

**OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB**  
*Proposed Changes to Constitution and By-Laws*  
**31 March 2007**

In accordance with Article IV of the Off Soundings Club Constitution, and Article V of the Off Soundings Club By-Laws, the following amendments are hereby proposed to the membership for consideration:

**CONSTITUTION**

**Article XI**  
**Membership**

**Section 1** – *Replace to read:* “The club shall be composed of active and honorary members. Members must be at least 21 years of age.”

**Section 2** – *third line, change to* “...must be included two or more supporting letters...”  
*(change from three to two; in addition to proposer and required two seconds)*

*Delete all after line 13. Section will end with:* “...Membership in this club shall be restricted to those who enjoy and participate in the sport of sailing.”

**Section 6** – *Replace to read:* “Honorary members shall be elected at any meeting of the club after recommendation by the Board of Governors. They shall be exempt from dues and assessments; they shall not vote or hold office unless they are an active member at the time of their election.”

*Add Section 7* – “Members entering active-duty military service shall have their dues waived for the period of military duty overseas.”

**Article XII**  
**Meetings**

**Section 1** – *third line, last sentence revised to read:* “Notification of such meeting shall be mailed or e-mailed to each member at least 30 days in advance of scheduled date of meeting, or posted on the club website.”

**Section 2** – *third line, revised to read:* “...mailed to each member at least 30 days in advance...” *(change from 15)*

**Article XIV**  
**Amendments**

**Section 1** – *fourth line, revised to read:* “...mailed to every member at least 30 days in advance...” *(change from 15)*

## **BY-LAWS**

### **Article IV Yacht Squadron**

**Section 4** – *revise to read:* “There shall be annual spring and fall races at such times and at such places as may be designated by the Board of Governors.”

*Add Section 5* – “Members of the club may invite guests to participate in club races. Guest invitations are administered by the Membership Chairman.”

*Add Section 6* – “Yachts participating in club races must be at least 23.75’ in length, and no longer than 62’ in length.”

### **Article V Amendments**

**Section 1** – *fourth line, revised to read:* “...mailed to every member at least 30 days in advance of such meeting.” (*change from 15*)

*Submitted by  
Off Soundings Club Board of Governors  
January 2007*

**Reference:** In addition to changes proposed for consistency and clarification, as well as recognition of internet communication, this change incorporates Precedent Setting Decisions made by the Board of Governors on 3/17/51, 1/12/56, 4/4/64, and 10/24/92.