



# **Danish/Swedish Farmdog Club of America, Inc.**

## **Constitution**

### **ARTICLE I - ASSOCIATION NAME**

The name of the Club shall be **Danish/Swedish Farmdog Club of America (DSFCA)**, hereinafter referred to as the "Club," "DSFCA" or "the Association," a nonprofit corporation under the General Corporation Law of Delaware.

### **ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Club as provided in the Articles of Incorporation shall be:

- a. To educate members and the public in various matters concerning preservation and protection of the Danish/Swedish Farmdog, a rare breed, including, but not limited to: breed education, breeder education, judge education, and public awareness education.
- b. To encourage and promote quality in the responsible breeding of purebred Danish/Swedish Farmdogs (Dansk/Svensk Gaardhunde) and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection in accordance with the breed clubs of the countries of origin of this breed, Denmark and Sweden.
- c. To serve members and the public as an educational resource, an outlet for information exchange and organizer for breed club special events.
- d. To establish and maintain open communications and honest relationships with the breed clubs of the countries of origin of this breed, Denmark and Sweden, to ensure continuity of the exterior and purpose of the breed over time.



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- e. To educate members and breeders to accept the Standard for the breed as approved by the Nordic Kennel Union (NKU), as the only standard of excellence by which Danish/Swedish Farmdogs shall be judged, including:
1. DSFCA may not alter or revise the Standard for the breed described above. Only the breed clubs in the countries of origin of the breed, Denmark and Sweden, may alter or revise the Standard for the breed in accordance with their official protocol.
  2. When the breed clubs in the countries of origin, Denmark and Sweden, revise the Standard for the breed in accordance with their official protocol, the DSFCA must immediately accept all revisions completely, and the official English translation must be approved and endorsed by the Nordic Kennel Union (NKU).
- f. To maintain and promote our association with the American Rare Breed Association (ARBA) as the Nordic Kennel Union (NKU) recognized registry organization in the United States, including:
1. Members who are US residents shall register imported and/or domestic Danish/Swedish Farmdogs with the American Rare Breed Association (ARBA).
  2. Breeders who are US residents shall register their litters with American Rare Breed Association (ARBA).
  3. To educate and encourage members to participate in events sponsored by American Rare Breed Association (ARBA).
  4. To educate and encourage breeders to:
    - i. register individual puppies produced with American Rare Breed Association (ARBA).



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- ii. provide buyers an official American Rare Breed Association (ARBA) pedigree
- iii. provide buyers initial one year membership in DSFCA
- g. To pursue recognition and acceptance of the breed into the United Kennel Club (UKC).
- h. To encourage and support education and research into the genetic and health related issues that impact Danish/Swedish Farmdogs.
- i. To develop programs needed to provide for the welfare of the breed and of individual dogs in need.
- j. To acquire the necessities to carry out the purposes of the Club.
- k. To do all things necessary and suitable for the protection or benefit of the corporation.

## **ARTICLE III - ASSOCIATION PROFITS**

The Association shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations to the Association shall benefit any member or individual.

## **ARTICLE IV - RULES FOR LICENSED EVENTS**

All licensed events sponsored by the Association will be run in accordance with the rules, policies, and procedures of the American Rare Breed Association and/or the United Kennel Club®.



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### **ARTICLE V - REVISIONS**

The members of the governing board of the Association shall adopt and may from time to time revise such bylaws as may be required to carry out these objectives.