

# **STATUTES**

## § 1 Name, registered office, financial year

The association bears the name 'Turn- und Sportverein Jahn 05 Düsseldorf-Oberkassel e.V.' It is based in Düsseldorf-Oberkassel and is entered in the register of associations at the responsible local court. The club colours are red and white. The financial year is the calendar year.

# § 2 Purpose

The purpose of the association is to promote sport, youth welfare and public health, and these purposes are realised in particular by:

- 1. Organising an orderly sports, games, exercise and course operation.
- Carrying out sports and sporting or non-sporting events for members and non-members.
- 3. Training and further education and deployment of trainers, coaches and helpers.
- 4. Participation in cooperations, sports and game communities.
- 5. Services for medical prevention and rehabilitation with qualified care.
- Development of motor skills, the reduction of aggression through sporting activity and meaningful activity with others in order to learn consideration and teamwork.
- 7. All party-political and denominational aspirations are excluded. The club condemns all forms of abuse, regardless of whether they are of a physical, psychological or sexualised nature. In this respect, the club undertakes to take measures for prevention and intervention in particular for child protection in accordance with the separate regulations for this.

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# § 3 Non-profit status

The association pursues exclusively and directly charitable purposes within the meaning of the section 'Tax-privileged purposes' of the German Tax Code. It is a non-profit organisation and does not primarily pursue its own economic purposes. All funds of the association may only be used for the purposes set out in the articles of association. Members do not receive any benefits from the association's funds. No person may be favoured by expenses that are alien to the purpose of the association or by disproportionately high remuneration.

## § 4 Acquisition of membership

Any natural or legal person can become a member of the association. Membership is applied for by submitting a written declaration and enclosing the SEPA mandate for the direct debit of all contributions and fees or by registering online with the Executive Board. When a minor applies for membership, the information and consent of their legal representatives is required. The Executive Board decides on admission by resolution. Membership begins with the passing of the resolution. There is no entitlement to admission. Reasons need not be given for refusal of admission. By signing the application

for admission or by registering online, the member recognises the association's articles of association and regulations in the currently valid version.

# § 5 Types of membership

The association consists of:

- active members
- · passive members
- · honorary members
- Active members pay the usual membership fee and can use all the club's services within the framework of the existing regulations.
- 2. Passive members focus on promoting the club.
- Members who have rendered outstanding services to the association may be appointed honorary members by the extended board and exempted from the obligation to pay membership fees.

# § 6 Termination of membership

Membership ends

- · by resignation
- · by exclusion
- · by death
- · in the case of legal entities also by

the loss of legal capacity

- Resignation must be declared to the Executive Board in text form with a notice period of 6 weeks to the end of a calendar half-year.
- 2. Expulsion from the association may occur in particular- if a member fails to meet its payment obligations despite a written reminder,- in the event of gross or repeated offences against the articles of association or regulations of the association,- due to a serious breach of the interests of the association or gross, unsportsmanlike behaviour,- if a member damages or attempts to damage the association or the reputation of the association, in particular by expressing extremist or anti-constitutional views or attitudes within or outside the association or by expressing extremist or anti-constitutional views or attitudes within or outside the association. if a member violates the principles of child and youth protection,- if a member violates the principles of child and youth protection

Expulsion may be effected by the Executive Board upon justified request after a prior hearing of the member concerned. The member concerned shall be notified of the exclusion in writing, stating the reasons, and the exclusion shall take effect upon receipt. It must be lodged in writing with the Executive Board no later than one month after notification. The objection has no suspensive effect and all rights arising from the membership expire with the end of the membership. The obligation to pay membership fees expires at the end of the financial half-year in which membership ends. Items belonging to the association must be returned to the association or compensated for their value. The - former - member is not entitled to repayment of overpaid contributions. Termination does not release the member from paying any outstanding contributions or similar.

#### § 7 Contributions

Members pay membership fees. In addition, admission fees, levies, course fees, department-specific fees and special fees for certain services provided by the association may be charged; the Executive Board decides on the amount and due date of all fees and charges. An increase in membership fees by more than 20% requires the approval of the general meeting. Contributions are decided by the general meeting. They can be set at a maximum of 6 times the annual membership fee, and the association is also authorised to charge return debit fees and costs arising from the return debit. Members who, in exceptional cases, do not issue a SEPA mandate may be charged a fee for invoicing, if

the membership fee has not been received by the association by the due date, the member is in default of payment without further reminder. Contributions and fees in arrears can be collected by legal action following a previous reminder procedure. The fees and dues are due in advance without separate invoicing and are collected on the due date for members who have issued a direct debit authorisation. In the case of new members, contributions and fees are due at the start of membership and exceptions to these regulations, in particular deferrals or waivers of membership fees, shall be decided upon by the relevant authorities.

#### § 8 Liability

The association is not liable for damages and losses caused by negligence that members suffer while practising sport, using the association's facilities, equipment or devices or at association events or during any other activity carried out for the association, insofar as such damages or losses are not covered by existing insurance policies. The liability of the Executive Board, volunteers and officers or officials is limited to intent and gross negligence.

#### § 9 Bodies of the Association

The bodies of the association are:

- · the general meeting
- · the executive board
- the extended board
- · the youth meeting
- · the youth board

# § 10 General Meeting

- 1. A general meeting must be convened at least once per calendar year. Each General Meeting shall be chaired by a member of the Executive Board. If no member of the Executive Board is present, the meeting shall appoint the chairperson. The chairperson of the meeting shall appoint the secretary.
- 2. All general meetings shall be convened in text form at least two weeks before the date of the meeting. The convocation of all general meetings is made in text form at least two weeks before the date of the meeting by the Executive Board. The agenda must be announced at the same time as the meeting is convened.
- 3. Motions for the agenda can be submitted in text form by all members with voting rights. The motions must be substantiated and must be received by the Executive Board by 31 January of the year at the latest, stating the name of the member. Motions received late cannot be considered.
- 4. A General Meeting can be convened by the Executive Board at any time. It must be convened if at least one third of the members submit a written request to the Executive Board, stating the reasons. The extraordinary general meeting must then be convened within 3 months. The invitation must contain the essential content of all the reasons given by the members for holding the extraordinary general meeting.
- 5. The general meeting has the following tasks in particular:
  - a. Acceptance of the reports of the Executive Board and the auditors
- b. Discharge of the Executive Board
- c. Election and deselection of the Executive Board and the auditors
- d. Determination of leviese. Approval of the contribution if the 20% limit is exceeded
- f. Resolution on motions receivedg. Resolution on amendments to the Articles of Association and dissolution of the Association
- General meetings are generally held in person. The Executive Board may decide that the general meeting is to be held exclusively as a virtual general meeting in the

form of an online-based video meeting or as a combination of an in-person meeting and a virtual meeting (hybrid general meeting). Without a corresponding resolution by the Executive Board, members are not entitled to participate virtually in a face-to-face meeting.

- 7. Persons authorised to participate and vote who take part in the virtual or hybrid General Meeting online shall be given the opportunity to participate virtually in the General Meeting and exercise their voting rights electronically by means of suitable technical devices. The details for registering and guaranteeing access authorisation and exercising voting rights can be regulated in the rules of procedure. The selection of the technical framework conditions (e.g. the selection of the software or programmes to be used) shall be determined by the Executive Board by resolution.
- 8. Technical adversities that lead to an impairment in participation or in the exercise of voting rights do not entitle the persons entitled to participate and vote to contest resolutions passed and elections held, unless the cause of the technical adversity is attributable to the area of responsibility of the association.
- In all other respects, the provisions governing the General Meeting shall apply mutatis mutandis to the virtual or hybrid General Meeting.
- The General Meeting shall constitute a quorum regardless of the number of members attending.
- 11. It decides on resolutions and elections by a simple majority of the valid votes cast. Abstentions are counted as invalid votes and are not counted. In the event of a tie, a motion is rejected. Amendments to the Articles of Association or the purpose of the Association can only be adopted with a majority of 2/3 of the votes cast. Amendments to the Articles of Association due to requirements imposed by the registry court or other authorities as well as editorial changes can be decided by the Executive Board. Votes are taken by a show of hands. A secret ballot must be held if this is requested by the majority of those present and entitled to vote.
- 12. Every member present is entitled to vote and be elected at the general meeting upon reaching the age of 18. Young members have active and passive voting rights at the Youth Assembly. Each voting member has one vote. Voting rights are not transferable.
- 13. Minutes must be taken of general meetings and signed by the chairperson of the meeting and the secretary.

# § 11 Executive Board

- The executive board according to § 26 BGB consists of the chairman and two deputies. Two of these board members represent the association jointly in and out of court.
- 2. The extended board is made up of:
  - · the members of the executive board
  - the youth representative

The extended board can be supplemented by other persons if necessary.

- 3. The members of the board in accordance with § 11 of the articles of association are elected individually by the general meeting for a period of two years. An exception to this is the youth representative, who is elected by the youth assembly in accordance with the youth regulations. Only club members can be elected to the Executive Board.
- 4. The members of the Executive Board remain in office until a new election is held in accordance with the Articles of Association, regardless of whether this election takes place more or less than 2 years after the start of the term of office.
- 5. If a member of the Executive Board resigns before the end of their term of office, the Executive Board shall appoint a deputy who shall hold office on an interim basis until the next General Meeting. The next General Meeting shall elect a

- deputy until the next regular election. If a position on the Executive Board cannot be filled by another person, a member of the Executive Board may hold a second office.
- 6. The executive board is responsible for managing the association. He is responsible for all tasks that are not assigned to another association body by the statutes or regulations. If necessary, the executive board is entitled to appoint special representatives for individual projects or for a limited period of time in accordance with Section 30 of the German Civil Code (BGB) and to delegate the associated representation and management to them. He can also form committees for certain tasks, delegate tasks and issue regulations. Regulations are not part of the statutes. The members of the executive board can take part in all meetings of the bodies and departments.
- 7. The members of the board generally carry out their duties on a voluntary basis. If necessary, club and organizational offices can be exercised for a fee on the basis of a service or employment contract or against payment of a flat-rate expense allowance in accordance with Section 3 No. 26 a of the Income Tax Act, taking into account the economic circumstances and budget situation. The executive board decides on the required employment.
- 8. Furthermore, the members and employees of the association who act on behalf of the association are entitled to reimbursement of expenses in accordance with Section 670 of the German Civil Code (BGB) for expenses that they incurred as a result of their work for the association. The claim for reimbursement of expenses can generally only be asserted within a period of 6 months after it arises. Refunds will only be granted if the expenses can be proven with verifiable receipts and statements.

## § 12 Club youth

- 1. The youth of the club is the community of all members up to the age of 18.
- 2. The youth manage themselves within the framework of the youth regulations.
- The youth board is responsible for all youth matters of the club. He decides how the funds allocated to the youth will be used.
- 4. Organs of the club's youth are
  - · the youth board and
  - · the youth assembly
- 5. Further details are regulated by the youth regulations, which are decided by the club's youth assembly. The youth regulations may not contradict the requirements of these statutes. In case of doubt, the provisions of these statutes apply.

## § 13 Departments

Separate departments are set up within the association for different activities. The departments are legally dependent subdivisions of the club and organize the respective sports operations. The executive board decides on the establishment and dissolution of departments.

The organization of the departments must be regulated in departmental regulations, which must not contradict the requirements of these statutes.

## § 14 Auditor

The general meeting elects two auditors who may not be members of the executive board. They check the club's cash register at least once a year. The auditors report to the general meeting and, if the cash transactions are conducted properly, apply for the discharge of the board of directors. The term of office is 1 year. Direct re-election is permitted once.

#### § 15 Dissolution of the association

The dissolution of the association can only be decided in a general meeting called for

this purpose. The prerequisite is that 3/4 of the votes cast agree. Unless the general meeting decides otherwise, two members of the executive board are jointly authorized liquidators. If the association is dissolved or abolished or if the tax-privileged purpose ceases to exist, the club's assets after the liquidation will pass to a legal entity under public law or another tax-privileged corporation for the promotion of sport. In the event of a merger of the association with another association, the assets after the association is dissolved pass to the newly created, tax-privileged merger association or the receiving tax-deferred association, which must use them exclusively and directly for charitable purposes.

The above statutes were passed by the general meeting on January 15, 2025.