

## **Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.**

# **BLUE BOOK**

### **Code of Ethics**

To be ever mindful of our responsibility to Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and through conduct, indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of our courtesy on the road and good will to all peoples and countries.

To be ever mindful of what we say or print with respect to its effect on other of our diverse membership so as to avoid disharmony and ill feelings among club members of differing ethnicities, religious beliefs or orientation and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of WBCCI in bonds of good fellowship and mutual understanding. (6/22/18)

To conduct ourselves in a manner to inspire others engaged in recreational vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code.

To maintain our camps in an orderly manner and leave them in the same way.

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**ARTICLE I NAME OF CORPORATION**

This organization, existing as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, shall be known as the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., sometimes hereafter referred to as the International Club.

**ARTICLE II CLASS OF CORPORATION**

The Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., is a non-profit corporation and no part of its income or profits shall inure to the benefit of its members.

**ARTICLE III VISIONS, MISSIONS AND OBJECTIVES**

- Sec. 1 Vision Statement.** Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. maintains its unique position of strength and visibility among recreational vehicle organizations as the recreational vehicle club of choice for Airstream owners. (6/30/09)
- Sec. 2 Mission Statement.** Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. is a diverse community of Airstream owners with a commitment to Fun, Fellowship and Adventure. (6/30/09)
- Sec. 3 Objectives.** The objective of the International Club shall be to furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of Regions, Local Clubs and Intra-clubs; to afford opportunities for outdoor fraternization of recreational vehicle owners; to encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of good will toward recreational vehicle travel; to coordinate the interest and activities of its Regions and Local Clubs; to cooperate with other organizations within its sphere of interest which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups; to disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature which will be of value to its members and the public; to study, advise and recommend legislation in the interest of the recreational vehicle public and to oppose all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the recreational vehicle public and to encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better recreational vehicle parks and facilities. (6/30/09)

**ARTICLE IV OFFICES**

The offices of the International Club, sometimes hereafter referred to as International Club Headquarters, or simply Headquarters, shall be maintained at 803 E. Pike Street, Jackson Center, Ohio 45334, USA, or at such other place as the Board of Trustees may designate. (6/30/93)

**ARTICLE V POWERS**

The powers of the International Club shall be:

- A.** To charter and supervise Regions, Local Clubs and other subordinate groups of recreational vehicle owners so chartered. (6/30/95)

- B. To manage, supervise and control the activities, affairs, property and funds of the International Club.
- C. To own, manufacture, utilize, repair, contract, sell, rent or conduct any business for the benefit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

## ARTICLE VI QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS (6/24/20)

**Sec. 1 Qualification** An adult who owns a hard-sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc. shall be eligible for membership in the club.

**Sec. 2 Membership**

- A. An owner upon written application and the payment of International dues, and fees or Local Club dues, if joining a local club, shall be a member of the International Club. Those also joining a Local Club will be Regular members. Those just joining WBCCI will be Members at Large.
- B. Ownership, except as otherwise provided herein, of a recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., as defined in this Article, and the payment of annual International dues and fees and/or of Local Club dues is prerequisite to retaining membership.
- C. Members, who were in good standing when they sold their Airstream recreational vehicle, may, upon request, retain their membership, provided such members do not own another brand of recreational vehicle, except such members may own another brand recreational vehicle that is parked in a permanent or semi- permanent location to be used by the members as a vacation facility or as a home.
- D. No Local Club shall establish other requirements for an applicant to be a member of a Local Club.

**Sec. 3 Airstream Employees** Notwithstanding the requirement that ownership of an Airstream recreational vehicle, as defined in Section 1, is a prerequisite for membership; not more than ten officers and employees of Airstream, Inc. who do not own such a recreational vehicle, may be members at any one time, provided they have the use of an Airstream, Inc. owned vehicle with which to participate in International Club activities.

## ARTICLE VII BOARD OF TRUSTEES (6/27/24)

**Sec. 1** The governing body of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International (WBCCI) shall be the Board of Trustees, sometimes hereafter referred to as the International Board of Trustees, or the Board or the IBT.

- A. The IBT is composed of twenty-five (25) members, consisting of twenty-two (22) voting trustees and three (3) non-voting trustees.
  - 1. The twenty-two (22) voting trustees are twelve (12) Region Presidents of WBCCI, one (1) Immediate Past IBT President of WBCCI, and nine (9) Executive Council members.

2. The three (3) non-voting trustees are the Finance Director (a member of WBCCI), the Chief Executive Officer of Airstream, Inc., or an Executive Officer of Airstream, Inc. designated by said Chief Executive Officer, and the Corporate Manager of WBCCI.
- B. The IBT shall have four (4) International Officers who are the executive officers of the Club: a President, a Vice President, a Recording Secretary, and a Finance Director. The President, Vice President, and Recording Secretary shall be elected by the voting members of the IBT from the eligible nine (9) Executive Council members at large that were elected to the IBT by the Club membership. The non-voting Finance Director shall be elected by the voting members of the IBT from candidates solicited from the general Club membership.
- C. In the event a Region President is unable to be present at a meeting of the IBT, the next ranking Region Vice President, in the order 1st and 2nd, shall sit with the IBT at that meeting as a voting member representing that Region in all matters coming before the IBT.
- D. Each member of the IBT shall serve until a successor is appointed or elected or the member's resignation is accepted by the IBT.

**Sec. 2** The IBT shall hold periodic meetings, based on the WBCCI fiscal year, at a time and place designated by the President. Special meetings may be called by the President, Vice President, or by ten (10) voting members of the IBT.

**Sec. 3** The IBT shall have full authority to construe and interpret the WBCCI Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies and may delegate this authority to its Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

**Sec. 4** A quorum of the IBT shall consist of twelve (12) voting members.

**Sec. 5** The IBT voting members must only hold the one office that makes them eligible for the IBT. Notwithstanding, they can serve on Standing and Special Committees and in Intra-Club Offices.

## ARTICLE VIII EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (6/27/24)

**Sec. 1** The Executive Council is the administrative body of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International and shall oversee the daily operations of the Club between meetings of the IBT. The Executive Council comprises the President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, non-voting Finance Director, Immediate Past IBT President, and six (6) Executive Council Members.

**Sec. 2** All Executive Officers, except the Finance Director shall be elected from the eligible Executive Council members by the IBT for a term of two (2) years. These officers so elected shall take office at the start of the WBCCI fiscal year. No such officer shall serve more than two consecutive terms. The Finance Director shall be elected by the members of the IBT from

qualified candidates from the general membership and will retain the position by a confidence vote of the voting members of the IBT every two years near the midterm of the EC.

- Sec. 3** Upon nomination by the Executive Council and with the approval of the IBT, a Corporate Manager will be hired, who shall be responsible for the administration and general management of WBCCI. The Corporate Manager shall operate under the authority of the President and the IBT in accordance with the job descriptions, conditions of employment, and Club operating procedures as established by the IBT and prescribed in the Bylaws and Policies of WBCCI.

## **ARTICLE IX CLUB ORGANIZATION**

- Sec. 1** The International Club may charter Local Clubs as shall, from time to time, be deemed in the best interest of the Club. It shall organize such Local Clubs into Regions and shall fix and determine the geographic boundaries thereof. Said Local Clubs and Regions shall be bound by the Articles of Incorporation, Constitution and Bylaws, rules and policies of the International Club as then in existence and as thereafter amended.
- Sec. 2** Applications for Local Club Charters shall be made in writing to the Board of Trustees through the President of the Region in whose geographic area the proposed Local Club seeks to organize. The Region President may, upon being satisfied that the proposed Local Club has complied with the minimum qualifications, as fixed by said Board, issue to such proposed Local Club a provisional charter. Any such charter so issued shall terminate on the last day of the International Rally next following the date of its issuance unless sooner terminated by action of said Board in granting or denying such application. A Provisional Local Club may elect officers, collect Local Club and International dues and engage in usual Local Club activities, but until issued a permanent Local Club Charter shall not be entitled to vote in elections or participate in voting for any amendments to the WBCCI Constitution. (7/27/22)
- Sec. 3** Applications for Local Club Charters outside of the present geographic areas of the established Regions shall be made directly to WBCCI Headquarters. The WBCCI Executive Committee may, upon being satisfied that the proposed Local Club has complied with the minimum qualifications, issue the proposed Local Club with a provisional charter. Supervision of these Local Clubs, once chartered, shall be as determined by the Board; however, representation of these Local Clubs at IBT Meetings may be by an existing Region President as assigned by the IBT. All other provisions of the Article shall apply. (6/30/14)
- Sec. 4** The minimum number of members necessary to obtain or retain a charter, shall be ten (10). All rules, regulations and qualifications for a Local Club Charter shall be fixed and determined by the Board of Trustees, and upon granting a Local Club Charter, assign such Local Club a name. All Local Clubs shall hold not less than two (2) assembled rallies each year at which members attend with their recreational vehicles manufactured by Airstream, Inc. (6/30/05)
- Sec. 5** The Board of Trustees may suspend or revoke the Charter of any Local Club for failure to abide by the Constitution, Bylaws or Policies of the International Club. Before any Local Club Charter may be suspended, or revoked, the Board of Trustees shall notify the officers of such

Local Club, in writing of the violation on which the contemplated action is based. It shall provide an opportunity for a hearing including the opportunity to show willingness to cure and correct circumstances surrounding the alleged violation. (6/21/86)

#### **ARTICLE X REVENUE AND DUES**

The Board of Trustees shall fix and determine the amount of the International Club annual membership dues and such dues shall be levied and collected in advance. (7/21/21)

#### **ARTICLE XI BYLAWS AND POLICIES**

Bylaws and Policies not inconsistent with this Constitution embodying additional provisions for the government of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., may be adopted by the Board of Trustees.

#### **ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS (7/27/22)**

Amendments to this Constitution may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members, providing a twenty percent (20%) quorum of the members has voted. Proposed amendment(s) may be submitted to Headquarters by any Local Club, or through the International Board of Trustees by an IBT Board Member, or the International President. Headquarters will process any proposed amendments by existing policy.

This Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution adopted June 27, 2024, by electronic vote of the membership.