# **BYLAWS**

## CHESAPEAKE BAY ALBERG 30 ONE-DESIGN ASSOCIATION, INC.

## PART I - Organization

#### NAME:

The name of this corporation shall be the Chesapeake Bay Alberg 30 One-Design Association, Inc., hereinafter, in these bylaws, referred to as the A-30 Association.

#### 2 OBJECT:

A.To promote and develop A-30 Class racing under established rules and to rigidly maintain the one-design feature of the A-30.

B.To promote the use of the A-30 as a family boat for recreational sailing.

C.To promote or develop any other activities which may be of benefit to the membership in accordance with these bylaws and with the charter of the corporation.

#### 3. EMBLEM

The emblem of the Class shall be the block letter A and the number 30, of a color contrasting with the color of the sails, arranged in the following pattern:

[Insert Graphic]

### 4. CLASS DESIGN:

The boat is the 30'3" fiberglass keel-type sloop designed by Carl A. Alberg, manufactured by the Whitby Boat Works, and governed by rules as set forth in Part II hereof. For the one-design purposes of the Association (Paragraph 2.A. above) any alteration to hull or rigging that precludes full compliance with Part II hereof shall be reported to the Association Secretary by the owner, prior to or at the time such alteration is made.

#### 5. MEMBERSHIP, DUES, AND VOTING:

- A. There shall be three classes of membership: Regular, Associate, and Honorary.
  - (1) Regular membership shall be extended to owners and part owners of A-30's and their immediate families who have paid dues.
  - (2) Associate membership may be extended to those persons and their immediate families who do not qualify for Regular membership but who were previously Regular members and who express a desire to continue a close relationship with the Association and who have paid dues.
  - (3) Honorary membership shall be awarded to those special persons who are not eligible for regular membership but who have rendered special services to the A-30 and/or this Association. Any regular member may nominate a candidate for Honorary membership. Such nominations shall be forwarded by letter to the Executive Board for its approval. Those nominations approved by the Executive Board will be presented to the general membership at any regular or special meeting for election to Honorary membership by a majority of those present and voting.
- B. Dues and fees for Regular members and Associate members shall be determined by the Executive Board. There shall be no dues for Honorary membership.
- C. In all matters requiring representation and voting, each A-30 shall be limited to a single vote. Proxy voting shall not be allowed.
- D. Associate members and Honorary members are not eligible to hold elective office or vote; however, they shall enjoy all other privileges of membership and may chair and serve on committees.
- E. The power to accept applications for regular membership and to accept or reject applications for associate membership and the right to revoke membership for cause shall lie with the Executive Board.

### 6. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND DUTIES:

The Association shall be governed by the following officers who shall be elected, as herein prescribed, from among the Regular membership.

THE COMMODORE - shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall preside at all meetings of the members and the Executive Board. He shall have the authority to sign and execute in the name of the Association any and all instruments authorized by the Executive Board or the membership. He shall have general management and direction of the business affairs of the Association and all powers ordinarily exercised by a president of a corporation. He shall rule on procedures, appoint all standing and special committees, and shall be empowered to call meetings excepting only the Annual Meeting. In the conduct of his office, the Commodore shall be responsible to the Executive Board and shall act at its direction.

THE VICE COMMODORE - shall perform all duties of the Commodore in the absence of the Commodore, and, when so acting, shall have the powers of the Commodore. Other duties shall be as prescribed by the Commodore or the Executive Board, and shall include maintenance of the Alberg 30 Association Officers' Handbook.

REAR COMMODORE (Cruising Activities) - shall be responsible for the promotion and development of A-30 as a family boat for cruising and recreational sailing as one of the primary objectives of the Association. Other duties shall be as prescribed by the Commodore or the Executive Board.

REAR COMMODORE (Racing Activities) - shall be responsible for the promotion and development of A-30 Class racing activities and maintaining the one-design feature of the A-30 as one of the primary objectives of the Association. Other duties shall be as prescribed by the Commodore or the Executive Board.

FLEET CAPTAIN - shall assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties and shall be responsible for such areas as the Commodore or the Executive Board may direct.

THE SECRETARY - shall keep the minutes of meetings and records of the Association, publishes the Association newsletter, the Mainsheet, and shall perform other duties as the Commodore or the Executive Board may direct.

THE TREASURER - shall deposit all funds, keep financial books, make necessary disbursements, make such financial and tax reports as are required of the Association, render a report to the membership at the Annual Meeting and at such other times as may be directed by the Executive Board.

ALL OFFICERS - Each officer shall maintain their appropriate section of the Alberg 30 Officers' Handbook and submit changes to the Vice Commodore no later than December 10th each year.

### 7. EXECUTIVE BOARD:

The powers of the Association shall be vested in and administered by the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall consist of eight members which shall include the seven elected officers and the immediate past Commodore. An affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board shall decide all questions, and such votes shall be final. The Immediate past Commodore shall not vote in decisions of the Board except to break a tie vote. The Board shall interpret the Association Rules, sanction or ban Association races, fill vacancies in office, direct the Commodore in the conduct of Association business and affairs, and determine Association policies. The members of the Executive Board shall be the Directors of the Corporation. Meetings of the Board shall be called by the Commodore as he deems necessary or upon the request of any two members of the Board.

### 8. RULES COMMITTEE:

The Rules Committee shall consist of six members, three of whom shall be appointed by the Commodore immediately after each Annual Meeting, and its members shall serve for two years. It shall pass on all questions relative to eligibility of boats and equipment, interpret the Rules and Specifications, measure sails, and recommend to the Executive Board any advisable alterations or additions to the Class Rules.

### 9. LONG-RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

The Long Range Planning Committee shall consist of those Past Commodores of the Association who are members, Regular or Associate, in good standing and who have expressed a willingness to serve. The Chairperson of the LRPC shall be the most recent qualified Past Commodore. The role of this Committee is to provide continuity by overseeing and guiding the future direction of the Association, to select the recipient of the Carl A. Alberg Perpetual Trophy, and to assist the Commodore and/or the Executive Committee in any way they may deem appropriate. This Committee shall meet at least once a year in the late Fall, but can and should meet whenever a need arises. A meeting of the LRPC can be called by the Chairperson, by the Chairperson at the request of the Commodore or by the Chairperson at the request of at least 2 members of the LRPC. The current Commodore should be invited to LRPC meetings, ex officio, for the purposes of continuity.

### 10. NOMINATING PROCEDURE AND ELECTIONS:

It shall be the duty of the Commodore prior to September 1st each year to appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three members, one of whom may be a member of the Executive Board. Upon appointment of the Nominating Committee, the said Committee, on or before September 30th of each year, shall prepare and forward to the Secretary a list of members nominated for each of the several offices for the ensuing calendar year. On or before October 15th, the list of nominees shall be transmitted by mail by the Secretary to the membership. On or before October 30th, any member of the Association may nominate in writing to the Secretary any other member for any of the several offices. In the event that any other member receives five or more nominations, his name will be added to the list of nominations, and the Secretary shall mail the complete list of nominees to the membership no later than December 10th. All ballots, to be valid, must be received by the Secretary on or before December 20th. At the close of the balloting on December 20th, the Secretary shall tabulate the results and submit them promptly to the Executive Board. The duly elected officers will then be installed and take office at the Annual Meeting.

#### 11 MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held at a time and place to be designated by the Executive Board. The Secretary shall mail a notice of this meeting to all members at least twenty days in advance of the date selected. A quorum shall consist of the presence of at least thirty regular members. A majority vote of those present then in good standing shall be sufficient. The order of business at any Annual Meeting shall be as follows:

A. Call to order C. Reading of the minutes E. Other business G. Adjournment

B. Roll call D. Report of Officers F. Installation of Officers

A special meeting shall be called by the Commodore upon the request of the Executive Board or upon the written request to the Secretary of at least twenty-five percent of the total number of regular members. The Secretary shall give not less than two weeks written notice of the purpose, time, and place designated by the Commodore of any special meeting.

### 12. AMENDMENTS:

The bylaws of the Association may be amended at an Annual Meeting or a special meeting by two-thirds vote of regular members present at the meeting in person, provided that the subject matter of the proposed amendment shall have been mailed to all members in the notice of the meeting.

## PART II - Rules and Regulations

### 1. INTERPRETATION:

Specifications, however complete, cannot anticipate every possible situation that may arise. If a point is not covered herein, a ruling shall be obtained from the Rules Committee. In interpreting Rules and Specifications, the Rules Committee shall consider the intent rather than any technical construction that might be derived from the wording and shall bear in mind at all times the basic principle of the specifications, which is to maintain the A-30 Class as a one-design class. Nothing is optional in these Rules and Specifications unless so stated.

GENERAL RULES: In the absence of specific rules to the contrary, the rules of U.S. Sailing shall apply.

### 2. STANDARDS:

The original plans and specifications on file with the Whitby Boat Works or a certified copy of these plans acquired by the Class shall be considered as setting forth official standards with respect to hull, spars and rigging. An official listing of standard A-30 measurements and specifications will be provided by the Rules Committee to members upon written request.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY OF BOATS:

It shall be the responsibility of the Rules Committee to insure that member boats abide by the Class rules and specifications. The measurement and certification of A-30s to be sailed in the Class championship shall be under the control of the Executive Committee.

The Rules Committee shall have the power to declare a boat ineligible.

### 4. HULLS:

All hulls shall conform to the design and specification of the A-30 built by the Whitby Boat Works and shall remain unchanged so as to preserve the one-design aspect of the Class. The hull standard shall be that of Hull No. 57 which was built from the new Whitby mold in early 1965. All hulls prior to Hull No. 57 are acceptable if maintained as originally delivered. Alberg 30 boats supplied prior to Hull No. 27 were supplied with underweight ballast keels. Such boats shall be eligible for Class competition upon inspection by the Rules committee and certification that a maximum of 460 pounds inside permanent ballast may be added and may not be changed after initial certification.

## 5. KEEL, RUDDER AND SPARS:

No change in the dimensions, location, shape and materials which are standard for the A-30 shall be permitted, except such changes as are approved by the Rules Committee. The location and length of the spinnaker pole and pole track shall conform to 1970 CCA regulations. Rudders may be of wood or fiberglass. The mast and spreaders shall conform to that supplied with Hull No. 101 in the fall of 1965. Spreaders equivalent to those supplied as standard by Whitby Boat Works, Ltd., will be allowed as replacements on older or newer boats. The maximum length of spinnaker/whisker poles used when racing shall not exceed 10'9", the maximum "J" dimension.

### 6. STANDING RIGGING:

No change in the location, strength, or dimensions of the standing rigging as supplied with Hull No. 101 in the fall of 1965 shall be permitted, except such changes as approved by the Rules Committee. Mechanical backstay adjusters will be allowed provided they are not hydraulic in character.

### 7. RUNNING RIGGING:

The halyards may not be altered insofar as their character and points of attachment to the mast are concerned.\* The arrangement of jib, mainsail and spinnaker sheet and guy leads, sheet blocks and cleats shall be optional. The location of the mainsheet boom attachment shall not be changed. The use of a downhaul on the tack of the jib or of a winch on any halyard or sheet shall be optional. The use of a main boom topping lift shall be optional.

\*This shall not preclude leading halyards aft.

#### 8. BOOM VANG:

A boom vang (hold down) may be used and permanent fittings for attaching the vang to the boom and to the boat or mast may be installed.

### 9. SAIL MEASUREMENT:

- A. All sails proposed to be used shall be measured, and only such sails as meet all of the requirements of this section of the rules shall be used. Each sail shall be marked to indicate fulfillment of these requirements and the date of measurement.
- B. Sail measurement shall be performed by the Rules Committee, and sails shall be certified as meeting the measurement requirements at the time of manufacturing. All sails manufactured after the date of this revision shall have a valid certificate from the sailmaker attesting to the sail cloth weight. One-half ounce tolerance is allowed on dacron sails. One-quarter ounce tolerance is allowed on 1.2 ounce nylon.
- C. Sail measurements, listed herein, are maximum measurements and shall, except as specifically noted, be made from the outside edges of cloth or bolt rope, as the case may be. All measurements shall be taken with the sail horizontal with tension adequate to remove all wrinkles in the line of measurement. In measuring stretchy luff jibs, the luff shall be tensioned sufficiently to cause the cloth to form folds parallel to the luff. The tension shall then be relaxed slightly until the folds just disappear.
- D. On jibs and genoas where the luff and leech intersect, head measurement shall be made from the point of intersection. On sails where the luff and leech do not intersect, head measurements shall be made by extending the luff and leech lines to a projected point of intersection and measuring from that point, disregarding any part of the sail extending beyond the apex. The same technique applies to locating the tack and clew points measurements.

#### 10. EMBLEM AND NUMERALS:

- A. The emblem shall be positioned on the mainsail between the first and second battens, toward the top of that area. The starboard emblem shall be the higher. On each side, the emblem shall be centered between luff and leech.
- B. Numerals shall be fifteen inches high. The starboard numerals shall be higher.
- C. These specifications apply to all sails made after July 1, 1964.

## 11. MAINSAIL:

- A. Each mainsail shall be equipped with a headboard with a maximum dimension of 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>," measurement at right angles to the luff. Headboard and bolt rope shall not extend more than 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>," aft of the head.
- B. Each mainsail shall have four battens of any length. Roach of the sail shall be a smooth, continuous curve and shall be governed by the mid-girth measurement.
- C. All mainsails shall, when in use, be attached to the spars for the full length of the luff and foot. No loose-footed mainsails shall be used. The mainsail shall have a functional tack. No device such as zippers may be placed along the luff, the foot, and/or the body of the sail for the purpose of adjusting the draft or the set of the sail. The use of a flattening reef and Cunningham is permitted for the purpose of adjusting the draft or set of the sail, together with the normal head, tack and clew outhaul. A jack line for roller reefing is permissible. Jiffy (slab) reefing will be allowed, but the minimum jack line and grommets must be at least three feet from the foot of the mainsail to the said jack line and/or grommets.
- D. Mainsails shall be made of dacron cloth, 7.25 ounces maximum and 5 ounces minimum per running yard 28<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, wide.
- E. Contrasting color bands shall be placed around the mast, below the halyard sheave and at the gooseneck fitting, and so positioned that the luff of the mainsail shall not exceed 31 feet.
- F. A contrasting color band one inch wide shall be placed at the outboard end of the boom. The inner edge of the contrasting color band shall be 14.25 feet maximum from the after side of the mast, not the track. The clew of the mainsail shall not be pulled out beyond the inner edge of the contrasting color band.
- G. The size of each mainsail shall be governed by the following:

Luff 31 feet maximum

Foot 14 feet 3 inches maximum

Leech 33 feet 6 inches maximum

Midgirth 8 feet 6 inches maximum

NOTES: the length of the leech shall be measured from the top of the headboard to the clew.

The midgirth shall be measured across the sail from the midpoint of the leech to the midpoint of the luff. The width of the luff rope or tape shall be included in the midgirth measurement.

The midpoint of the leech shall be determined by folding the sail back on itself, bringing the head to the clew thimble, and drawing the middle of the leech taut with the same tension on each half. The midpoint of the luff shall be determined the same way except with the spike or pencil through the vee in the headboard and tack.

### 12. WORKING JIB:

- A. All working jibs shall be fitted with snaphooks, all of which when the sail is set, must be attached to the jib stay. Exception: the use of roller furling jibs is permitted when racing. The double groove furling gear may not be used as a head foil for sail changes when racing.
- B. The use of battens in the leech of the working jib is optional.
- C. Working jibs shall be made of dacron 7.25 ounces maximum per running yard 28<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" wide.
- D. The size of each working jib shall be governed by the following maximum dimensions:

Luff 30 feet
Foot 10 feet 3 inches
Leech 25 feet 9 inches
Midgirth Half Luff, Half Leech No requirements

### 13. LARGE GENOA (NO. 1):

- A. All genoa jibs shall be fitted with snaphooks, all of which when the sail is set, must be attached to the jib stay. Exception: the use of roller furling jibs is permitted when racing. The double groove furling gear may not be used as a head foil for sail changes when racing.
- B. All large (No. 1) genous shall be made of dacron 6.5 ounces maximum, 5 ounces minimum per running yard 28<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>," wide.
- C. The size of the No. 1 genoa shall be governed by the following maximum dimensions:

Luff34 feetLeech33 feet 6 inchesFoot19 feetFoot Round3 inches

### 14. SMALL GENOA (NO. 2):

A. All genoas shall be fitted with snaphooks, all of which when the sail is set, must be attached to the jib stay. Exception: the use of roller furling jibs is permitted when racing. The double groove furling gear may not be used as a head foil for sail changes when racing.

- B. The small genoa (No. 2) shall be made of dacron 6.5 ounces maximum, 5 ounces minimum per running yard 28<sup>1</sup>/," wide.
- C. The size of the small genoa (No. 2) shall not be larger than the No. 1 genoa in any dimension.

### 15. SPINNAKER

- A. Spinnakers shall be of the parachute type with equal luffs; Venturi types shall not be used.
- B. The spinnaker shall be made of material weighing 1.2 ounces maximum, 0.75 ounces minimum per running yard 28<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>" wide.
- C. The size of the spinnaker shall be governed by the following maximum dimensions:

Luff and Leech Measure to underside of swivel 35 feet 6 inches

Maximum Girth at any point 19 feet 4 inches

- D. Spinnaker staysails are not permitted in class racing. However, any allowed headsail may be flown with the spinnaker.
- E. All spinnakers shall be general purpose spinnakers.

### 16. NUMBER OF SAILS PERMITTED:

Only one suit of sails, including spinnaker, shall be added to any boat's equipment in any one season. In case of accident, the Rules Committee may waive this rule. There shall also be the following exception: Any new boat may add one extra suit of sails during the first two years afloat; i.e., at the end of the first two years, any boat may have three complete suits of sails, including the suit that came with the boat. Two complete suits of sails may be carried and used while racing, except only one mainsail shall be aboard during a race.

In the absence of any specific announcement, it shall be presumed that participants may make their own choice of class-approved headsails without restrictions.

#### 17. **CREWS:**

A minimum crew of three (3) is recommended.

### 18. STANDARD EQUIPMENT:

Standard equipment shall include all equipment normally supplied with the standard A-30 as of November 1, 1964. The Class Secretary shall maintain a record of what constitutes standard equipment. Since the Class objective is to promote one-design racing in a family-type cruising boat, the selection of equipment over and above the minimum required shall be left to the individual.

#### 19. **SAFETY EQUIPMENT**:

Every A-30 shall carry all Coast Guard-required safety equipment, plus adequate ground tackle. Lifelines and bow pulpit equivalent to A-30 delivered equipment shall be required for racing, plus a ring buoy and water light shall be required for night racing.

### 20. CRUISING EQUIPMENT:

It is expected that boats will be maintained in cruising trim, with stores, fuel, water, etc. in reasonable quantity. Violation of the spirit of this rule shall be grounds for protest.

### 21. PROTESTS:

Protests involving alleged violations of these Class Rules must be submitted to the race committee and the Alberg 30 One-Design Association Rear Commodore – Racing. Protests shall be considered as soon as possible after a protest is received. The Rear Commodore – Racing will establish a meeting date and notify the skipper initiating the protest and the skipper being protested. The Rules Committee will meet under the chairmanship of the Rear Commodore – Racing. The committee will consider both written and oral testimony from both skippers as well as any witnesses either side desires to present. After considering both sides of the issue, the Rules Committee will vote to decide the outcome, bearing in mind that the spirit of the Class Rules must be strongly upheld. If any members of the Rules Committee are party to the protest they must disqualify themselves from the vote.

The Rear Commodore-Racing must submit in writing the Rules Committee's decision to the Race Committee for the Regatta and the Alberg 30 One-Design Association's Secretary for addition to the historical record.