# AHTCA By-Laws American Hunt Terrier Club Association, INC.

#### Article I

Official Name

The club shall be called American Hunt Terrier Club Association and also referred to as AHTCA.

#### **Article II**

Purpose

Section 1

The purpose of the American Hunt Terrier Club Association is to provide a registry to maintain the purity and integrity of the Hunt Terrier we have come to love and to provide a website for the education, enjoyment, and exchange ideas with those interested in the Hunt Terrier.

Section 2

We will not endorse or denounce any other club. We are not allied together to destroy anyone just enjoy our Hunt Terriers.

### **Article III**

Membership and Eligibility

Section 1

Membership is open to all persons who want to contribute and maintain the integrity of the Hunt Terrier. Individual membership or family membership are one in the same consisting of two persons residing at the same address. Junior membership is open to persons 7-17.

Section 2

Membership dues shall be 20.00 yearly for individual/family and junior membership will be 10.00 yearly. Dues will be payable on April 1st of each New Year. Statements will be mailed out on the 1st of February for upcoming year.

Section 3

Each applicant shall apply with the membership application form and provide a signed copy of the American Hunt Terrier Club Association code of ethics.

Section 4

Any member will be automatically terminated when membership dues remain unpaid 60 days after April 1st (May 31st). After this date application procedures will need to take place again to reinstate.

## **Article IV**

**Board of Directors or Officers** 

Section 1

The officers of the American Hunt Terrier Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and 2 trustees.

Section 2

All officers shall be members in good standing and a resident of the United States.

Section 3

The duties of the officers will be those duties normally exercised by corporate officials with like titles unless otherwise stated in these by-laws. The board of trustees shall fill vacancies occurring in the officers until the next scheduled annual election meeting.

Section 4

Any officer may be re-elected to do the same office for consecutive terms

Section 5

Voting shall be limited to those members in good standing and who are present at the meeting.

# **Article V**

Meetings

Meetings shall be held bi-monthly or more often at the discretion of the officers. Meetings may be held in person or by conference call. Business by the board of directors may be conducted by mail, fax, or any

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electronic means of communication through the office of the secretary providing it does not conflict with any other provisions of these by-laws.

### **Article VI**

Financial

Section 1

The funds of the American Hunt Terrier Club Association shall be deposited to the AHTCA account in a bank where the treasurer is located and administered by the treasurer of the Association.

Section 2

Officers shall be reimbursed for any expenses incurred while performing the duties of the club such as postage, website updates, printing, embossing etc. providing they furnish a copy of the original receipt of the merchandise purchased.

Section 3

This organization will be operated as a non-profit organization and is not intended for the financial gain of any member. Any and all excess monies will be used to promote the Hunt Terrier and the Association.

Section 4

The Treasurer's books shall be open at all times for the inspection of the board. The treasurer shall report them to the board at every meeting showing the condition of the Associations finances.

#### **Article VII**

**Publications** 

Bi-monthly updates will be posted on the website as well as access to current forms and information about the club. Those wishing to ask questions about the club will be able to do so, on the website.

# **Article VIII**

Effective

Copies of these by-laws will be available from the website. They shall be provided to anyone desiring a copy and each officer shall have one in his/her possession.

#### **Article IX**

**Amendments** 

Amendments to these by-laws must be presented in writing to the Board at least one month in advance of the next meeting; notice of proposed amendments shall be posted on the website. A majority of 4 officers must vote in favor for a new amendment to be accepted.

## **Article X**

**Enactments** 

These by-laws shall become effective immediately upon the approval of the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer of the American Hunt Terrier Club Association.

#### **Article XI**

Dissolution

The AHTCA may only be dissolved with written consent of 2/3 thirds of the members. In the event members would like to continue with the Association, all property of the club including registries, member information, website ownership, logo, etc will be turned over to those members who wish to re-organize.

Members old and new are required to work together and assist with getting all documents including financial changed.

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