

Constitution Revision Committee

The following Amendments to the Constitution approved at the 2005 Annual Convention of Delegates. These changes to the Amendments to the Constitution go into effect on January 1, 2006.

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New wording is underlined; deleted wording is ~~struck-out~~.

Article IV, Section 5. Board of Directors Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at least twice each fiscal year at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Directors. Written notice of each such meeting shall be mailed by the Corresponding Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority to conduct its affairs by mail or by email. Questions to be voted upon submitted by the President or by one-third of the members of the Board shall be distributed to members of the Board by the Corresponding Secretary within three (3) days of receipt. Each member of the Board shall have fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing to send comments to the Corresponding Secretary, or if an email vote, each member of the Board shall have five (5) days from the date of sending. Such comments and a ballot shall be distributed to the Board members by the Corresponding Secretary within three (3) days from the expiration of the period for comment. Each member of the Board shall then have fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing, or if an e-mail vote, each member shall have five (5) days from the date of sending to return a marked ballot to the Corresponding Secretary. The Secretary shall tally the ballots received and, if a majority of the members of the Board have responded, shall record the vote on the question and distribute the results to the members of the Board.

Article X, Section 3. Approving Limited Status. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, a new breed will enter Limited status. Recognition in Limited status will be published in FAN and will begin the first of the month after approval. Limited status is an exhibition-only stake but must be offered in regular ASFA-sanctioned trials. Limited status recognition may continue indefinitely, but must be no less than two full calendar years.

Article X, Section 4. Approving Provisional Recognition. Upon completion of the steps given in Section 2 and 3, the national parent club may apply for Provisional status. To be eligible for Provisional status the new breed must have had a minimum of 10 dogs actively coursing with a minimum of 30 entries in two consecutive or two out of the last three calendar years in which the breed participated in Limited status. If the minimum number of dogs and/or entries is not met, the breed may remain in Limited status. If the minimums have been met, the Board of Directors may vote to move the breed to Provisional status. If Provisional status is not approved, the breed will remain in Limited status. Provisional status will begin the first of the month following approval by the Board of Directors.

Article XI AMENDMENTS

Section 2. The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates present and voting at such Annual Convention of Delegates or Special Convention of Club Delegates, provided the proposed amendments have been mailed to each club delegate at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of such convention.