

RULES AND CONSTITUTION

CAT FANCIER'S SOCIETY OF S.A. ;

1. Definition

By Society is meant all owners of Cats or any persons interested, to promote the breeding of cats, to safeguard and encourage fair dealing and kind treatment for all cats.

2. Objects

1. To hold and support shows for exhibitions of pedigree Cats and other Cats.
2. To select Judges as approved by Governing Council.
3. The Cat Fancier's Society shall be affiliated with the Governing Council and shall accept the Rules and Constitution of same.
4. Shall keep a Stud Book, and a list of breeders.
5. To ensure rules for the conduct of Shows.
6. The Club may appoint patrons.

3.The Officers and Auditors

1. The officers of the Club shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting by those present, and by postal vote as the Committee shall decide a a prior Committee Meeting. (Only financial members are eligible to vote) Each shall hold office for one year, and shall be eligible for re-election.
3. In addition to the officers an auditor for the Club's accounts shall be elected at a General Meeting. It shall be the duty of such Auditor to state on the statement of accounts whether the property, cups, trophies, belonged to or held by the Club were regularly accounted for, at the time the audit was made.

4 The Committee

1. The affairs of the Club shall be directed, on behalf of the members by the Committee, consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer and 5 or 6 members of the Committee, Elected.
2. An Elected member of any Committee who fails, except in the case of serious illness, to attend at least three meetings, shall be asked to resign, unless given leave of absence.
3. The Committee shall meet at least six times in the Club year, on dates to be appointed by the President, at such meetings five(5) shall be a quorum.
4. In the event of Death, Resignation, or Temporary disablement of an Officer, Auditor, or member of the Committee, the Committee may appoint a substitute, who shall hold office only until the next Annual general Meeting, when such position shall be filled by Election.
5. The Committee shall present an Annual Report and a Statement of Accounts to the Annual General Meeting, to be held in March each year.
6. Save as otherwise provided by this Constitution, the Committee shall have power by this resolution to regulate its own procedure.
7. The Committee shall have power to Co-opt.

5 The Secretary or Secretaries

- (a) Conduct the correspondence of the Club.
- (b) Enter the name and addresses of all members in a list, and may supply a copy thereof to any member on application.
- (c) Give each newly appointed member notice of his or her election together with a copy of the Rules and Constitution.
- (d) Give in writing to every Committee Member seven(7) notice of every Committee Meeting, together with a Copy of the agenda.
- (e) Keep minutes of the proceedings of all General Meetings and Committee Meetings, and submit same for Confirmation by vote.
- (f) Render an Annual Report to the Committee.
- (g) Perform any other duties required of him/her from time to time by the Committee, or by these Rules(entrusted to the Secretary)

6 The Treasurer

The treasurer shall

- (a) Hold all monies received on behalf of the Club.
- (b) Defray all authorised expenses, from the funds of the Club, expenses incurred by the Committee, sub Committee, or any Officer in the discharge of their duties under these Rules or the Constitution made there under.
- (c) Render to the Committee and Audited Statement of Accounts showing the financial position of the Club at the end of each financial year.

7 General Meeting

1. A general Meeting of the Club shall be held on the last Wednesday of each month.
2. The Committee shall have the power to summon a General Meeting at any time, and must do so within one month of the receipt by the Secretary of a requisition signed by not less than 7 members, specifying exactly the business for which such meeting is required.
3. The time and place of every General Meeting is to be fixed by the Committee and specified in the notice convening it.
4. The agenda of a General Meeting shall contain business falling within these classes and which shall not be transacted at the General meeting, unless it has been specified-
 - (a)Alteration to this Constitution.
 - (b)Election of Auditors.
 - (c)Expenditure of any sum exceeding \$10 otherwise than in connection with a Show, or newsletter.
 - (d)Conduct of Club Members in discharge of Club Duties
 - (e)Amalgamation or dissolution of the Club.
 - (f)Any other Club matter or business.
5. Honorary members shall be entitled to be present at all General Meetings, but shall not be entitled to vote.
6. In the absence of the President and the Vice President of the Club a Chairman of the Committee shall be elected by the Meeting.
7. At a General Meeting 5 members present shall form a quorum.

8 Voting

- (a) Save as I these Rules otherwise provide all questions arising in the Club or its Committee or any sub-committees shall be elected by a majority Vote.
- (b) In the event of a tie, the member occupying the Chair for the time being shall be given the casting vote.
- (c) There shall be no voting by Proxy.

9 Miscellaneous Powers of the Committee

- (a) To hold shows.
- (b) To select judges approved by the Governing Council.
- (c) To assist cat shows, financially or otherwise, providing that the Show Regulations have been approved by the Governing Council and that they consider the classification suitable and approved and competent Judges of those Classes.
- (d) To do all things necessary or expedient in relation to the Club's affairs and to exercise all powers except where the same are hereby expressly vested in the General Meeting.
- (e) The Committee may make, amend or cancel Regulations in any connection with the exercise of any powers vested in it, and such regulations shall have effect as if included in these Rules and Regulations.
- (f) The property of the Club and the responsibility of the safe custody, thereof shall be vested in the Committee, providing that no individual member of the Committees shall be personally liable for any loss or damage not arising through his gross negligence or fraud.

10 Duties of Members

- (a) Every member shall strive to promote honourable dealing in Feline Matters, including bringing to the notice of the Club Committee any irregularities at Shows.
- (b) Any member violating the Rules and Regulations of the Club or who shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Committee to have in any way misconducted himself in regard to Cats or Cat Shows, or to have acted in any way in opposition to the Fundamental Rules upon which the Club has been established, or in any other matter which would make it undesirable that they should continue to be a Member shall be requested that they retire from the Club. (They means either he or she)
 - (1) He shall first have had an opportunity of stating his case before the Club Committee.
 - (2) A Resolution requesting the resignation of such member shall have been carried by a majority of the Club's Committee.
 - (3) Upon the passing of such Resolution by the Club Committee a member so requested to retire shall thenceforth cease to be member of the Club.
 - (4) Any complaint or request by a member of the Club must be in writing to the Secretary, who must lay such communication before the Committee as soon as possible, not later than the next Committee Meeting. No such complaint shall be reported by a member to the Press.

11.Alteration to the Constitution

The Constitution may be altered, modified, or added to by Members at a general Meeting provided such alterations or modifications are approved by the Governing Council, and such alterations are voted in by two thirds of majority.

12.Standard of Points

The Committee may prescribe a Standard of Points which shall be adopted as the Standard of Points of the Club and shall not be changed except by a resolution of the Committee, confirmed at a General Meeting.

13 Membership

- (1) The Club shall consist of members and honorary members.
- (2) Members shall be persons interested in any Breeds.
- (3) Honorary members shall be persons who in the opinion of the committee may be or have been of service to the Club.

- (4) They shall not enjoy any privilege of membership, or incur any liability which is not explicitly conferred upon them, by these Rules.
- (5) Members and Honorary Members shall be elected by this Committee. Every Candidate must be proposed and seconded by members of the Club.
- (6) No Executive member can hold office in more than one Cat Club.
- (7) In the event of a Member resigning, or any member requested to retire from the Club, for defraying these rules, no money will be returned or will they have any further claim on the Club.
- (8) The books and writing material are the property of the members and will remain the property of the Club.
- (9) In the event of the Dissolution of the Club, then the remaining monies will be handed to a worthy Charity if not otherwise decided by the members.

14 Shows and Parades

- (a) The Rules and Regulations of the Governing Council will be accepted by the Club.
- (b) A Show Committee will be elected in the event of a Show, but will hold office only for the Show elected for.