

**IRWIN SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION
BYLAWS AS AMENDED AUGUST 30, 2012**

ARTICLE I - NAME

THE NAME , STYLE , AND TITLE OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE " THE IRWIN SPORTSMENS ASSOCIATION"

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

THE PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF HONESTY, GOOD FELLOWSHIP, AND SELF DISCIPLINE WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL TO GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP IN ALL PHASES OF SPORTS AFIELD AS WELL AS THE CONSERVATION OF WILDLIFE AND TO OWN OR LEASE GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS FOR THESE PURPOSES

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SEC. 1 ANY CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER

SEC. 2 PERSONS APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP MUST COMPLY WITH THE TERMS SPECIFIED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE , AND SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF A 3/4 MAJORITY OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING EACH APPLICANT MUST MAKE APPLICATION IN WRITING AND MUST BE SPONSORED BY ONE ACTIVE MEMBER

SEC. 3 A LIFE MEMBERSHIP IS AWARDED TO A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING 65 OF AGE OR OLDER WITH AT LEAST 10 YEARS IN SUCCESSION PAID UP DUES IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO REACHING LIFE MEMBERSHIP STATUS

SEC. 4 AN ACTIVE MEMBER CONSTITUTES A PAID UP OR LIFE TIME MEMBER, WHO COMPLIES WITH THE TERMS SPECIFIED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE IV-DUES

SEC. 1 THE ANNUAL DUES AND WORK PARTY OBLIGATION ARE FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 AND SHALL BE SPECIFIED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THOSE DUES AND OBLIGATION MAY BE SET OR CHANGED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY A STRAIGHT MAJORITY VOTE THEN PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP FOR A VOTE

SEC. 2 A MEMBER BECOMES DELINQUENT WHEN HIS / HER DUES ARE NOT PAID ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31 OF THE DUES YEAR AFTER THIS DATE SAID PERSON MUST WAIT ONE CALENDER YEAR AFTER THE WAITING PERIOD THE PERSON MAY REAPPLY AND PAY THE INITATION FEE AND DUES AGAIN

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION

SEC. 1 THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE HELD ON THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH UNLESS POSTPONED BY ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE TIME AND PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED BY THE PRESIDENT THE JANUARY MEETING SHALL BE THE ANNUAL MEETING AND THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL BE FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

SEC. 2 SPECIAL MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED AT THE REQUEST OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OR THE PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE REQUEST SHALL BE IN WRITING, STATING THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING AND ONLY SUCH BUSINESS BE TRANSACTED AS STATED IN THE REQUEST

SEC.3 A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MAY BE HELD AT ANY TIME UPON THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT OR UPON THE DEMAND OF A MAJORITY OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE BEING NOTIFIED

SEC.4 AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL MEETING, AS SPECIFIED IN SEC.1 AND SEC. 2 ABOVE, A QUORUM SHALL CONSIST OF NOT LESS THAN TEN ACTIVE MEMBERS OR A MAJORITY OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS WHICHEVER IS THE LOWER NUMBER

A QUORUM AT A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE OR MORE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SEC.5 A REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE HELD THE SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

ARTICLE VI — VOTING PRIVILEGES

SEC. 1 EACH ACTIVE MEMBER SHALL HAVE ONE VOTE UPON ALL QUESTIONS WHICH MAY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

SEC.1 THE OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE ACTIVE MEMBERS AND SHALL CONSIST OF PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCIAL SECRETARY, RECORDING SECRETARY, AND TREASURER.

A STANDING COUNCIL (MINIMUM OF EIGHT) COUNCIL PERSONS AND THE NUMBER TO BE DETERMINED BY THE PRESENT OFFICERS AND A COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATE (WHO SHALL REPRESENT IRWIN SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION AT ALL COUNTY LEAGUE MEETINGS).

ALL OF WHOM SHALL FORM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ONE PERSON SHALL HOLD NO MORE THAN ONE OFFICE OR COUNCIL POSITION UNLESS PARTICIPATION DOES NOT ALLOW THE AMOUNT NEEDED TO FILL ALL POSITIONS IF A PERSON IS TO HOLD MORE THAN ONE OFFICE. A MAJORITY VOTE OF ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT AT A REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS REQUIRED.

ARTICLE VII - OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

SEC. 2 THE OFFICERS SHALL BE NOMINATED AT THE REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN SEPTEMBER AND IN OCTOBER. THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS SHALL BE AT THE REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN OCTOBER. THE INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ANNUAL JANUARY MEETING. THE ELECTION OF COUNCIL PERSONS AND COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATE SHALL FOLLOW THE SAME PROCEDURES AS OUTLINED FOR THE OFFICERS OF THIS SECTION.

SEC. 3 AT THE FIRST MEETING FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS, TWO COUNCIL PERSONS SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS. THREE COUNCIL PERSONS SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS. THREE COUNCIL PERSONS SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF 1 YEAR AT THE SECOND MEETING FOR ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS AND THERE AFTER AT THE EXPIRATION OF THE TERM OF OFFICERS EACH SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS. ALL OTHER OFFICERS AND COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATE SHALL BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR

SEC.4 ANY OFFICER, COUNCIL PERSON OR COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATE MAY BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL MEETING UPON A 3/4 MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

SEC.5 AN OFFICER WHO IS ABSENT WITHOUT JUST CAUSE FROM THREE CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS, BE IT EXECUTIVE OR REGULAR SHALL LOSE HIS/HER OFFICE.

ARTICLE VIII — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SEC.1 THE PRESIDENT - SHALL PRESIDE AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. HE / SHE SHALL BE A MEMBER EX-OFFICIO OF ALL REGULAR AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES, AND SHALL PERFORM ALL SUCH DUTIES AS PERTAIN TO HIS / HER OFFICE.

THE PRESIDENT SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO SELECT FROM THE COUNCIL PERSONS A CHAIR PERSON FOR EACH OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

SEC.2 THE VICE- PRESIDENT- SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT IN HIS/HER ABSENCE, OR AT HIS/HER REQUEST

SEC.3 THE RECORDING SECRETARY - SHALL HAVE FULL CHARGE OF THE MINUTES OF ALL MEETINGS. HE / SHE SHALL CONDUCT ALL OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ORGANIZATION. HE / SHE SHALL NOTIFY MEMBERS OF ANY MEETINGS

ALL OTHER SECRETARIAL DUTIES SHALL BE THE DUTIES OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

SEC.4 THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY - SHALL BE IN CHARGE OF ALL MEMBERSHIPS, REVIEW ALL TREASURER TRANSACTIONS, PERFORM DUTIES OF TREASURER IN HIS / HER ABSENCE AND SHALL HEAD A ANNUAL AUDIT COMMITTEE

ARTICLE V 111 — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

SEC.5 THE TREASURER - SHALL HAVE CHARGE OF ALL FUNDS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND PLACE THE SAME IN SUCH BANK OR BANKS AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. SUCH MONEY SHALL BE WITHDRAWN ONLY BY CHECK SIGNED BY THE TREASURER AND COUNTER SIGNED BY THE APPOINTED OFFICER(S) (NO TWO SHALL BE RELATED) FOR PAYMENT OF SUCH BILLS AS SHALL HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HE / SHE SHALL KEEP AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF ALL HIS / HER TRANSACTIONS AND RENDER A DETAILED REPORT AT EACH REGULAR MEETING OR WHEN REQUESTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SEC.6 THE COUNCIL PERSONS - TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER OFFICERS , SHALL ACT AS THE GOVERNING BODY, FORMING THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE COUNCIL PERSONS SHALL ACT AS CHAIRPERSONS OF THE VARIOUS STANDING COMMITTEES AND EACH SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS / HER OWN PARTICULAR COMMITTEE

THE SUGGESTED STANDING COMMITTEES SHALL BE :

1. TRAP
2. PISTOL
3. RIFLE
4. ARCHERY
5. GROUNDS
6. KITCHEN
7. LEGISLATION / GAME NEWS
8. FUND RAISERS
9. NEWSLETTER
10. COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATE (ALTERNATE)

SEC.7 THE COUNTY LEAGUE DELEGATES AND THE PRESIDENT SHALL CONSTITUTE THE GAME AND FISH COMMITTEE , THE DELEGATE ACTING AS CHAIR PERSON THE DELEGATE SHALL REPRESENT THE ASSOCIATION AT THE MEETINGS OF THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY SPORTSMAN'S LEAGUE AND ELSE WHERE. THE ALTERNATE DELEGATE SHALL PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE DELEGATE IN HIS / HER ABSENCE OR AT HIS / HER REQUEST

SEC.8 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL FORMULATE THE POLICIES OF THE ASSOCIATION, SUBJECT TO THE RATIFICATION BY THE ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT AT A REGULAR OR SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WITH A MAJORITY VOTE

ARTICLE IX— EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

SEC.1 ANY MEMBER WHOSE CONDUCT SHALL BE DECIDED BY (A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE) TO HAVE BEEN INJURIOUS TO THE INTERESTS OR WELFARE OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL FORFEIT HIS / HER MEMBERSHIP AND RIGHTS , BUT SUCH VOTE SHALL NOT BE TAKEN WITHOUT GIVING THE OFFENDER TWO WEEKS NOTICE OF THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM / HER AND AFFORDING HIM / HER AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT HIS / HER DEFENSE. HE / SHE MAY, WITHIN THIRTY DAYS, APPEAL FROM A DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO THE ASSOCIATION AT A SPECIAL MEETING CALLED FOR THAT PURPOSE, BUT IT SHALL REQUIRE A 3/4 MAJORITY VOTE OF ALL ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT TO REVERSE THE DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE X - RULES AND REGULATIONS

SEC.1 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL FORMULATE A DOCUMENT CALLED "RULES AND REGULATIONS" AND SHALL ENCLOSE ALL SPECIFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT WILL GOVERN THIS ASSOCIATION. THE ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF THIS DOCUMENT SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT A REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING WITH A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

ARTICLE XI — AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

SEC.1 THE BYLAWS MAY BE AMENDED AT A REGULAR MEETING BY ¾ MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT. NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED CHANGE OR CHANGES SHALL BE MAILED TO EACH ACTIVE MEMBER NOT LESS THAN 10 DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING

SEC.2 THE CONSTITUTION OR BYLAWS SHALL NOT BE SET ASIDE OR CHANGED IN ANY RESPECT AT ANY MEETING EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1 ABOVE

SEC.3 AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS SHALL BE DOCUMENTED ON A DOCUMENT CALLED "AMENDMENTS" WHICH SHALL BE INCLUDED WITH THE BYLAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION. ALL REFERENCES TO THE ARTICLE AND SECTION SHALL BE MADE WITH THE APPROPRIATE CHANGES. A COMPLETE REWRITE OF THE BYLAWS SHALL BE MADE ONLY AFTER TWENTY AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN RECORDED

ARTICLE X11 — CANCELLATION OR NULLIFICATION OR CONFLICTING BYLAWS

SEC. 1 ANY LAWS OR BYLAWS CONFLICTING WITH THE FOREGOING BYLAWS OR ANY PORTION THEREOF ARE HEREBY DECLARED NULL AND VOID.

ARTICLE X 111 — INTOXICATING LIQUOR RESTRICTIONS

SEC.1 THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED IN OR ABOUT THE CLUB HOUSE OR ON THE GROUNDS UNDER PENALTY OF SUSPENSION.

ARTICLE XIV — ILLEGAL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

SEC.1 THE SALE, CONSUMING AND/OR POSSESSION OF AN ILLEGAL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE UNLESS PRESCRIBED BY A PHYSICIAN IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS ARTICLE WILL BE MEANS FOR IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT EXPULSION FROM THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE XV — ORDER OF MEETINGS

SEC.1 ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

LOCKS AND GATE - The combination is available upon the receipt of membership payment. The combination should be kept with your membership card to ensure that you will have your membership card when using the club facilities. You as a member are allowed to ask to see another occupant of the range for their membership card. You **MUST** show your card if you are asked. Please be polite when asking others or being asked by fellow members.

When using the club, you may leave the gate open. When you leave, lock the gate OR tell the last guy out to lock the gate. If not, trespassers may come into the club. Please remember to always to bring your card.

RANGE SAFETY ALERT - Any member shooting at random or creating unsafe acts at the ranges will have their membership revoked. Any member who witnesses unsafe acts should contact one of the officers. If you don't know the person, try to get a license plate number. Members are reminded that there is **NO SHOOTING PERMITTED BEFORE NOON ON SUNDAYS**. Positive backstops have been installed on the rifle ranges. Please use them; do not use cans or bottles on any of the ranges. **NO HIGH POWERED RIFLES SHOULD BE SHOOTING TARGETS ON THE SILHOUETTE RANGE.** There will be NO EXCUSE for violating range safety.

SAFETY ZONE REMINDER:- It's your responsibility—150 yards with firearms—50 yards with archery.

PITTSBURGH SUBURBAN RIFLE LEAGUE - For this year's schedule, please see the bulletin board in the front room of the club or contact Bob Cain @ 724-834-8926

RIFLE RANGE REMINDER - When done shooting, please take down targets. When using range to site in shot guns, please do not use the back stops. They get damaged and have to be replaced too often

SURVEY MAP - As a result of the recent survey, there will be a map hanging in the front room of the club house for members to consult to verify the boundaries of the club. Please use this when visiting the club.