



## *Peninsula Dog Fanciers' Club, Inc.*

### **Standing Rules**

1. These standing rules are the governing rules based on the Peninsula Dog Fanciers' Club, Inc. (Club) By-Laws. These Standing Rules shall be revised and/or adopted annually at the July General Meeting by a majority vote, providing a quorum is present, to be in effect for the following year or until amended.
2. These Standing Rules may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, providing a quorum is present, or if the majority gives previous notice.
3. The annual membership dues of the Club are:
  - a. Full Membership: \$10
  - b. Associate Membership: \$ 8
  - c. Junior Membership: No Fee
  - d. Life Membership: No Fee
4. The Board has the discretion to waive all, or a portion of, annual membership dues.
5. Full Members are expected to:
  - a. Attend at least 4 General Meeting [unless extenuating circumstances prohibit]
  - b. Participate in at least three other club activities [shows, trials, seminars, trainings, and other events]
  - c. Be current on dues.
6. Associate Membership is reserved for members who may not be able to actively participate in meetings and/or club requirements at this time. It is also the membership for new members joining us for the first 6 months of membership to assess whether PDFC is a good fit for them.
7. Any member may recommend a deserving candidate for Life Membership to the Board of Directors at any PDFC General Meeting. The board will act on that nomination at the next scheduled Board Meeting.
8. A Life Member must attend four (4) or more General Meetings in a fiscal year to retain their voting privileges, and to be counted in determining a quorum. If life members do not attend four meetings, they will not have voting privileges.

9. The Board has the discretion to waive any of the following requirements.
  - a. Full members must hold a Full Membership for at least 6 months and attend at least 8 General meetings in the fiscal year to be eligible to hold a Club Office or a position on the board of Directors.
  - b. One (1) member per household may hold an Office or a Board position at a time.
  - c. A position on the Board of Directors may be declared vacant if the person that holds that position misses three (3) Board Meetings in a fiscal year without reasonable excuses or if membership is terminated for any reason.
10. The Board shall appoint Standing Committee Chairpersons. The President is an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.
11. All Committee Chairpersons are responsible for obtaining Committee members from the membership and for maintaining a committee record to be passed on to succeeding Chairpersons. All Chairpersons will give a written and/or oral report to the President and Membership Chair of the committee activities and participants. All Chairpersons will submit final expense vouchers to the Treasurer.
12. The President may appoint special Committees.
13. A Member of the Club may show at the Club's AKC sanctioned all breed show and obedience and rally trials. Members that have direct interaction with the hiring of the judges may not handle a dog at the show. This includes the All-Breed Show Chairman, Obedience Chairman, Chief Ring Steward, and the Judges Selection Committee Chair. Any Member that is showing in Obedience or Rally may not serve as ring steward in Obedience or Rally for that Judge on the date they are competing. Members participating in any of the other AKC Sports need to adhere to the rules and guidelines of those sports as to their eligibility to compete.
14. The Board may conduct business electronically, as needed.
15. A Board Member may attend and vote at a Board meeting, and any Full Member may attend and vote at a general membership meeting, remotely by prior approval of the President, or the majority of the Board. This rule is not intended to be the norm, but only to be used in the case of extenuating circumstances that prohibit the member from attending in person.