

***BOUNDERS OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED
CONSTITUTION***

**ARTICLE I
Name, Status and Purpose**

1. Name:

The name of the corporation, as stated in the Articles of Incorporation, is Bounders of America, Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as BOA.

2. Status:

BOA is organized as a not-for-profit corporation for an indefinite period under the laws of the State of Maryland. The Corporation has no capital stock whatsoever. The fiscal year shall be as specified in the Bylaws. BOA headquarters and regional offices shall be located at such locations within or outside the State of Incorporation as the Executive Board may designate.

3. Purpose:

The general purpose of BOA is to promote camaraderie, pride of ownership and use for pleasure of Bounder motor homes manufactured by the Fleetwood Corporation, hereinafter referred to as Bounders. Other specific purposes shall be as specified in the bylaws.

**ARTICLE II
Membership**

1. Definition:

The term “family member” is defined as a family unit consisting of one (1) or two (2) adults and identified on the Application for Membership as the Pilot or the Co-Pilot and the owner(s) of a Bounder motor home. . Other classes of membership shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

2. Eligibility for Membership:

Bounder motor home ownership is a requirement for family membership. Disposition of a member’s Bounder automatically terminates membership at the time of sale or transfer, unless the member concurrently procures a replacement Bounder.

3. Application for Membership:

Application for membership is voluntary and shall be accepted as received, on forms supplied by BOA. Membership shall endure as long as eligibility criteria are met and the member remains in good standing as defined by the Bylaws.

4. Duties of Members:

Each member shall acknowledge every other member and endeavor to maintain a spirit of helpfulness, friendliness and fellowship, and abide by this Constitution and its Bylaws.

5. Rights of Members

- a. Membership is a privilege and is not subject to sale, transfer, assignment or inheritance.
- b. All members have the right to attend any meeting, and participate in the discussion.
- c. All members have the right to present written proposals to the Executive Board.
- d. All members shall be eligible to receive a subscription to the *Bounder Beacon*.
- e. Only family members shall have voting rights and the privilege of holding office in BOA or any of its chapters. There shall be one (1) vote for the Pilot and one (1) vote fo the Co-Pilot of each Bounder motor home.
- f. Other duties and rights shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

6.. Fees and Dues:

The annual dues for each class of membership shall be determined by the Executive Board and approved by the general membership.

**ARTICLE III
Government**

1. Source of Authority:

- a. The governing authority of BOA is derived from its members and shall be vested in an executive board that shall manage the affairs of the Corporation.
- b. Members of the Executive Board shall be elected in accordance with the requirements and procedures specified in the Bylaws.

2. Composition of the Executive Board:

The Executive Board shall consist of such officers as specified in Article V of this

constitution.

3. Meetings:

At least one (1) regular meeting of the Executive Board shall be held annually. Additional regular meetings or special meetings may be held as specified in the Bylaws or as the Executive Board or the President may determine necessary.

4. Quorum:

A quorum for transaction of business shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

5. Duties of the Executive Board:

a. Duties of the Executive Board shall be as specified in the Bylaws.

b. The Executive Board shall make provision in the Bylaws to assure proper handling of BOA finances and the reporting and auditing of the accounts.

6. Changes and Amendments to the Bylaws:

All proposed changes to the Bylaws submitted by members shall, after review by the Executive Board, be presented to and voted upon by the general membership. A simple majority of votes cast shall be cause for adoption or rejection of the proposal

**ARTICLE IV
Meetings**

1. Annual Meeting:

An annual meeting of the regular membership of BOA shall be held at a time and place designated by the Executive Board. Members shall be notified at least 30 days in advance of an annual meeting.

2. Other Meetings:

Other meetings of the regular membership may be called by the Executive Board as necessary.

**ARTICLE V
National Officers**

1. Composition:

a. The national officers shall consist of:

- (1) A President
- (2) An Executive Vice President
- (3) Six (6) Regional Vice Presidents
- (4) A Secretary (may serve concurrently as Treasurer)
- (5) A Treasurer (may serve concurrently as Secretary)
- (6) Such other temporary officers as may be appointed from the regular membership by unanimous vote of the Executive Board.

b. National Officers shall be nominated and elected by ballot of the regular membership according to the procedures specified in the Bylaws.

c. The National Officers shall constitute the BOA Executive Board.

2. Terms of Office:

National Officers shall hold office for terms coinciding with the beginning and ending of the BOA Fiscal Year.

3. Duties:

National officers shall perform the customary duties of their offices as well as such other duties as may be required by the Bylaws and the Executive Board.

4. Compensation:

National officers will not receive salaries or other payment for their services.

5. Nominating Committee:

A nominating committee shall be established and shall function as specified in the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VI
Required Records**

1. Minutes of Meetings:

Minutes of the proceedings of each meeting of the Executive Board are to be recorded by the Secretary or designated alternate. Minutes shall be signed by the Secretary, countersigned by the President attesting to their accuracy and completeness, and shall become permanent records of BOA.

2. Financial and Membership Records and Security:

Accurate Books of Account and Membership Rolls shall be maintained. All minutes, books, tapes, electronic data, financial and membership records are the property of BOA and shall be properly filed and safely stored.

3. Privacy of Membership Records:

No identifying information of any kind, stored in any form, relating to members individually or in any grouping, shall be given, used or sold for other than internal BOA purposes. Any violation of this statement may be grounds for dismissal from BOA as stated in the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VII
Chapters**

1. Authorization.

BOA Bylaws shall provide for the authorization, qualification and establishment of chapters in BOA.

2. Chapter Charters.

a. The Executive Board may suspend or revoke the charter of any chapter found to be violating the provisions of the BOA Constitution and/or Bylaws.

b. Chapters, which fail to maintain requirements relating to chapters, may be temporarily classified as inactive chapters pending full accreditation in accordance with BOA Bylaws.

**ARTICLE VIII
Enforcement of Constitution, Bylaws and Regulations**

The Executive Board shall uphold and enforce this Constitution, the Bylaws and all regulations. In so doing, it may censure, discipline, recall, suspend or expel officers or members as specified in the Bylaws.

**ARTICLE IX
Amending the Constitution**

1. Authorization:

Any member or chapter may propose an amendment to the Constitution. Proposals shall be in writing and shall be sent to the BOA Secretary with a copy to the BOA President. At least once per year, the Boulder Beacon shall publish a call for proposed amendments to the Constitution.

2. Preliminary Consideration:

The text of any proposed amendment to the constitution shall be referred to a standing constitution and bylaws committee for review and consideration. The committee shall review each proposal in a timely fashion. The proposal, along with any recommendations from this committee, shall be forwarded to the Executive Board for review and final recommendation.

3. Submission to the Membership:

All proposals for constitutional amendments shall be voted on by the membership. The text of the proposed amendment(s) and the Executive Board's recommendations shall be submitted to the membership, along with an appropriate ballot.

4. Balloting

All balloting by members on national issues shall be by mail ballot, or by electronic ballot when authorized by the BOA executive board. Member's rights to mail a ballot by USPS, shall not be denied, providing they are received by BOA in a timely manner per ballot instructions. Email balloting, when permitted by the executive board, shall require that members have registered their email address with BOA in a manner consistent with requirements of the executive board.

5. Action on Constitutional Voting:

a. Sixty (60) days from the mailing date, the returned ballots shall be validated, counted by the Secretary or designated representative, and the results announced.

b. An affirmative vote of at least a majority of the validated votes returned by the members are required to adopt any change in the Constitution. Amendments adopted take effect immediately and shall be published in the *Boulder Beacon*.

**ARTICLE X
Disestablishment**

BOA shall not be disbanded by the members unless three-fourths (3/4) of the members voting shall vote for such disbandment in the manner provided for amendments to this constitution. All assets, which may remain after payment of the just debts, shall be distributed equally to the BOA membership of record at the time of disbandment and/or to a qualified charity or charities chosen by the Executive Board.

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