

Lightning Fleet 488

By-Laws

Ratified 1/21/2012

Article 1 - Name

The name of the organization shall be **Lightning Fleet 488**.

Article II - Purpose

The purpose of the Fleet is to promote Lightning sailboat racing and Lightning recreational sailing in the Rocky Mountain region. Established in 1982, Fleet 488 is proud to carry on the traditions of the International Lightning Class Association as one of the longest enduring, competitive One-Design sailboat Classes in the world.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. There are two categories of members in the Fleet designated as “Skipper” and “Associate”, defined as follows:

(a) Skipper – An individual who complies with the rules of the organization. A Skipper must own or co-own a Lightning class sailboat, and is a member of the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA).

(b) Associate – An individual who complies with the rules of the organization. An Associate participates in the fleet on the water and/or socially, and is a member of the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA).

Section 2. Each member in good standing and that is a member of the (ILCA) shall be entitled to a single vote.

Section 3. Fleet dues may be assessed from Members if the Executive Board concludes they are needed for the benefit of the Fleet.

Article IV – Executive Board

Section 1. The affairs of this organization shall be managed by an Executive Board. The officers of the Fleet shall constitute this Board.

Section 2. All officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the membership by the members from among their number. Each officer shall serve for one year from the date of election. Executive Meetings will be open to all Fleet members. The officers of the Fleet shall serve on an executive board and may include:

- Fleet Captain
- Fleet Secretary
- Fleet Treasurer
- Scorer
- Webmaster

Section 3. Vacancies may be filled at any meeting of the executive board by election of any member in good standing who shall serve until the next annual meeting.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall from time to time, specify the duties of the officers.

Section 5. Any officer may be removed from office by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members at a meeting where notice has been given that such vote is to take place.

Section 5. The Executive Board shall hold an annual meeting and shall meet as called by the Fleet Captain or any two officers upon notice.

Article V – Committees

Section 1. All committees shall be appointed by the Fleet Captain who shall designate one member to serve as Chair.

Section 2. The Fleet Captain may remove any appointed member of any committee at any time without notice.

Article VI – Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended on a two-thirds vote of the membership at any meeting where a quorum exists.

Section 2. Before any bylaws amendment may be considered, ten days or more written notice shall be given to all members indicating that a bylaws amendment will be considered at a designated meeting and, where available, such notice shall provide the text of any amendment(s). Any five members in good standing may require that a bylaws amendment be considered and that the appropriate notice be given for the next meeting of the membership.