

NFAA-CT Constitution

Article I

Name

The name of this association shall be the “NFAA CT”.

Article II

Purpose

The purpose of the NFAA CT shall be:

- A. To promote all forms of archery – recreational, tournament, and hunting – in the State of Connecticut.
- B. To serve as the coordination body for the club and individual members on any concerns of mutual interest.
- C. To represent the interests of the club and individual members to the national archery organizations and the National Field Archery Association (NFAA) – with which NFAA CT is affiliated.
- D. To act as the planning and governing body for Connecticut NFAA State Championships and archery tournaments.

Article III

Membership

- A. Individual Membership
 - a. Resident membership may be granted to any legal resident of the State of Connecticut:
 - 1. Upon application and payment of individual fees and dues as established in the By-Laws;
 - 2. Provided that the individual shall be or at the same time apply for membership in the NFAA; and
 - 3. Agrees to abide by all NFAA rules.
 - b. Membership may be granted to any non-resident:
 - 1. Whose major shooting activities are in the State of Connecticut;
 - 2. Who may be a member of an NFAA CT club; and

3. Whose membership is not under suspension or restricted in any other state;
 4. Upon application and payment of individual membership fees and dues as established in the By-Laws
 5. Provided that the individual shall be or at the same time apply for membership in the NFAA; and
 6. Agrees to abide by all NFAA rules.
- c. Life membership may be granted to any individual:
1. Who has been a member in good standing of the NFAA for at least ten years;
 2. Upon payment of the life membership fee as established in the By-Laws.
- d. Honorary membership may be awarded to an individual in recognition of outstanding service to the archers of Connecticut upon recommendation by any member of NFAA CT and approval by two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Board of Directors. Honorary membership is for a period of one year and is exempt from all fees and dues.

B. NFAA Club membership.

NFAA Club membership may be granted to any club that meets the NFAA requirement for such, upon payment of club membership fees and dues as provided in the By-Laws, provided:

- a. The club is chartered by the NFAA;
- b. The club agrees to abide by all NFAA rules;
- c. The club has or has access to the use of any NFAA approved course or range.
- d. The club has a minimum of five individual adult NFAA members in good standing.

C. NFAA Shop membership.

NFAA Shop membership may be granted to any shop that meets the NFAA requirement for such, upon payment of shop membership fees and dues as provided in the By-Laws, provided:

- a. The shop is chartered by the NFAA;
- b. The shop agrees to abide by all NFAA rules;
- c. The shop has or has access to the use of any NFAA approved course or range.
- d. The club has a minimum of one individual adult NFAA members in good standing.

D. Loss of membership.

- a. Any individual member in violation of the stated membership requirements may be liable to loss of membership for a period deemed appropriate upon two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Board of Directors. Reinstatement, upon appeal of any such individual member before the termination of the suspension period, shall require the affirmative vote of two thirds of the full membership of the Board of Directors.
- b. Any individual member delinquent in the payment of stated dues or fees for more than sixty days shall be dropped from membership. Any individual member so dropped may reapply for membership upon payment of the stated fees and dues.
- c. Any member club in violation of the NFAA CT Constitution may be liable to loss of membership for a period deemed appropriate upon two-thirds vote of the full membership of the Board of Directors. Reinstatement, upon appeal of any such club before the termination of the suspension period shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the full Board of Directors, and by satisfying all conditions of club membership.

Article IV

Officers and Their Duties

- A. The elected officers of NFAA CT shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the NFAA Director. All officers must be members in good standing of the NFAA.
- B. A USA Archery liaison and CAA liaison shall be appointed by the President, and confirmed by the board, for the purpose of coordinating with those organizations.
- C. The President shall be the chief Executive officer of NFAA CT and shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committees, and in general perform the duties incumbent to the office of President.
- D. The Vice President shall assist the President in all matters relating to NFAA CT. The Vice President shall assume the responsibilities of the office of President if the President is unable to act.
- E. The Secretary shall keep the records of the meetings and business of the NFAA CT, conduct NFAA CT correspondence as directed by the President, and in general perform the duties incumbent of the office of Secretary.
- F. The Treasurer shall conduct the financial transactions of the NFAA CT as authorized by the Board of Directors, and in general perform the duties incumbent to the office

of Treasurer. The Treasurer and the President shall be empowered to write checks in the name of NFAA CT.

- G. The NFAA Director shall serve to represent the interests of Connecticut archers to the NFAA and the NFAA interests to the archers of Connecticut, and perform those duties incumbent to the office of NFAA Director as outlined in the NFAA Constitution. The director shall assume the responsibilities of the office of President if both the President and Vice President are unable to act.

Article V

Election of Officers and Terms of Office

- A. Name(s) may be placed in nomination for any office(s) to be filled by any member of NFAA CT in good standing by forwarding to the NFAA CT Secretary no later than the first day of October, in even numbered years. Accompanying the nominations shall be an archery/organizational resume and signed statement from each nominee signifying his willingness to serve.
- B. Election shall be by the bi-annual ballot as provided in the By-Laws. The candidate for any office receiving the greater number of votes shall be elected.
- C. Officers shall be elected for two-year terms of office, including the NFAA Director.
- D. The vacancy of any elected office if the NFAA CT shall be filled by appointment by the President for the duration of the unexpired term, subject to approval by a majority of the Board of Directors.

Article VI

Board of Directors

- A. The NFAA CT Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, NFAA Director, and one Delegate from each NFAA member club or shop.
- B. The Board of Directors shall serve to determine, manage, and conduct the activities, policies, and properties of NFAA CT.
- C. The members of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to vote as follows:
 - a. The NFAA CT officers – President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and NFAA Director– shall each be entitled to one vote on all matters, including changes to the by-laws.
 - b. Each club or shop Delegate shall be entitled to one vote on all matters, including changes in the By-Laws.

Article VII

NFAA CT Meetings

- A. A scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held annually between October 15 and October 31. At this meeting, the annual reports of the CAA shall be read, shoot dates will be established for the upcoming year, and elections (if needed) will be held. Additional meetings may be called by the President or a majority of the Board of Directors, at any time.
- B. Board members must be notified at least fourteen days prior to scheduled meetings.
- C. At any scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, the attendance (in body, not by vote or proxy) of a majority of the members of the board of Directors shall constitute a quorum. A majority of the votes cast shall carry a ballot.
- D. Scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors are to be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order in all points not covered in this Constitution or it's By-Laws.

Article VIII

Fiscal Year

The Fiscal Year of NFAA CT shall begin January 1 and end on December 31.

Article IX

Amendments to the Constitution

- A. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote, at any board of directors meeting.
 - 1. Any proposed amendment(s) to the Constitution must be submitted in writing to the NFAA CT Secretary, at least 30 days prior to a board of directors meeting, by any NFAA CT member in good standing providing the proposed amendment(s) is (are) endorsed by five other NFAA CT members in good standing. All such amendments, along with recommendations of a Rules Committee appointed for that purpose shall be forwarded to all NFAA CT members for review and comment, prior to the vote by the Board of Directors.