
STATUTES
association
"Central European Polo Association, zs"

Preamble

Central European Polo Association, zs is an association supporting horse polo activities in Central Europe following the tradition of a similar association founded for the first time in 1929 in Vienna. The association, whose activity after its abolition in 1939, was renewed in 2008 and developed its activities until 2023. Central European Polo Association, zs is an association carrying the legacy of this association and continuing its mission and traditions.

Art. 1
Name and address

1. An association named: Central European Polo Association, zs (hereinafter also referred to as "CEPA") is established.
2. CEPA is located at Dačického 1150/3, Nusle, 140 00 Prague 4.

Art. 2
Purpose and activities of the association

1. The purpose of CEPA is to:
 - Building on the legacy and traditions of a similar association founded for the first time in 1929 in Vienna.
 - Support, organization and promotion of horse polo tournaments in Central Europe.
 - Promotion and archiving of horse polo history.
 - Promotion of horse polo news including international rules and standards of The Hurlingham Polo Association (HPA).
 - Involvement of youth in the activities of clubs dedicated to horse polo and work with horses.
 - Support, organization and promotion of a new (another) form of this sport under the name of Roda Polo.
 - Education, education and training in the field of horse polo and Roda polo.
2. CEPA fulfills the stated purpose with the following main activities:
 - Support, organization and promotion of horse polo tournaments in Central Europe.
 - Promotion and archiving of horse polo history.
 - Promotion of horse polo news including international rules and standards The Hurlingham Polo Association (HPA).
 - Involvement of youth in the activities of clubs dedicated to horse polo and work with horses.
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- Ensuring the operation and sharing of information through the Central web portal European Polo Association , vol
 - Promotion, especially in the form of advertising, articles in the media and posts on social networks specialized in horse polo and Roda polo.
 - Cooperation and partnership with other organizations that have the same purpose and motivation.
 - Personal meeting with representatives of similarly engaged clubs and associations.

3. Central European Polo Association , zs is also authorized to develop secondary economic activities consisting of business or other income-generating activities, for the purpose of supporting the main activity.

Art. 3 CEPA membership

1. In CEPA, there are four types of membership for individuals and legal entities: regular, voluntary, junior and honorary membership.
 - **a full member of CEPA** , which has its registered office or permanent residence in the territory of Denmark, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Belgium, Italy, Holáška, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Hungary, Germany, France, Austria, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Sweden, Ukraine, and which is interested in supporting the purpose and activities of CEPA in any way.
 - Any legal entity or individual over the age of 18 can become a voluntary member of **CEPA** , as decided by the president.
 - Any natural person under the age of 18 who is interested in supporting the goals and activities of CEPA in any way can become a **junior member of CEPA** . Upon reaching the age of 18, junior membership changes to full membership provided that the person is a permanent resident of Denmark, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Belgium, Italy, Holland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Hungary, Germany, France, Austria, Poland , Slovakia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Sweden, Ukraine.
 - **An honorary member of CEPA** can become a natural person who the president so decides because of his extraordinary merits in achieving the goals of CEPA.
2. After the formation of the association, membership in it can be established by acceptance as a member of CEPA. The applicant applies for membership in CEPA to the CEPA president , in the form of a written application on the requirements set by the CEPA president and of which the CEPA president informs the applicant.
3. The President will discuss the request and decide on it. At the next membership meeting, both the current membership and the applicant will be informed about the acceptance or non-acceptance of the applicant for membership.
4. Without further ado, the first (founding) members of the association become the persons present at the founding meeting of CEPA, namely as regular members.
5. Membership expires:
 - withdrawal, namely on the day when the member's written notice of withdrawal from CEPA is delivered to the president,

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- the day of the death of the member, if it is a natural person, or the demise of the member, if it is a legal person,
 - the termination of CEPA,
 - by expulsion, namely on the day of the decision of the membership meeting to expel a member from CEPA. A proposal for the expulsion of a member from CEPA is submitted in writing by any member to any CEPA body after learning of extremely serious actions by the member against the interests of CEPA or non-payment of membership fees. The decision to expel a member from CEPA is delivered to the expelled member by the president of CEPA.
6. A full member of CEPA has the right to:
 - participate in CEPA activity and be informed about this activity,
 - participate in the membership meeting and vote at it,
 - elect CEPA bodies and be elected to them,
 - submit proposals, initiatives and comments on CEPA activities,
 - participate in setting the goals and forms of CEPA activity.
 7. A regular member of CEPA has the following duties:
 - comply with the statutes and act in accordance with the objectives of CEPA.
 - actively defend the interests of CEPA, comply with internal agreements and not take any action that would be contrary to the interests of CEPA,
 - pay membership fees in the amount determined by the CEPA membership meeting.
 8. A CEPA Voluntary and Junior Member has the rights and obligations of a full CEPA member, except for the right to vote at the membership meeting and the right to elect and be elected to CEPA bodies. A voluntary member of CEPA is not obliged to pay membership fees.
 9. An honorary member of CEPA has the rights and obligations of a regular member. An honorary member of CEPA is not obliged to pay membership fees.
 10. Membership is binding on the person of the member and does not transfer to his legal successor.
 11. The list of CEPA members is not public and can be accessed at the CEPA headquarters, always without undue delay upon a written request of a CEPA member or other authorized person delivered to any CEPA body. Entries and deletions in this list are made by any president upon the creation and termination of membership and also upon any change of essential data.
 12. All settlements against a member whose membership has lapsed will take place within three months of the confirmed termination of membership.

Art. 4
Membership meeting

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1. The membership meeting is the highest body of the association; meets at least once a year.
 2. The members' meeting is called by the president. A membership meeting has a quorum if a majority of all CEPA members are present; if a quorum membership meeting is not held, the president will call a replacement membership meeting within fifteen days at the latest, this is a quorum regardless of the number of members present. The replacement membership meeting must be held within six weeks of the date of the original meeting.
 3. The membership meeting takes decisions by voting; each member has one vote; the approval of the majority of the members present is required for the adoption of a decision, unless these articles of association specify otherwise.
 4. The president will also convene a membership meeting if at least one-third of CEPA members request it in writing, within thirty days, unless a later deadline is specified in the request.
 5. Membership meeting based on the meeting agenda:
 - approves changes to the CEPA statutes and decides on the cancellation of CEPA or its transformation (these decisions require the consent of a two-thirds majority of all members),
 - elects and dismisses the president of CEPA,
 - approves the financial results of the association,
 - decides on the expulsion of a member from CEPA,
 - decides on the amount and maturity of membership contributions (annual and extraordinary),
 - decides on other issues in which it reserves competence.
 6. Voting per rollam is expressly allowed, within the entire scope of the members' meeting. In the case of a per rollam vote, the president determines the way in which the vote will be cast, either by paper or electronic form. In the case of voting by paper form, the deadline for receiving the vote, determined by the president, must not be shorter than 14 days from the sending of the invitation to vote, in the case of voting in electronic form, the deadline for receiving the vote, determined by the president, must not be shorter than 7 days from the sending of the invitation to vote. Only those votes that were delivered within the specified period to the address or to the electronic address specified by the president in the invitation to vote for the purpose of voting are valid. In the case of electronic voting, only those votes that were sent from the member's address listed in the list of members of the association or from another address that the member reported before sending the invitation to vote to the president are valid.
 7. Voting per rollam according to the previous point of the statutes is a full-fledged form of holding a member's meeting.
 8. The CEPA member authorized by the membership meeting takes minutes of the decisions taken at the members' meeting. The minutes are verified with their signature by another CEPA member present at the member meeting.
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**Art. 5
Resident**

1. The statutory body of CEPA is the president.
2. The President acts externally on behalf of Central European Polo Association , vol. The President signs for Central European Polo Association , vol so that to the written name Central European Polo Association , zs will attach its handwritten signature.
3. The president is elected by the membership meeting for a term of office of five years.
4. President :
 - properly maintains the agenda of member meetings and the list of CEPA members,
 - calls a meeting of the members' meeting,
 - decides on the admission of a CEPA member.
 - archives all minutes of the members' meeting and
 - fulfills other obligations imposed on it by these articles of association and generally binding legal regulations.
5. The President directs CEPA between member meetings.
6. The President submits to the members' meeting for approval proposals that are within its scope, in particular the proposal for the management of CEPA, the proposal for amending the articles of association, the proposal for goals and forms of activity.
7. A President who intends to resign shall call a membership meeting to elect a new President. The office of the outgoing president ends on the date of this membership meeting.

**Art. 6
Administration management**

The administration of CEPA is headed by the President. This includes a written agenda, information on membership, preparation of association events, preparation of documents for membership meetings.

**Art. 7
Management of the association**

1. CEPA, as an independent legal entity, is capable of acquiring rights and obligations in property matters. The basic source of income is mainly members' contributions (annual and extraordinary), other voluntary contributions of members, income from secondary economic activities of CEPA, from social events and other activities of CEPA, donations and transfers from other persons and organizations, subsidies and subsidies. The method of managing funds is proposed by the president in accordance with applicable regulations and approved by the members' meeting.

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2. The profit from the association's activities can only be used for the association's activities, including the administration of the association.

Art. 8
Circumstances of the dissolution of the association

1. CEPA is terminated in the manner specified in the law or by a decision taken at a membership meeting by a two-thirds majority of all members. Such a decision must be listed on the agenda of the membership meeting.
2. In the event of the dissolution of CEPA, its liquidation balance will be transferred free of charge to another non-profit legal entity whose goals are close to those of CEPA.

Art. 9
Final Provisions

These articles of association were approved by the participants of the founding meeting of CEPA held in Prague on February 5, 2024, and they become effective on the date of the creation of CEPA; shall be deposited in full at the CEPA headquarters.

In Prague on February 5, 2024

Jan Zavázal, Trustee

Verified by: Veronika Nechybová