

WORKING RIESENSCHNAUZER FEDERATION - CHARTERED CLUBS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

A Chartered Club is a club which has a reason to be affiliated with and sanctioned by the Working Riesenschнауzer Federation and to be represented to the WRSF Board of Directors. Only a Chartered Club may hold events with WRSF approval, use the WRSF logo on any display, object, sign or in any publication, or in any way imply or represent itself as affiliated with the WRSF.

In order for a club to become a Chartered Club it must meet any and all qualifications and terms as set by the WRSF Board of Directors. The Chartered Club will be periodically reviewed and evaluated for its organization, accomplishments or other merits in order to continue the Charter.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND TERMS

- The Chartered Club must adopt a set of democratic rules and regulations and submit them to the WRSF Board for approval. Such rules may not conflict with nor contradict the WRSF Constitution and By-Laws, which will always, in all cases, prevail. Any changes or amendments will not be effective until approved by the WRSF Board.
- The Chartered Club must have at least three officers. These officers will submit a signed statement agreeing to abide by the WRSF Constitution and By-Laws.
- The Chartered Club must have at least 5 members. Each member of the club must also be a member of WRSF. A list of names and addresses of the members must be supplied at the time of application, and updated whenever there is a change in membership.
- The Chartered Club must pay an annual association fee, the amount of which will be set and periodically reviewed by the WRSF Board.
- The Chartered Club will elect a Delegate to report on its activities to the WRSF Board on a regular basis. The Club will cooperate with any Regional Director assigned by the Board and with any other Chartered Club for mutual benefit and continued association with the WRSF.
- The Chartered Club must hold at least one event* each calendar year. An event which includes non-members must have Board approval. All plans for events must be submitted to the Board in a timely fashion to allow for Board consideration, input and approval. The Board may set a fee to be paid to the WRSF in order for an event to be sanctioned by the WRSF.
- The Chartered Club may hold Conformation events only for Riesenschнауzers.
- The Chartered Club will be subject to the Disciplinary Rules of the WRSF, except where disciplinary action taken against any Chartered Club will not effect the WRSF membership of the individuals within the club, except where specifically provided for in the By-Laws of the WRSF.
- The Chartered Club must procure and maintain its own Liability Insurance policy, which will indemnify and hold harmless the WRSF. If the policy lapses the club automatically forfeits the Charter.

Further:

- For a club to receive a Charter the recommendation of a Regional Director or other representative of the Board of Directors may be required. Such recommendation must certify that the club demonstrates satisfactory knowledge and ability to conduct events which meet WRSF standards, and that the club operates in a fair and democratic manner for the benefit of its members and the protection of the Riesenschнауzer breed.

**(Events which include non-members may be for education, competition, membership recruitment, fund raising efforts, or other stated purposes, but designating an activity as an "event" cannot be used to evade club membership requirements.)*

SAMPLE ORGANIZATION OF A CHARTERED CLUB:

Article 1: Name and Objectives

Section 1: Name of Club

Section 2: Objective of Club is to train and exhibit Giant Schnauzers, to promote the Sport of Schutzhund, to hold trials and conformation evaluations. To help individuals train and prepare for advanced competition. To support the WRSF in its efforts and to encourage active membership.

Article 2: Membership, Dues and Assessments, Application process

Probationary:

Individual:

Family:

Article 3: Duties and Responsibilities of Officers, Board of Governors, Committees

e.g.: may include

Training Director:

Activities Chairman:

Business Manager, Ways and Means:

Correspondent:

Delegate to WRSF:

Committee:

Equipment Manager:

Article 4: Elections and Terms of office

Article 5: Probation, Discipline

Article 6: Meetings, Voting