

**Chapter Bylaws
Arizona Sunbirds
November 19, 2011 Revision**

ARTICLE I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the Arizona Sunbirds.

ARTICLE II - Chapter Colors and Symbols

The Chapter colors are Green-Blue-Yellow-Red & Brown.

The Chapter Symbol will be a motor home.

ARTICLE III - Purpose and Objectives

Section 1 - Basic Purpose:

To promote fellowship, friendship and fun among all members of WIT; to foster and develop recreational, social, and travel opportunities for the enjoyment, pleasure and use of the members of WIT and to encourage gatherings and outings on local levels.

Section 2 - Objectives

To assist in protecting members' rights as private RV owners. To serve as a feedback mechanism to Winnebago Industries for the development of new motor homes of high quality. To support the state club and its activities.

ARTICLE IV - Membership & Fees

Section 1 - The Chapter was formed as part of Winnebago - Itasca Travelers.

Section 2 - Any person, who is a WIT member in good standing, is eligible for membership in the Arizona Sunbird Chapter.

Section 3 - The annual membership dues for the Arizona Sunbirds Chapter is \$10.00/WIT number. Persons joining the Chapter after July 1st, will be assessed \$5.00 for the remainder of that year.

Section 4 - There is a maximum \$15.00/person initiation fee.

Section 5 - For voting purposes all members, who are members in good standing, have a right to vote.

ARTICLE V - Officers

Section 1 - Officers

A. Officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer

B. Officers will be elected at the annual meeting and shall hold office for one year or until their successors have been duly elected and installed, and shall not exceed 2 consecutive terms nor more than 2 terms in any consecutive 5 year period. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be exempt from this limitation and may be combined. Members may vote a term limit waiver that would be consistent with current officer term limits, as found in the WIT Bylaws, without amending these Bylaws. However, the term limit waiver must include an expiration date of 2 years or less, at which time the term limits revert to those defined by these Bylaws.

Section 2 - Vacant Office

If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, the Vice President shall become the President for the remainder of the elected President's term. If a vacancy occurs in any other office, the chapter may elect a successor who shall hold office for the unexpired term.

Section 3 - Others

Other officers may include wagon-master, director, chaplain, youth coordinator and additional Vice Presidents.

ARTICLE VI - Committees

Section 1 - The Board of Directors shall be composed of the current officers and the immediate past President.

Section 2 - The program committee shall consist of not less than three members appointed by the President, and shall be responsible for programs and entertainment.

Section 3 - The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President prior to the annual meeting to propose a slate of officers which will be presented to the Chapter at the annual meeting by the chairperson.

Section 4 - Committees may be appointed by the President upon approval of the Chapter and shall act for the duration of their assigned task or until the end of the year.

ARTICLE VII - Meetings

Section 1 - Regular meetings of a local Chapter shall, as far as practical, be held monthly, from September through April, the day and hour to be fixed by the Chapter. Additional meetings may be held if so desired by the Chapter.

Section 2 - Each year the November annual meeting shall be the meeting at which officers shall be elected. Said officers shall take office at the next regular meeting.

Section 3 - Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President or by any three of the members of the Chapter upon notification to all members of the Chapter.

Section 4 - A quorum of the Chapter shall consist of no less than 15% of the members eligible to vote and must include at least one Officer.

ARTICLE VIII - Fiscal Year

Section 1 - The fiscal year of the Chapter shall begin with January of each year and end the following December.

Section 2 - Prior to accepting the fiscal year report, the outgoing President shall appoint an audit committee consisting of no more than three members to audit the finances for the previous year. The audit committee is expected to complete work during the meeting, campout or rally when the new officers are installed. The audit committee's report shall be made a part of the record of the Chapter.

ARTICLE IX - Bylaws

Section 1 - Bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting by a 50% plus 1 vote of those members eligible to vote. Mail/email ballots will be counted at the meeting.

No changes shall be made at the meeting when such amendments are first proposed and at least thirty days must pass between introduction and acceptance of amendments. In lieu of introducing proposed changes at a regular meeting they may be proposed to the membership via mail/email, however the thirty day restriction on voting applies.

Section 2 - Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed in conducting meetings and shall govern in any item not specifically covered by these Bylaws

ARTICLE X - Disciplinary Action.

The Board of Directors, in response to a complaint, in writing, by one or more members may consider disciplinary actions or revocation of membership in the Chapter for cause. The accused member shall be provided an opportunity to respond to any and all charges. The final decision to revoke membership must be approved by a majority of the board.

An officer of the Chapter may be removed from office for inappropriate behavior. In this case, the members eligible to vote must be allowed to vote to remove said officer. The accused officer shall be provided an opportunity to respond to any and all charges and the final decision to remove said officer must be approved by a majority of the members eligible to vote. Such a vote must include a mail or email ballot sent to those who can not attend the meeting.

ARTICLE XI - Powers

This Chapter and these Bylaws exist and draw their authority from the Bylaws of Winnebago-Itasca Travelers dated 9/1/87, as amended. These Chapter Bylaws may not conflict with the WIT Bylaws. If there is a conflict, the WIT Bylaws rule.