

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
Of
THE OHIO VALLEY LUMBER DRYING ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of this association shall be the Ohio Valley Lumber Drying Association.

ARTICLE II
OBJECTIVES

Said organization is formed exclusively for educational and scientific purpose. The objectives are to:

1. Represent, advance, and protect the interests and standards of the profession of lumber drying and the associated processes and professions.
2. Provide a medium for exchange of ideas and information.
3. To promote the science, technology, standards and practices of lumber drying and associated industries throughout the states of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana and surrounding regions.

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Membership is open to all persons and companies interested in the practice and advancement of lumber drying principles.

SECTION 2. There are 3 membership categories:

1. Company Membership Revision:
Companies with multiple drying locations would be required to apply for membership at each location to be considered members. There is no limit to the number of employees at a given location that can become members under the company membership. Each member of a company has full voting privileges.
2. Individual membership – person (s) not affiliated with a member company.

3. Associate membership – students, retired persons, or employees or officers of other non-profit organization.

ARTICLE IV DUES

SECTION 1. Annual membership fee of \$20.00 for member companies, \$10.00 for individual members and \$5.00 for associate members shall be payable on the first day of January. Members not paying dues by the following meeting shall forfeit the right to vote and other privileges until their dues are paid.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall be considered the executive committee. The officers are: Chairman of the Executive Committee, Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee, and Secretary/Treasurer.

SECTION 2. The Chairman's position is elected only once. Vice-chairman and Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected by the Steering Committee for two consecutive years, at which time the Vice-chair moves into the Chair's position for another two consecutive years.

SECTION 3. Steering Committee shall consist of a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 8 members. Five of the seats on the committee are designated regional seats as follows:

- 2 members from the state of Kentucky
- 1 member from the state of Indiana
- 1 member from the state of Ohio
- 1 member from the University of Kentucky

SECTION 4. Steering Committee Members shall be elected for two consecutive years on the steering committee by a majority (more than ½) of the voting members at the Spring meeting on each odd-numbered calendar year. Nominations for regional candidates will be made by the members of the respective regions. Steering committee members may succeed themselves for an unlimited number of terms upon re-election by the voting members. All terms of officers and committee members shall begin from the adjournment of the meeting at which they are elected.

SECTION 5. The chairman of the executive committee shall:

1. Preside at all meetings of the association.
2. Appoint such committees as may be approved by the membership.
3. Designate responsibility for planning general meetings.
4. Perform all other duties incidental to his office.
5. Vice-Chairman of the executive committee shall preside over association business in the absence of the Secretary. The Vice-Chairman is to be the keeper of the By-laws and Parliamentary procedures during all business meetings.

SECTION 6. The Secretary/Treasurer shall:

1. Record minutes of all association meetings.
2. Keep and update association records and financial accounts.
3. Be custodian of all funds.
4. Function as chairman of meetings in the absence of the elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the executive committee.

SECTION 7. All officers and Steering Committee members may resign prior to the fulfillment of their term by submitting a letter of resignation to the executive committee.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

SECTION 1. The association shall hold at least two meetings per year at such a time and place as the executive committee directs. Members will be given adequate advance notice of all meetings. Occasional extra meetings shall be held for special projects and purposes as approved by the executive committee.

SECTION 2. Resolutions adopted at either semi-annual meeting by a majority (more than ½) of those voting members present shall be binding to the Association as a whole. Robert's "Rule of Order" as laid down in "Parliamentary Procedure At A Glance" by O. Garfield Jones shall be the standard order of business.

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. The articles of Association shall be reviewed annually by the executive committee.

SECTION 2. The articles of Association may be amended by a majority (more than $\frac{1}{2}$) vote of the members present at a semi-annual meeting provided the proposed amendments have been submitted to all voting members in advance of the date to count the ballots. Proxies mailed to the executive committee prior to concerned meeting will be accepted as an official vote. Amendments shall be effective upon their adoption, unless they themselves provide otherwise.

Approved by Executive Committee on May 15, 1985

Approved by majority of members on May 17, 1985