

North Carolina Arc/Info (Arc) Users Group Charter

Article I – Title

The name of this organization shall be the North Carolina Arc/Info (Arc) Users Group; hereafter referred to as the Group.

Article II – Objectives

The objectives of the group are to:

1. Provide a forum for the exchange of knowledge, techniques, and data for us with software produced by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI).
2. Foster good working relationships and communications between ESRI and software users and ESRI staff.

Article III – Membership

Membership shall be open to ESRI software users and any other interested organizations and individuals. Eligibility for voting on the election of officers, annual review of charter and the by-laws and other matters of interest shall be limited to current members that are actively using ESRI software. Voting membership does not require an ESRI license. Votes will be decided by a majority of eligible members in attendance at meetings. Proxy votes will be accepted if a written ballot is accepted and distributed beforehand.

A single user membership fee of twenty dollars will be collected each year. The fee shall be collected and managed by the secretary-treasurer who shall report on the status of the kitty at each meeting. The kitty will be used to cover the purchase of supplies and materials needed for meetings, newsletters, and the like, but not necessarily limited to those items. Expenditures of less than \$100.00 will be directed by the president. Any amount at or above \$100.00 must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The membership year will begin January 1st and run through December 31st of the current year. The current year is payable through the Fall Conference. Membership fees paid in November and December but after the Fall Conference will be credited to the next membership year.

A single user membership shall also be extended to K-12 and College students (at four year and/or two year or community colleges) for a fee of \$10 per year.

A corporate membership shall be provided to a company that contributes \$250 or more a year to the NCAUG. This level of membership enables that company to have one free registration to the annual NCAUG Fall Conference per \$250 contributed.

Article IV – Officers

A Board of Director's, comprised of a President, Secretary-Treasurer, and eight general members elected from the general membership, will govern the Group. The officers will be elected and will hold office for a term of two years beginning on the first day of the calendar year. For the purpose of continuity in leadership, elections for Board members will be staggered to assure that

at least three officers from the preceding year continue to server on the Board in the new calendar year. The President and the Secretary-Treasurer will be elected on a two-year basis.

Article V – Meetings

The Group will hold a minimum of one business meeting, which will include at least one officer, per each calendar year. Minutes of all meetings will be documented and distributed by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Article VI – Committees

Standing or special purposed committees may be established as directed by the President.

Article VII – Amendments

Each proposed amendment to the charter shall be voted upon, provided such amendment has first been signed by the proponent(s) and been submitted in writing prior to the meeting.

Adoption of any such proposed amendment shall require a two-thirds majority vote of eligible members present.

Article VIII – SIG (Special Interest Groups)

The Group may fund special interest group (SIG) functions or other NCAUG affiliated groups, meetings, etc. up to \$1000.00 per calendar year upon majority Board of Directors approval and if funds exist for such activities. Funding per group cannot exceed \$250.00 per request per calendar year. Any additional funding requests will be considered on an as needed only basis.

Revision of Original Charter, November 1988
and now adopted September 16, 1993

Article III Amended August 15, 1995
...A single user membership fee of fifteen dollars will be collected each year ...

Article III Amended December 4, 1997
The membership year will begin July 1st and run through June 30th of the following year. Membership fees paid in May and June will be credited to the next membership year.

Article IV Amended December 4, 1997
The Group will be governed by a Board of Director's comprised of a President, Secretary-Treasurer, and five general members elected from the general membership.

The President and the Secretary-Treasurer will be elected on an annual basis.

Revision of Charter, October 28, 2005
and adopted October 28, 2005

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Article III – Membership **Amended** October 28, 2005

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