



Rules of the Large Munsterlander Club

1. Title:

The name of the club shall be 'The Large Munsterlander Club' hereinafter referred to as 'the Club'.

2. Objects:

- a) To protect the type of Large Munsterlander that has proved eminently suitable for work.
- b) To promote the health & welfare, breeding and exhibition of pure Large Munsterlanders conforming to the Standard of the breed as adopted by The Kennel Club.
- c) To encourage Field Trials.

3. Constitution:

a) The Club shall consist of a President, Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and a Committee of not less than six (6), and not more than fourteen (14) and an unlimited number of members.

b) The Club may have a Patron who shall be appointed by the Committee and shall remain in office during pleasure.

4. Management of the Club:

a) The Management of the Club shall be in the hands of a Committee consisting of not less than six (6) nor more than fourteen (14) members, and of whom half shall retire annually, but shall be eligible for re-election. New nominations for committee or officers must get a simple majority of voting members present and voting at the AGM.

b) The Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer shall be Ex-Officio members of the Committee and except for the Chairman be voting members.

c) The Chairman may only cast a vote when a vote taken in Committee, Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting be equal.

d) Ex-Officio officers of the Club, (hereinafter referred to as 'Officers') shall be elected every three (3) years. With one Officer standing down each year, in rotation.

e) The Management Committee shall meet at least four (4) times annually and shall, subject to the provisions of these rules, have full powers of management and control over the conduct and affairs of the club as shall be deemed desirable or necessary. Six (6) shall form a quorum, one (1) of whom shall be an 'Officer' for the transaction of business.



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f) The Honorary Secretary or Chairman shall call such meetings with at least fourteen (14) days notice when Agendas shall be sent to all officers and Committee.

g) A member of the Club is only eligible for election to the Management Committee having been a fully paid up member of the Club for one (1) year for Management Committee positions or two (2) years for Ex Officio Officers positions. Should any Member of the Management Committee be absent, for any reason for three (3) consecutive Committee Meetings, that Member shall from thenceforth and upon notification in writing by the Honorary Secretary, cease to be a member of the Management Committee. That Member shall not be allowed to accept nomination for Officer or Management Committee Member until at least one (1) calendar year has elapsed since their expulsion with the proviso that the A.G.M. should have the discretion to waive this rule in extenuating circumstances.

h) Any urgent matter may be dealt with by the Chairman, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer acting in concert, but all correspondence relating thereto must be made available at the next Committee Meeting. In utilising these powers and incurring the Club in expenditure, the sum of £150.00 shall not be exceeded.

i) All correspondence which addresses the committee of the Club, or for the attention of the committee of the Club, must be presented to the committee in its entirety, as it has been presented by the member or members.

Any petition by the members to the committee must include the name of the members with a date of signing to validate consideration by the committee to act on the petition request.

5. Election of Members

Candidates for Membership of the Club shall be elected by the Management Committee at the first available Meeting. No applicant shall be acceptable to the Club if that person is banned by the Kennel Club from any function held under Kennel Club Rules, or has been convicted of any offence relating to the mistreatment or cruelty to dogs. Three (3) negatives shall exclude. The Society must make a list of Members and their addresses available for inspection if so requested by Members of the Society or by the Kennel Club.

6. Membership Subscriptions

The annual membership subscriptions for Single, Joint and Gamekeepers shall be such sum as may be decided at the Annual General or Special General Meeting and may be varied as deemed necessary. Any Member having paid the prescribed Membership fee after 1st November shall be deemed to have paid for the ensuing year except in the event of Membership fees being increased



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from 1st January following. In this instance the increase in Membership fee shall be required to be paid.

All subscriptions shall be payable to the Honorary Treasurer in advance of the first day of January each year. No member whose subscription is unpaid shall be entitled to any privileges of Membership.

Membership subscriptions fall due on the 1st of January, any not paid by the 1st of March will be deemed to have been cancelled. Only fully paid up members may attend the AGM.

7. Honorary Members

On the recommendation of the Management Committee, Members may, at an Annual General Meeting elect as Honorary Life Members of the Club any person(s) considered to qualify for that distinction.

8. Club Property

a) The property of the Club shall be vested in the Management Committee and in the event of the Club ceasing to exist a Special General Meeting shall be called to decide upon the disposal of the Club assets and to meet any Club liabilities. Cups and trophies shall be the property of the Large Munsterlander Club and awarded only to current Members of the Club.

b) If the Club is wound up or ceases to be a registered society under these regulations, a final statement of audited accounts with a record of the disposal of the property of the Club shall be forwarded to the Kennel Club within six months and the persons names as Officers and Committee of the Club on the last return furnished to the Kennel Club, will be held responsible by the Kennel Club for the proper winding up of the Club.

9. Expulsion of Club Members

a) Any Member who shall be disqualified under Kennel Club Rule A11j (5) and/or under Kennel Club Rule A11j (9) shall ipso facto cease to be a Member of the Society.

b) If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee of the Society be injurious or likely to be injurious to the character or interests of the Society, the Committee of the Society may, at a Meeting the notice convening which includes as an object of consideration of the conduct of the Member, determine that a Special General Meeting of the Society shall be called for the purpose of passing a resolution to expel him/her. Notice of the Special General Meeting shall be sent to the



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accused Member, giving particulars of the complaint and advising the place, date and hour of the Meeting that he or she may attend and offer an explanation. If at the meeting, a resolution to expel is passed by a two thirds majority of the Members present and voting, his/her name shall thereupon cease for all purposes to be a Member of the Society except that he/she may, within two calendar months from the date of such Meeting, appeal to The Kennel Club and subject to such conditions as The Kennel Club may impose.

c) If a member is expelled for discreditable conduct in connection with dogs, Dog Shows, Trials or Competitions, the Club must report the matter in writing to the Kennel Club within seven (7) days and supply any particulars required.

10. General Meetings

a) The Rules of the 'Club' may not be altered by the 'Club' except an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting, notice of which includes details of the proposal to alter Rules. Such alterations shall not be brought into force until the Kennel Club has been advised and has given its approval of the alterations. New Rules or amendments introduced specifically to meet Kennel Club requirements shall be adopted immediately and be included in the 'Club's' constitution with effect from the Annual General Meeting. Time will be allocated at the AGM each year to review the Club rules.

b) No business other than the matter on the agenda can be discussed at a General Meeting, with the exception of routine matters or those, which in the opinion of the Chairman are urgent. No business other than that on the agenda may be discussed at a Special General meeting. All complaints and matters to the committee must be substantiated and in writing.

c) The Annual General Meeting shall be held during the month of March each year to receive the report of the Management Committee and the Balance Sheet.

d) At least twenty-one days prior notice must be given to the Honorary Secretary of nominations for the positions of Ex-Officio Officers and Management Committee Members and for items to be considered for inclusion on the agenda of the Annual General Meeting duly proposed and seconded by two fully paid up members. If a proposal from a member is put on the agenda for the AGM the member must attend the AGM to put his/her case forward

e) Members shall receive not less than twenty-one (21) days notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting. A Special General Meeting shall be summoned by the Chairman or Honorary Secretary if a minimum of twenty-five (25) Members send in a signed requisition stating the subject to be discussed and attend the subsequent Meeting.

f) The financial year of the Club shall be from the first day of January to the last day of December.



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11. Maintenance of Title & Annual Returns to The Kennel Club

The officers acknowledge that during the month of January each year Maintenance of Title fee will be forwarded to the Kennel Club by the Secretary for continuance of Registration and that by 31st July each year, other returns as stipulated in Kennel Club Regulations for the Registration & Maintenance of Title of Societies and Breed Councils and the affiliation of Agricultural Societies and Municipal Authorities be forwarded to the Kennel Club. The Officers also acknowledge their duty to inform the Kennel Club of any changes of Secretary of the Society which may occur during the course of the year.

12. Club Accounts

A banking account shall be opened in the name of the Club into which all revenue received on behalf of the Club shall be paid. The Banking Account may only be operated by any two of the three following: Chairman, Honorary Treasurer or Honorary Secretary.

12.1 Club accounts will be certified annually and presented to members at the Annual General Meeting. Note: Certification of Accounts must be carried out by one qualified accountant or two individuals with accountancy experience. Those undertaking certification must be independent of those who prepare the accounts.

12.2 A copy of the annual statement of accounts for the last financial year which must be certified in accordance with the rules of the society must be sent to all members of the society, OR provision may be made in the rules of the society for a copy of the annual statement of accounts to be made available on request to members 14 days prior to the AGM. Additionally the annual statement of accounts will be available for inspection by members at the AGM and at times to be stipulated in the rules.

13. Club Expenses

All expenses incurred by the Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Show Secretary and Field Trial Secretary for and on behalf of the Club shall be defrayed out of funds of the Club.

14. The Kennel Club



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The Kennel Club is the final authority for interpreting the Rules and Regulations of the Society in all cases relative to Canine or Society matters.

15. The Society shall not join any Federation of Societies or Clubs.

16. No person whilst an undischarged bankrupt may serve on the Committee of or hold any other office or appointment within a Kennel Club Registered Society.

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