

Constitution and Rules of
PERTSHIRE CANINE CLUB

1. The Club shall be designated Perthshire Canine Club referred to in these Rules as the Club. The Club shall have as its objects the promotion of the interests of all dogs and the encouragement of responsible dog owners, breeders and exhibitors, and to endeavour to hold at least two shows per year.
2. The Club shall consist of an unlimited number of members whose names and addresses shall be entered in a register kept by the Secretary. If requested a list of members shall be made available for inspection by The Kennel Club and the members of the Club. Application for membership shall be made to the Secretary. Each member shall be entitled to one vote. Junior membership shall be available up to 16 years of age without voting rights. Joint membership shall be available to husbands and wives or bona-fide partners. Each member of a joint membership is entitled to one vote. Only fully paid up members shall be eligible to take part in the management of the Club. The Annual Subscription for members shall be decided at the Annual General Meeting.
3. The Club may elect Patrons, Honorary Presidents and Honorary Vice-Presidents. The Officers of the Club shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined.
4. The affairs of the Club shall be managed by the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer (all of whom shall be ex-officio members of the Committee) and a Committee of not more than 16 members. The Chairman shall have a casting vote. These officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall meet as often as is decided necessary. No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Committee unless a quorum of members is present when the meeting proceeds to business, 9 members present shall be a quorum.
The whole Committee shall retire annually but are eligible for re-election. In the event of any vacancy in the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer or on the Committee by death, resignation, or otherwise occurring after the Annual General Meeting, the Committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.
5. No person whilst an undischarged bankrupt may serve on the Committee or hold any office or appointment within a Kennel Club registered Society.
6. (a) Club Bank Account
A Bank Account shall be opened in the name of the Club at such Bank as the Committee may decide. All revenue received shall be placed in the Bank Account in the name of the Club. The Committee shall nominate three from the four Office Bearers of the Club (one of which shall be the Treasurer), together with one member from the Committee, to be signatories on the Club Bank Account. The Club Bank Account shall be operated by the signatures of any two of those four elected. If, however, two of the nominated signatories are related as spouse, partner or parent/child then they shall not be signatories together.
(b) Club Accounts and Financial Records
Details of the Club's Accounts and Financial Records shall be kept by the Treasurer. Certification of Accounts must be carried out by one qualified accountant or two individuals with accountancy experience. Those undertaking the certification must be independent from those who prepare the Accounts. These persons shall be appointed at each Annual General Meeting and shall certify the Club Accounts for the ensuing year before the next Annual General Meeting, for presentation to members at the Annual General Meeting and at times to be stipulated in the rule of the Club. A copy of the Annual Statement of Accounts for the last financial year will be made available to any paid up member of the Club upon written request, or by email, from such member, this being

received by the Secretary of the Club at least 14 days prior to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting. If such written request is made for a hard copy of said Accounts, an appropriately stamped, addressed envelope must be provided with such request.

7. The Annual General Meeting shall be held not later than the last day of May with not less than fourteen days notice being given to members by announcement on the Perthshire Canine Club's Website.
The Purpose of the Annual General Meeting shall be:
To receive reports from the Secretary and Treasurer and the Certified Balance Sheet for the previous year which, for the purposes of finance, shall be 1st January to 31st December.
To elect officers and to discuss any other resolutions duly placed on the Agenda of which notice had been given in writing to the Secretary at least fourteen clear days prior to the date of the meeting.
All elections to office shall be decided by a ballot.
No business shall be transacted at the Annual General Meeting unless notice thereof appears on the Agenda with the exception of routine matters or those which, in the opinion of the Chairman of the Meeting are competent.
The Agenda shall be available at the Meeting.
8. The Officers acknowledge that during the month of January, each year, the Maintenance of Title fee shall be forwarded to The Kennel Club by the Secretary for the continuance of Registration and that by 31st July, each year, other returns as stipulated in Kennel Club Regulations for the Registration and Maintenance of Title of Societies and Breed Councils and the Affiliation of Agricultural Societies and Municipal Authorities will be forwarded to The Kennel Club.
The Officers also acknowledge their duty to inform The Kennel Club of any change of Secretary which may occur during the course of the year.
9. On requisition being made to the President by 20 ordinary members of the Club, the President shall call a Special General Meeting of the Club. In calling a Special General Meeting, not less than fourteen days notice shall be given by means of an announcement in 'Dog World' and 'Our Dogs'. No business other than that named in the notice shall be brought before a Special General Meeting. At any General Meeting 20 members present shall form a quorum.
10. Any member who shall be suspended under Kennel Club Rule A42.j(4) and/or any member whose dog(s) is/are disqualified under Rule A42.j(8) shall ipso facto cease to be a member of the Club for the duration of the suspension and/or disqualification. If the conduct of any member shall in the opinion of the Committee of the Club, be injurious to the character or interests of the Club, the Committee of the Club, may at a Meeting, the notice convening which included as an object the consideration of the conduct of the Member, determine that a Special General Meeting of the Club shall be called for the purpose of passing a resolution to expel that Member. Notice of the Special General Meeting shall be sent to the accused Member, giving particulars of the complaint and advising him or her of the place, date and hour of the Meeting that he or she may attend and offer an explanation. If at that Meeting a resolution is passed by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting, his or her name shall be forthwith erased from the list of members and he or she shall thereupon cease, for all purposes, to be a member of the Club, except that he or she may, within two calendar months from the date of such Meeting, appeal to The Kennel Club upon and subject to such conditions as The Kennel Club may impose.
11. The Property of the Club shall be vested in the Committee and in the event of the Club ceasing to exist, a final statement of accounts, with a record of the disposal of the property of the Club shall be forwarded to The Kennel Club within six months and persons named as Officers and Committee of the Club on the return

furnished to The Kennel Club will be held responsible by The Kennel Club for the proper winding up of the Club.

12. The Club shall not join any Federation of Societies or Clubs.
13. The Rules of the Club may not be altered except at an Annual General Meeting or Special Meeting, notice of which included details of the proposals to alter the Rules. Such alterations shall not be brought into force until The Kennel Club has been advised and had given its approval of the alterations.
14. The Kennel Club shall be the final Court of Appeal in all matters of dispute.
15. The members of the Management Committee and any Sub-Committee thereof, the Officers of the Club and the Auditors shall be indemnified, out of the funds of the Club, against all loss, costs, and charges which they may respectively incur or be put to on account of any contract, deed, act, omission, matter or thing done, entered into, executed or permitted by them respectively on behalf of the Club, and each of them shall be chargeable only for so much money as he or she may actually receive and they shall not be answerable for the acts, receipts, neglects or defaults of each other, but each of them for his or her own acts, receipts, neglects or defaults only. Neither they nor their successors, executors, or administrators shall be liable for any loss or expense resulting to the Club though insufficiency or deficiency of title to any property acquired for or on behalf of the Club or for the insufficiency or deficiency of any obligation or security in or upon which any of the funds of the Club shall be invested or for any loss or damage arising from bankruptcy, insolvency or wrongful act of any person with whom any monies, securities or effects shall be deposited or for any loss, damage or misfortune whatsoever which shall happen in the execution of the duties of his or her office or in relation thereto, unless the same shall happen through his or her own fraud, wilful neglect, default, breach of duty, or breach of trust.
16. These rules shall be printed and a copy of them made available to any Member of the Club.

Approved at AGM on 31st May, 2016