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**"THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY**

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**"THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY"**

1. **L-ISEM.** -- L-Ghaqda tkun imsejha "THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY" (L-Ghaqda).

2. **L-ISKUPIJIET.** -- L-iskopijiet tal-Ghaqda huma:

- a) Li ggib 'il quddiem b'kull manjiera t-titjib tal-klieb;
- b) Li zzomm rekord tal-klieb tar-razza;
- c) Li taghmel hilitha biex tara li r-regoli tal-Ghaqda msemija jkunu mwettqa matul il-wirjiet tal-klieb u fit-tmexxija tal- kompetizzjonijiet;
- d) Jekk xi regola tinkiser, l-Ghaqda, wara gudizzju, twahhal multi jew tissospendi jew tkecci;
- e) Tarbitra f'kazi kontroversjali;
- f) Li tkun affiljata fi hdan il- Maltese National Canine Federation, l- Ghaqda ewlenija. (minn hawn il- quddiem riferuta bhala l- Federazzjoni).

3. **PATRUN.** -- L-Ghaqda jista jkollha Patrun.

4. **PRESIDENT.** -- Ghandu jkun hemm President li jkun elett mill-membri f'Laqgħa Generali u li jibqa f'dik il-kariga għal perjodu ta' tlett snin konsekuttivi.

5. **SEGRETARJU U TEZORIER.** Ghandu jkun hemm Segretarju u Tezorier li jkunu eletti mill-membri fil-Laqqgħa Generali. Kemm is-Segretarju kif ukoll it-Tezorier jibqgħu f'dan l-ufficju għal perjodu ta' tlett snin konsekuttivi.

6. **MEMBRI TAL-KUMITAT.** -- L-elezzjoni ta'membri ordinarji issir waqt il-Laqqgħa Generali u ssir b'votazzjoni. Il- Kandidati li jgibu l- akbar ammont ta' voti fil-Laqqgħa Generali jigu eletti fil- Kumitat. F' kaz li n- numru ta' kandidati ma jkunx akbar mill- postijiet vakanti li għalihom ikunu ser jikkontestaw, l- ellezzjoni ma ssirx, u l- kandidati jigu eletti awtomatikament. Il- membri ordinarji tal- Kumitat għandhom iservu għal- perjodu ta' sentejn. Il-kandidat irid ikun propost u ssekondat minn membri tal-Ghaqda li ilhom assocjati fiha mil-lanqas għal sena. dak li jipproponi u dak li jissekonda jagħmlu tajjeb għal-eligibilita' tal-kandidat tagħhom.

Membri tal-Ghaqda jistgħu jkunu rgħiel jew nisa. F'dan il-kuntest kollu l-gens maskil ser jinkludi wkoll il-femminil.

7. **PRESIDENTI ONORARJI.** -- Il- Kumitat jista jahter Presidenti Onorarji waqt laqqgħa tal- Kumitat. Il- Presidenti Onorarji għandhom ikunu ezentati milli jhallsu l- mizati izda għandhom ikunu intitolati għall- privileggi kollha tas- shubija barra mid-dritt li jivvutaw fil- Laqqgħa Generali. Il- Kumitat għandu d-dritt li jirrevedi l-lista tal- membri onorarji minn zmien għall- iehor billi jikkonferma jew jikkancella ismijiet ta' membri onorarji Zewg terzi tal- voti tal- membri tal- Kumitat prezenti waqt il- Laqqgħa huma mehtiega sabiex persuna tinhatar jew titnehha minn President Onorarju

8. **MEMBRI ONORARJI.** -- L-elezzjoni ta' membri onorarji tkun f'idejn il-Kumitat. Dawn il-membri huma ezentati li jhallsu xi mizati, izda, madankollu jkunu

intitolati għall-privileggi kollha tas-shubija. Il- Kumitat għandu d-dritt li jirrevedi l-lista tal- membri onorarji minn zmien għall- iehor billi jikkonferma jew jikkancella ismijiet ta' membri onorarji. Zewg terzi tal- voti tal- membri tal- Kumitat prezenti waqt il- Laqgħa huma mehtiega sabiex persuna tinhatar jew titnehha minn Membru Onorarju. Għandha tintbghat lista tal- Membri Onorarji lill- membri kull meta jinhatar jew jitnehha Membru Onorarju.

**9A. MEMBRI TA' L-GHAQDA. --** L-elezzjoni ta' membri ordinarji ta' l-Għaqda għandha tkun f'idejn il-Kumitat u ssir b'votazzjoni. L-applikant hu mehtieg li jgib maggoranza ta' zewg terzi tal-voti tal-membri tal-kumitat li jkunu prezenti waqt il-Laqgħa li fiha ismu kien gie prezentat. F' kaz li applikazzjoni għall- shubija tigi rifjutata, il- Kumitat mhux obligat li jgħati spjegazzjoni jew raguni l-ghaliex l-applikazzjoni ma tkunx giet accettata. L-applikant irid ikun propost u ssekondat minn membri ta' l-Għaqda li jkunu ilhom mil-anqas sena assocjati ma- l-Għaqda. Lista tal-membri mħallsa għanda tintbghat lill- Federazzjoni fl- 1 ta' kull xahar. Din il- lista trid tasal għand il- Federazzjoni sal- hmistax ta' kull xahar.

**9B. MEMBRI TEMPORANJI BARRA MINN MALTA. --** Kwalunkwe membru jista jipprezenta persuna, li għandha interess attiv fil-klieb, bħala membru temporanju barra minn Malta għal perjodu ta mhux aktar minn tlett xhur f'sena wahda. Membru temporanju barra minn Malta jkun intitolat għal privileggi soċjali, I zda għal l-ebda privileggi jew drittijiet ohra ta' l-imsieħbin.

#### **10. MIZATI. --**

- a) Il-mizata annwali għal membri ordinarji tkun dik is-somma li l-membri jiddeterminaw minn zmien għal zmien f'Laqgħa Generali. Ir-rati prezenti huma:
1. Membership individwali (miftuha għall persuni l- fuq minn 18 il-sena): €19 fis- sena.
  2. Family membership (miftuha għall- kopji mizzewga u l-ulied tagħhom taht it- 18 il-sena: €26 fis -sena.
  3. Junior membership: (Individwi bejn l-10 u 18 il- sena): €8.00 fis-sena.
- b) 4. Overseas Members: (Persuni jghixu barra minn Malta): €26 fis-sena.

Il- mizati għandhom jithallsu kull- sena f' Jannar. Dawk il- membri li ma jhallsux il- mizata tagħhom sa l-ahhar ta' Frar ta' dik is-sena li fiha għandhom ihallsu l- mizata, ikollhom jergaw japplikaw mill- gdid bħala membri godda.

- b) F'kazi specjali, il- Kumitat għandu d-dritt li jahfer parti jew il- mizata kollha lill- xi membru.

#### **11. PRIVILEGGI TAL-MEMBRI. --** Il-privileggi ta' membru ordinarju jinkludu:

- a) L-uzu tal-post tal-Għaqda.
- b) Koppja b'xejn tar-regoli tal-Għaqda.
- c) Koppja b'xejn ta' kull rivista, li minn zmien għal zmien, tkun ippublikata mill- Għaqda.

**12. DMIRIJET TAL-MEMBRI.** -- Kif isir il-hlas annwali tal-mizata, li jghati l-jedd lill-membri għall-vantaggi u privileggi tal-Ghaqda, dan ukoll jobbligah li jaccetta u joqghod għar-regoli tal-Ghaqda.

**13. RIZENJI TAL-MEMBRI.** -- Kwalunkwe membru li jixtieq jirtira hu obbilgat li jinforma lis-Segretarju bil-kitba mhux aktar tard mill- 15 ta' Dicembru ta' l-istess sena; inkella jkun marbut li jhallas il-mizata tas-sena ta' wara.

**14. SOSPENSJONI U TKECCIJA TAL-MEMBRI.** -- Jekk l-imgieba ta xi membru ta' l-għaqda tkun, fl-opinjoni tal- Kumitat tal- Ghaqda, tmur kontra ir-regolamenti jew l-interessi ta' l-Ghaqda, il- Kumitat ta' l- Ghaqda jista', waqt Laqgħa li fl- agenda tagħha tkun inkluza l- konsiderazzjoni tal- kondotta tal- membru, jitlob li ssir laqgħa tal- kumitat li fiha tipprocessa l- passi dixxiplinarji kontra l- membru nkwistjoni, basta li l- membru jkun notifikat bil- miktub bid- data, hin u l- post tal- laqgħa, u mgħoti c-cans li hu/hi tattendi sabiex jghati spjegazzjoni. Zewg terzi tal- membri tal- Kumitat jiddeciedu li jittiehdu l- passi dixxiplinarji necessarji mill- Kumitat. F'kaz li membru jinstab hati ta' ksur ta' Regolamenti jew li l- kondotta tiegħu kemm fil- post ta' l- Ghaqda jew x'imkien iehor kienet ta' hsara għall- isem tajjeb ta' l- Ghaqda, il- Kumitat għandu id- dritt li tissospendi, timmulta u / jew tkecci lill- membru inkwistjoni.

Il-Kumitat għandu jkollu l-poter li jkecci l-membri mill-post tal-Ghaqda sakemm jinstema' l-kaz kontrih.

Membru sospiz ma jkunx jista' juza l-post tal-Ghaqda jew li jattendi xi laqgħa tal-Ghaqda jew li jivvota f'xi elezzjoni jew li jzomm xi kariga matul is-sospensjoni, izda hu jibqgħalu d-dmir li jhallas il-mizata.

l- Kumitat għandu jinforma immedjatement lill- Federazzjoni bi kwalunkwe mizuri dixxiplinarji li jkunu ittiehdu fil- konfront ta' xi membru.

**14a. APPELL.** - Kull membru hekk li jkun instab hati fi' proceduri dixxiplinarji għandu d- dritt li jappella quddiem il- Federazzjoni basta jkun suggett għar-Regolamenti ta' l- appell kif imposti mill- Federazzjoni. L- Appell għandu jigi pprezentat fi zmien 15 il- gurnata minn- notifika tal- passi dixxiplinarji li jkunu ittiehdu kontrih.

**15. DIXXIPLINA.** – Kwalunkwe membru li jigi sospiz mill- Federazzjoni jigi sospiz awtomatikament mill- Ghaqda. Dan jghodd ukoll għall kwalunkwe mizuri li tista tiehu l- Federazzjoni li tkun awtomatikament attwata wkoll mill- Ghaqda.

L-ebda membru hekk imkecci ma jista' jitlob b'jedd kontra l-Ghaqda jew ikun intitolat għal-hlas lura ta' xi parti mill-mizata u jrid minnufih iregga' lura lill-Ghaqda xi tazez jew trofej u xi propjeta' ohra li, waqt li huma propjeta tal-Ghaqda, ikunu fil-pussess tiegħu fil-hin li gie mkecci.

**16. EFFETTI META MEMBRU JISPICCA.** -- Kwalunkwe persuna, meta tispicca minn membru tal-Ghaqda, titef kull dritt li tippretendi mill-Ghaqda u mill-facilitajiet, propjeta u fondi tagħha.

**17. RESTRIZZJONIJIET FUQ IL-MEMBRI.** -- L-ebda membru ma jista':

- a) Juza il- post tal- Ghaqda għall-iskop ta' negozju, lanqas ihalli ismu ma' isem l- Ghaqda jew l-indirizz tagħha, li jidher f'xi riklam jew juza' l-

indirizz tal-Ghaqda għall- iskop tal- professjoni jew negozju tiegħu. Jekk xi membru jgħati l- indirizz tal-Ghaqda bhala tiegħu f'xi proceduri legali, il-Kumitat awtomatikament jimxi fuq dak li tghid ir- Regola numru 14.

- b) Jikkawza jew jippermetti pubblicita, li tinghata lill- istampa jew televizjoni jew mezzi oħra, li għandha x'taqsam mal-Ghaqda sakemm għandha xi rabta mat-tmexxija tal-Ghaqda, il-proceduri dixxiplinarji migjuba jew li ser jingiebu mill- Ghaqda, minghajr il-permess minn qabel tal- Kumitat.
- c) Jkun eligibbli għall- elezzjoni tal- Kumitat jekk m' ilux sena membru tal-Ghaqda. Jkun eligibbli li jservi fuq il-Kumitat meta hu diga membru tal-Kumitat ta' xi "Kennel Club" iehor.
- d) Membri ordinarji jridu jkunu ilhom tlett xhur assocjati fl- Ghaqda qabel ma jkunu ntitolati biex jivvutaw f Laqgħa Generali jew Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja.

#### 18. **IL-KUMITAT.** --

- a) Il- kwistjonijiet kollha u l-poter kollu fl-Ghaqda qegħdin kollha f'idejn il-Kumitat li jinkludi President, Vici-President, Segretarju, Tezorier u minn 2 sa 4 membri.
- b) Nominazzjonijiet ta' xi kandidat għdid iridu jkunu ffirmati minn membru tal- Ghaqda. Ebda membru ma jista' jinnomina aktar minn kandidat wiehed għall-lezzjoni. Nominazzjonijiet għall-elezzjoni jew intenzjoni biex wiehed ikun elett mill- għdid iridu jaslu għand is-Segretarju mill-lanqas 14 il-gurnata qabel il-Laqgħa Generali Annwali.
- c) Kull membru prezenti f' xi Laqgħa tal-Kumitat hu ntitolat għal vot wiehed fuq kull mozzjoni barra fil-kaz fejn jigu voti ndaqs, meta dak li qed jippresiedi l-Laqgħa jkollu t- tieni vot jew il-vot decisiv.
- d) Il-kontenut ta' rizzoluzzjoni li għaddiet b'maggoranza tal- membri f'Laqgħa tal-Kumitat ma tistax terga' tigi kkunsidrata qabel tliet xhur minn meta għaddiet dik ir-rizzoluzzjoni, hliet għal materja taht Regola 14.

19. **KONTROLL.** -- Il-manigg u l-kontroll kollu tax-xogħol kollu tal-Ghaqda għandu jkun fdat fil-Kumitat elett. Il-Kumitat għandu jkollu l-poter li jarbitra f'kazi ta' kwistjonijiet bejn membri meta jkun mitlub miz-zewg nahat biex jgħamel hekk, u d-decizjoni tiegħu f'dawn il-kazi tkun finali. Il-Kumitat għandu jkun fdat biex jiehu hsieb ta' xi kwistjoni li għandha x'taqsam mal-kontroll tal-Ghaqda li mhux provdut f'dawn ir-Regoli.

20. **IL-LAQGħA GENERALI.** -- Għandu jkun hemm Laqgħa Generali tal-Ghaqda f'data f'fissata mil-Kumitat mhux aktar tard mill-ahħar ta' Awwissu ta' lanqas Biennali (kull sentejn) għal dawn l-għanijiet:

- a) Biex tircievi rapport mill-Kumitat rigward l-attivitajiet tal-Ghaqda mil-Laqgħa Generali ta' qabel.
- b) Biex tircievi u tikkunsidra l-kontijiet tal-Ghaqda matul is-sena/snin finanzjarja li għaddiet.
- c) Biex tahtar il-President, is-Segretarju u t-Tezorier (jekk dawn il-postijiet ikunu tbatlu).
- d) Biex tahtar il-membri l-oħra tal-Kumitat.

- e) Biex tiddiskuti jew tiddeciedi kwalunkwe materja ta' interess generali li kienet sottomessa ghall-Laqgħa.

Il- Federazzjoni għandha tigi nformata fi zmien 15 il- gurnata qabel bid- data, post u l- agenda tal- Laqgħa Generali Annwali, għall- liema Laqgħa il- Federazzjoni jkollha d- dritt li tibgħat raprezentant minn tagħha bhala osservatur.

**21. POSTIJET BATTALA FUQ IL-KUMITAT.** -- Meta post fuq il- kumitat jitbattal matul is-sena ufficjali, dan jittiehed mill-kandidat li kien gab l-oghla numru ta' voti u li ma kienx gie elett fl-ahhar elezzjoni. Jekk il-post ta' President, Segretarju jew Tezorier jitbattal, issir l-istess haga, izda l-membri ko-optjat irid jissottometi ismu għall-elezzjoni mil-gdid fil-Laqgħa Generali li jmiss. Kull membru elett f' elezzjoni sabiex jimtela kwalunkwe post battal fil- Kumitat għandu jkompli jservi l- perjodu li jkun fadal f' dak il- post battal.

**22. OBBLIGAZZJONIJIET U POTER TAL-KUMITAT.** --

- a) Il-Kumitat jista minn zmien għall-iehor jahtar sotto-kumitat li jkun jidhirlu necessarju biex ighinu fit-tmexxija tax-xogħol tal-Għaqda.
- b) Il-Kumitat jista' jiddelega xi whud mix-xogħolijiet u poteri tiegħu lil xi sotto-kumitat u jista' fl-istess hin ibiddel jew jirtira dawn id-delegati.
- c) Il-Kumitat isejjah laqgħa kull meta jinhass il-bzonn.
- d) Il-President jippresiedi f'kull Laqgħa. Fl-assenza tiegħu, il-Vici- President jehodlu postu. Meta dawn it-tnejn ikunu assenti, il-membri prezenti jahtru "Chairman" biex jippresiedi fil-Laqgħa.
- e) Il-President għandu d-dritt li jsejjah Laqgħa tal-Kumitat, jew bir-rieda ta' mhux anqas minn tliet membri tal-Kumitat. Fil-Laqgħat kollha tal-Kumitat meta l-voti kollha tal-membri jkunu ndaqs, dak li jkun qiegħed jippresiedi għandu d- dritt tal-vot decisiv (*casting vote*), minbarra l-vot originali tiegħu.
- f) Tliet membri tal- Kumitat għandhom jitqiesu li jiffurmaw kworum f'xi Laqgħa tal-Kumitat.
- g) Is-Segretarju u t- Tezorier jattendu u jzommu l-minuti ta' kull Laqgħa tal-Kumitat. Flimkien mal-President huma jmexxu l-kazin. F' kull Laqgħa, is-Segretarju jipprezenta l-minuti tal-Laqgħa ta' qabel, il- korrispondenza kollha u kull haga ta' interess li grat wara l-ahhar Laqgħa. It-Tezorier hu nkarigat li jigbor il-mizati kollha u hlas iehor. Hu għandu l- awtorita li jhallas l-ispejjez li saru. Hu mitlub biex jgħamel rapport amministrattiv u finanzjarju tal-Għaqda u dawn iridu jkunu pprezentati fil-Laqgħa tal-Kumitat li ssir qabel il-Laqgħa Generali.
- h) L-Assistent Segretarju u l-Assistent Tezorier jagixxu minflok is-Segretarju u t-Tezorier rispettivament meta dawn ma jkunux prezenti, u huma jghinu wkoll meta jkun hemm l-bzonn.
- i) Il-Kumitat jista' jistieden kwalunkwe persuna jew persuni, kemm membri tal-Għaqda jew le, biex jattendu xi Laqgħa biex jghinu l-Kumitat jew sotto-kumitat, izda ma tkunx intitolata li tivvota.
- j) Jekk xi membru tal-Kumitat jonqos li jattendi tliet Laqgħat tal-Kumitat konsekuttivi mingħajr ma jgħati raguni soddisfacenti, hu jkun meqjus li rrizenja mill-Kumitat, u postu jimtela billi jkun ikko-optjat membru iehor skond Regola 21.

**23. LAQGHA GENERALI STRAORDINARJA.** -- Il-Kumitat jista', permezz ta' cirkolari, isejjah Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja fi kwalunkwe zmien. Hu jista' jsejjah laqgħa fuq talba ndirizzata lis-Segretarju u ffirmata minn mhux anqas minn 30 membru. Il-membri jircievu avviz bil-miktub 14 il-gurnata qabel il-Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja. Fil-kaz li l-Kumitat jonqos li jlaqqa' Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja fi zmien 14 il-gurnata minn meta s-Segretarju jircievi talba għal din il-Laqgħa, dawk li jkunu għamli t-talba jistgħu jsejhu Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja li trid issir mhux aktar minn 28 gurnata wara d-depożitu tat-talba lis-Segretarju. Il-Federazzjoni għandha tigi nfirmata fi zmien 15 il-gurnata minn qabel bid- data, post u l- agenda tal- Laqgħa Generali Straordinarja, għall- liema Laqgħa il- Federazzjoni jkollha d- dritt li tibgħat rappreżentant minn tagħha bhala osservatur.

**23a. “EMERGENCY GENERAL MEETING”.** -- Laqgħa Generali ta' Emergenza tista tingħajjat biss mill- Kumitat fi kwalunkwe zmien. Il- membri jircievu avviz bil- miktub sa 7 ijiem qabel id- data tal- Laqgħa. Il- Federazzjoni għandha tigi nfirmata fi zmien 7 ijiem bid- data, post u l- agenda tal- Laqgħa Generali Speċjali, għall- liema Laqgħa il- Federazzjoni jkollha d- dritt li tibgħat rapreżentant minn tagħha bhala osservatur.

**24. RIZOLUZZJONIJIET FIL-LAQGHAT GENERALI.** -- Il-materja ta xi rizzoluzzjoni li għaddiet b'maggoranza tal-membri f'Laqgħa Generali tigi mplimentata b'effett immedjat, basta il- Federazzjoni tkun giet mgharfa minn qabel bil- mozzjoni. F' kaz li mozzjoni li tkun giet mgharfa biha minn qabel il- Federazzjoni isirulha xi emendi minn kif kienet giet prezentata lill- Federazzjoni, din ma tistgħax tigi fis- sehh qabel mal- Federazzjoni tkun tat l- approvazzjoni tagħha għall- mozzjoni kif emendata. Kwalunkwe mozzjoni li tkun għaddiet b'maggornaza tal- membri f' Laqgħa Generali ma tistax terga tigi ikkunsidrata qabel il-Laqgħa Generali tal-membri ta' wara li jkun imiss.

**25. KWORUM FIL-LAQGHAT GENERALI.** -- IL- kworum għall- Laqgħa Generali għandu jkun ta' 30 membru. Biss, jekk sa nofs siegħa wara l-hin iffissat għall- Laqgħa, il- kworum ma jintlahaqx, il- Laqgħa għandha tibda xorta irrispettivament minn- numru ta' membri prezenti.

**26. VOTAZZJONI FIL-LAQGHAT GENERALI.** -- Kull membru onorarju u kull membru ordinarju jkun ntitolat għal vot wiehed fuq kull mozzjoni fil- Laqgħat Generali, barra c-"Chairman" tal-laqgħa li jkollu l-vot decisiv biss.

**27. DEPOZITARJI.** -- Il-propjeta u l-assi kollha tal-Għaqda għandhom ikunu nkarigati f'idejn depozitarji li jkunu mahtura mill-Kumitat.

**28. RAPPORT ANNWALI.** -- Rapport Annwali, flimkien mal-ismijiet tal- membri tal-Kumitat għandu jkun stampat u pprovdut lill-membri kollha. Għabra fil- qosor tal-Kontijiet Annwali, iffirmati mill-awditur għandha tkun imqieghda għall- ispezzjoni tal-membri kollha tal-Għaqda.

29. **KONT BANKARJU.** -- Kont Bankarju ghandu jinfetah f'isem l-Ghaqda, fejn id-dhul kollu tal-Ghaqda ghandu jitpogga u minfejn gbid ta' flus ikun jista' jsir bil-firma ta' tnejn jew aktar mill-membri tal-Kumitat, li wiehed minnhom irid ikun t-Tezorer.

30. **AWDITUR.** -- Awditur ghandu jkun mahtur mill-Kumitat biex jirivedi l-kontijiet ipprezentati f'kull Laqgha Generali Annwali.

31. **TAQSIM TAL-BENI.** -- F'kaz li l-Ghaqda, ghal xi raguni, ma tibqax imwaqqfa, it-Tazzi u t-Trofej regalati minn persuni li ma jistghux ikunu kkontattjati, ghandhom jinbieghu biex necessarjament jinqatghu xi djun. Il-kumpliment tat-Tazzi u Trofej ghandhom ikunu moghtija lura lid-donaturi. Xi bilanc (flus jew assi) li jibqa' jinghata lill-S.P.K.A. (Socjeta ghall-Protezzjoni u Kura tal-Animali).

32. **KWISTJONIJIET.** -- *The Malta Canine Society* taghraf lill *The Maltese National Canine Federation* bhala l-Qorti ta' l-Appell fil-kazi kollha ta' kwistjojjiet.

33. **TIBDIL FIL-KOSTITUZZJONI.** -- Il-Kostituzzjoni u r-Regoli tal-Ghaqda jistghu jkunu ammendati mill-Kumitat matul Laqgha Generali, li avviz ghaliha ghandu jinghata lill-membri permezz ta' cirkulari li tfisser in-natura tal-proposti li ser ikunu diskussi. L-avviz ghandu jinghata mhux anqas minn 14 il-gurnata qabel il-Laqgha.

34. **REGOLI GODDA.** -- Ir-Regoli godda kollha jew tiddil fir-Regola ezistenti jew taqlib ta' xi att jew decizjoni, ghandhom isiru f'Laqgha Generali jew Laqgha Generali Straordinarja u jkunu notifikati lill-membri kollha kemm jista' jkun malajr wara dik il-Laqgha. Dawn ir-Regoli godda jew tiddil f'Regoli ezistenti jew xi taqlib ta' xi att jew decizjoni, m'ghandhomx ikunu addottati jekk ma jircivux il-konferma ta' mill-anqas zewg terzi tal-membri prezenti u li ivvutaw.

Dawn ir-Regoli godda jew tiddil ma jkunux ighoddu sakemm il-"Maltese National Canine Federation" ma jkunux infurmati b'dan it-tiddil qabel il-Laqgha Generali jew Laqgha Generali Straordinarja.

35. **INTERPRETAZZJONI.** -- Jekk xi diffikulta jew kwistjoni titqanqal dwar it-tifsir jew l-interpretazzjoni tar-Regoli, il-materja trid tkun ipprezentata lil-Kumitat biex tittiehed decizjoni dwarha. Id-decizjoni tal-Federazzjoni f'kull interpretazzjoni tar-regoli ghandha titqies bhala finali.

36. **DOVERI TA' L- GHAQDA LEJN IL- FEDERAZZJONI:** Il-Kumitat ghandu jara li l- Ghaqda thallas klwalunkwe mizati dovuti minnha lill-Federazzjoni fiz- zmien stipulat, kif ukoll li tapplika ir- regolamenti kollha tal-Federazzjoni, kif stipulati f'dan l-Istatut, u li tforni lill- Federazzjoni bi kwalunkwe informazzjoni kif stipulat f' dan l- Istatut. L- Ghaqda ghandha tapplika ir-Regolamenti tal- wirjiet kif stipulati mill- Federazzjoni. L- Ghaqda ma tistax tissieheb f' ebda Assocjazzjoni jew Federazzjoni ohra.

37. **REGOLAMENTI TAL-WIRJIET:** Ir-Regolamenti tal- wirjiet ghandhom ikunu daww ir- Regolamenti kif approvati u emendati minn zmien ghall iehor mill- Kumitat, u kif approvati mill- Federazzjoni. Is-sidien u l- *handlers* tal-



klieb esebiti f'kull wirja organizzata mill- Ghaqda ghandhom ikunu membri mhallsa fiz-zmien tal- wirja. L-Ghaqda ma terfax responsabbilta ghall kwalunkwe korriment jew hsara kkagunati minn klieb fil- post tal- wirja, terzi persuni jew propjeta ohra. Is-sidien/*handlers* huma responsabbli mill- klieb taghom f'kull hin.

**LISTA TA' MEMBRI ONORARJI**

Kif riveduta fis-sena 2008

- ❖ CALLEJA Vincent \*
- ❖ CROSS George
- ❖ CUTAJAR Godwin \*
- ❖ FARRUGIA Gaetano
- ❖ FARRUGIA Mario
- ❖ FARRUGIA Martin
- ❖ MERECIECA Stephen \*
- ❖ MERECIECA Victor \*
- ❖ PACE Joe
- ❖ SANT FOURNIER Alfred \*

(\* *ELETTI AWTOAMATIKAMENT PERESS LI OKKUPAW IL- KARIGA TA' PRESIDENT - Regola li tnehhiet fit-2005*)

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## **THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY**

### **CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY**

**1. NAME.** -- The Society shall be called "THE MALTA CANINE SOCIETY".(The Society).

**2. OBJECTS.** -- The objects of the Society are:

- a) To promote in every way the general improvements of dogs.
- b) To keep a record of breed registrations.
- c) It endeavours in seeing that the rules of the said Society are adhered to during dog shows and in the running of competitions.
- d) If a rule is broken, the Society, after judgement, issues fines or alternatively, suspends or banishes.
- e) It arbitrates in controversial cases.
- f) It shall be affiliated to The Maltese National Canine Federation" (the Main Body, from now on referred to as The Federation).

**3. PATRON.** -- The Society may have a Patron.

**4. PRESIDENT.** -- There shall be a President who shall be elected by the members at a General Meeting and who shall remain in office for a period of three consecutive years.

**5. SECRETARY AND TREASURER.** -- There shall be a Secretary and a Treasurer who shall be elected by the members at a General Meeting. Both the Secretary and the Treasurer shall remain in office for a period of three consecutive years.

**6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS.** -- The election of ordinary members shall take place during the General Meeting and shall be by ballot. The Candidates that obtain the highest number of votes at the General Meeting will be elected on the Committee. In the case that the number of Candidates is not greater than the number of vacant posts on the Committee for which they are contesting, the election will not take place and they will be elected automatically. Ordinary Committee Members shall serve for a two year period. The candidate must be proposed and seconded by members of the Society who have at least one year's standing. The proposer and seconder warrant the eligibility of their candidate.

Membership is open to both men and women. Hereinafter the masculine gender shall include the feminine.

**7. HONORARY PRESIDENTS.** -- The Committee can elect Honorary Presidents during a Committee Meeting. Such Honorary Presidents shall be exempted from paying any subscriptions but nevertheless shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership except the right to vote at general meetings. The Committee shall have

the right to revise the list of honorary Presidents from time to time by confirming or deleting names of such Honorary Presidents. A two-thirds majority of the votes of the committee members present at the meeting is required to elect or delete an Honorary President.

**8. HONORARY MEMBERS.** -- The election of honorary members shall be vested in the Committee. Such members shall be exempted from paying any subscriptions but nevertheless shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership. The Committee shall have the right to revise the list of honorary members from time to time by confirming or deleting names of honorary members. A two-thirds majority of the votes of the committee members present at the meeting is required to elect or delete an honorary member. The members shall be informed every time a person is elected as an Honorary Member or when a person is removed from the Honorary Member's list.

**9A. MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.** -- The election of members of the Society shall be vested in the Committee and shall be by ballot. The applicant is required to receive a two-thirds majority of the votes of the Committee Members present at the meeting in which his name was submitted. No reason need be given to individuals for non-acceptance. The Applicant must be proposed and seconded by members of the Society who have at least one year's standing membership with the Society.

**9. TEMPORARY OVERSEAS MEMBERS.** -- Any member may introduce a person who must have an active interest in dogs as a temporary overseas member for any period not exceeding three calendar months in any one year. A temporary overseas member shall be entitled to social but to no other privileges or rights of membership.

**10. SUBSCRIPTIONS.** --

- a) The annual subscription for ordinary members shall be such sum, as the members shall determine from time to time at a general meeting. Present membership types and rates are:
  1. Single membership. (open for individuals over 18 years) - €19 per annum.
  2. Family membership (open for married couples and their children under the age of 18 years) - €26 per annum.
  3. Junior membership. (Individuals between the age of 10 to 18 years) €8.00 per annum
  4. Overseas members. (Foreign citizens living abroad) - €26 per annum.All such subscriptions shall become payable on the 1st January of each year. Those members who do not pay their subscription by the end of February of the year their membership is due, must re-apply for membership as new members.
- b) In special cases the Committee shall have power to remit the whole or part of a member's subscription.

**11. PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP.** -- An ordinary member's privileges shall include:

- a) The use of the Society's premises.

- b) A free copy of the M.C.S. Rules.
- c) Free copies of any quarterly or yearly publications published by the Society.

**12. MEMBERS' OBLIGATIONS.** -- As soon as the annual payment is made, which entitles the member to the advantages and privileges of the Society, it also obliges him to accept and adhere to the Society Rules.

**13. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS.** -- Any member who wishes to retire is obliged to inform the Secretary in writing by not later than the 15th December of the same year; otherwise he shall be liable to pay his subscription for the following year.

**14. SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBERS.** – If a member's conduct or behaviour infringes, in the Committee's opinion, these Rules, or is injurious to the good name of the Society, the Committee can, during a Committee meeting in which agenda is included the consideration of the member's behaviour, call a Committee meeting in which it shall process the disciplinary actions against the said member, who shall be notified in writing with the date, time and place of such meeting, and given the opportunity appear before the Committee to advance an explanation or defence. Two thirds of the Committee members must decide that disciplinary actions are taken against the said member by the Committee. If a member is found guilty of breach of these Regulations, or that his conduct, whether within the Society's premises or elsewhere is injurious to the good name of the Society, the Committee will have the right to suspend, fines and/or expel the said member.

The Committee shall have power to exclude the member from the Society's premises pending the hearing of the case against him.

A suspended member shall not be entitled to use the Society's premises nor attend any Society meeting nor vote at any election nor hold office during suspension, but he shall remain liable to pay his subscription.

The Committee shall inform immediately the Federation of any disciplinary actions taken against a member.

**14a. APPEAL.** -- Every member who is found guilty of breach of these Regulations in a disciplinary hearing has the right to appeal before the Federation, where he shall be subject to the Regulations as implemented by the Federation. The Appeal shall be lodged within 15 days from the date in which he was notified of the disciplinary actions taken against him.

**15. DISCIPLINE.** -- Where any person has been duly suspended or disqualified by the Federation will be automatically suspended from the Society. This also counts to any measures taken by the Federation which will be automatically implemented by the Society.

No member so expelled shall have any claim against the Society nor be entitled to repayment of any part of his subscription, and shall forthwith return to the Society any Cups or Trophies or other property that, being the property of the Society, are in his possession at the time of such expulsion.

**16. EFFECTS OF CEASING TO BE A MEMBER.** -- Any person shall, upon ceasing to be a member of the Society, forfeit all right to claim upon the Society and its facilities, property and funds.

**17. RESTRICTION OF MEMBERS.** -- No member shall:

- a) Use the Society's premises for the purpose of business, neither shall he allow his name, with the name of Society or its address attached, to appear in any advertisement or use the Society's address for the purpose of his profession or business. If any member should give the Society as his address in connection with any legal proceedings the Committee shall automatically invoke the provisions of Rule 14.
- b) Cause or permit publicity to be given to the press or television or other media concerning any of the Society's matter insofar as it relates to the management of the Society, the proceedings of any of the Society's meetings or disciplinary proceedings brought by the Society without the prior permission of the Committee.
- c) No member shall be eligible for election on the Committee unless he has a one year standing with the Society.
- d) No member shall be eligible to serve on the Committee who is already a committee member of any other "Kennel Club".
- e) Ordinary members must have a three months standing with the Society before being eligible to vote in General Meetings, or Extraordinary General Meetings.

**18. COMMITTEE.** --

- a) All the Society's disputes and power is carried by the Committee which comprises of a President, Vice- President, Secretary, Treasurer and from 2 to 4 members.
- b) Nominations of any new candidate must be signed by a member of the Society. No member may nominate more than one candidate for election. Nominations for election or intention for re-election must reach the Secretary at least 14 clear days before the General Meeting.
- c) Each member present at a committee meeting shall be entitled to one vote on each motion except in the case of an equality of votes the one presiding the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
- d) The subject matter of a resolution passed by a majority of members at a committee meeting shall not be reconsidered within three months of such a resolution being passed save for matters under Rule 14.

**19. MANAGEMENT.** -- The entire management and control of all affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to the elective Committee. The Committee shall have power to arbitrate in cases of dispute between members when asked by both parties to do so, and their decision in such cases shall be final. The Committee shall be entrusted to deal with any question relating to the management of the Society not provided for by these rules.

**20. GENERAL MEETING.** -- There shall be a General Meeting of the Society on the date fixed by the Committee not later than the 31st August at least Biennial (every two years) year for the following purposes:

- a) To receive a report from the Committee in respect of the Society's activities since the previous General Meeting.
- b) To receive and consider the Society's accounts for the preceding financial year and to receive the auditor's report.
- c) To elect the President, the Secretary and the Treasurer (if these offices are vacated).
- d) To elect the other members for the Committee.
- e) To discuss or decide any matter of general business duly submitted to the meeting.

The Federation shall be informed at least 15 days prior the meeting of the date, time, place and Agenda of the General Meeting, for which meeting the Federation shall have the right to send a representative as an observer.

**21. VACANT PLACES IN THE COMMITTEE.** -- When a place in the Committee is vacated during the official year it is taken by the candidate who obtained the highest number of votes and who was not elected in the last election. If the position of the President, the Secretary or the Treasurer is vacated the same would apply, but the member being co-opted must then submit his name for re-election in the next Annual General Meeting. Any member elected at The Annual General Meeting to fill an Officer's or an ordinary member's vacant post is to serve the remaining period of the respective three/two year term.

**22. OBLIGATIONS AND POWER OF THE COMMITTEE.** --

- a) The Committee may from time to time appoint such sub-committees as it may deem necessary to assist in the running of the business of the Society.
- b) The Committee may delegate any of its functions and powers to any sub-committee and may likewise at any time amend or revoke such delegates.
- c) The Committee calls a meeting whenever the need is felt.
- d) The President presides at every meeting. In his absence the Vice President takes his place. When both of these are absent the members that are present elect a Chairman to preside over that meeting.
- e) The President has the right to call a committee meeting or else at the wish of at least three Committee Members. In all the committee meetings when all the members' votes are equal, the one who is presiding has the right to a "Casting Vote" besides his original vote.
- f) Three Members of the Committee shall be deemed to form a quorum at any committee meeting.
- g) The Secretary and Treasurer attend and keep the minutes of every Committee meeting. Together with the President they run the club. In every meeting the Secretary forwards an account of the minutes of the previous meeting, all correspondence and all matters of interest that took place after the last meeting. The Treasurer is in charge to collect all subscriptions and other payments. He has the authority to pay any expenses incurred. He is required to make an administrative and financial report of the Society and these are to be presented in the committee meeting which takes place before the Annual General Meeting.
- h) The Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer act instead of the Secretary and Treasurer when these are not present, and they also help when the need arises.



- i) The Committee can invite any person or persons whether members of the Society or not to attend any meeting to assist the Committee or sub-committee but such person shall not be entitled to vote.
- j) If any Committee member shall fail to attend three Committee Meetings running without furnishing a satisfactory reason, he shall be deemed to have resigned from the Committee, and his place shall be filled by co-opting another member in accordance with Rule 21.

**23. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS.** -- The Committee may by circular call an Extraordinary General Meeting at any time and shall call a meeting upon the requisition addressed to the Secretary and signed by not fewer than 30 members. Members shall receive 14 days notice in writing of an Extraordinary General Meeting. In the event of the Committee failing to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting within 14 days of the receipt by the Secretary of a requisition for such meeting, the requisitionists may call an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held not later than 28 days after the deposit of the requisition with the Secretary.

**23a. EMERGENCY GENERAL MEETING.** – The Committee can call for an Emergency General Meeting at any time. The members shall receive a written notice upto 7 days before the date of the meeting, or can be adviced of such meeting by means of adverts on the local media.

The Federation shall be informed at least 7 days prior the meeting of the date, time, place and Agenda of the Emergency General Meeting, for which meeting the Federation shall have the right to send a representative as an observer.

**24. RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS AT GENERAL MEETINGS.** -- The subject matter of any resolution passed by a majority of members at a General Meeting shall be implemented with immediate effect, given that the Federation was notified with the said resolution accordingly. In any case where a Resolution is amended during a General Meeting, this can not take effect until the Federation has been notified and given approval for such amendments to the Resolution. Any Resolution or Motion approved by the members at a General Meeting shall not be reconsidered until the next but one General Meeting of members.

**25. QUORUM AT GENERAL MEETINGS.** –The quorum for a General Meeting shall be that of 30 members. However, if after 30 minutes from the time scheduled for the General Meeting the quorum is not reached, the meeting shall proceed irrespectively of the number of members present..

**26. VOTING AT GENERAL MEETINGS.** -- Each honorary member and ordinary member at a general meeting shall be entitled to one vote on each motion, except the chairman of the meeting who shall have a casting vote only.

**27. TRUSTEES.** -- The property of the Society shall be vested in Trustees, who shall be appointed by the Committee.

**28. ANNUAL REPORT.** -- An Annual Report, together with the names of the Committee Members shall be printed and supplied to all members. The Annual Abstract of Accounts, duly audited, shall be open to the inspection of all members of the Society.

**29. BANK ACCOUNT.** -- A Bank Account shall be opened in the name of the Society into which all revenue of the Society shall be paid and from which withdrawals shall only be made on the signature of two or more Committee members, one of whom shall be the Treasurer.

**30. AUDITOR.** -- An auditor to be appointed by the Committee to audit all accounts being presented at every Annual General Meeting.

**31. DISPOSAL OF ASSETS.** -- In the event of the Society, for any reason, ceasing to exist, any Cups or Trophies donated by persons who cannot be contacted shall, if necessary to pay off debts, be released. The remaining Cups and Trophies shall be returned to the donors, any balance remaining being given to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

**32. DISPUTES.** -- The Malta Canine Society acknowledges The Maltese National Canine Federation as the final Court of Appeal in all cases of disputes.

**33. AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.** -- The Constitution and Rules of the Society may be amended by the Committee during a General Meeting, notice of which is to be given to members by means of a circular stating the nature of the proposals to be discussed. Notice must be given at least 14 days prior to the meeting.

**34. NEW RULES.**-- All new rules, or alterations to the existing Rules, or the reversal of any act or decision, shall be made at a General or Extraordinary General Meeting, and shall be notified to all members as soon as possible after such meeting. Such new Rules or alterations of existing Rules, or reversal of the former act or decision, shall not be adopted unless they receive the sanctions of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting.

Such new Rules or alterations shall not be brought into force if the Maltese National Canine Federation has not been notified of such changes before the said meeting.

**35. INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES.** -- If any question or dispute arises as to the meaning or interpretation of the Rules, the matter must be submitted to the Committee for a ruling thereon. The decision of the Federation in the interpretation of all Rules must be considered as final.

**36. DUTY OF THE SOCIETY TOWARDS THE FEDERATION:**  
The Committee must ensure that the Society pays subscriptions and any other fees due to be payed to the Federation in due time, , and also to impliment all the regulations of the Federation, as stipulated in this Statute. Show regulations must be approved by the Federation. The Society cannot join any other Association or Federation.

**37. DOG SHOWS REGULATIONS.** -- Show Regulations shall be those regulations as approved and amended from time to time by the Committee. Owners or handlers of dogs being exhibited at any show organised by the Society must be fully paid up members at the time of the show. The Society will not be liable for any injury

or damage caused by any dog at the show venue to any other dog, person or property. Owners should be responsible for their dogs at all times.

**LIST OF HONORARY MEMBERS  
(As revised in 2008)**

- ❖ CALLEJA Vincent \*
- ❖ CROSS George
- ❖ CUTAJAR Godwin \*
- ❖ FARRUGIA Gaetano
- ❖ FARRUGIA Mario
- ❖ FARRUGIA Martin
- ❖ MERCIECA Stephen \*
- ❖ MERCIECA Victor \*
- ❖ PACE Joe
- ❖ SANT FOURNIER Alfred \*

*(\* ELECTED AUTOMATICALLY FOR SERVING AS PRESIDENT – Rule abolished in 2005)*