoint a committee to run the OBH Target Championship Tournament which shall include the Assistant Tournament Director along with the Committeeman from the district in which the Tournament is held; and shall, with and through the tournament committee, set the tournament fees, subject to approval by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

**Section 6. Director of Hunting Games.** The Director of Hunting Games: shall be in charge of all hunting contests, big game, small game, and all hunting bars, patches and awards earned; shall make all arrangements for the annual meetings and banquet, along with setting the date, with the out going officer shall handle the awards for the succeeding awards banquet.

**Section 7. 2nd Vice President of Bowhunting and Legislation.** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Bowhunting and Legislation shall be responsible for disseminating to all charter clubs any pending legislation that may affect bowhunting or other use of the bow and arrow.

**Section 7. NFAA Director.** The NFAA Director: shall represent the OBH as a properly certified member of the NFAA Board of Directors; shall be fully empowered to act for OBH except where directed by the OBH Board of Field Governors on all issues before the NFAA as directed in the NFAA Constitution.

**Section 8. Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall be responsible for preservation and maintenance of all funds, securities and related items of OBH, and shall maintain full and complete books of account with respect thereto. The Treasurer shall deposit funds of OBH in such banks or other depositories and in such manner as is provided in these Bylaws or as directed by the Executive Board. To the extent permitted by applicable law and these Bylaws, the Treasurer shall have all powers and perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer, or as otherwise designated by the Executive Board. The Treasurer will also handle the membership department - new and renewals.

**Section 9. Secretary.** The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the members and Executive Board, Board of Field Governors, and Hunting Program Committee and provide appropriate individuals with notice of such meetings; act as custodian of the corporate records and corporate seal; execute documents on behalf of OBH as provided by these, authority of the Executive

Board, or applicable law. To the extent permitted by applicable law and these Bylaws, the Secretary shall have all powers and perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary, or as otherwise designated by the Executive Board.

**Section 10. General.** The Executive Board in its sole discretion may require the holders of any of the offices described above to submit such bonds, sureties or other assurances as the Board may determine to ensure the faithful performance of such officeholder's duties to OBH.

## **ARTICLE VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS & DISTRICT COMMITTEEMEN**

**Section 1. Nominations of Officers.** The nominations committee will be the Executive Board and shall meet prior to the annual meeting to make nominations at that meeting for those offices of which the term will expire.

(a) Between the committee making its' report and October 31, any chartered club or OBH member may make additional nominations.

(b) Any adult OBH member may vote for the Officers.

**Section 2. Nominations of District Committeemen.** The District Committeemen shall be nominated and elected by the members of their respective districts only, and shall be residents of that district from which they are nominated and elected. Nominations will be accepted by the Secretary between Oct 1 and Oct 31.

**Section 3. Election Procedures.**

(a) Nominations must be accompanied by written consent of the person nominated.

(b) The secretary shall record the candidates and prepare a ballot.

(c) Ballots can be mailed to the voting membership, printed in the official OBH publication prior to the annual banquet, and/or listed on the OBH web site. One ballot shall be printed in the official publication. If additional copies are needed for adult family members, photo copies will be accepted. The number of ballots cannot exceed the number of adult OBH members living at one address. Balloting will close at 12:00 noon on the day of the annual banquet, be counted, and the results announced at the banquet. Ballots will be retained for three (3) months at which time they will be destroyed. Ballots may be inspected by any person authorized by the President or Executive Board.

(d) All candidates for an elective OBH office shall be members in good standing and shall continue to be through out their term of office.

(e) Term of office shall be the fiscal year for a two-year period. Elected officers of OBH may serve as many consecutive two-year terms as elected for. The President, Secretary, 2nd VP Bowhunting & Legislation, VP Tournaments, Director of Hunting Games, Northwest Committeeman, South Central Committeeman, South West Committeeman and South East Committeeman will be elected in even numbered years. VP Membership & Publicity, Treasurer, VP Bowhunting, N.F.A.A. Director, Midwest Committeeman, Central Committeeman, North Central Committeeman and North East Committeeman will be elected in odd numbered years.

(f) The President shall serve as Committeeman-At-Large for two (2) years following his termination of office. The Vice President of Bowhunting shall serve as Hunt Program Committeeman at Large for two (2) years following his termination of office.

## **ARTICLE VII. BOARD OF FIELD GOVERNORS**

**Section 1. Board of Field Governors.** The OBH Executive Board along with the Field Governors from each Chartered Club shall make up the Board of Field Governors.

(a) Each person shall be entitled to only one vote. There shall be no proxy votes.

(b) The Date and place of the annual Field Governors meeting shall be set by the Executive Committee.

### **Section 2. Proposals submitted for the annual Field Governors meeting.**

(a) The Executive Board, appointed committees of OBH, individual adult members and chartered clubs may submit proposals for the annual Field Governors meeting.

(b) All proposals submitted shall go to a resolutions committee of three (3) OBH members appointed by the President for his/her term of office.

(c) The committee will clearly define the intent of the proposal and compile it in proper form. If a proposal is changed in any content, the committee will contact the originator of the proposal for clarification and/or approval.

(d) The committee shall submit a copy of all proposals one hundred (100) days prior to the annual meeting to the OBH secretary for distribution.

(e) All proposals must be distributed to OBH chartered clubs sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting and will be published in the official OBH publication prior to the annual meeting.

(f) The Board of Field Governors and all voting active members are empowered to amend any motion without destroying the original intent of the motion.

(g) Proposals arising from the floor and not meeting the guidelines for submission shall be considered as emergency proposals.

(h) If three fourths (3/4) majority of the governing body represented votes approval, then the emergency proposal shall be heard and acted upon for a vote.

(i) If voted not an emergency, the originator shall assume all costs for the issue to be referred to the OBH chartered clubs for a mail vote.

(j) Forty-five (45) days after the mailing of the ballot, those ballots received shall be counted and the majority vote shall decide the issue. The OBH secretary shall submit the results to the President who shall thereupon declare the vote as the official action of the Executive Board.

(k) The NFAA Director is authorized to bring to the floor any proposal derived from major legislation on the national level, which may affect this organization. Must submit notice of subject matter to the Board of Field Governors fifteen (15) days prior to the annual meeting.

**Section 3. Special Meetings.** Any business requiring the action of the Board of Field Governors other than that presented at the annual Field Governors meeting or any other special Field Governors meeting, may be transacted by mail in the following manner.

(a) Upon petition of not less than three (3) Field Governors or upon a majority vote of the Executive Board, any question requiring the action of the Field Governors shall be submitted to the Field Governors by the secretary for a vote by mail. If the petition is not adopted by the majority of the Board, the originator(s) shall assume all work and costs for the issue to be mailed.

(b) Forty-five (45) days after the mailing of the ballot, the secretary shall count the ballots received and unless other wise provided in the Constitution or By-Laws, a majority of the votes taken shall decide the issue. The secretary shall submit the record to the President, who shall there upon declare the vote as the official action of the Executive Board.

## **ARTICLE VIII. COMMITTEES**

**Section 1. Membership Committee.** Chairman of the Membership Committee shall be the Vice President of Membership and Publicity. The eight (8) District Committeemen shall constitute the remainder of this committee and will be responsible for all of the activities and programs of this committee in his or her respective district. The duties of this committee shall be to maintain and expand the membership of OBH.

**Section 2. Publicity and Public Relations Committee.** The Chairman of the Publicity and Public Relations Committee shall be the Vice President of Membership and Publicity. The eight (8) District Committeemen shall constitute the remainder of this committee. The District Committeemen will be responsible for all activities and programs of the Publicity Committee in his or her respective district and will be assisted in same by the Publicity Chairman of the OBH chartered clubs in that district. The duty of this committee shall be to secure favorable publicity for this association, for all archery games, hunting and the general promotion thereof. The Vice President of Membership and Publicity shall submit monthly to the official publication at a date prescribed by the editor, all club news and publicity as received and/or edited.

**Section 3. District Committee.** The District Committee shall be the Committeeman of each district and two (2) appointed Hunting Program Committee members. The Committee will arrange and hold annually a district meeting, preferably in February, to include all interested persons and groups whether or not they belong to OBH, having ODF&W. commissioners, etc. attending.

**Section 4. Bowhunting Committee.**

(a) The committee shall be composed of the Executive Board, Game Committeeman at Large, Game Committeeman from each chartered club,

National Bowhunter Education Program Chairman and two (2) adult members from each district. Individuals selected to be on the Hunting Program Committee must be a member of OBH throughout their term of office. It shall be the duty of this committee to study and report on legislation affecting hunting with the bow and arrow.

(b) Each person shall be entitled to only one vote. There shall be no proxy votes.

(c) Date and place of the annual Hunting Program Committee meeting shall be set by these By-Laws.

(d) It shall be the duty of this committee to direct and assist in the direction of any archery hunting programs in the districts and to offer at least one National Bowhunter Education Program clinic per year in each district.

(e) It shall be the duty of this committee to study and report on legislation affecting hunting with the bow and arrow, to cooperate with the Wildlife Commission in securing legislation favorable to bow and arrow hunting and conservation of game in its habitat, to cooperate with the publicity committee in educating the people in the effectiveness of the bow and arrow as a hunting weapon, particularly from the humane and conservation view point.

(f) Official OBH representatives in attendance at meetings with the Wildlife Commission staff shall receive travel and food expenses. Official OBH representative for these purposes shall be any member of the Executive Board. For a specific meeting no more than three (3) will be allowed those expenses at any one meeting.

(g) Other hunting committees may be appointed at the discretion of the Vice President of Bowhunting.

(h) The executive Board, appointed committees, chartered clubs and individual members may submit proposals for the annual Hunting Program

Committee meeting. All proposals submitted shall go to a resolutions committee of three (3) and no more than five (5) OBH members appointed by the Vice President of Bowhunting. The committee will clearly define the intent of the proposal and compile in proper form. If a proposal is changed in any content, the committee will contact the originator(s) of the proposal for clarification and/or approval. The committee shall submit a copy of all proposals one hundred (100) days prior to the annual meeting, to the Vice President of Bowhunting for distribution. All proposals must be circulated to OBH chartered clubs sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting and will be published in the official OBH publication prior to the annual meeting.

(i) The Hunting Program Committee and all voting members are empowered to amend motions without destroying the original intent of the motion.

(j) Proposals arising from the floor and not meeting the guidelines for submission shall be considered as emergency proposals. If three fourths (3/4) majority of the governing body represented votes approval, then the emergency proposal shall be heard and acted upon for a vote. If voted not an emergency, the originator shall assume all costs for the issue to be referred to the OBH chartered clubs for a mail vote. Forty-five (45) days after the mailing of the ballot, those ballots received shall be counted and the majority vote shall decide the issue. The OBH secretary shall submit the results to the President who shall thereupon declare the vote as the official action of the Executive Board.

**Section 5. Miscellaneous.** Other committees may be appointed at the discretion of the President. Any member of this association may serve on more than one committee. The Chairman of each committee shall submit a written report to the secretary at the end of the fiscal year or at the request of the Executive Board. Reports may be published in the official publication. Mileage

of \$.15 per mile will be paid for transfer of records, books, etc. upon change of office.

**Section 6. Liability.** The designation and appointment of any committee of the Executive Board and the delegation thereto of any authority shall not operate to relieve the Executive Board, or any individual Executive Board member, of any responsibility imposed upon it or him by law.

## **ARTICLE IX. ANNUAL MEETINGS**

### **Section 1. Meetings of the Members.**

(a) The Annual Meeting of the Members will be held of each year at the date and location of the OBH Annual Banquet for the election of Executive Board members, and to receive the President's report on the status of OBH and transaction of such other business as may appropriately come before the meeting.

(b) Special meetings of the Members may be called by the President, Executive Board members, or by Members holding one-twentieth of the votes entitled to cast at such meeting. Special meetings shall be held at the principal office of OBH set forth above.

(c) Written notice of any regular or special meeting of the Members shall be provided to Members entitled to vote at such meeting not less than seven nor more than sixty days before the date of such meeting. Such notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting and, in the event of a special meeting, the purpose(s) for which the meeting has been called. The notice shall be delivered by first-class or registered mail. Such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the Member at the Member's address as it appears on the records of OBH, with postage thereon prepaid.

(d) At any meeting of Members of OBH, the presence in person of one-twentieth of the Members entitled to vote shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for all purposes, except as otherwise provided by law. In the absence of a quorum, or when a quorum is present, a meeting may be adjourned from time to time by a vote of a majority of the Members present in person without notice other than by announcement at the meeting and without further notice to any absent Member.

(e) With respect to the election of Executive Board members, Members may vote by mail on such terms and in such form as may be designated by the President and Secretary of OBH consistent with law.

(f) Members shall be entitled to appoint a proxy to vote or otherwise act on their behalf by delivering a written appointment to the Secretary of OBH. Such proxy shall be effective for a period of eleven months after delivery to the Secretary and shall be revocable.

**Section 2. Meetings of the Board of Field Governors & Hunting Program Committee.**

(a) There shall be an annual Field Governor's meeting and an annual Hunting Program Committee meeting to be held on Sunday of either the last weekend of February or one of the weekends of March.

(b) These meetings will be held at a site recommended by the Executive Board at its' December meeting or by bid process at the annual Field Governor's meeting, then voted on one year prior to the annual meeting by the membership present.

(c) The Executive Board shall meet in person at the call of the President at such time and place where the attendance of a quorum can be secured. 51% or more of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

(d) At all other times, an action of the Executive Board, Board of Field Governor's or the Hunting Program committee shall be decided by mail as provided in the Constitution or By-Laws.

**Section 3. Conduct at Meetings.** All meetings to be conducted in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

## **ARTICLE X. DUES**

**Section 1. Annual Dues.** The annual dues of OBH shall be:

(a) Single membership adult or youth is \$20.00 per year. Family membership, two (2) people or more is \$25.00 per year, with a family maximum of \$25.00 per year. This includes one year subscription to the official publication of OBH and the right to vote on all Field Governor and Hunting Program Committee proposals. Optional five-year renewal: five year term for individual adult or youth member is \$85.00. Five year term for family maximum membership is \$110.00.

**Section 2. Life Membership Dues.** Life membership dues shall be \$300.00 for an individual adult member with additional spouse or family member of Life Member \$50.00.

(a) All family members under the age of 18 years will be included in a family membership. Upon reaching 18 years of age that family member will be considered as an adult and will then be subject to adult membership fees.

(b) Jackets designating a Life Member will be given to each Head of Household.

(c) Life Memberships are entitled to the same benefits as single memberships.

(d) \$300.00 from Life membership fee shall be placed into an interest bearing account with the interest from the account going into the general fund.

**Section 3. Combined OBH/NFAA Dues.** Combined OBH/NFAA membership dues shall be those stated above plus current NFAA dues.

(a) Combined OBH/NFAA membership shall receive both OBH/NFAA publications.

(b) OBH members having only OBH membership may participate in all functions of OBH except NFAA games and awards.

**Section 4. Delinquent Dues.**

(a) There shall be no grace period. Any member delinquent in payment of dues shall be suspended after being so notified by the Treasurer.

(b) Any member delinquent in payment of dues shall not be eligible to participate in any activities or receive any Awards of this association.

**Section 4. Club Charter Fees.**

(a) There shall be an annual club charter fee of \$25.00.

(b) Club charters shall be granted for one (1) year, renewal on the anniversary month of joining.

(c) Renewal notices shall be mailed out two (2) months before charter expiration.

(d) Any club chartering with the NFAA, will pay amount stated on the renewal application form at the same time as the OBH renewal.

(e) Any club delinquent in payment of charter renewal fees shall be notified that their voting rights have been suspended.

(f) A late fee of \$5.00 will be imposed on any charter not renewed within thirty (30) days of the expiration date.

(g) All charter moneys so recorded shall then be turned over to the Treasurer.

**Section 5. Archery Pro Shops, Indoor & Commercial Lanes.** Archery Pro Shops, Indoor and Commercial Lanes shall pay the following dues:

(a) Club charter rules will apply.

(b) Charter fee shall be \$25.00.

(c) There shall be no voting privileges with this type of charter.

OBH and NFAA membership dues for the Executive Board officers will be paid by OBH.

## **ARTICLE XI. TOURNAMENTS**

**Section 1. Tournament Program.** The following tournaments shall be conducted by OBH:

(a) The Field Championship Tournament shall be held the last full weekend of June.

(b) The 3-D Championship Tournament shall be held the last full weekend of July.

(b) The Indoor Championship Tournament shall be held one of the last two weekends of February or in March.

(c) The Target Championship Tournament shall be held the weekend after July 4th.

(d) The Indoor Classified Main-In Tournament shall be held November through March.

(e) Tournaments shall not conflict with NFAA or when Easter is in March. The date may be changed.

### **Section 2. Tournament Bids.**

(a) All bids for OBH Championship Tournaments will be submitted in writing no later than October 1 of the preceding year, for assigned district bids or open bids.

(b) The OBH Executive Board will decide on all bids at their October meeting, with immediate notification to host clubs.

(c) If a bid is not received for one of the Championship Tournaments within a reasonable time to host that tournament, then said tournament will not be held that year only.

(d) OBH will not sanction any tournaments held by member clubs on the dates of Championship Tournaments, and shall encourage the membership to boycott that tournament.

### **Section 3. Annual Field Championship Tournament.**

(a) This tournament has a rotating schedule, two consecutive years in the Western Districts and the third year in the Central or Eastern Districts.

(b) Official tournament rounds shall be: Official NFAA 28 Field round, official NFAA 28 Hunter round and Official NFAA 28 Animal round. Two rounds shall be shot on Saturday and one round shot on Sunday.

(c) All participants including the Cubs will shoot the same tournament rounds.

(d) Vice President of Tournaments shall inspect all approved ranges prior to the Field Tournament.

(e) The distance to the target of all field, hunter and animal rounds shall be marked on the back of the Shooting stakes.

(f) Pre-registration is required. If not pre-registered, a penalty fee shall be assessed as stated in Tournament Rules.

(g) The Field Tournament shall be registered for 20-pins.

(h) There may be team competition at the Field Championship Tournament as stated by the Tournament Rule.

### **Section 4. Annual OBH 3-D Championship Tournament.**

(a) This tournament shall be rotated in a clockwise manner, district to district around the state. Any club chartered with OBH may bid for this tournament to be

held in its district, rotation Midwest, Northwest, North Central, Northeast, Southeast, South Central, Southwest, and Central.

(b) Qualifications for this 3-D tournament: it should include facilities for good camping, food and sufficient parking.

(c) Tournament site must have proper area for safely arranging eighty (80) nearly/or life like sized animal Targets. A club having limited space can re-stake the second day and use forty (40) targets.

(d) The tournament shall be a two-day tournament and held the last full weekend of July, but shall not conflict with NFAA National Tournament. If a conflict occurs then an alternate date may be selected at the discretion of the Vice President of Tournaments.

(e) Field points shall only be used.

(f) Cubs will not shoot over 40 yards. All other participants shoot unknown and undetermined distances.

### **Section 5. Annual Indoor Championship Tournament.**

(a) This tournament shall be a two-day NFAA Championship tournament.

(b) During this tournament one round will be shot each day with the second day being shot with your competition whenever possible.

(c) The total of both days' scores will determine the championship.

(d) Official NFAA Indoor Championship targets will be used.

(e) All current rules of the NFAA Indoor Round will apply.

(f) Team competition shall begin at club level and progress to state championships, and there shall be individual competition as well.

(g) Team divisions shall be as listed in OBH's tournament rules.

(h) Team members must be members of a club as prescribed in the Tournament Rules.

**Section 6. Annual OBH Target Championship Tournament.**

(a) This tournament will be held the first weekend after the 4th of July.

(b) The site shall be in the Portland Metro area to participate in the State Games of Oregon.

(c) The Vice President of Tournaments shall appoint a committee to direct the target tournament.

(d) One member will act as Sports Commissioner of Archery for the State Games of Oregon.

(e) The official rounds shot will be determined by the tournament committee, a target round will be chosen based on time and space available. The rounds will be shot on Saturday and Sunday.

**Section 7. Winter Indoor Classified Mail Tournaments.**

(a) These tournaments to be held during the months of November through March

(b) OBH Indoor Animal Round Mail Tournament. An official OBH Indoor Animal Round shall be shot. An appointed secretary shall be responsible for this tournament.

(c) NFAA Flint Round Mail Tournament. An official NFAA Flint Round shall be shot. An appointed secretary shall be responsible for this tournament.

(d) NFAA Indoor Championship Round Mail Tournament. An official NFAA Indoor Championship round shall be shot. An appointed secretary shall be responsible for this tournament.

(e) Vegas Round Mail Tournament. An official Vegas round will be shot. An appointed secretary shall be responsible for this tournament.

**Section 7. Tournament Secretaries.** The Executive Board may appoint one or more secretaries in charge of registration and score tabulation at the OBH tournaments.

(a) A Tournament secretary shall receive \$40.00 for each of the Championship tournaments as listed.

(b) A Tournament secretary may manage more than one tournament and receive allotted monies.

**Section 8. 20-Pin Secretary.** The Executive Board shall appoint a 20-pin secretary to handle purchase of and awarding 20 pins and reporting of winners in the official publication with an expense allowance of \$15.00

**Section 9. Mail-In Secretary.** The Executive Board shall appoint a Mail-In tournament secretary or secretaries to handle the winter Indoor Mail tournaments according to the indoor mail tournament rules. The Mail-in tournament secretaries shall receive \$30.00 or 50% of the net profit of the tournament from the Mail in fees, of which he/she is in charge, which ever is greater.

**Section 10. Tournament Fees.**

(a) Registration fees for Championship Tournaments shall be governed by the Executive Board.

(b) Clubs hosting a Championship Tournament, with the exception of the 3-D Championship Tournament, shall receive \$2.00 per shooter per day.

(c) The OBH 3-D Championship Tournament shall be a negotiable bid between parties.

**ARTICLE XII. RULES FOR 20-PIN AWARDS**

**Section 1. Twenty Pin Awards.** Twenty pins shall be awarded at all registered OBH shoots on any size Field target. All NFAA 20 pin awards will be honored as per current NFAA handbook.

**Section 2. Registration.** Registration of tournaments, including club tournaments, shall be automatic for chartered clubs. Tournaments are scheduled through the area associations and/or the 20 pin secretary received notification

prior to the tournament. There shall be a \$20.00 processing fee for tournaments not scheduled through the area associations, unless the 20 pin secretary received advanced notice.

**Section 3. Course Approval.** The courses must be NFAA approved.

### **ARTICLE XIII. HUNTING CONTESTS AND GAME AWARDS**

#### **Section 1. Hunting Contests.**

(a) There shall be Bowhunter of the Year competition with winners determined by a competitive point system.

(b) A small game point system combined with a big game point system to be used as a basis for determining Bowhunter of the Year.

(c) There shall be a Trophy Contest for all Pope & Young classifications of big game animals found in Oregon.

(d) There shall be a Man and Wife Bowhunter of the Year contest.

(e) There shall be a set of official OBH hunting contest rules governing each OBH hunting contest.

(f) These rules may be revised as the need arises with the approval of the Field Governors.

(g) The Director of Hunting Games shall be responsible for all the above mentioned contests.

#### **Section 2. Game Awards.**

(a) The OBH shall recognize the same definition of “Big Game” “eligibility” and “claim of award” as specified by NFAA, except add coyote, bobcat, javelina and wild turkey to the big-game list and except number of awards per year.

(b) To qualify for an award, a person must be an OBH member at the time of taking the game.

(c) Applications for big-game awards must be made by January 15th of the year after the harvest.

(d) Game awards, and regulations concerning the awards, shall be managed by the Director of Hunting Games.

(e) Game awards per year shall be based on a calendar year.

(f) There shall be a small game awards system with small game arm patches to be awarded to members.

#### **ARTICLE XIV. MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

**Section 1. Awards.** There shall be an OBH Man of the Year Award and a OBH Woman of the Year Award. The purpose of these awards is to recognize OBH members for outstanding and unselfish contribution to archery and OBH.

##### **Section 2. Procedures.**

(a) Nominations for this award will be made to the Executive Board of OBH by any OBH chartered club or any OBH member.

(b) Nominations will open October 1st through December 31st. of that year. A notice shall be published in October through December issues of the official OBH publication.

(c) The Executive Board shall choose the recipients and no member of the Executive Board, whether elected or appointed shall be eligible during his/her term of office.

(d) The awards will be kept secret and presented at the annual banquet in March.

(e) A permanent plaque will be awarded to the winner(s). In the event of a tie, equal honors will be shared.

(f) Awards need not be given every year.

## **ARTICLE XV. POLICY PAGE**

There shall be a Policy Page attached to these Bylaws which summarizes the periodic decisions and resolutions of the Executive Board and OBH.

## **ARTICLE XVI. CONTRACTS, CHECK, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS**

**Section 1. Contracts.** The Executive Board may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of OBH, in addition to the officers so authorized by these bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of any on behalf of OBH, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

**Section 2. Checks, Other Instruments.** All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of OBH, shall be signed by such officer, officers or agent(s) and in such manner as shall be designated by the Executive Board from time to time. In the absence of such designation, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or President of OBH.

**Section 3. Deposits.** All funds of OBH shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of OBH in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Executive Board may select.

**Section 4. Gifts.** The Executive Board may accept on behalf of OBH any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of OBH.

**Section 5. Transactions with Executive Board members and Officers.** The Executive Board members and officers of OBH may be interested directly or indirectly in any contract relating to the operation of OBH, provided that (a) any such contract or transaction shall be at arm's length with full disclosure of the interest of the Executive Board member(s) or officer(s) in such contract or transaction, and (b) such contract or transaction does not violate the prohibition in the Articles of Incorporation of OBH against the application of funds for private use or otherwise violate applicable state or federal law.

#### **ARTICLE XVII. BOOKS AND RECORDS**

OBH shall keep and maintain books and records of account, minutes of all meetings of the Executive Board, any committee and any meeting of Members, and shall keep at its registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of its members. In addition, OBH shall keep and maintain, and make available for inspection, such records as may be required by applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code or regulations promulgated thereunder, and the Oregon Nonprofit Corporation Act. Any books and records of OBH may be inspected by any Member, of a Member's agent or attorney, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

#### **ARTICLE XVIII. FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year of OBH shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December, unless the Executive Board shall determine to change the fiscal year and take all appropriate steps under the Internal Revenue Code and other applicable law to do so.

**ARTICLE XIX. AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS**

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those voting Field Governors, either in person or by mail

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned hereby certify that these Bylaws of OBH were adopted at a duly constituted meeting of the Executive Board held at \_\_\_\_\_, Oregon on \_\_\_\_\_, 2006.

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President

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Secretary

## POLICY PAGE

1. REWARD The President, Vice President of Bowhunting and the District Committeemen shall be offer a reward not in excess of \$200.00 for arrest and conviction of any person for vandalism or property damage that would tend to destroy the image of organized archery. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 2, 1967)
2. All state Chairman and Area Chairman of the Bowhunter Education Program shall be OBH members. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 12, 1978)
3. OBH shall have printed and make available to each member of OBH a supply of courtesy cards, so that each Member may use them to the advantage of OBH and the sport of bow hunting. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 12, 1978)
4. OBH Constitution and By-Laws shall be available to any adult OBH member on request, with a self-addressed envelope. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 11, 1980)
5. NO SMOKING. Smoking will be prohibited at any official OBH meeting, i.e. Executive Board, Field Governors and Hunting Program Committee meetings. A facility to be provided nearby where those wishing to smoke may do so, should the presiding officer call a recess. Should an official meeting as described above be held out of doors, smoking would then be permitted. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 4, 1984)
6. An American flag will be displayed at all OBH Championship Tournaments and the National Anthem shall be played or Pledge of allegiance be given. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 3, 1985)
7. OBH shall discontinue using any paper, foam, cardboard, flat or 3-D targets of any animal listed on the Federal or State government threatened or endangered species list. (PASSED...Board of Field Governors, March 12, 1989)
8. If improper conduct by a member or officer of OBH occurs elsewhere than at a formal OBH meeting, the membership generally have no first hand knowledge of the case. Therefore, if disciplinary action is to be taken charges must be preferred, via a proposal and a formal trial held before the OBH Field Governors if so recommended following an investigation by a Special Committee.
  - a. A Special Committee of five members is appointed by the Board. These committee members shall be known for integrity and good judgment. The committee shall conduct a confidential investigation of the accusations (usually including an interview with the accused) to determine whether further action is warranted. Allegations against a member or officer shall not be made except on

verifiable and reasonable grounds. The accused, has the right to due process that is, to be informed of the charges and given time to prepare a defense, to appear and defend himself/herself and be treated fairly.

b. The investigating committee has no power to require the accused to appear before it but quietly conduct a complete investigation, including an interview, if possible, making an effort to learn all relevant facts. Information obtained in strict confidence may help the committee to form an opinion, but it shall not be reported or even used in a trial if confidentiality is threatened.

c. If, after the investigation, the committee's opinion is favorable to the accused, it shall prepare and report a resolution of exoneration. But if the committee finds substance to the charges, it should make a report in writing to the OBH Executive Board. The report should be signed by every committee member who agrees, outlining the course of it's investigation (returning confidential particulars) and recommending a course of action and/or charges.

d. If the board adopts a resolution ordering trial before an Executive session of Field Governors, the secretary shall immediately send to the accused, by registered mail, a letter notifying him/her of the date, hour and place of the trial. The letter should contain an exact copy of the charge(s) and specifications with the date of their adoption. The person is asked, in the letter to appear as cited (given if the accused was present when the resolutions were adopted).

e. If the accused fails to appear for trial at the appointed time as directed, the trial still proceeds. A quorum of OBH Field Governors shall consider (in executive session) charges against the accused. At the trial, in calling the meeting to order, the chair shall call attention to the fact that the meeting is in executive session and to all members in attendance the obligation of secrecy.

f. If (after trial) a member is expelled or removed from office, OBH has the right to disclose the facts that he/she is no longer a member or officer. This expulsion should be circulated to the extent required for the protection of OBH or possible, of another organization. Neither the OBH board or any of its members has the right to make public the charges(s) of which an expelled member or removed officer was found guilty or reveal any other details connected with the case, as this may constitute libel. A trial by OBH cannot legally establish the guilt of the accused. As understood in a court of law; it can only establish guilt as affecting OBH's judgement of fitness for membership or serve as an officer. (PASSED by Board of Field Governors, March 11, 1990 – Revised 3/15/99)