

South Carolina Coastal Regional Group (Low Country Mustang Club)

By-Laws (Revised June 2016)

ARTICLE 1 -NAME

SECTION 1.1 This organization shall be known as the South Carolina Coastal Regional Group, DBA (doing business as) Low Country Mustang Club, a chartered club of Mustang Club of America. (2016)

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE

SECTION 2.1 The general purpose of this club, a non-profit organization, shall be to preserve and maintain the Ford Motor Company line of Mustangs motor cars starting with the initial models manufactured in calendar year 1964 up to and including current models, and to serve as an accurate and technical source of information concerning these automobiles for the benefit of its members as well as the general public.

SECTION 2.2 Ownership of a Mustang product shall not be required for membership.

SECTION 2.3 All Mustangs enthusiasts are eligible to participate in all club functions.

ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 3.1 Requirements for membership:

- a. Application for membership should be in writing, filed with the club Treasurer and accompanied with dues for the current year. (2016)
- b. All members shall be 16 years of age or older.
- c. All members who participate in the club functions must maintain proof of insurance in accordance with the state of South Carolina law. (2016)
- d. All members are encouraged to become a member of the "Mustang Club of America".

SECTION 3.2 Dues:

- a. Subject to the authority of the members to change the same from time to time, the dues payable by members shall be in the amount hereinafter specified: Annual Membership Dues - \$15.00

- b. Dues shall be payable on or before February 1st of each calendar year and will be based on a calendar year of January 1 thru December 31.
- c. Dues paid by a new applicant after December 1st shall constitute payment of dues for the ensuing calendar year.
- d. New members joining during any other part of a year will pay dues prorated on the annual membership dues.
- e. When any member shall be in default of payment of dues for a period of 90 days, his membership will thereupon be terminated.
- f. Membership dues, once paid, are non-refundable in the event a member leaves or is asked to leave the club.

SECTION 3.3 Paid Membership: The spouse/significant other/household member of any paid member of this club will also be considered a member and have voting privileges for regular club functions excluding elections per SECTION 5.2 (2016)

SECTION 3.4 Removal of Member: It shall be the responsibility of the membership to confront the member in question. The membership shall discuss and decide on what charges that the in questioned member is being asked to leave the club. After the member is confronted with the charges he/she will be given the opportunity to speak in his/her behalf after the above actions take place the membership shall make a decision as to whether or not to ask for the member's resignation by a 2/3 vote of all members of the club.

SECTION 3.5 A removed member who wishes to become reinstated in the club will have to be voted on by the membership and will require a 2/3 vote of all members of the club. (2016)

ARTICLE 4 - MEETING OF MEMBERS

SECTION 4.1 Annual Meeting: The annual meeting shall be held during April of each year in conjunction with the normal monthly meeting for the purpose of election of new club officers for the year in an appropriate setting for elections.

SECTION 4.2 Monthly Meetings: A regular meeting of the club shall be held once each month unless otherwise notified.

SECTION 4.3 Special Meetings: Special meetings of the members may be called by the President.

SECTION 4.4 Quorum: One-fourth of the members in good standing shall constitute a quorum. A quorum is necessary in order to conduct any business.

ARTICLE 5 - ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

- SECTION 5.1 Elections are to take place each year during the Annual meeting in April, with nominations to be opened during the March monthly meeting and closed during the April meeting, prior to the vote.
- SECTION 5.2 There shall be only one (1) vote per paid membership during elections as stated in SECTION 3.3 (2016)
- SECTION 5.3 No member may vote or be nominated to hold office until they have been a member in good standing for 2 months (60 days) (2016)
- SECTION 5.4 A current and up-to-date membership roster must be present and voters verified, once verified, a uniform election ballot will be issued to the member or spouse/significant other/household member, as stated in SECTION 3.3. No absentee or proxy votes will be accepted. (2016)
- SECTION 5.5 In the event of a tie, a re-vote will be accomplished. If the election still results in a tie, then the vote will be tabled until the next meeting. The incumbent Officer will remain in office until the subsequent election is completed and verified.
- SECTION 5.6 An Election Committee, consisting of at least three (3) members, will be chosen prior to the elections to count votes and present results.

ARTICLE 6 - ELECTED OFFICERS

- SECTION 6.1 The officers of this club shall consist of: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and one Regional Director. All elected officers must be members of the Mustang Club of America.

ARTICLE 7 - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

- SECTION 7.1 President: The President shall, in general, supervise and control all meetings, business, and affairs of the Club. He/she shall preside at all meetings of the members. He/she may sign, with the Treasurer, any instruments as authorized to be executed, and in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of the President.
- SECTION 7.2 Vice-President: The Vice-President shall be responsible to cover all duties as President in the event that the elected President is not present at any club function or meeting, excluding dispensing funds. (2016)
- SECTION 7.3 Secretary: The Secretary shall be responsible to record minutes of the meetings of the members and read said minutes at the following meeting of the membership if requested. The Secretary will maintain an

attendance record for monthly meetings. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President.

SECTION 7.4 Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be responsible for receiving, safely keeping all monies belonging to the club and shall keep proper and accurate records of same. The Treasurer shall disburse all monies as the club may direct and keep receipts for expenditures. The Treasurer shall give an up to date of finances at the club's monthly meeting. The President and 1 other Club member, with the Treasurer present, will conduct an annual audit of LCMC finances in March of each year prior to the March meeting. During the March meeting the Treasurer shall give a full annual financial statement to the membership. (2016)

SECTION 7.5 Regional Director: The Regional Director is a member of the National Club Board of Directors and is entitled to vote at all National Board of Directors meetings. The Regional Director may submit a proxy in lieu of attendance at National Board of Directors meetings in the format as provided and directed by the National Club. To assist each Regional Director in the completion of such a proxy, the National Club will provide each director an agenda of each Board meeting at least 15 days prior to the meeting along with a proxy form that enables the director to provide a "For" or "Against" vote on agenda items requiring a vote. If for any reason an individual is appointed or elected as a Regional Director for more than one regional, the individual shall only have one vote on any National Club Board actions. The Regional Director will be responsible to submit an up to date club roster to the Mustang Club of America each year in accordance with MCA bylaws to maintain MCA charter. (2016)

ARTICLE 8 - GENERAL INFORMATION

SECTION 8.1 As a non-profit organization, this club is not organized for pecuniary profit. It shall not have any power to issue certificates of stock or to declare dividends and no part of its revenues shall insure to benefit any member or individual.

SECTION 8.2 All funds and deposits, whether realized from dues, assessments, shows or pro-rata contributions toward expenses by non-member guests, shall be used solely and exclusively for the continued existence, operation and enjoyment of the club, charitable cause and for no other purpose whatsoever. (2016)

SECTION 8.3 In the event the club disbands or discontinues activities, all funds on deposit and all assets will be disbursed to some charities as approved by the majority of all members present, provided that such charities be recognized by the South Carolina Tax Commission and the Internal Revenue Service.

- SECTION 8.4 Proposed amendments to these By-Laws may be proposed by any member. They may be written or verbally proposed to the officers of the club at any regularly scheduled monthly meeting. A written proposal shall then be submitted to the President before the next monthly meeting. The amendment shall be put to a vote and to pass shall require a majority vote of all members present. If said amendment passes, it shall then be incorporated into the By-Laws of the club at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- SECTION 8.5 These By-Laws shall be reviewed annually by the Executive Board Committee or committee appointed by the President. (2016)
- SECTION 8.6 Any member inviting a guest to any functions sponsored or promoted by the club will be responsible for the activities and conduct of their guest. All members inviting guests to any functions sponsored or promoted by the club will be responsible for the activities and conduct for the guests
- SECTION 8.7 There will be no alcohol beverage consumption during regular club meetings and club sponsored shows. No one will be admitted intoxicated. Moderate drinking will be permitted at club parties, provided it does not go to extremes so that the integrity of the club and its members will not be degraded.

Approved by Officers of the Club: