

Mercifuls So Cal By-Laws

(Voted and enacted January 2014, Revised 6a February 2023)

1. The Mercifuls So. Cal. ("Mercifuls") is a social club organized for the fellowship involved in the enjoyment of classic automobiles.
2. The Club shall consist of two (2) classes of members. Regular Members who have the right to vote at club meetings and the duty to pay dues, and Honorary Members who have no such rights or duties. All members are subject to these By-Laws.
3. The club may vote for "Honorary" members who possess an ability to help publicize or promote the club. An "Honorary" member's dues are waived and can be revoked at any time.
4. Club meetings will be held every month at a place and time designated by the agreement of the Members present at the previous meeting.
5. Board Members who must be Regular Members shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and PR/Events Director.
 - a. Elections for Board Members shall be conducted yearly at the January meeting. A special election may be held at any monthly club meeting to fill a vacancy. Nominations shall be received by the Secretary for any office up to the time of the actual vote for that office.
 - b. Terms of Office shall be one (1) year unless no member is seeking that Office. The Term of Office begins immediately upon election.
 - c. A simple majority vote of the Board is required on any action it takes.
6. Members shall conduct themselves in a respectful and appropriate manner at all functions at which the Mercifuls logo is displayed.
 - a. No member shall ridicule, defame, belittle or speak derogatory comments against any other members without those members being present to offer a rebuttal.
7. Any Member may propose the admission of a new member.
 - a. Such Member shall be the candidate's sponsor and be liable for that candidate's behavior for one (1) year following admission.
 - b. Voting for a new member shall be conducted at a regular monthly meeting.
 - c. Voting will be by private ballot and must be a majority vote. There must be a quorum of Members present at the meeting.
8. Club dues are payable at the January meeting. Failure to pay by the March Meeting will forfeit membership.
9. Any By-Law changes must be submitted at a regular monthly club meeting. The Secretary shall advise all Members of the proposal during the month preceding the next monthly meeting. Voting for the proposal shall be at the next monthly meeting containing a quorum of Members. A change must be made by majority vote. The Secretary shall make any approved change to these By-Laws and distribute the By-Laws to all members at the next monthly meeting or by e-mail.
10. Any infraction of these by-laws may result in disciplinary action. Any member in good standing may ask the Board to consider another member's behavior for possible discipline. Discipline will be decided by the Board, which may include expulsion from the club.

