
The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association Constitution

1. NAME

The Association shall be known as "Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association", hereinafter known as "the Association".

2. AIMS

The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association consists of a specialized group of Amateur Radio Operators with a focus on "DX'ing" ... The reaching out, contacting and talking with other Amateur Radio Operators in other countries.

The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association is interested in Amateur Radio, organized for the promotion of and the interest in establishing long distance (DX) communications, the experimentation and education in the art of antenna construction, equipment construction, long distance radio propagation studies, weak signal communications, specializes operations and new technologies, and all operating techniques to achieve this interest.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Membership of the association shall be open to all persons. The Committee reserves the right, in exceptional cases, to refuse an application for membership. Each application for membership must be supported by at least (6) six founding members.
- (b) The committee shall be empowered to expel any member whose conduct, in the committee's opinion, is considered to be prejudicial to the aims and interests of the association. No member shall be expelled without first being given the opportunity to appear before the committee. However, such action to expel a member must also have the support in writing of at least (8) eight founding members
- (c) At its sole discretion, the committee shall be empowered to grant to an individual Honorary Membership of the association . Such membership shall carry all the rights of full membership but be free from annual subscription.

- (d) Founding Members shall be Life Members and may not be expelled under any circumstances.

4. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) The annual subscription for membership shall be determined from time to time by the committee.
- (b) All subscriptions shall be due and payable on the anniversary date. Members in arrears will be treated as non-members until any subscription(s) due is (are) fully discharged.
- (c) In special circumstances the committee shall have the power to waive or reduce subscriptions payable by an individual member.

5. ADMINISTRATION

The Association affairs shall be administered by a committee comprised of officers and ordinary members. The officers shall comprise a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. There shall not be more than 6 and no fewer than 4 ordinary members of committee. For a period of one year after relinquishing office, the past chairman shall serve as an ex-officio member of the committee.

6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND ORDINARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- (a) Officers and ordinary committee members shall be elected annually at an Annual General Meeting of All Members.
- (b) The term of office for both officers and ordinary members of committee shall commence on the date of their election and continue until the date of the next election.
- (c) For the postal ballot, a Returning Officer who is not a member of the group shall be nominated by the Chairman, and the name of the Returning Officer circulated to members with ballot papers. The decisions of the Returning Officer shall be final.
- (d) Members wishing to stand for election as officers or ordinary members of the group shall submit a nomination to the Secretary no later than six weeks prior to the published date of the election.

- (e) A valid nomination shall bear the signatures of a proposer and a seconder, both of whom shall be fully paid-up members of the Association. The nominee will signify his/her willingness to stand for election and may submit a short statement stating his/her qualifications for candidacy.
- (f) Serving officers or ordinary committee members are not debarred from standing for re-election.
- (g) No later than thirty days before the scheduled date of an election, the Secretary shall send to all fully paid-up members of the Association valid ballot papers containing details of all those offering themselves for election.
- (h) Members of the Association wishing to vote shall complete ballot papers for return at the Annual General Meeting for counting in the presence of all members present at such meeting.
- (i) The results of the ballot shall be announced at the Annual General Meeting and by a statement in an association publication circulated to all members.
- (j) Following a ballot, if there remain unfilled posts for officers or ordinary members of committee, these posts may be filled at an Annual General Meeting by candidates being nominated and seconded from the floor and a vote taken by a show of hands. A simple majority shall determine the outcome.
- (k) The committee through a vetting procedure shall appoint the Treasurer.

7. FINANCE

The Treasurer shall :

- (a) maintain the Association's accounts.
- (b) be responsible for the safe keeping of Association funds under his/her control.
- (c) advise the committee on all financial matters pertaining to the activities and aims of the Association .

Withdrawals of Association funds up to one Thousand shall require the signature of the Treasurer and one other Committee Member. Sums in

excess of this amount shall require the signature of the Treasurer, Chairman and one other of the association's officers.

8. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members shall receive notification of the date, time and venue of an Annual General Meeting provided that not less than 28 days prior to the scheduled date of the such meeting.

The committee shall be empowered to call an Extraordinary General Meeting provided that not less than 14 days notice of the scheduled date of such meeting is notified in writing to association members.

The agenda for an Annual General Meeting shall be:

Apologies for absence
Minutes of previous meeting
Chairman's report
Secretary's report
Treasurer's report
Result of ballot
Election of any officers and ordinary members of committee to offices not filled by ballot
Any other business

9. COMMITTEE

- (a) The committee shall meet not less than twice annually. Any two officers of the Association or any three ordinary members of committee may call for a committee meeting to be held provided that 7days notice of the date of the meeting is given.
- (b) A quorum of the Committee will be deemed to be present if at least half of the committee members are present.
- (c) The Chairman will preside at all meetings at which he/she is present.
- (d) The Secretary shall keep Minutes of all committee meetings.
- (e) All elected committee members present at committee meetings shall be entitled to vote.

10. PUBLICATIONS

- (a) The committee shall make all necessary arrangements to ensure a flow of information to Association members and shall appoint an editor for the Association 's publication.
- (b) An editor who is not an elected officer or ordinary committee member shall be permitted to attend committee meetings but not be entitled to vote.

11. CONSTITUTION

The Constitution may be amended from time to time subject to the following conditions:

- (a) proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing and signed by a proposer and seconder, both of whom must be fully paid-up members of the Association together with the support in writing of at least (10) ten founding members.
- (b) members will be balloted on such amendments.
- (c) at least seventy percentage of votes cast must be in favor for any amendment to gain acceptance.

12. FOUNDING MEMBERS

The Founding Members Of The Hong Kong Amateur Radio DX Association who may not be removed from membership are:-

Steven Beesley	VR2XMQ
Charlie Ho	VR2XMT
Li Chi Sing	VR2IL
Ken Kwok	VR2LC
Koo Sze Kwong	VR2PM
Joe Chan	VR2BA
Logan Chan	VR2XRW
Edward So	VR2XSC
Terry Chen	VR2KM
Wong Ying	VR2ZYW
Leung Wing Fai	VR2ZXP
Philip Weaver	9M6CT