



CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES

1. **TITLE:** The name of the club shall be the "Jumping Owners Club with FEI", hereafter referred to as the Club, which is to be constituted as an association under Swiss law.
2. **OBJECTS:**
 - a. To foster interest in the discipline of Jumping.
 - b. To provide members with information, advice and assistance on matters connected with the Jumping discipline in general.
 - c. To arrange discussions and meetings.
 - d. To afford members such benefits and privileges as it may be possible to arrange.
 - e. To represent the interests of owners of jumping horses to the equestrian community and the FEI.
3. **CONSTITUTION:** Men and women of not less than 18 years of age shall be eligible for membership.
4. **MANAGEMENT:** The authority and responsibility for the transaction of the business of the Club for its management shall be vested in a committee, which, in addition to the powers and authorities by these rules expressly conferred on them, may exercise all powers and do all acts in furtherance of the objects for which the Club is established, other than those hereby expressly directed or required to be exercised or done by the Club in General Meeting. Only members of the Committee may negotiate with the FEI.
5. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** The Chairman of the Club, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Committee Members shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. Positions are to be held for a period of four years and a staggering system will be put in place for re-election or replacement. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt other members as they deem necessary. The retiring officers and other members of the Committee shall be re-eligible for election.
6. **COMMITTEE:** The Committee shall consist of not less than five members,

including the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and FEI representative. Three of the members shall form a quorum. Nomination of Candidates for election to the Committee must be received by the Chairman not less than seven days before the Annual General Meeting, with an intimation in writing signed by each Member nominated that he or she is willing to serve. Nominations of Candidates shall be signed by the Member proposing them.

7. MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE: The Committee shall meet whenever summoned by the Chairman who may convene a meeting of his/her own accord or shall do so by direction of the Chairman, or on a resignation signed by one half of the Committee.
8. BANKING: All moneys of the Club shall be banked by the Treasurer in the name of the Club, and no disbursement shall be made there from except in accordance with the forms or form authorised by the Committee.
9. ELECTION OF MEMBERS: Application of Candidates for Membership of the Club shall be submitted to the Committee by the Chairman and the election of such candidates shall be at the discretion of the Committee. The name and address of the candidate and the names of his proposer and seconder, being members of the Club, shall be stated on each application submitted to the Committee, provided that in the case of a candidate who knows no member of the Club, the Committee shall be empowered to carry out the election after proper enquiries.
10. VOTING AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Each Member present at a meeting of the Committee shall be entitled to exercise one vote. The Chairman shall not vote except in the exercise of a casting vote. The Committee shall vote by ballot if any member present so demands. A vote of one third against any applicant for membership shall exclude him/her from membership.
11. SUBSCRIPTION: Subscriptions shall be set at the A.G.M. for the following year.
12. PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTION: Subscriptions shall be annual and shall be paid once annually by signed Bankers Order.
13. NEW MEMBERS: Any member who has been notified of his election and who fails to pay his subscription within one month of such notification shall be again requested by the Chairman or Treasurer to pay the same, and, if he/she fails to make payment within fourteen days thereafter, his/her election shall be ipso facto, null and void. No newly elected member shall be entitled to any of the privileges of membership until after the payment of his first subscription.
14. NON-PAYMENT: Any member of the Club who has not paid his subscription within two clear months of the date on which it became due shall be notified of the fact by the Chairman or the Treasurer and one month thereafter any member who has still failed to pay his/her subscription may, unless sufficient

reason be shown to the satisfaction of the Committee, be taken off the Register of Members forthwith. No member whose subscription is in arrears shall be eligible to take part in any activities promoted by the Club.

15. RESIGNATION: Any member wishing to resign his membership shall give notice in writing of such desire to the Chairman on or before the date of the following A.G.M., otherwise he/she shall be liable to pay his/her subscription for the ensuing year. Also any member ceasing voluntarily or otherwise to be a Member of the Club, shall thereafter cease to have any claims upon the property of the Club, or to enjoy any of the privileges of membership, but he/she shall remain liable for payment of any of his/her debts due to the Club.
16. USE OF CLUB NAME AND ADDRESS: The name and address of the Club shall not be given by a member as his/her address for any trade, advertising or business purposes or in connection with any legal proceedings.
17. EXPULSION OF MEMBERS: It shall be the duty of the Committee if at any time they shall be of the opinion that the interests of the Club so require by letter to invite any member to withdraw from the Club within a time specified in such letter, and in default of such withdrawal to submit the question of his expulsion to a meeting of the Committee to be held within six weeks after the date of such letter. Members of the Committee shall be given at least seven days notice that a question of withdrawal or expulsion is to be discussed at a meeting of the Committee. The Member whose expulsion is under consideration shall be given at least seven days notice of such a meeting and shall be allowed to offer an explanation of his/her conduct verbally or in writing, and if two thirds of the Members present shall then vote for his/her expulsion he/she shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Club.
18. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held upon a date and a time to be fixed by the Committee. The Annual General Meeting shall:
 - a. Receive from the Committee a full statement of accounts duly audited showing the receipts and expenditure for the year.
 - b. Receive from the Committee a report of the activities of the Club during the said year.
 - c. Elect the Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Treasurer of the Club.
 - d. Elect the Committee. The Committee shall be composed of minimum five and maximum ten members. Members are elected for four years and are then replaced or re-elected. Order of re-election and/or replacement will be decided by ballot. The FEI representative will be selected by the FEI.
 - e. Decide on any solution which may be submitted to the meeting as hereafter provided.
 - f. Approve the accounts of the previous calendar year and budgets of the

current year (January to December).

19. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS: A special General Meeting may be convened by the direction of the Committee, or on a requisition to the Chairman stating the business for which the Special General Meeting is required and signed by not less than three members. If the Meeting so requisitioned be not convened within twenty-one days, the said three members may convene such meeting. Three members shall form a quorum. At least fourteen days notice of all General Meetings shall be given, but the non receipt of such notice by any member shall not invalidate the proceeding.
20. AGENDA: When members wish a matter to be discussed at a General Meeting the text of such matter signed by at least two members shall be sent to the Chairman at least seven days before the date of such meeting, so that it may be included in the Agenda. A copy of the Agenda shall be sent to each member at least three days prior to the meeting, but the fact that any member has not received a copy of the agenda shall not invalidate the proceedings. No business which is not included in the Agenda shall be discussed at the meeting unless every member present is in favour thereof. Should the proposer of any motion fail to move a resolution in respect of the relevant item on the Agenda then any other Member shall be entitled to do so.
21. VOTING: The Chairman shall not vote except in the exercise of a casting vote. At all General Meetings, except as provided in Rule 24, a majority of votes decide a resolution. At any General Meeting one third of the Members may demand a poll, and thereupon the meeting shall adjourn to a time and a place to be named by the Chairman, and a postal vote shall be given to all Members of the Club. The decision of the Members, as shown by such postal vote, shall be reported to the adjourned meeting, and shall be deemed to be the decision of such meeting.
22. RIGHT TO BE PRESENT: No one can take part in General Meetings unless he/she has been duly elected as a Member of the Club, and has paid his/her subscription according to these Statutes.
23. OBSERVANCE AND INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES: Every Member binds himself to abide by the Statutes of the Club, and also by any modifications thereof made in conformity with such Statutes, and also to accept as final and binding the decision of the Committee in all cases of dispute or disagreement as to the interpretation of these Statutes.
24. ALTERATION TO STATUTES: Any alteration to these Statutes may be made by a General Meeting provided:
 - a. Details of the proposed alteration or alterations are included in the notice of the General Meeting.
 - b. The resolution proposing such alteration(s) is carried by two thirds of those

present and voting at such General Meeting or by two thirds of those voting should a poll be demanded as provided for in Statute 21.

25. COPIES OF STATUTES: Every Member shall be furnished with a copy of the Statutes and Regulations on election.
26. DISSOLUTION: The Club may be dissolved by a special General Meeting convened by direction of the Committee, or on the requisition of the majority of members. If the resolution of dissolution be duly passed, the Committee shall forthwith liquidate the affairs of the Club. If there be any surplus assets on realisation, these shall be disposed of at the discretion of the Committee.

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