

***BY-LAWS***  
***of the***  
***Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc.***

***Amended and Adopted at a Special Called Meeting of the  
Membership***

***June 10, 2025***

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# Article I - Name

The name of the organization shall be **Cuero Sportsman Club Inc.**, herein referred to as the *Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc., Cuero Sportsman Club, the Club or CSC.*

# Article II – Purpose

The organization is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Functions of the club include but are not limited to various outdoor activities such as:

1. Train citizens in the safe handling and efficient use of small arms.
2. Foster and promote the shooting sports with emphasis on education and support of youth groups and youth shooting programs.
3. Promote hunter safety, and promote and defend hunting.
4. Promote new shooter firearm safety and training and support hunter education.

Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc. shall not endorse in any fashion of media, advocate for or against or financially support any political candidate, social ideology, public policy or religious doctrines.

# Article III - Membership

## Section 1 - Eligibility

1. Any citizen of the United States who is 21 years or older, of good moral character and subscribes to the purpose of this Club shall be eligible to be a member of this Club.
2. Applicant for membership must be fully-qualified under applicable Federal and State laws to purchase a firearm.
3. Applicant for membership is not a “*chemically-dependent person*” of drugs or alcohol.
4. Dues paid by a member will also cover the membership cost for a spouse living in the same household. The spouse of a member may obtain a membership card and all the rights and privileges of membership so long as they successfully complete all of the requirements for eligibility enumerated in Article III, Section 1, a.) through g.) of these bylaws. Members’ children and non-member spouses are considered guests when they accompany a member on club property.
5. No person who is a member of any organization or group having as a purpose the overthrow of the government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions shall be eligible for membership.
6. All eligible applicants for membership must annually sign 1) *Application for Membership*, 2) a receipt of *Range Rules and Safety Plan* with acknowledgement to abide by them and 3) a signed Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk of Dangers and Hazards. On-line signatures will be considered equivalent to in-person document signatures.

7. To become a member, New Applicants must attend an Orientation and Safety Class to conclude the process of membership eligibility. These mandatory classes will be available several times during the annual membership renewal period, and dates and times will be published on the Club's Facebook page and/or by email. Any applicant who has not been a member in good standing of Cuero Sportsman Club for; at least, the past two membership years will be considered a New Member and will be required to take New Member Orientation in order to obtain membership.

## **Section 2 - Admission to Membership**

Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc., acting through its Board of Directors, reserves the right to conduct a criminal background check on any applicant for membership, and for reasons therein-cited the applicant may be declined admission of membership. Likewise, after issuance of a membership, Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc., acting through its Board of Directors, reserves the right to conduct a criminal background check on any member at any time, and for reasons therein-cited the membership may be suspended or revoked (Article III, Section 5). That person on whom application for membership has been declined or revoked as a result of the background check may appeal to the full membership of the Club in the manner of due process as hereafter provided (Article III, Section 5, d.).

## **Section 3 - Dues and Fees**

1. The annual dues shall be determined yearly by the Board of Directors. Deadline for paying annual dues is July 31<sup>st</sup> (Membership Year is August 1 through July 31) of each year to complete the requirements for initial admission or renewal of membership.
2. Range Fees. The Board of Directors will establish a fee structure for the use of the range facilities. The fees are to be determined by the Board of Directors and posted in prominent places on the facilities and on the website of Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc. titled *Range Rules and Safety Plan* to ensure all members are aware of the current fee structure.

## **Section 4 - Privileges, Rights and Duties of Membership**

All Members:

1. Shall be issued an appropriate card as evidence of membership. The card is to be in the possession of the member at all times when at the Club, readily available to show proof of membership.
2. Shall have the right to vote in Club elections and other matters properly brought before the Club.
3. Shall have the right to use Club facilities and equipment.
4. No member shall conduct themselves in a manner unbecoming of a gentleman/lady while on the Club property, under penalty of suspension of membership or expulsion from the Club by due process through the Board of Directors. It is the responsibility of all members to see that all safety regulations are adhered to. All violations shall be reported to any member of the

Board of Directors or Range Officers at the earliest possible moment and no later than the next regular meeting. Members are responsible for their guests, including family members, and must ensure they adhere to all rules and regulations of the Club.

5. All persons under the age of 21 and all guests of members are to be accompanied by and remain in the company of their parent member or member host who shall be a CSC member in good standing. MEMBERS and their spouse/children/guests MUST SIGN IN on the *Daily Log In Book*, and the spouse/children/guests must sign the *Release of Liability and Assumptions of Risk of Dangers and Hazards, WHETHER SHOOTING OR NOT*, each time they enter the property.

#### **Section 5 - Termination or Forfeiture of Membership and Due Process**

1. Any individual may resign their membership at any time upon receipt of written letter of resignation by the secretary of the Club. Nonpayment of annual dues shall constitute automatic termination and forfeiture of membership. There will be no pro-rata reimbursement of the annual membership fee.
2. Any member may be suspended or expelled from the Club for any cause deemed sufficient by the Board of Directors by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the members of the Board of Directors present in a quorum at any regular or special called meeting of the Board of Directors to hear a case for suspension or expulsion. No vote on suspension or expulsion may be taken unless at least a fifteen (15)-day notice in writing shall have been given to the member to whom the charges have been preferred and of the time and place of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such charges will be considered and acted upon.
3. Any member in good standing may prefer charges against another member for reason of due cause. Charges shall be in writing clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with the secretary, who will immediately notify the president. The president will call a meeting of the Board of Directors to hear the charges. The secretary will give at least a fifteen (15)-day notice of the meeting to each member of the Board of Directors and to the accuser and to the accused, which notice shall be in writing and will include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.
4. Any member suspended or expelled by the Board of Directors may appeal to the full membership of the Club for a reversal of the Board's decision. The appeal must be received by the Club Secretary no more than 90-days after the decision is made by the Board of Directors. Appeals submitted after 90-days will not be considered. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the secretary who will notify the president. The president will call a special meeting of the Club for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The secretary shall give at least a fifteen (15)-day notice in writing to all members of the Club in good standing stating the date, time, place and reason for such special-called meeting. At the meeting of the full Club the secretary will read the original charges, the supporting affidavits, read or display the accompanying exhibits and the minutes of the special-called meeting of the Board of

Directors at which the charges were heard and action taken. A vote will be taken by ballot of the members in good standing present, and a two-thirds (2/3) vote shall be required to reverse the action of the Board of Directors.

5. Under this Article III - Section 5, all requirements for notice in writing will be accomplished by US Postal Service from the Club, Board of Directors or Officer/Director to the addressee.
6. For all purposes of notice under this Article III - Section 5, the address for service of notice is Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc. P.O. Box 604 Cuero, Texas 77954-0604

## **Article IV - Financial Transactions and Obligations**

### **Section 1 - Club Expenditures**

Expenditures of Club funds shall be governed by the following procedures:

1. All checks must have the signature of such principal officers as approved by the Board of Directors. Account signature card(s) with the financial institutions(s) of the Club shall be updated annually or as often as the treasurer and principal officers may change.
2. The treasurer shall make expenditures specifically approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a regular or special meeting.
3. The treasurer shall make emergency expenditures up to \$1,000.00 without approval by the Board of Directors. All non-budgeted expenditures in excess of \$1,000.00 require documented approval by the Board of Directors. Emergency expenditures are expenditures required for the continued operation of the Club between special or regular Board of Directors meetings. Any Club member may present a request for expenditures to a member of the Board of Directors for consideration and approval by the Board of Directors.
4. The treasurer shall keep a true and accurate record of income and expenditures of the Club. The treasurer shall present a detail of the previous month at the monthly Board of Directors meeting. The treasurer's reports shall be available for examination by all Club members at regular and annual meetings. Within thirty (30) days of the end of the fiscal quarter, the treasurer will submit a profit and loss statement showing the financial standing of that fiscal quarter to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be charged to examine and accept the corporate records, financial statements and profit and loss statements. The financial statements and profit and loss statements shall be available for examination by all Club members.
5. Each year before the first day of August, an inventory of Club-owned equipment shall be conducted. No fewer than two (2) members of the Board of Directors shall verify the inventory and compile a report on the results. The report shall be available for examination by all Club members.

## Section 2 - Facilities Use and Lease Agreements

1. Any agreements or leases shall be activated upon approval of the Executive Committee and confirmed by signature of no fewer than two (2) members of the Executive Committee.
2. *Facilities Use Agreements* (FUA) and facilities leases, or the like, shall be documented in writing.
3. The original signed agreement will be provided to the Club secretary with a copy provided to the party to whom the FUA, or like, is issued.
4. The Board of Directors may establish a fee schedule for issue of an FUA, or the like, and may condition the issue of the FUA on a non-refundable security/clean-up fee of an amount determined by the Board of Directors.

## Section 3 - Net Earnings of the Corporation

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes described in section 501(c)(3). No part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Club shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the club shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

## Article V - Meetings

1. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance and obedience with *Robert's Rules of Order*.
2. Board of Directors Meetings: The Board of Directors (herein referred to as the "Board of Directors" or the "BOD") shall be comprised of the duly-elected Officers and Directors-at-Large. The President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer (Executive Committee) shall be responsible for managing the Club's daily affairs in accordance with these By-laws. The Board of Directors shall meet at a day and time determined by a majority of the Board of Directors at the Cuero Sportsman Club grounds and facilities unless another meeting time or location has been determined and notification of the change made available to all Board members. Any member-at-large of the Club may attend any meeting of the Board of Directors either as an observer or to present/discuss topical items. (The BOD has the right to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing sensitive matters.)

3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.
4. Special-Called Meetings: A special-called meeting of the Board of Directors may be called by any member of the Board of Directors as required or necessary to conduct any business deemed necessary for the welfare and safety of the Club that cannot be postponed until the next scheduled meeting. A special-called meeting of the Membership may be called by a majority vote of the Board of Directors to conduct any business deemed necessary for the welfare and safety of the Club or to conduct general business, bylaws changes, etc. that cannot be postponed until the next regularly scheduled membership meeting. A written AGENDA will be provided to the membership not less than two (2) weeks prior to the special-called meeting.
5. Annual Meeting: An annual membership meeting will be held at an announced date, time and location determined by the Board of Directors to elect Officers and Directors-at-Large and conduct any general business as may be presented. A written AGENDA will be provided to the membership not less than two (2) weeks prior to the annual meeting including, but not limited to, 1) Notice of Nomination of Officers and Directors for the forthcoming term that will list the name of each nominee and which office they are nominated for, 2) any proposed amendments or changes to the By-Laws, 3) Old Business, and 4) New Business. At the annual meeting, a Financial Statement and Profit and Loss Statement of the most currently available month and year-to-date will be made available to all members. 5) The President shall give a "state of the club" report at the Annual Meeting.
6. Quorum: All meetings of the Board of Directors, whether regularly scheduled monthly or special-called, shall be required to have a majority of the Board of Directors present to constitute a quorum to conduct any business or legislative matters of the Club. Absent a quorum being present, the scheduled meeting will not be called to order and shall be rescheduled at a later time/date. The President, or Presiding Officer, shall determine how long to wait past the scheduled start time before cancelling the meeting. For purposes herein to define a *quorum*, a quorum is one-half (1/2) of the number of the Board of Directors plus one (1); for example, if the BOD is 8 members, a quorum is 5; if the BOD is 10 members, a quorum is 6; and so forth.

## Article VI – Officers and Directors (Board of Directors)

1. Officers of the Club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the membership and serve on the Club's Executive Committee and Board of Directors as voting members.
2. Directors-at-Large: Directors-at-Large shall be elected at the annual meeting of the membership and shall consist of at least two (2) members, plus the immediate past President (automatic appointment if that individual is available to serve), and shall serve on the Board of Directors as voting members. The immediate past President is an *ex-officio* Director-at-

Large and a non-voting Director except in cases to constitute a quorum or cast a tie-breaker vote. The immediate past President may exercise the right to abstain from a vote. The Board of Directors (the Board or BOD) will consist of four (4) Officers and at least two (2) Directors-at-Large plus the immediate past President (automatic appointment if that individual is available to serve). The Board of Directors will determine by majority vote the number of Directors-at-Large to be elected if the number is to be more than two (2).

3. Elections: Elections shall be held at the regular annual membership meeting at a date, time and location determined by the Board of Directors. The newly elected Board of Directors shall take office at that time for a term of twelve (12) months , more or less, ending at the next annual election. A majority vote of the members in attendance and voting shall be necessary for the election of any of the above Officers or Directors-at-Large. No proxies are allowed. No Nominations for Officers or Directors-at-Large may be made from the floor.

- a. Eligibility: All nominated members for the Board of Directors positions including Officers and Directors-at-Large, must be members in good standing of the Club.

- b. Nominations and Election: The Nominating Committee shall advertise to the membership; beginning at least forty-five (45) days before the election that any member in good standing may be recommended to the Committee to stand for Election as an Officer or Director-at-Large. Any member in good standing may nominate any member in good standing including themselves. The Nominating Committee will publish a Notice of Nomination for Officers and Directors not less than two (2) weeks prior to the election. No nominations from the floor will be allowed. The Nominating Committee will also indicate which candidates they recommend as being most qualified to serve. Any member nominated must indicate in writing that they will serve if elected in order for their name to be placed on the ballot. Nominees do not have to be present in order to be elected. The Notice of Nomination will include all of the names of qualified members that have been nominated. If there are more nominations for Director-at-Large than the number of positions available, the top vote- getters corresponding to the number of positions available will be elected. If the Officer positions are contested (President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer), the top vote getter for each of those positions will be elected. The vote will be taken by written ballot. All ties will be broken with a run-off vote by written ballot.

## Article VII - Duties of Officers and Directors

1. PRESIDENT It shall be the duty of the President to call all regular and special meetings, to preside at all meetings, to preserve the order, and to decide all points of order that may arise. The President shall attend to the general upkeep of the properties and facilities and shall suggest and recommend such improvements as may be deemed necessary. The President is a voting member of the Board of Directors.

2. VICE-PRESIDENT It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to assist the President in the discharge of his appointed duties and to perform the duties of the President in the event of absence of the President. The Vice-President is a voting member of the Board of Directors.
3. SECRETARY It shall be the duty of the Secretary to attend all meetings and to keep written minutes of all transactions. The secretary shall keep all non-financially related books and records of the Club and conduct such correspondence as the Club may direct from time to time. The secretary shall keep on file and preserve all papers, documents, and letters addressed to or presented to the Club. The Secretary is a voting member of the Board of Directors.
4. TREASURER It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all moneys due the Club and pay all properly authorized disbursements for expenses by check. The treasurer shall make itemized reports of the sums received and from what source, the sums paid out, and the balances on hand. These reports shall be submitted at each meeting of the Board of Directors in writing. The treasurer shall make available the books and official documents to the Finance Committee for examination. The Finance Committee shall consist of no fewer than three (3) members, who will be appointed by the President. The Treasurer is a voting member of the Board of Directors.
5. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE shall be composed of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. The Executive Committee shall be charged with duties and responsibilities determined by the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall also serve as the Nominating Committee and may appoint additional members-at-large to serve on the Nominating Committee.
6. DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE It shall be the duty of the Directors-at-Large to assist the Board of Directors in performing duties to ensure the Club's business is conducted in a professional manner and the Club is operated in a safe manner. The Directors-at-Large are voting members of the Board of Directors.
7. Vacancy If any elected office or directorship shall become vacant by reason of resignation, death, incapacity, or otherwise, it may be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining Board of Directors members. The appointment will remain in place until the next scheduled annual election.
8. Absences If an elected officer or director is absent from three (3) or more consecutive regularly scheduled meetings, they are subject to removal and replacement by a majority vote of the remaining Board of Directors.
9. Indemnification To the extent permitted by law or applicable regulations, the Club shall indemnify its Officers, Directors-at-Large, and employees and any person against whom an action is brought or threatened because the person is or was an Officer, Director-at-Large or employee of the Club.

10. Removal from Office To the extent permitted by law, with or without cause, an Officer or Director may be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote (if for Article VII, 8. above, then majority vote) of the members of the Board of Directors present in a quorum at any regular or special called meeting of the Board of Directors. The officer or director being considered for removal shall have the right to be present at the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such charges will be considered and acted upon and can speak on their own defense. The Officer or Director shall be given reasonable notice of the time, date, and place of the meeting. The Officer or Director's attendance at the meeting is not required and their absence will not be cause for delay. A removed Officer or Director may appeal to the full membership of the Club in the manner of due process as previously provided (Article III, Section 5, d.).

## Article VIII - Match Rules

Competitions held by the Club may be governed by, but not limited to, the rules and regulations established by such national (or state) organization as appropriate to the subject competition. This would include, but not be limited by reason of specific mention hereof, the NRA, the National Sporting Clays Association and the like. Such rules shall be readily available to any person prior to entry into competitive matches. The Board of Directors will have the final say on Rules and Procedures for Club Sponsored Events.

## Article IX - Range Rules and Safety Plan

The *Range Rules and Safety Plan* shall be developed and recommended for incorporation to the By-Laws by the Board of Directors by a presidential-appointed Safety Committee. All club members will be given access to a copy of the *Club Range Rules and Safety Plan*, whether by receipt of a written copy or posted on the Club website, and said members shall acknowledge receipt of and having read the *Range Rules and Safety Plan* and agreed to abide by it in their conduct and behavior. *Club Range Rules and Safety Plan* shall be available from the website: [cuerosportsmanclub.com](http://cuerosportsmanclub.com). *Range Rules and Safety Plan* may change or be modified from time to time, and members are charged with the responsibility of being dutiful in their conduct and behavior to the most current and then-published Range Rules and Safety Plan, NO EXCUSES.

## Article X - Amendments

1. Any proposed amendments to these by-laws may be introduced by any member of the Club at any regular meeting or special-called meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall provide a written copy of any proposed amendment to the general membership at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting during which the vote will be taken. A two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the members present will be necessary to pass a proposed amendment introduced by a member.


2. The Board of Directors may from time to time propose amendments to these By-Laws. The Board of Directors shall provide a written copy of any proposed amendment(s) to the general membership at least ten (10) days prior to the regular and special-called meeting during which the vote will be taken. A majority vote of the members present will be necessary to pass any proposed amendment(s) by the Board of Directors.
3. The Board of Directors is conferred authority to amend the by-laws, to up-date or correct articles, and correct errata.

## Article XI - Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of this organization, the assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to the state or local government, for a public purpose.

WHEREIN AND HEREBY, we certify that the Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc. has adopted these by-laws, as amended, by majority vote of a quorum of members present at a special-called meeting and that a copy of these by-laws has been made available to all members of Cuero Sportsman Club, Inc.

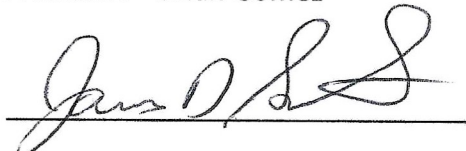
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President – Brian Gomez



Vice President – Jacob James



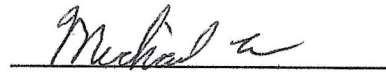
Secretary – J.D. Smith



Treasurer - David Cheek



Director - Mike Hess



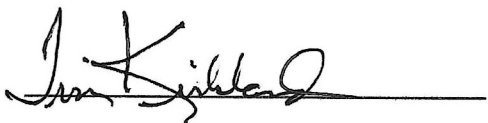
Director - Michael Leck



Director – Patrick Frank



Director - Tyler Cronquist



Director – Tim Kirkland