

- Preamble -

“Let the harmony of mankind shed more light on the art of
dowsing in Colorado”

Adopted by the
MILE HIGH DOWSERS CHAPTER, INC.
of Colorado

BY-LAWS

Article I - Name

The name of this organization will be “Mile High Dowsers Chapter, Inc., a chapter of the American Society of Dowsers, Inc. (ASD), located in Danville, Vermont; hereafter referred to in these By-Laws as the “Chapter.”

Article II - Purpose

Section 1: The purpose of this Chapter shall be to promote communications, fellowship, and development of skills among any persons interested in dowsing for enjoyment and to benefit mankind.

Section 2: This Chapter will not be held liable for the competence of any member dowsing for hire.

Section 3: This Chapter is truly a non-stock, non-profit, non-commercial organization operating under the auspices of the American Society of Dowsers, Inc.

Article III – Membership

Section 1: Any responsible person of good character and repute, regardless of sex, race, color or national origin with an interest in any phase or science of dowsing may be admitted to membership in this Chapter. He/She may retain

membership in good standing; therein by paying the fees or dues as set forth from time to time by the members.

Section 2: A member would also be in good standing in this Chapter by adhering to these By-Laws and also the National Code of Ethics put forth by the American Society of Dowsers.

- A. It is recommended that he/she should also be a member of the American Society of Dowsers, Inc.
- B. Each person desiring a membership to ASD should submit his/her own application to ASD headquarters.

Section 3: If any member's dues are in arrears for three (3) months, he/she will then lose his/her membership.

Section 4: The membership of this Chapter shall consist of Junior Members (those who are under 18 years of age), Family Members, Special Members, Honorary and Single Members.

- A. Junior Member shall be a person not yet 18 years of age and shall have all privileges of this Chapter except voting rights or holding an office.
- B. Family Membership shall consist of two (2) or more related persons.
- C. Special Membership shall be for those persons whom the Chapter wishes to honor for a generous contribution or for outstanding service to the Chapter; SUCH AS HAVING SERVED AT LEAST TWO (2) TERMS IN OFFICE. In this case the Directors of the Chapter shall vote to grant such person the honor, for example: Charter, Honorary, Honorary Life, etc., whichever seems appropriate in each case.
- D. A Single Membership shall be for one (1) person.

Section 5: The annual dues amount for each separate category of membership; Junior, Family, and Single shall be voted on by the Members provided that members are notified in writing one (1) month prior to the increase in the amount.

Section 6: Any member who does not abide by the By-Laws as set forth here to fore by this Chapter may have his or her membership terminated by a unanimous vote by the Directors and without refunding of dues.

Article III – Finances

Section 1: The Annual Financial and Accounting period or fiscal year shall be January 1.

Section 2: The Annual Membership year shall be January 1 to December 31. All dues and other financial obligations of members shall be payable by January 31.

Section 3: Any member who resigns will forfeit all fees or dues paid for that fiscal year.

Article V – Government

Section 1: The governing powers shall be in accord with democratic principles with governing powers generally exercised by the members of the MONTHLY meetings.

Section 2: This Chapter's business shall be conducted by the elected Directors and Officers. The Directors and Officers shall be accountable to the members with authority and instructions voted by them at the Annual BOARD Meetings and according to these By-Laws set forth herein.

Article VI – Officers, Directors and Elections

Section 1: All Officers SHOULD be a member of the American Society of Dowers, Inc. A loss of membership in the American Society of Dowers, Inc. will be a loss of Membership in this local Chapter.

Section 2: This chapter shall have not less than five (5) nor more than thirteen (13) Directors. The initial Directors shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Director, Librarian, Door Prize Coordinator, Sales Director, Website Director, Member-At-Large, and immediate past President. Directors-At-Large may also be elected or appointed as appropriate. A nominating committee consisting of three members may be appointed by the members two (2) months prior to this election. *See Article 8, Section 2 for nomination and election process.*

Section 3: If any vacancy should occur among the Directors, the remaining Directors may elect a new Director by a majority vote to serve only until the next bi-annual election.

Section 4: Each Director shall serve in office for a term of two (2) years and at least three (3) Directors shall serve for two (2) years.

Section 5: Impeachment of any Director shall be by a unanimous vote of the other Directors. If a Director unreasonably misses three (3) board meetings in succession, his/her office shall then terminate.

Section 6: The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Chapter and shall be a member without vote at the monthly business meetings or annual general meetings. He/She shall direct the business of this organization.

- A. He/She or designated agent will be authorized to expend funds of not more than \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) at any single time and only then with the approval from four (4) directors or a vote of the General Membership.
- B. He/She shall appoint and designate all Committee that he/she deems necessary for the growth or benefit of the Chapter.
- C. He/She shall call for regular or special meetings of the Directors with at least ten (10) days' notice or immediately in case of an emergency situation.
- D. He/She shall prepare and present reports, ideas, suggestions and make recommendations to and for all meetings held.
- E. He/She shall have custody of all valuable papers to be held in safety for this Chapter.
- F. He/She shall vote only in case of a tie.

Section 7: The Vice President shall preside at the Monthly, General and Directors meetings in the absence of the President and shall act for the President in case of his/her disability. He/She shall assist the President and the Directors when given special assignments by them. In case of death, resignation or incapacity of the President, the Vice President will succeed him/her and assume all duties as well as title of President. If there is no Vice President to succeed the President, then the Directors will elect one of their number as President by a majority vote.

Section 8: The Secretary shall record all proceedings and events at the Monthly, General and Directors meetings. The Secretary and/or President shall also keep a file of all minutes, books, papers, and documents of the Chapter. He/She will at the end of his/her term deliver all records and files to his/her successor and/or the President.

Section 9: The Newsletter Director shall prepare all printed matter, correspondence, notes, letters, etc. as needed by the Chapter or the Directors email addresses. In case there is no Newsletter Director elected, then the Secretary will perform these correspondence duties.

Section 10: The Treasurer shall collect all fees or dues and other finances due the organization from members or any other source; pay all bills through a separate banking account which will be for the depositing all funds received and dispersed for the Chapter. This account will be in the name of "Mile High Dowsers Chapter," with the signatures of one of other the directors and the Treasurer on the account. In addition, the Treasurer shall maintain an accurate list of names, addresses and telephone numbers of all members.

- A. He/She shall keep a strict record of all monies received and pay all bills.
- B. He/She will present a monthly account at the regular meetings and an annual report to the membership at the annual General Meeting. An annual audit may be made by three (3) members (not Officers) by notification of the Directors. He/She must submit the ASD Yearly Report upon request.
- C. He/She will maintain the inventory of sales items and an accurate record of the sales.

Section 11: The Librarian shall be responsible for the Chapter's books, cd's, dvd's and all related material that make up the Chapter Library. He/She will bring the library to each meeting, keep check-out/check-in records and perform notifications of past due items.

Section 12: The Board of Directors shall be responsible for scheduling the program at each monthly meeting.