

**CEDAR CREEK
DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB, INC.
BY-LAWS**

REVISED AND RESTATED
FEBRUARY 19, 2022

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Cedar Creek Duplicate Bridge Club, Inc., the same having been incorporated under that name as a not-for-profit corporation, as approved by the Secretary of State of Indiana on February 17, 1966.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

Section 1: The purpose of the organization shall be to preserve and promote the best interests of competitive contract bridge and any modifications thereof.

Section 2: The Club shall have the power to conduct Tournaments, Club Championships and Special Games with full authority to interpret and enforce all rules governing the same.

ARTICLE III – AFFILIATION

The Club shall be franchised by the American Contract Bridge League and be subject to the rules and regulations of said league.

ARTICLE IV – FISCAL YEAR & DUES

Section 1: The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

Section 2: Dues shall be as determined from time to time by the Board of Directors and are payable prior to the start of the fiscal year.

Section 3: any member whose dues become sixty (60) days in arrears, after being notified through the Board of Directors, shall be dropped from membership.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Section 1: Business meetings shall be held at such time as determined by the President, Chair(s) and Co-Chair(s), or by a majority of the Board of Directors.

Section 2: Meetings of the Membership shall be held at such time as determined by the Board of Directors. If possible, they shall be held on the day of games.

ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: There shall be only one class of membership and all members shall have equal rights and privileges.

Section 2: Prospective members may not have accumulated more than 2000 Master Points. Any prospective member may attend and play in up to three (3) sessions within a 12- month period. After a prospective member has attended and played in three (3) sessions within a 12-month period, they may become a member by invitation of the majority of the Board and with payment the annual dues which is set each year by the Board of Directors. Currently the annual dues are \$10.00 per person.

ARTICLE VII – CLUB OFFICERS

Section 1: The Club Officers shall consist of:
President
Secretary
Treasurer

Section 2: The Officers shall perform duties usually attributed to their respective offices.

Section 3: The Secretary shall maintain all meeting minutes, all history of the club, send cards to members in case of loss or illness, and produce and publish the club roster in a manner as directed by the BOD.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall make periodic financial reports to the Board of Directors and to the Membership. The Treasurer shall also maintain complete information on all members.

Section 5: Each year, the Club Manager shall choose a nominating committee which shall present at the Annual Meeting a new slate of candidates for election to the Club offices. Nominations may also be made from the floor at that meeting. A simple majority of the members in attendance shall be required for election.

ARTICLE VIII – CLUB MANAGER

The Club Officers shall appoint a Club Manager to oversee the day-to-day operations of the Club. The Club Manager must be a current member of ACBL.

ARTICLE VIX – THE COMMITTEES

Section 1: Standing Committees shall be:

Hospitality Committee: duties include recruiting members to host each playing session.

Membership Committee: duties include meeting all prospective members on their first day of play, obtaining all necessary personal information, and working with the Treasurer to keep the directory up to date.

Section 2: Members of the Board of Directors shall appoint the Chairs of the Standing Committees.

Section3: The Chairs of any additional committee(s) shall be appointed by the Club Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: The business affairs of the Club shall be conducted by a Board of Directors consisting of:

- The Club Officers
- The Immediate Past-President
- The Standing Committee Chairs
- The Club Manager

Section 2: The Board shall have the power to form and enforce all policies for the welfare of the Club.

Section 3: The Board of Directors shall consider all matters pertaining to the welfare of the Club brought to its attention in writing by the Membership.

Section 4: The Board of Directors may censure, suspend, drop or expel any member for improper

conduct prejudicial to the welfare or reputation of the Club. However, no action for expulsion shall be taken until (1) written notice has been given to the member and (2) the member has been given an opportunity to present a case of defense; and then only by an affirmative vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 5: Any vacancy on the Board of Directors shall be appointed by the Board until the next annual election.

ARTICLE XI – GAMES DIRECTOR

Section 1: The Games Director shall be selected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the Board shall determine the fee to be paid to the Games Director.

Section 2: The Games Director is empowered to select or reject any member(s) or non-member(s) to assist in scoring and/or directing any game.

Section 3: Rulings by the Games Director shall conform with the rules and regulations of the American Contract Bridge League.

Section 4: The Games Director shall notify the Board of Directors of all improper conduct or discourtesies by a member or non-member during games.

Section 5: When making a ruling on an infraction during play, the Games Director shall cite the applicable rule to the best of his/her ability. Should a player further disagree, that player may appeal in writing to the Director for a clarification at a later time. Decisions of the Director are final.

ARTICLE XIII – AMENDMENTS

These Club By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the members in good standing present at the meeting.