

6th Peace Arch Venturers

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Scouts Canada By-Laws of the 6th Peace Arch Venturer Company

Article 1: Name

This Company shall be known as the '6th Peace Arch Venturer Company'
It is sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion branch 240 in Surrey, B.C.

Article 2: Membership

- a) Anyone 14-17 years old may apply for membership.
- b) The age range (14-17) is intended as a guideline only; a variation may be permitted with the appeal of the Executive.
- c) On admission to the company, every member shall accept the By-Laws.
- d) Every member shall subscribe to the Mission, Principles and Practices of Scouts Canada, and to its By-Laws, Policies and Procedures.
- e) When invested, everyone shall make the Venturer Promise to the Company.
- f) A member should inform the Executive at least one month before leaving the Company.
- g) The Executive may review and revoke the membership of anyone who uses alcohol, drugs, or tobacco on any Company or Scouting functions. Membership may also be reviewed or revoked if someone regularly fails to live up to the Mission, Principles, and Practices of Scouts Canada, and the Venturer Promise.

Article 3: Executive Committee

- a) The Executive Committee (also referred to as the 'Executive') shall consist of the following officers:
 - President
 - Vice-President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Quartermaster
- b) Duties of the Executive Committee
The President chairs all meetings and coordinated Company activities. The Vice-President acts in the role of President in his/her absence, and assumes such other duties as the president may request from time to time. The Secretary keeps attendance records of the company, takes minutes of business meetings, conducts correspondence on behalf of the company, and carries out other tasks requested

by the president. The Treasurer keeps all financial accounts of the Company. The Quartermaster keeps a record of company equipment, and ensures its maintenance.

Article 4: Elections of Officers

- a) A nominating committee called by the advisor shall nominate the incoming Executive members annually in May.
- b) After a call for further nominations, if any, from the Company, the slate of nominees. ('Slate of Nominees' describes the list of people and the roles that they are to fill). This shall be done at the second or third to last business meeting of the year. After the list has moved, seconded, and approved, an election shall follow immediately.
- c) A vacancy for any reason, occurring in an elected position, at any time of the current year, shall be filled by the appointment of the president, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.
- d) Where the Advisors do not feel a qualified committee can be assembled the Advisors or Group Commissioner may nominate the Venturers to the positions. A final vote will then be taken to approve the nominations.

Article 5: Membership Fees and Dues

- a) The Venturer shall pay the membership fees that will be posted at the start of the year.
- b) Dues shall be paid in the full amount of \$50 at the start of the year.
- c) A member joining during the year shall not pay retroactively.

Article 6: Dress

- a) Members shall wear the full formal uniform on all formal occasions.
- b) Members shall wear the full uniform to all Business Meetings.
- c) Members shall wear the full uniform when travelling to and from events.

Article 7: Company Organization

- a) The Company will endeavor to live accordingly to the Missions, Principles and Practices of Scouts Canada, to live by the Venturer Promise, and to design activities that will enable all members to achieve the Venturer program objectives described in the *Canadian Venturer Handbook*.
- b) The entire company shall have a business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month, or at any other regular time, at least once a month.

- c) The Executive Committee shall meet before each business meeting, and shall be responsible for organizing activities.

Article 8: Amendments

- a) The Secretary will review the By-Laws annually in September.
- b) Amendments or annulments to the By-Laws are to be proposed at the first or second business meeting of the year; a two-thirds majority of all members is necessary to make change(s).