

## STATUTES ®

The club named «Club du Chat des Chartreux» hereby agrees to promote the interests of the breeder members having signed the Charter and acting in compliance therewith.

## ARTICLE 1 - FOUNDATION; NAME; MEMBERSHIP OF THE FEDERATION FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE OFFICIAL FELINE ORIGINS STUDBOOK (LOOF)

In accordance with the decisions of the founding general assembly of 8 October 1984 (modified by the extraordinary general assemblies of 2 OCTOBER 2005, 11 OCTOBER 2009, 3 OCTOBER 2014, 23 SEPTEMBER 2016 and 15 NOVEMBER 2018) the signatories of these statutes have founded an association governed by the law of 1 July 1901 and its subsequent versions and named: « CLUB DU CHAT DES CHARTREUX » (CCC)

The Club is a member of the Federation for the management of the Official Feline Origins Studbook (LOOF) from the moment of its approval by the Board of the LOOF.
Acknowledgement of this membership shall appear in all official documents and means of communication, including the Club's website.
The Club's members acknowledge that the contents of articles 1,2 and 3 provide the basic condition for membership of the Federation for the management of the Official Feline Origins Studbook (LOOF).

## ARTICLE 2 -THE CLUB'S PURPOSE IS :

1. To participate in managing the standard of the breed Chat des Chartreux in cooperation with the statutory management bodies of LOOF as well as the Standards and Breeding Plan Committee and, in case there are issues regarding health or ethics (welfare) to be dealt with, the Scientific Council also.

The breed standards are laid down avoiding anatomical, physiological and behavioural characteristics so as not to endanger the health and welfare of the offspring or parents, in accordance with article 5 of the European Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals.

The LOOF standards must be in agreement with the international standards (FIFe) and, if possible, shall give preference to the standard of the country from where the breed originated.
2. To participate in the selection of the breed Chat des Chartreux by setting up :

- The examination of conformity
- Breed specials
- The LOOF reproducer qualification system (SQR)
- A management policy for possible genetic diseases inherent to the breed as requested by the breed clubs.

3. To promote the breed and provide information to the public and to potential purchasers as well as to the cat world in general (breeders, judges, other clubs).
« ${ }^{1}$ Article 5 of the European Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals : «Any person who selects a pet animal for breeding shall be responsible for having regard to the anatomical, physiological and behavioural characteristics which are likely to put at risk the health and welfare of either the offspring or the female parent.» -Strasbourg, 13 November 1987 ».

## ARTICLE 3 - LOOF MEMBERSHIP

As a member of LOOF, the Club agrees :

1. To approve, respect and implement the clubs' specific tasks and follow the development thereof.
2. In compliance with article 10 of the LOOF statutes, to provide the federation annually with the official minutes of the general assembly indicating the number of fully paid-up members, breeders or owners of the breed, which will determine the number of delegates allowed to attend the federation's general assembly.

## ARTICLE 4 - THE CLUB'S GOAL

Since its foundation on 8 October 1984, the goal of the association named «CLUB DU CHAT DES CHARTREUX » is to :

- Bring together breeders and amateurs of Chats des Chartreux;
- Encourage the breeding and the selection of Chats des Chartreux so that the breed may stay in keeping with the description given to it by the French naturalists of the 18th and 19th centuries;
- Put a halt to harmful cross-breeding;
- Check the cats' origins;
- Organise presentations, exhibitions and conferences.


## ARTICLE 5 - HEAD OFFICE AND DURATION

The Club's head office is at 52 avenue de l'Aqueduc, 91170 Viry-Châtillon, France.
It can be changed to any other place upon decision of the Board.
The duration of the association is illimited.

## ARTICLE 6 - MEMBERS

The association is made up of founding members, active members who are breeders of Chats des Chartreux and benefactor members. It also has honorary members.
The founding members must be breeders of Chats des Chartreux.

## ARTICLE 7 - ADMISSION

To become an active breeder member or a benefactor member it is necessary :

1) To obtain approval by the Board with the votes of the majority of the members present or represented by proxy. In case of approval, the admission will only become final following a probational period of 24 months.
During this period the probational member will have the same rights as the other members.
The admission will become final upon decision of the Board.
The President will inform the person concerned of the decision.
The Board may decide to extend the probational period.
In the case of applications from previous breeder members the probational period may, upon decision of the Board, be reduced or no longer requested.
2) To pay an annual fee fixed by the Board, which currently amounts to:

- $30 €$ (thirty Euros) for active breeder members
- $35 €$ (thirty-five Euros) or more for benefactor members
$-40 €$ (forty Euros) or more for couples

The fee to be paid by founding members shall be at least equal to the fee paid by active breeder members.

## ARTICLE 8 - HONORARY MEMBERS :

The title «honorary member» may be given to persons having promoted the purpose of the association by means of moral or financial assistance.

## ARTICLE 9 - TERMINATION

Membership can be ended by :

1. A written letter of resignation to the President
2. If the annual fee has not been paid within three months of its due date
3. By expulsion for a serious offence, upon decision (majority vote) of the Board effective two weeks following notification by registered mail with recorded delivery asking for an explication (either written or oral).
4. If the probational period has not been passed satisfactorily.

## ARTICLE 10-ASSETS

The Club's assets include :

- The member fees
- Any subventions that might be received
- The income from its assets : the Club's website, books


## ARTICLE 11 - ADMINISTRATION

- The Club is governed by a Board made up of at least four and at the most eight members, elected by the General Assembly for the duration of 4 years.
- Only persons having been members of the General Assembly for at least 3 years can be elected.
- No family or other ties may exist between the members of the Board.
- For the first 4-year period the Board shall be constituted by the members designated in the declaration made to the Police Prefecture. If their number does not reach eight the Board my choose additional members up to that number.
- In case of vacancies the Board shall replace its members.
- Current members shall be re-electable.
- Following the first 4-year period, half of the Board shall be renewed every two years according to a system established by drawing lots.
- The General Assembly deciding on the renewal of the Board shall be held during the four last months of the year.
- Applications to become Board members shall be addressed to the President by June 1st at the latest. All candidates must have duly paid their fees.
- A voting sheet with the list of all the candidates shall be enclosed in the invitation to the General Assembly. Club members who cannot attend the General Assembly may vote by correspondence. To do this they must put their voting sheet in a sealed, neutral envelope, otherwise it will not be considered valid. This envelope shall be placed within a second envelope bearing the member's surname, first name, address and signature.
- Votes by correspondence shall be sent to the address indicated in the invitation to the General Assembly. The envelopes are given to the President who, upon acknowledgement of receipt, shall open and place them in the voting box immediately.
- The candidates having received most votes shall be elected within the limit of the positions available provided they have obtained the majority of the votes of the members present or represented by proxy.


## DELEGATES ABROAD :

- Delegates abroad shall be appointed by the Board for a duration of 2 years.
- There shall be only one delegate per country represented within the Club.
- The delegate may propose a substitute to the Board.
- The substitute shall be bound by the same conditions as his or her delegate
- The delegate shall reside in the country represented or in one of the countries belonging to the geographical area it represents.
- The role of the delegate shall be to consult and represent.
- The delegate may be given a mission by the Club's President.
- The delegate acts within his or her region and shall report to the President, who is the legal representative of the
- CCC.
- The delegate may resign by informing the President of such decision in writing (by regular or electronic mail). The President shall inform the Board of such decision.
- The Board may expell the delegate in case of inactivity, lacking morals, disrespect of the purposes of CCC or activities contrary to the Club's policy.
- The President shall inform the delegate by registered mail with recorded delivery or by a similar procedure applied in the delegate's country of residence.


## ARTICLE 12 - THE BUREAU

The Board shall elect a Bureau from among its members, including :

- A President
- A Vice President
- A General Secretary
- An Assistant General Secretary
- A Treasurer
- An Assistant Treasurer

The Bureau may add as many Secretaries as deemed necessary.
The Bureau shall be elected for the duration of two years.
The members of the Bureau may be re-elected.
For the first period of two years the members of the Bureau shall be as designated in the declaration addressed to the Police Prefecture.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF LOOF / FIFE OUTPOSTS

Representatives of bodies linked to LOOF and FIFE shall be designated by the Board for a period of two years. Their mission is to ensure the functioning of these bodies and manage the relations with the two Federations.

## ARTICLE 13 - HOW THE BOARD WORKS

Board meetings shall be called by the Presidents and take place at the Club's headquarters or in any other place indicated in the invitation or upon the request of at least one half of the Club's members.
At least half of the members must be present, either personally or represented by proxy, for the decisions taken by the Board to be valid.

Minutes shall be taken at each Board meeting.
The minutes shall be signed by the President and the Treasurer, or the Vice President or the Secretary.
Decisions shall be valid if taken by the majority of the voters present or represented by proxy.
The same rules regarding the calling of, presence at and majority votes apply to the meetings and decisions taken by the Bureau

In case of three consecutive absences that are unjustified or can be given no valid excuse the Board member shall be expelled from the Board.

## ARTICLE 14 : REMUNERATION

All functions of the Board and Bureau members shall be carried out free of charge.

## ARTICLE 15 : FINANCES

The President or the Treasurer shall acknowledge receipt of the fees paid by the members and the purchases made on the Club's website.

## ARTICLE 16 - ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Ordinary General Assembly shall be held at least once every two years.
The members shall receive a written invitation or be invited by any other means deemed useful by the Bureau.
At least one tenth of the members shall be present at the Assembly.
If this percentage is not reached the meeting shall be postponed by two weeks without further notice.
At the next meeting the decisions taken by the Assembly shall be valid regardless of the number of members present.
The agenda is set up by the Board upon the proposal of its President.
The Bureau is the same as that of the Board.
Decisions shall be taken by a majority vote of the members present or represented by proxy. The General Assembly shall hear the reports regarding the Club's ethics and financial situation, approve the end-year closure of the accounts, decide the matters on the agenda and vote on the renewal of the term of office of the Board members.

## ARTICLE 17 - EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Any modification of the Club's statutes or the dissolution thereof shall be considered only if having been proposed by the Board or by one tenth of the Club members and submitted to the Bureau at least one month before the meeting.
The Extraordinary General Assembly called especially for this purpose shall be made up of at least a quarter of the active members. If the percentage is not reached the Assembly shall be called again, but at least two weeks later, and this time the decisions shall be taken regardless of the number of members present of represented by proxy..

In any case the Club's dissolution or the modification of its statutes shall only be decided by a majority vote of two thirds of the members present or represented by proxy.

## ARTICLE 18 - INTERNAL REGULATION

An internal regulation prepared by the Board and approved by the General Assembly shall define the detailed conditions for ensuring the implementation of these statutes.

## ARTICLE 19 - DISSOLUTION

In case the Club should be dissolved, either voluntarily or for statutory reasons of by decision of the law, any existing assets shall be passed on in accordance with article 9 of the Law of 1 July 1901.
With the exception of assets covered by agreements for their recovery signed at the time when they were provided, the Club's assets shal be passed on to another association with no profit-making purpose.

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