



# ASSOCIATION PHOENIX

**-Association Act 1901-**

## STATUTES

### SECTION 1: CONSTITUTION, OBJECTIVE, REGISTERED OFFICE, DURATION

#### **Article 1: Constitution and name**

An association governed by the provisions of the Act of July 1, 1901 and the Decree of 16 August 1901, entitled **ASSOCIATION PHOENIX**, has been founded by individuals, or legal entities, affiliated to these statutes.

#### **Article 2: Objectives**

This Association aims to protect, rescue and care for any animal in distress or at risk. In order to do this, it will:

- Respect and protect all animals, both wild and domestic.
- Assist and heal, physically and psychologically, suffering and unloved animals.
- Promote the sterilisation of pets and advocate the systematic sterilisation of all animals available for adoption from shelters.
- Alert public opinion to the appalling conditions of abandoned animals and encourage their adoption.
- Promote the respect of animals as living beings i.e. writing articles, holding activities, and developing awareness.
- Support the application of existing laws.

#### **Article 3: Registered office**

The registered office is located at the Maison des Associations Jules Ferry, 5 Place Jules Ferry, 24100 BERGERAC. It may be transferred by simple decision of the Conseil d'Administration.

#### **Article 4: Duration of the Association**

The duration of the Association is unlimited.

### SECTION 2: COMPOSITION

#### **Article 5: Members**

The Association consists of active members and benefactors:

1. Active members are those who pay their annual membership, effectively participate in the activities of the Association, and regularly contribute to the objectives it has set.
2. Benefactors are members who render, or have rendered, service to the Association by providing moral or financial support.

All members have voting rights.

## **Article 6: Membership Terms**

To belong to the Association, membership has to be approved by the Conseil d'Administration, which decides at each of its meetings on applications for admission.

Each member undertakes to comply with these statutes, which will be communicated prior to entry into the Association.

## **Article 7: Loss of Membership**

Membership is lost by:

- Resignation
- Death
- Expulsion by the Conseil for serious reason.

Before any decision can be taken as to possible expulsion, the member concerned is invited beforehand to appear before the Conseil to provide an explanation.

## SECTION 3: ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATION

### **Article 8: Ordinary General Meeting**

The Ordinary General Meeting includes all members of the Association. It meets at least once a year.

Fifteen days before the date fixed, the members of the Association are convened by the Secretary. The agenda is stated in this invitation.

The President, assisted by members of the Conseil, presides and presents an overview of the ethical situation of the Association.

The Treasurer provides a financial summary and submits the report to the approval of the assembly.

The Ordinary General Meeting deliberates on future directions.

The Ordinary General Meeting fixes the amount of the annual membership fee. Only items on the agenda can be dealt with.

After the agenda items have been dealt with, the election of members of the Conseil d'Administration will be held.

Decisions will be taken by a majority vote of the members present or represented. Absent members at the Ordinary General Meeting have the opportunity to give a written proxy to another member. There can only be one proxy vote per member present.

In the event of a tie, the President has a casting vote.

Decisions are taken by a show of hands, except for the election of Conseil members, when election will be by postal vote and secret ballot by members present. Decisions made at the Ordinary General Meetings bind all members, including those absent.

#### **Article 9: The Conseil d'Administration.**

The Association is run by a Conseil d'Administration, which is composed of a maximum of 7 people including:

- A President
  - A Treasurer
  - A Secretary
- elected for one year by the General Meeting.

Conseil members may be reappointed.

In the event of a post becoming vacant (resignation, death, exclusion), the Conseil d'Administration provides for the provisional replacement of its members.

A permanent replacement is decided on during the next Ordinary General Meeting.

#### **Article 10: Meeting of the Conseil d'Administration**

The Conseil d'Administration meets at least four times a year. It can be convened either by the President on his own initiative, or by one of its members.

Decisions are taken by a majority of votes. In the event of a tie, the President has a casting vote. Voting by proxy is not allowed.

#### **Article 11: Remuneration**

The functions of the members of the Conseil d'Administration are unpaid. Only the costs incurred in the discharge of their duties are reimbursed on the basis of supporting documents.

The financial report presented to the Ordinary General Meeting must mention repayments made to members of the Conseil d'Administration for their assignments, travel and representation.

#### **Article 12: The Extraordinary General Meeting**

An Extraordinary General Meeting may be convened on the initiative of the President, or at the request of one third of the members.

Convening conditions are identical to those of the Ordinary General Meeting.

The decisions are made by two-thirds of the votes cast. If no decision can be arrived at on this basis, a new meeting will be convened within a month and the decisions carried by a simple majority.

The agenda of the EGM can be either the modification of the statutes, or the dissolution of the Association.

### **Article 13: Internal Regulations**

Internal regulations are established by the Conseil, which are then approved at the General Meeting.

These regulations are intended to determine points not covered by the statutes, such as:

- The internal administration of the association.
- The rights and obligations of volunteers and their working conditions.

### **SECTION 4: RESOURCES**

#### **Article 14: Resources of the Association**

The resources of the Association include:

- Membership subscriptions.
- State and local funding.
- Grants from any individual or granting body to the extent permitted by law.
- Any other person authorised by the legislation in force.

### **SECTION 5: Dissolution**

#### **Article 15: Dissolution of the Association**

In case of dissolution by the Extraordinary General Meeting, one or more liquidators are appointed by it and assets, if any, are to be invested in an association with similar aims, in accordance with the law.

*Agreed in Bergerac, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

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n.b. The French Statutes always take precedence over the English translation