

Article 2: **Membership**

2.1 Applications for membership will be accepted upon written recommendation of two members in good standing. Applicant must be 18 years or older. Applicant must first complete their new member walk-through prior to submitting their application and must hold any of the following:

- 2.1.1** Massachusetts F.I.D. card
- 2.1.2** Massachusetts hunting or fishing license
- 2.1.3** Massachusetts pistol permit

2.2 An application will be presented at a regular monthly meeting only when the applicant is present. Applicants for membership and a sponsor must be present at both the initial meeting when the application is submitted and at the meeting when the application is voted upon. A signed copy of the applicant's new member walk-through must also be submitted with the application. The Board of Directors may waive this requirement.

2.3 All new members will be required to work on three (3) details during their first year of membership:

- 2.3.1** Cleaning or repairing club grounds or facilities
- 2.3.2** Working at a club function
- 2.3.3** Any other activity deemed acceptable by the Board of Directors

2.4 A new member list will be posted openly on the club premises with committee preference.

2.5 New members will be required to sign a waiver as determined by the body.

2.6 To qualify for life membership the member must have reached the age of sixty-two (62) years and completed twenty (20) years membership in the club. (02/1996)

2.7 A member's spouse may join upon submitting an application with dues in accordance with Article 15.2 and appearing before the membership at a regular monthly meeting. Spouse's membership shall expire upon the termination of the regular membership. (02/2002) and (10/2007) Page 5 Revised 02/17 (LDC)

2.8 Application must have the following text above the executed signature line and be in BOLD print: I hereby certify that I have never been convicted of a felony or a violent crime as defined by Massachusetts law or of a violation of any law regulating firearms or ammunition or the use, possession or sale of controlled substances (drugs). I am not subject to any domestic restraining order. **2.9** All new members will be considered to be on probation for a period of one year from the date of acceptance into the membership. If a new member fails to meet the requirements of Article 2.3, the new member will be denied the renewal of his membership unless the application fee is once more paid. On the date that the second application fee is paid, the probation period will start again, with the member again being considered a new member with respect to Article 2.3. This process will repeat yearly until the requirements of Article 2.3 are

met. The Board of Directors shall have authority to waive this last requirement upon presentation of convincing reason.