

**BY-LAWS
MIDWEST REGION
NORTH-SOUTH SKIRMISH ASSOCIATION, INC.**

I. ORGANIZATION

Section 1: The Midwest Region of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc. is established in accordance with Article VI of the by-laws of the North-South Skirmish Association, Incorporated.

II. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Members shall be those Member Organizations of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc. which have been assigned to the Midwest Region.

Section 2: Each member organization of the Midwest Region shall have one (1) vote in all matters of business brought before the membership of the region.

III. OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of the Midwest Region shall be a Commander, a Deputy Commander, an Adjutant, and an Inspector.

Section 2: The Commander, Deputy Commander, and Inspector shall be elected to two-year terms by vote of the member organizations in odd numbered years, and shall take office on January 1 following their election.

Section 3: The duties of the Commander and the Inspector shall be as stated in the by-laws of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc.

Section 4: The Adjutant shall be appointed by the Commander, and shall serve until replaced by the Commander, or until the Commander's term expires.

Section 5: The Deputy Commander shall assist the Commander in any way he may be assigned by the Commander. He shall act as Commander during the Commander's absence, within the limits of the by-laws of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc.

Section 6: The Adjutant shall collect, hold, and disburse all Midwest Region funds, and shall perform clerical duties as assigned by the Commander. He shall keep minutes of regional Meetings, and shall distribute copies to the member organizations.

Section 7: The Commander shall present a financial statement each year at the first Annual Meeting. This statement shall include categorized income and expenditures for the year ending November 30, and the treasury balance as of that date.

Section 8: Any Midwest Region officer, elected or appointed, may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of the member organizations present at a regular or called meeting, provided notice of the motion to remove has been given to all member organizations no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Cause(s) for removal must be stated in the notice.

IV. ELECTIONS

Section 1: An Election Committee shall be elected by the region at the first Regional Skirmish each odd-numbered year. The Election Committee shall solicit nominations for the elective offices.

Section 2: The Election Committee shall mail a list of candidates to all member organizations by August 1.

Section 3: The election shall be conducted by the Election Committee at the Fall Regional Skirmish. Nominations from the floor shall be permitted.

Section 4: Election to office shall require a majority vote of the member organizations of the region.

Section 5: No member of the Election Committee may be a candidate for office in that election year.

Section 6: Vacancies in elective offices must be filled by special election within one (1) month.

Section 7: Proxy votes may be cast at regular or special election meetings, provided written or telephonic notice of authority to cast a proxy vote has been conveyed by the absent unit to the region Commander, or the Deputy Commander if the commanders position is vacant.

V. MEETINGS

Section 1: A meeting under these by-laws shall be one which has been properly advertised and at which a quorum is present.

Section 2: A quorum to conduct business at any regional meeting shall be no less than one-half the member organizations.

Section 3: Proxy Votes shall not be allowed, except for the election of officers (see ARTICLE IV, Section 7).

Section 4: Motions and seconds to motions must be made by representatives of member organizations. The names of organizations making and seconding motions shall be entered into the minutes of the meeting.

Section 5: There shall be two (2) annual meetings each year. The first shall be held between January 1 and February 28, and the second between October 10 and November 30. Dates and locations shall be selected by the Commander. Notice must be mailed to each unit no later than fourteen (14) days prior to each meeting.

Section 6: Business meetings shall be held at each official skirmish held in the Midwest Region. The establishment of the skirmish schedule at the January /February meeting shall constitute notification of those meetings.

Section 7: Special meetings may be called by the Commander or by one-half of the member organizations. Time, place, and notification shall be as in Section 5.

Section 8: In an emergency, the fourteen-day notification requirement may be waived by consent of not less than two-thirds of the member organizations. Names of the organizations consenting to the waiver shall be entered into the minutes of the meeting.

VI. DUES

Section 1: Dues, in the amount of \$5.00 per shooting and non-shooting member for each member organization shall be payable no later than December 1 for the following year. A copy of the organization's N-SSA roster must accompany the dues payment. (10-22-2016)

Section 2: Member organizations whose dues are not paid and whose rosters have not been received by December 1 shall be considered in suspension. They may participate in no region activities, including meetings or skirmishes, until the rosters and dues are received by the region Adjutant. They shall receive no correspondence except a notice of suspension.

Section 3: The penalty for late registration, either of an organization or of a member, shall be \$1.00 per member.

Section 4: Region dues must be paid for each member added to an organization's roster at the time his N-SSA dues are paid.

Section 5: A copy of the N-SSA update form must accompany the dues payment.

VII. SKIRMISHES

Section 1: The company and individual target competitions conducted within this Region shall be called skirmishes.

Section 2: The governing regulations and rules of procedures under which skirmishes are conducted are called Midwest Region Skirmish Rules and shall be published as a separate document.

Section 3: Midwest Region Skirmish Rules may be amended upon a 2/3 vote of members in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting. They may be amended at a special meeting provided that the proposed rule change is cited, in writing, in the required fourteen-day notification of membership prior to the special meeting.

VII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Proposed amendments to these by-laws must be distributed to each member organization no less than fourteen (14) days prior to a regional meeting.

Section 2: Amendments may be made by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the member organizations present at a regional meeting.

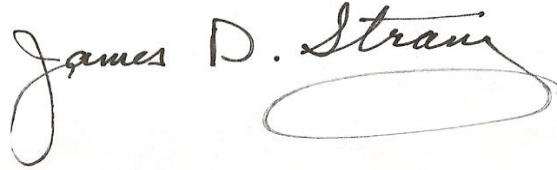
VII. LIMITATIONS

Section 1: These by-laws are binding on all member organizations of the Midwest Region, and upon all members of those member organizations.

Section 2: Midwest Region may adopt no by-laws or rules which conflict with the by-laws or the Skirmish Rules of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc.

Section 3: Any changes made by the N-SSA in its by-laws or Skirmish Rules which creates a conflict with any of these by-laws shall automatically supersede the conflicting portion(s) of these by-laws.

These by-laws became effective on _____, 2005 by unanimous vote of the member organizations of this Region.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James D. Strang". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

JAMES D. STRANG
Commander

