

STATUTES

These statutes have been translated with the utmost care, but might still have differences with the Dutch version. If there are differences between the Dutch and English version, the Dutch version is the official version.

Article 1.

The association has the name: "Rotterdamse Studenten Alpen Club RSAC" (Rotterdam Student Alpine Club).

She was founded on the twenty-fourth of July two thousand and six.

Article 2.

The association is located in Rotterdam.

Article 3.

1. The goal of the association is to promote outdoor sport in general and especially mountaineering.
2. She will try to achieve this through all legal means.

Article 4.

1. The association distinguishes her member in:
 - Normal members
 - Extraordinary members
 - Honorary members
 - Alumni
2. In this document, the word "members" can be interchanged with normal members, extraordinary members, honorary members, and alumni, unless stated otherwise.

Article 5.

Those that wish to become a member of the association need to indicate this to the board. The board decides on the admission of members.

Article 6.

- a. Normal members can be: students at a University or University of Applied Sciences in the Netherlands.
- b. Extraordinary members can be: other natural persons that don't fulfill the requirements of point a. of this article. The bylaws may add further criteria for this.
- c. Honorary members are those who have been appointed as such by the General Members' Meeting.
- d. Alumni are those who were members during their studies and who have deregistered as a student at a university or University of Applied Sciences in the Netherlands. Alumni may remain a member for up to four years after graduation. The bylaws may set further criteria for this.

Article 7.

The board keeps a register, which includes the names and addresses of all members.

Artikel 8.

1. Membership ends:
 - a. by written notice from the member to the board;
 - b. by cancellation on behalf of the association. This can occur when a member has ceased to meet the membership requirements set out in the statutes;
 - c. if they do not fulfill their obligations towards the association, as well as when the association cannot reasonably be expected to continue the membership;
 - d. by expulsion. This action can only be taken when a member acts in violation of the statutes, bylaws, regulations or decisions of the association or unfairly prejudices the association;

- e. due to the death of the member concerned
2. Termination of membership on behalf of the association and expulsion from membership is executed by the board. The expelled member has the option of appeal through the General Members' Meeting.
3. When a membership ends during the course of the association year, the annual contribution for the whole year remains due.

Article 9.

The association's financial year runs from the first of September to the thirty-first of August; however, the first financial year started on the founding date.

Article 10.

The funds of the association consist of:

- A. membership dues;
- B. subsidies;
- C. donations;
- D. all other means

Article 11.

All members are obliged to pay annual membership dues, the amount of which is determined by the General Members' Meeting.

This annual contribution can be set at different amounts for the different types of members. The board is authorized in special cases to grant full or partial exemption from the obligation to pay dues.

Article 12.

1. The board of the association consists of at least three and at most seven persons, who are appointed by the General Members' Meeting from the normal members.
2. Both the board and normal members have the ability to nominate normal members from which the appointment of board members takes place. The nomination by the board will be announced in the notice convening the meeting. A nomination by normal members must be submitted in writing to the board before the start of the meeting.
3. Each board member resigns no later than three years after his appointment. Board membership also ends:
 - A. by the termination of the association's membership;
 - B. by resignation;
 - C. if so decided by the general meeting of members

1. The board consists of a chairman, a secretary, a treasurer and other officials. In special cases, a board member may temporarily hold more than one position.

Article 13.

1. The board is charged with the management of the association, with exceptions for those tasks that the statutes have assigned to other parties. The association is represented in and out of court by:
 - A. either the board;
 - B. either the chairman;
 - C. or by at least two board members.

1. The bylaws may contain further rules regarding the duties and powers of the board as well as the division of tasks within the board.

Article 14.

1. The General Members' Meeting has the authority for everything that is not assigned to the board by law or statutes.

2. Every half year, a General Members' Meeting is held:
 - A. no later than three months after the end of the association's financial year.
The following items will be discussed at this meeting: the annual report, as well as a financial report on the past financial year; appointment of any vacancies.
 - B. no later than three months after the first of March. The following items will be discussed at this meeting: the budget for the coming financial year; appointment of any vacancies.
1. Special Members' Meetings are held as often as the board deems desirable, and furthermore at the request of such a number of members as is authorized to cast one-third of the votes. In this case, a Special Members' Meeting must be held within 6 weeks after the written submission of this request.
2. The general members' meetings are convened by the board by means of written notices. The notice must be at least seven days in advance, barring special circumstances. This announcement must state the agenda of the meeting.

Article 15.

All members have access to the General Members' Meeting. The General Members' Meeting decides on the admission of other people to the meeting.

1. Voting rights belong to all members.
2. Insofar as the statutes, the law or the bylaws do not require otherwise, all decisions of the General Members' Meeting are taken by an absolute majority of the votes cast.
3. Blank votes are considered not to have been cast.
4. All votes are taken orally unless the chairman deems a written vote desirable, or one of the voters requests this before the vote.
5. A member can authorize another member to cast their vote. This authorization must be submitted to the board in writing. A member can only be authorized to vote for one other member.

Article 16.

1. Amendments can be made to the statutes of the association, or the association can be dissolved by virtue of a decision of the General Members' Meeting, these decisions must be voted in with at least a two-thirds majority. At least two-thirds of the voting members must be present or represented at the meeting.
2. Such decisions can only be valid if the proposal concerned, accompanied by an explanation, is included in the notice of the meeting in question.
3. If two-thirds of the voting members are not present or represented at the meeting, a second meeting will be convened and held within four weeks thereafter, in which the proposal as discussed in the previous meeting, regardless of the number of persons present or represented members, can be decided by a majority of at least two-thirds of the votes cast.
4. Amendments to the statutes come into effect after a notarial deed has been drawn up. Each board member is authorized to have the deed executed.

Article 17.

1. The association can be dissolved by a decision of the General Members' Meeting. The provisions of Article 16 in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 apply.
2. The credit balance after liquidation lapses to those who were members at the time of the decision to dissolve. Each of them receives an equal part. However, with the decision to dissolve another another destination can be given for the balance.

3. The board is charged with the liquidation unless the meeting appoints other liquidators.

Article 18.

1. The General Members' Meeting can adopt bylaws.
2. The bylaws may not conflict with the law, nor with the statutes.

Article 19.

In alle gevallen waarin deze statuten niet voorzien beslist de algemene ledenvergadering.
In all cases not provided for in these statutes, the General Members' Meeting decides.