

LOUISIANA AGRICULTURAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

Realizing the need for a more unified industry, this organization comes into being. We are bound together by our common interests as individuals and dedicate ourselves to a cause which is just and worthy of the highest consideration. We shall strive for the betterment of the industry and to improve the ethical standards by which we work. Therefore, we hereby commit ourselves to the aims of the organization as set forth herein.

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Louisiana Agricultural Aviation Association, hereinafter referred to as the Association.

ARTICLE II

The domicile of this corporation shall be that of the executive secretary.

ARTICLE III

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is formed are hereby declared to be charitable, educational and beneficial for the members of this association and to coordinate and generally direct the efforts of operators and pilots of agricultural aircraft who are actively interested in the advancement of agricultural aviation, and for the accomplishment of the following objectives to-wit:

1. To strengthen acquaintance within the agricultural aviation industry.
2. To promote the welfare and augment the success of its members.
3. To disseminate, among its members, technical knowledge relevant to the advancement of the industry.
4. To co-operate in the development of higher ethical standards of business that will further the recognition of the worth of agricultural aviation.
5. To co-operate and advise with any and all agencies genuinely interested in the betterment of the agricultural aviation industry and our National Defense.

This corporation is a non-profit organization as defined in Section 101, Subsection 8 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes. No part of the net earnings or other assets of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual or member hereof. This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis, and there shall be such classes of membership as are designated in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV

The officers of this corporation shall consist of a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary Treasurer. The President, Vice President and Secretary Treasurer shall be elected by the General Assembly at the Annual Fall Business Meeting. The President, Vice President and Secretary Treasurer shall serve for a period not to exceed one year or until a successor has been duly elected and installed.

An Executive Secretary shall be employed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

The corporate powers and management of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors consisting of eleven (11) members: the President, the Vice President, the Secretary Treasurer, the Immediate Past President, the Director to the National Agricultural Aviation Association, four (4) Owner/Operator members, one Pilot member and 1 member of Women Louisiana Agricultural Aviation Association. This member will be selected by the Louisiana Agricultural Aviation Association.

The Owner/Operator members shall serve for two (2) years. The regional directors will be elected as follows: Beginning after each director has served a minimum of two years, regions II and IV will be elected in even numbered years and regions I and III will be elected in odd numbered years.

The Pilot member shall serve for two (2) years.

The Women Louisiana Agricultural Aviation Association member shall serve for two (2) years.

The members of the board whose terms expire each year shall be replaced by a new member of the same classification of membership at each regular annual business meeting of the corporation by majority vote of the members at said meeting. Any vacancy on the Board of Directors caused by death, resignation or any other reason, shall be filled by election for the unexpired term at the next regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors.

Failure to elect directors annually shall not dissolve this corporation, nor impair its corporate existence or management, but the directors then in office shall remain in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed.

A quorum shall consist of six (6) board members and shall be necessary to consider any questions that may come before any meeting of the directors. A quorum being present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present shall be necessary to decide any question.

The Board of Directors may adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of this corporation as they may deem proper, subject to the approval of the membership.

Special meetings of the members of this corporation may be called at such times and places as determined by the President, the Board of Directors, or by written petition to the Board of Directors signed by not less than one half of the membership.

