



# H.O.A For-Profit Bylaws Template

*(Helping Uplift Society Through Leadership & Entrepreneurship)*  
**Course:** H.O.A Hustle University – Launch & Build (Indiana Edition)

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## ARTICLE I — NAME, PURPOSE, AND OFFICE

1. **Business Name:**

The legal name of the organization shall be entered as registered with the Secretary of State.

Example: *H.O.A Holdings LLC* or *H.O.A Business Development Corporation*.

2. **Purpose:**

The company is formed to engage in lawful business activities for profit, including but not limited to business consulting, design, education, and community economic development initiatives consistent with the *Helping Uplift Society Through Leadership & Entrepreneurship (H.U.S.T.L.E.)* mission.

3. **Principal Office:**

The principal office shall be located in Indianapolis, Indiana, or another location designated by the Board or Managing Members.

4. **Fiscal Year:**

The fiscal year shall end on **December 31st** of each year unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors or Managing Members.

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## ARTICLE II — OWNERSHIP & STRUCTURE

1. **Legal Form:**

The organization shall operate as a for-profit entity (LLC, C-Corp, or S-Corp) registered in the State of Indiana.

2. **Ownership Units (Shares or Membership Interests):**

Ownership shall be divided among members/shareholders in proportion to their capital contributions or as otherwise specified in the company's formation documents.

3. **Transfer of Ownership:**

No ownership interest may be sold, assigned, or transferred without written consent

from the majority of other members or the Board.

4. **Voting Rights:**  
Each ownership unit shall carry one vote unless otherwise stated in the Operating Agreement or Articles of Incorporation.

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## ARTICLE III — BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR MANAGING MEMBERS

1. **Authority:**  
The Board of Directors (for Corporations) or Managing Members (for LLCs) shall oversee the business affairs, policies, and overall direction of the company.
2. **Composition:**  
The Board shall consist of no fewer than three (3) and no more than seven (7) individuals.  
Recommended roles:
  - President / CEO
  - Vice President / COO
  - Secretary / Treasurer
  - Director(s) of Marketing, Operations, or Finance
3. **Term of Service:**  
Directors shall serve for two (2) years, renewable upon re-election or as agreed by the ownership.
4. **Meetings:**  
The Board shall meet quarterly, or as business operations require. Special meetings may be called by the President or a majority of the Board.
5. **Quorum & Voting:**  
A majority of the current Board members constitutes a quorum. A majority vote of members present is required to make decisions.
6. **Vacancies:**  
Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the Board until the next scheduled election.

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## ARTICLE IV — OFFICERS & DUTIES

**1. President / CEO:**

- Acts as the chief executive of the company.
- Oversees all operations, contracts, and business development.
- Signs agreements and authorizes expenditures within approved budgets.

**2. Vice President / COO:**

- Assists the President and oversees daily operations.
- Manages internal departments and business systems.

**3. Secretary / Treasurer:**

- Keeps minutes of all meetings.
- Maintains company records and filings.
- Manages financial accounts, budgeting, and tax preparation.

**4. Additional Officers:**

- The Board may appoint other officers such as Marketing Director, Compliance Officer, or HR Director when needed.

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## **ARTICLE V — MEETINGS & VOTING**

**1. Regular Meetings:**

Shall occur quarterly, with notice given at least seven (7) days in advance.

**2. Special Meetings:**

May be called by the President or two Board members when urgent matters arise.

**3. Voting Procedures:**

Votes may be held in person, electronically, or via written consent.

**4. Action Without a Meeting:**

Decisions requiring immediate action may be approved electronically, with written documentation maintained in company records.

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## **ARTICLE VI — CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS & FINANCES**

1. **Initial Capital:**  
Each member or shareholder shall contribute capital as outlined in the Articles of Organization or Operating Agreement.
  2. **Profits & Losses:**  
Shall be distributed proportionally to ownership percentage unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.
  3. **Company Accounts:**  
All funds shall be kept in business bank accounts separate from personal finances.
    - Primary Bank: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Account Open Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  4. **Financial Oversight:**  
The Treasurer shall prepare quarterly financial reports and an annual summary for review.
  5. **Loans & Credit:**  
The company may obtain credit lines or vendor accounts (Net 30, D-U-N-S reporting) with approval from a majority of the Board or members.
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## ARTICLE VII — COMPENSATION & DISTRIBUTIONS

1. **Salaries:**  
Officers and employees may receive compensation for services rendered as approved by the Board.
  2. **Dividends / Distributions:**  
Profits may be distributed annually, quarterly, or at intervals decided by the ownership, after all obligations and taxes are met.
  3. **Reinvestment Policy:**  
The company may allocate a percentage of profits for reinvestment, marketing, or expansion under a majority vote.
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## ARTICLE VIII — RECORDS & COMPLIANCE

1. **Recordkeeping:**  
Accurate books of accounts, meeting minutes, tax filings, and corporate records shall be maintained and available for review by owners.

2. **Annual Filings:**  
The company shall file annual reports and renew its business registration through **INBiz.in.gov**.
  3. **Compliance:**  
The organization will maintain good standing with all local, state, and federal requirements, including tax, labor, and insurance laws.
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## ARTICLE IX — AMENDMENTS

1. **Proposal:**  
Amendments to these bylaws may be proposed by any Board member or owner.
  2. **Approval:**  
Changes must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board or ownership.
  3. **Record Update:**  
Approved amendments must be recorded in writing and attached to all existing copies of these bylaws.
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## ARTICLE X — DISSOLUTION

1. **Decision to Dissolve:**  
The company may be dissolved upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of ownership.
  2. **Asset Distribution:**  
After all debts and obligations are settled, remaining assets shall be distributed among owners in proportion to ownership shares.
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### Signatures & Adoption

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_ (City/State).

| Name  | Title           | Signature | Date  |
|-------|-----------------|-----------|-------|
| _____ | President / CEO | _____     | _____ |
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|-------|-------------------|-------|-------|
| _____ | Vice President    | _____ | _____ |
| —     |                   | —     |       |
| _____ | Secretary /       | _____ | _____ |
| —     | Treasurer         | —     |       |
| _____ | Member / Director | _____ | _____ |
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## Optional Appendix: Business Credit & Compliance Tracker

Attach a 1-page summary (from your H.O.A Business Credit Builder Worksheet) to encourage owners to track:

- EIN
- D-U-N-S
- State Filings
- Vendor Credit
- Annual Reports