

# Constitution for North-Central Minnesota Car Club: Club Redline

## ARTICLE ONE - NAME

**Section 1.** The name of this organization shall be “Club Redline”.

## ARTICLE TWO - PURPOSES

The purposes of Club Redline are as follows:

**Section 1.** To organize meetings of like-minded automotive enthusiasts with the intentions of sharing ideas, services, knowledge, and a passion for the automotive hobby.

**Section 2.** To organize events and outings strictly for club members involving, but not limited to group driving activities, car shows, cook-outs, movie-nights, etc.

### Subsection A:

Only members of Club Redline are invited to organized events. A member may bring a guest to an event, but if it is labeled a driving event, the member must be the driver.

**Section 3.** To assist in the education and development of dedicated, knowledgeable, and responsible automotive hobbyists.

**Section 4.** To provide a safe, fun, and exciting environment for the modified automobile culture.

**Section 5.** To hold monthly meetings for the members of Club Redline that is open to public participation.

### Subsection A:

The monthly meetings will be held regularly on every second Wednesday of every month.

**Section 6.** Club Redline is a vision: The vision is many people from the area coming together with common goals, and a common interest. The goal is to participate in a community of like-minded automotive enthusiasts. Along with that vision is the never-ending modification of cars and trucks with the intent of speed, performance, style, and function.

**Section 7.** To help motivate growth in the community in the area of automotive hobbies, and to promote togetherness in the Bemidji and surrounding area (North Central Minnesota) automotive hobby community.

**Section 8.** Club Redline will be community oriented. This will be accomplished by donating time and money to community charities whenever possible, and by participating in public events centered on the community.

## ARTICLE THREE - MEMBERSHIP

**Section 1.** The membership of this organization will be selective based on the discretion and judgment of the Board Members.

**Section 2.** A membership application and dues must be submitted to the board of directors. The board of directors is in charge of voting on new members being accepted, and the termination of adverse members. Upon application submission a 2 week preliminary membership is issued.

**Section 3.** The purpose of the 2 week preliminary membership is to cover the interim time frame before acceptance has been determined.

Subsection A:

Within the 2 week preliminary membership, access to all club events and activities is granted.

Subsection B:

If a membership application is rejected, or terminated, the next available opportunity to submit a new membership application is 6 months from the time of dismissal.

**Section 4.** No discrimination shall be made on the basis of gender, race, creed, religion, disability, sexual preference, national origin, marital status, parental status, or veteran's status. No hazing or discrimination will be used as a condition of membership in this organization.

**Section 5.** Membership is open to those people that are a minimum of 16 years old. The purpose of this requirement will keep this club and its activities only open to those legal to drive an automobile on public roads.

**Section 6.** Membership of this club is built to suit the needs and desires of those people interested in and actively participating in the sport and modified car and truck hobby.

## ARTICLE FOUR - OFFICERS

**Section 1.** The officers of this organization shall be: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Board Members, Community Liaison, Event Coordinator, Recorder, Street Team Captain and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of the article below. More than one office may only be held by the same person if that person has been voted into more than one office at the time of election.

**Section 2.** The length of the term of office will be 12 months at a time with the term beginning in October.

Subsection A:

The length of the term in office of the President will be 36 months beginning at the time of the most recent club presidential election.

**Section 3.** Any Officer may be removed upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the group membership in attendance at such scheduled meeting of removal, whenever in its judgment the best interests of Club Redline would be served thereby. This includes presidential impeachment.

**Section 4.** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise will be filled by a vote by the elected board members; subject to criticism of general club members. A one month time frame will be given for nominations to fill the vacant position, followed by an election meeting.

## **ARTICLE FIVE - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1.** The President will be in charge of the overall organization, primary contact for Club Redline and is expected to be active in every decision making process that the club goes through. The President is expected to vote in all situations where the board members vote. May have no more than one President. This may or may not be combined with one or more of the following leadership roles.

**Section 2.** The Vice President position is put in place to aid the club in the possibility that the President of Club Redline would no longer be able to fulfill his/her duties to the club, whether it be from death, resignation, impeachment, illness, injury, etc. The duties of the Vice President includes being closely involved with the treasurer, community liaisons, event coordinators, and board members aiding them in fulfilling their duties in any way that is beneficial to the club. Aside from being an aid to those in leadership, the position of Vice President is to assume the duties of the President in case of unexpected vacancy of office. This office should be held by somebody that is already an officer with a different title, except for President.

**Section 3.** The Event Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating communication between leadership and members to arrange, translate, and organize events. This person is not necessarily responsible for planning events and activities. May have more than one Event Coordinator if necessary.

**Section 4.** The Community Liaison will be responsible for reporting Club Redline's activities to corresponding car clubs in the area, newspapers, and other literary publications, radio stations, and law enforcement officials. May have more than one Community Liaison.

**Section 5.** The Club Redline Board Members will be composed of up to 6 active members willing to take a leadership role by voting in and out members, helping make decisions, planning events and activities, and fundraising. The Board Members will work directly with the President in decision making. This may or may not be combined with one or more of the other leadership roles.

**Section 6.** The Treasurer will be responsible for general account tracking and handling, fund raising as needed, tracking of funding received for specific purposes, and recording how it is spent. Also it is expected that the treasurer will give a monthly finance report to the elected officers.

**Section 7.** The Chair Person will be a similar position to the President except that he or she will be responsible for his or her Club Redline chapter. The Chair Person of each chapter will report to the President of Club Redline and will be the leader over the Chapter Officers of his or her Club Redline chapter. The Chair Person will be in charge of keeping order in their respective chapter, and also for organizing their officers and members to participate in and report back to the rest of the club. There may be only one Chair Person per chapter, and they may or may not act as more than one officer position. This position will be appointed by the president, not voted in.

**Section 8.** The Recorder will be responsible for recording details of what was discussed at all club events and meetings. This person should also keep track of and record times of beginning and end of meetings, and the attendance of officers.

**Section 9.** The Street Team Captain will be responsible for organizing people to get the word out on the street about Club Redline by handing out membership recruitment material to individuals and businesses, and also flyers for Club Redline events.

## **ARTICLE SIX - ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1.** Nominations for officers shall be submitted to the current officers at a monthly meeting no later than 1 week before the election day.

**Section 2.** The Officers shall be elected by a majority vote of the members in attendance of elections as well as absentee ballots of Club Redline.

**Section 3.** Elections will be held in October.

**Section 4.** Newly elected officers shall assume their roles and begin their duties immediately after completion of annual elections.

## **ARTICLE SEVEN - IMPEACHMENT OF OFFICERS**

**Section 1.** An issue of impeachment would be considered valid if any elected officer is performing in a manner that is damaging to the club.

**Section 2.** To set the stage for a vote of impeachment, first there must be a unanimous vote held between all officers not being considered for impeachment.

**Section 3.** If a vote of impeachment is approved to take place, it will be held at the next upcoming general club meeting and the club members will vote on the impeachment. A majority vote of all attending members will suffice an impeachment.

## **ARTICLE EIGHT - BOOKS AND RECORDS**

**Section 1.** Club Redline shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts. Also, books and records shall be kept of past and present members, past and present activities and events, and goals succeeded and desired.

**Subsection A:**

Paper and electronic records should be kept for no less than 7 years.

**Section 2.** An account of minutes should be recorded at all monthly general club meetings, and at every scheduled, or impromptu officers meetings.

## **ARTICLE NINE - AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** Unless introduced at an officers meeting, amendments to this constitution will be submitted to the president in writing for submission to the Board Members for a vote.

**Section 2.** A majority vote of the board members will suffice for a constitutional amendment.

## **ARTICLE TEN - DISSOLUTION**

**Section 1.** This organization may be dissolved after dissolution is approved by a unanimous vote of the elected officers, and approved by the President of the club, provided that a notice of the vote on dissolution is furnished to the members at least thirty days prior to the vote.

**Section 2.** Upon dissolution, the officers will utilize the assets of the organization to pay all obligations and expenses of the organization, including those arising from dissolution and distribution. The balance, if any, will insofar if possible be donated to a chosen charity at the time of dissolution.

**Subsection A:**

The charity chosen at time of dissolution to donate all remaining funds to should be chosen by a discussion and majority vote of the elected officers.