

**Bylaws of The
INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COLLECTORS,
Chapter # 18 of New England, Incorporated**

ARTICLE I - Dedication and Purpose

- SECTION I To create a local Chapter of the International Harvester's Collectors Club for the purpose of expanding the membership and interest in the hobby of collecting equipment manufactured by the International Harvester Company.
- SECTION II To promote International Harvester equipment collecting, restoration, and show displays, through communication among members.
- SECTION III To preserve, document and research the history of the International Harvester Company.
- SECTION IV To provide localized activities for the sharing of information, ideas and camaraderie for Chapter members.

ARTICLE II - Organization

- SECTION I The official name of the organization shall be" The International Harvester Collectors, Chapter #18 of New England, Incorporated."
- SECTION II The identifying number 18 has been assigned to this Chapter by the International Harvesters Collectors Club identifying it as the "New England Chapter" of the International Harvesters Collectors Club.
- SECTION III The Chapter is self-sufficient through collection of dues and proceeds from other activities as approved by the Board of Directors.
- SECTION IV Chapter Officers are empowered and required to enforce National and Chapter Bylaws.

ARTICLE III – Leadership

- SECTION I International Harvester Collectors, Chapter #18 of New England shall have a seven-member Board of Directors.
- SECTION II Directors shall be elected for three-year terms. There are three classes of directors, with one class expiring each year. Directors must be active members of Chapter #18 and the National Chapter. The election of Directors is determined by the standing rules. A nominating committee appointed by the President, of one Director and two Members, shall obtain candidates for Directors. If, for any reason, a Director is unable to fulfill their term, a substitute Director shall be appointed by the Board to fill the remainder of the term, but to be reaffirmed by the membership at the next meeting.
- SECTION III The Directors shall conduct all the business of the Chapter and maintain membership roles by overseeing the efforts of the membership secretary. They shall be responsible for the development and maintenance of the Chapter.
- SECTION IV All Directors, including the President, shall have one vote on any motion. Four affirmative votes shall be required to pass any motion, regardless of the number of Directors in attendance. A quorum for a directors meeting is also four directors.
- SECTION V The Directors shall seek and appoint Advisors, as needed. These are people who specialize in specific areas of the hobby. They act as consultants, contributors of ideas, and to ensure that all areas of the Chapter are adequately represented.
- SECTION VI Other positions of leadership are the Membership Secretary and the Newsletter Editor. Neither position is considered an Officer, nor do they have to be Directors to hold either position. The Membership Secretary is primarily responsible for maintaining an accurate membership roster, submitting the national dues to the national chapter, providing membership rosters to active members who want one and providing accurate membership status to the Directors at meetings and other times as needed. The Newsletter Editor is responsible for producing the chapter quarterly newsletters and distributing them to the members. The Membership Secretary will provide the Newsletter Editor with the current membership list for each newsletter.

ARTICLE IV - Officers

SECTION I Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the first Director's meeting after the yearly election of Directors. Officers are elected by a majority vote of the Directors. Officers will serve a full year. If an officer vacancy occurs during the year a special Board Meeting will elect a replacement to finish the year.

SECTION II Officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary

SECTION III Officer terms shall be for one year.

SECTION IV Duties of the Officers shall be as follows:

The PRESIDENT shall preside over all meetings and organized committees.

The VICE-PRESIDENT shall function as President in his/her absence and oversee all committees to ensure success.

The SECRETARY shall keep minutes of all meetings, read the minutes of the previous meeting, read all important correspondence, take charge of all documents of the Chapter, and shall preside at meetings in the absence of the President or Vice-President. The Secretary is an officer of the corporation as defined above but does not have to be director.

The TREASURER shall maintain an accurate businesslike record of all financial activities; shall be in charge of the Chapter's funds; shall make deposits and dispersal of same; shall pay all bills in a timely manner and shall make a quarterly detailed financial report to the Directors. The Treasurer is an officer of the Corporation as defined above but does not have to be a director.

ARTICLE V - Membership and Voting

- SECTION I Membership shall be open to anyone having an interest in International Harvester products. All members are expected to participate in their Chapter and attend meetings whenever possible.
- SECTION II Chapter dues are set by the Board of Directors. Chapter members must also be a member of the International Harvester Collectors, and annual dues must be paid to the International Club in addition to the Chapter dues. Chapter dues run from June 1st until May 31st of the following year, are due in June, and will be delinquent 60 days later. Members in delinquent status are not afforded membership privileges, including voting power.
- SECTION III Only active Chapter members shall be allowed to vote at meetings. Each member has one vote.
- SECTION IV Voting at Director's meetings and membership meetings will be by a show of hands or voice vote, unless there is a need for a written ballot as determined by the President or Officer in charge.

ARTICLE VI – Meetings

- SECTION I There shall be at least two membership meetings of the Chapter held each year to be held at an agreed upon location by the Directors, one meeting in the spring and the other in the fall. Other membership meetings can be called by the Directors as deemed necessary.
- SECTION II The Directors shall meet as necessary, but at least four times during the year.
- SECTION III Election of the Chapter Directors shall be at the fall membership meeting.

ARTICLE VII – Amendment of Bylaws

- SECTION I Amendments to Bylaws shall be voted on by a show of hands or a voice vote. A two-thirds majority vote of the active membership is required for any amendments to the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII - Support

SECTION I The Directors of the Chapter shall assist other Chapters with member lists for shows, organizing, etc. All members shall encourage and assist in the formation of other new Chapters in any area where members permit.

SECTION II The Chapter will be required to finance its own activities with no subsidy from the general membership of the INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COLLECTORS CLUB.

ARTICLE IX – Dissolution

SECTION I The Chapter can be dissolved by a majority vote of the active membership. The dissolution vote shall be done by ballot.

SECTION II In the event that INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER COLLECTORS, CHAPTER # 18, of NEW ENGLAND, INCORPORATED should for any reason dissolve or disband, the monies shall be given to the State Historical Society of Wisconsin to be used for the McCormick Family Archives.