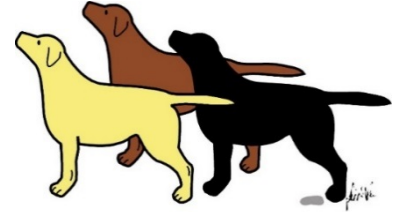


The Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston, Inc.



Standing Rules (formerly Working Rules)

MEMBERSHIP – ARTICLE 1, Section 3

1. The names, interests and biographies of the applicants for membership shall be read into the Secretary's minutes and shall be published in the members-only section of the "Ottertales" website. Each applicant for membership shall apply on a form which shall provide that the applicant agree to abide by Code of Ethics of the Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston.
2. Applicants for membership must attend at least two LRCGB meetings or events with their sponsor. It is recommended that new members attend a meeting or Club Function within six months following acceptance.
3. The Labrador Retriever Club of Greater Boston is a working membership club. Each member must make a significant contribution for the betterment of the Club of a minimum of 10 hours per calendar year.
 - a. Failure to fulfill this requirement will result in a change in the membership type from Full Membership to Associate Membership status.
 - b. Lifetime members are exempt from this requirement.
 - c. Contributions such as, serving as an Officer or Board Member, working a day at any of our events, submitting articles to members-only section of the "Ottertales" website, raffles, educational activities, serving on committees or any other designated functions will meet this requirement. Meetings and events will have a sign in sheet for attendees / volunteers. Persons finding it difficult to find working spots should contact membership chair for guidance.
 - d. From the date a new member is elected, they have until the end of the following calendar year to complete the membership requirements.
 - e. While benefits will accrue to the entire household, each membership is entitled to one vote.

Requirements and benefits based upon membership status are:

	Full	Associate
Requirements:		
Membership Dues	\$30	\$30
Working Hours	10	--
Privileges & Benefits:		
Voting rights	Yes	No
Eligible to serve on board	Yes	No
Committee membership	Yes	Yes, except as (co-) chair
New member sponsor	Yes, after two years as member	No
Litter listing/referral service	Yes	No
Kennel listing on website	Yes	No
Ottertals (newsletter)	Yes	Yes
Access to members website	Yes	Yes
Annual Awards	Yes	No
Eligible for early registration for club events	Yes	Yes
Delaney WMA access under Club permit	Yes, having met additional Field Committee requirements	No
Event registration fees	Full membership level	Non-member level

MEETINGS

1. LRCGB Club and Board Meetings (ARTICLE II) will be held on the second Wednesday of designated months, unless otherwise dictated by the Board.
2. The Annual Meeting (ARTICLE IV, Section 2), Special Club and Board Meetings (ARTICLE II) and Committee Meetings (ARTICLE V) are exempt from this time frame.

NOMINATIONS – ARTICLE IV, Section 4

1. The candidate for nomination as President shall have previously served on the Board and, if asked, be willing to be nominated for a second term.
2. The candidate for Corresponding Secretary should be willing, if asked, to be nominated for a second term.
3. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a minimum of one quarter of the Board members who have previously served on the Board.
4. The Club shall hold a club meeting between January 15 and February 29 to allow nominations to be made by any Voting Member in attendance. This club meeting may be held in conjunction with a Club event.

COMMITTEES – ARTICLE V

1. The follow shall always be established as Standing Committees:
 - a. Awards & recognition
 - b. Communications (website, facebook, newsletter, breeder referral, etc.)
 - c. Companion Dog Events (Agility, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, etc.)
 - d. Conformation (Specialty, Supported Entry, Match, etc.)
 - e. Education
 - f. Field (Working Certificate, Hunting Test, grounds lease, etc.)
 - g. Finance
 - h. Membership
2. The President shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees. He/She may delegate the Vice President to serve in his/her stead.
 - a. President's Committees --To be determined at the President's discretion.
3. Every Board member shall serve on at least one (1) committee.

NOTE: The Standing Rules may be changed by a 2/3 majority of the Board or a simple majority vote of the Board at the meeting following submission of change in writing to the membership (RONR).