

SUGGESTED GENERAL PROVISIONS
AND
BY-LAWS
FOR
SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

(For use if approved by S.:G.:I.:G.: or Deputy having jurisdiction.)

**BY-LAWS OF _____ SCOTTISH RITE CLUB OF
ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY
VALLEY OF CHARLOTTE: ORIENT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

ARTICLE ONE

Sec. 1 NAME – The Club, sponsored by the Scottish Rite Bodies of the Valley of Charlotte, shall be known as the _____ Scottish Rite Club.

ARTICLE TWO

Sec. 2 PURPOSES – The purpose of this Club shall be:

1. To promote the teachings of Scottish Freemasonry.
2. To promote friendship of all Masons, especially those of the Rite.
3. To encourage symbolic Masonry by attendance at Blue Lodge meetings and by assisting in the work of the Lodge.
4. To support the Free Public School System, and other worthy civic movements.
5. To sponsor the observance of Maundy Thursday.
6. To encourage attendance at Reunions of the Scottish Rite Bodies.
7. To encourage worthy Master Masons to seek the thrilling experience of receiving the Scottish Rite Degrees.

ARTICLE THREE

Sec. 1 REGULAR MEETINGS – Regular meetings of the Club shall be held at least four times each year. One of the meetings shall be held on Maundy Thursday. Other meetings shall be called by the President (with the suggestion that meetings be held prior to Reunions, with Blue Lodge guests being invited to attend as prospective candidates).

Sec. 2 SPECIAL MEETINGS – Special meetings may be called by the President at any time. Due notice shall be given to members, and to the Scottish Rite Bodies Sponsoring this Club.

ARTICLE FOUR

Sec. 1 MEMBERSHIP – any member of the Scottish Rite who has attained the 32°, and whose good standing is evidenced by a current Scottish Rite dues card, shall be eligible for membership in the Club.

Sec. 2 DUES – Annual dues shall be \$ _____.

ARTICLE FIVE

- Sec. 1 OFFICERS - Officers of the Club shall be a President and a Secretary (plus Vice-Presidents if desired). They shall be elected by the Club members, subject to the approval of the Venerable Master of the Charlotte Lodge of Perfection.
- Sec. 2 DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS – The President shall preside at all meetings, shall appoint Committees, and shall be responsible to the Bodies for the activities of the Club. The Secretary shall keep a record of the meetings of the Club, collect dues, answer correspondence, notify members of the meetings and activities and assist the President in the administrative work of the Club. (Vice-Presidents shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the President.)

ARTICLE SIX

- Sec. 1 AMENDMENTS – The Bylaws may be amended by written resolution presented by a member at one of the regular meetings. The resolution shall lie over to the next regular meeting and when it has the approval of the sponsoring Bodies, the favorable vote of the majority of the members present shall effect the change.

ARTICLE SEVEN

- Sec. 1 All of the foregoing, and activities of the Club and of its members, shall be subject to the supervision and control of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General of North Carolina and of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

THIS CERTIFIES THAT THE FOREGOING ARE THE COMPLETE BY-LAWS OF THE _____ SCOTTISH RITE CLUB, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE VALLEY OF CHARLOTTE SCOTTISH RITE BODIES (Charlotte Lodge of Perfection, Mecklenburg Chapter of Rose Croix, Charlotte Council of Kadosh and Carolina Consistory): AS OF THIS DATE _____.

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