



Bylaws

§1 Name, company headquarters, non-profit status, financial year and languages

- 1) The association bears the name Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSVglobal Registered Association)
- 2) The association has its headquarters in D-34346 Hann. Münden and is entered in the register of associations in Göttingen.
- 3) The association exclusively and directly pursues charitable purposes in the sense of the "tax-privileged purposes" section of the German Tax Code. The association is altruistically active. It does not pursue economic purposes of its own. Funds of the Association may only be used for the purposes set out in the Bylaws. The members do not receive any allowances from funds of the association. No person may be favored by expenses not in line with the purpose of the Association, or by disproportionately high remuneration. All office holders of the Association are basically active on a voluntary basis.
- 4) The financial year equals the calendar year.
- 5) The official languages are German and English, in case of doubt the German version shall apply.

§2 Purpose and tasks of the association

- 1) The Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSVglobal Registered Association) is a worldwide association of clubs for the training and use of German Shepherds in order to ensure their preservation.

This corresponds to the philosophy of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSVglobal Registered Association) registered association in Germany.

- 2) The Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSVglobal Registered Association) strives for a cooperation agreement with the FCI to fulfil its purpose and tasks.

This cooperation agreement is intended to create consensual arrangements for:

- Judge allocation
- Appointment protection allocation
- Pedigree recognition / validation
- Recognition of examinations (performance, sighting, licensing, etc.)
- Recognition of health profiles
- Recognition of DNA Profiles
- Participate in the FCI World Cup

- 3) The main goals and tasks of the association are worldwide:

- Training standardization

- Validation of utility dog qualities
 - Validation of the examiner (LCC, judge)
 - Knowledge sharing
 - Information on infrastructure and cynological associations in the individual national associations.
- 4) In terms of communication the association uses:
- the webpage of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSVglobal Registered Association) in connection with the webpage and the connected database of the German Shepherd Dog RSV2000 registered association.
 - Conference meetings
 - Events

§ 3 Bylaws and regulations

- 1) The Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. regulates its activities in accordance with this charter.
- 2) In the absence of a regulation, the charters and regulations of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association) registered association in Germany shall apply, with the exception of the fee and honorary council regulations, which each member association shall determine itself.

§ 4 Organizational structure, membership

- 1) There are two types of members:
 - National member clubs of the States
 - Cooperative member associations at regional level
- 2) The member clubs undertake to maintain or further develop the characteristics of the German Shepherd dog in the sense of the definition of utility dog (article 2 of the statutes of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association) worldwide.
- 3) Associations from any land can join the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V., who look after German Shepherd dogs according to the philosophy of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association) .

Prerequisites are:

 - a. membership in the FCI through the respective national umbrella organization or proof that this membership is pursued
 - b. Naming of the member clubs according to the following regulation:
 - For Germany: Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association)
 - For foreign national member clubs: Schäferhundverein RSVglobal supplemented with the name of the country
 - For cooperative member associations at regional level: Schäferhundverein RSVglobal supplemented with the name of the region or place
 - d. the addition of a charter in accordance with the model charter of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V.
 - e. the provision of requested data of the association for the executive committee of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V.
- 4) The application for admission and the required documents must be submitted to the President of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V.
- 5) The Executive Committee of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. decides on the admission.
- 6) Associations which do not yet meet the admission requirements can be cooperative members of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. for a transitional period. They have the right to stand for election and can participate in meetings with their seat but without the right to vote.

- 7) Membership termination:
 - a) can be initiated via written declaration of resignation with a notice period of six months to the end of the year. The right of termination applies to both parties and does not require any justification.
 - b) may be effected by cancellation of membership by resolution of the Presidium in case of repeated violations of the Statutes or if no membership fee has been paid despite a reminder.
- 8) Upon termination of membership, the assets are transferred to the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association).

§ 5 Membership fee

- 1) National and Cooperative Member Associations pay a one-time admission fee. The amount is determined by the Presidium.
- 2) Each national and cooperative member association pays a base fee per member to the account of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. The amount of the basic fee is determined by the Executive Board of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany upon proposal of the Presidium of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V.
- 3) Each regular member of a national or cooperative member association must be at least a supporting member of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. Members of the Board must be full members of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany.

§ 6 Bodies of the association:

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- 1) The Executive Committee
- 2) The delegates meeting

§ 7 Executive Committee

- 1) The executive committee consists of six vote entitled persons:
 - a) The president is the Head of Training and Breeding of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. (German Shepherd Club RSV2000 Registered Association) in Germany. In the event of a tied vote during voting, his vote shall be decisive.
 - b) Two further persons of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany. The executive board of RSV2000 in Germany appoints them.
 - c) The Assembly of Delegates elects three persons from member clubs, who should be LCC or organizer.
 - d) Assessors without voting rights are the management of the office of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany.
- 2) The members of the Executive Committee regulate the business areas among themselves.
- 3) Executive Committee members must be members of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany.
- 4) The Executive Committee regulates the current business of the Association, decides on applications for admission and takes other decisions, unless they are expressly reserved for the Assembly of Delegates.
- 5) In urgent cases, the executive committee is authorized to take decisions, which are reserved for the Assembly of Delegates. In these cases, the approval of the Assembly of Delegates must be requested at the meeting following this decision.
- 6) Resolutions may also be passed electronically by written procedure.

- 7) The term of office of the executive committee is 6 years. Reelection is possible. The respective committee remains in office until the new election.
- 8) The President of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. plus one member of the executive committee are entitled to represent the association within the meaning of the law.

§ 8 Delegates Meeting

- 1) Delegates meeting must be held at least every 3 years as ordinary meetings of delegates at the invitation of the President.
- 2) The invitation with announcement of the agenda should be issued at least 8 weeks in advance.
- 3) Delegates:
 - a. National member clubs delegate the chairman and another person appointed by him.
 - b. Cooperative member clubs delegate the chairman and another person appointed by him
 - c. The Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. delegates 2 LCC appointed by the Executive Committee.
 - d. Executive committee of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V.
- 4) Delegates can back-up each other.
- 5) The President chairs the Meeting of Delegates. He may delegate the leadership.
- 6) The Meeting of Delegates passes its resolutions with a simple majority of the delegates present and the valid votes cast. Abstentions are not taken into consideration. A 2/3 majority is required for changing the bylaws.
- 7) A 9/10 majority is required to dissolve the Association. In the event of a tie, the President has the casting vote.

§ 9 Responsibilities of the Meeting of Delegates

1. The Assembly of Delegates is responsible for:
 - The acceptance of the activity report of the executive committee, including the financial report. The cash auditors of the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany audit the cash register.
 - The discharge of the Executive Committee
 - The election of the three foreign Executive Committee members
 - Changes to the Bylaws
 - The dissolution of the association
 - The dismissal from office of a member of the Executive Committee for good cause
2. Meeting minutes are to be taken from the resolutions of the general meeting, which are to be signed by the chairman of the meeting and the keeper of the minutes. These minutes contain
 - Place and time of the assembly
 - Chairman of the meeting and keeper of the minutes
 - The number of members present
 - The agenda
 - The individual voting results and

- The type of the vote
- In the case of amendments to the charter, the text of the amended provisions should be recorded in the minutes.

§ 10 Execution of a world championship

- 1) The association organizes a world championship (**RSV WM**) every year.

The organization of the championship shall be delegated to national associations.

§ 11 Final provisions

- 1) In individual cases, agreements with member associations may deviate from the provisions of these statutes if the conditions in these countries are such that compliance with the regulations is imperative. The President in consultation with the executive committee in this regard makes the decision.
- 2) In the event of dissolution of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. or if the tax-privileged purpose of the Schäferhundverein RSVglobal e.V. ceases to apply, the assets available at that time shall fall to the Schäferhundverein RSV2000 e.V. in Germany, which shall use them directly and exclusively for non-profit, charitable or ecclesiastical purposes.

These Bylaws were adopted by the meeting of delegates on July 12th, 2020.

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