

RESTATED BY-LAWS

NORTH DAKOTA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I.  
NAME AND OBJECTS

SECTION 1. This Association shall be known as the North Dakota Quarter Horse Association and shall at all times be operated as a non-profit corporation in accordance with the laws of the State of North Dakota, providing for such organizations and by which it shall acquire all rights as granted to associations of this kind.

SECTION 2. The purpose of this Association shall be to stimulate interest in the Quarter Horse Breed, pertaining to the breed, exhibition, performance, racing, sale, purchase, or the general improvement of the breed. This is to include the promotion and encouragement of youth activities as pertaining to horses.

SECTION 3. The official address shall be that of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.

ARTICLE II.  
MEMBERS

SECTION 1. Membership shall be open to any reliable person, firm, or corporation having a sincere interest in the advancement of the Quarter Horse except that non-residents of the State of North Dakota shall not be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. Any person, firm or corporation having joined this Association shall thereby become subject to the rules and By-Laws then in force or later adopted by the Association and shall be retained or expelled in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors may from time to time adopt. In all matters governed by each member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE III.  
DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of nine (9) members with three to be elected for three years at each ensuing election. The business and property of the Association shall be managed and controlled by the Board of Directors. Five shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2. In case of a vacancy in the Board of Directors by death, resignation, disqualification, increase in members or other cause, the remaining Directors by affirmative vote of a majority thereof elect a successor.

SECTION 3. Directors to be elected at the annual membership meeting shall be nominated from the floor and by a nominating committee. Those members receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected.

The regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the annual membership meeting at which time they will elect a President, Vice-President and appoint a Secretary-Treasurer, who need not be a member of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the direction of the President or by two-thirds of the Directors. The Secretary shall give notice of each special meeting, if so instructed by the Directors.

SECTION 5. The Board of Directors shall have the power and authority to make, amend, repeal and enforce such rules and regulations, not contrary to law or the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, as they may deem expedient concerning the conduct, management and activities of the Association, the admission, classification, qualification, suspension and expulsion of members, removal of officers, the rules and regulations governing the procedure of such suspension and expulsion and removal, the fixing and collecting of dues and fees, the expenditure of money, the auditing of books and records, the awarding of championships, the conducting of shows, contests, exhibitions, races, sales and social functions and other details relating to the general purposes of the Association, all, however, subject to revision or amendment by the members, provided written notice of intention by any member to move the revision or specified amendment of any rule or regulation shall have been mailed to all members at least thirty days (30) days in advance of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND DUTIES

SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings. He shall see that the By-Laws, rules and regulations of the Association are enforced and shall perform all duties prescribed by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President when the latter is absent or for other reasons unable to act.

SECTION 3. The Secretary-Treasurer shall perform the usual duties associated with such office subject to the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of three (3) members, the President, the Vice President and the immediate Past President.

ARTICLE V.  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. The Executive Committee shall be composed of three members of the Association who shall be subject to the wishes of the Board of Directors, and which Executive Committee shall manage the affairs of the Association. They may hold meetings at any time and at any place upon call of the President or the members of the Committee acting jointly. A majority shall decide any question that may come before the meeting. The Executive Committee shall have power to do or perform any act within the By-Laws of the Association, but shall not have power to repeal, modify, alter, or amend such By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI.  
AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. By-Laws may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of a majority of those present. To amend the By-Laws the proposed amendment must be presented to the Secretary sixty (60) days prior to the annual membership meeting. The Secretary shall send written notices and a copy of the By-Laws to all members thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VII.  
ANNUAL DUES

SECTION 1. The annual dues, as fixed by the Board of Directors, shall be paid by each member and shall be payable on January 1st of each year and shall be considered delinquent if not paid within thirty days. Non-payment of dues shall automatically forfeit membership and all privileges of the Association or receiving official publications. When there are no other objections a member in arrears may be reinstated by paying up in full.

ARTICLE VIII.  
HORSES - ELIGIBILITY - EXCEPTION

SECTION 1. All horses that meet the requirement of this Association, including the American Quarter Horse Association, shall be eligible to compete in North Dakota Quarter Horse Association shows and receive North Dakota Quarter Horse Association points, except horses owned by non-residents shall not be eligible to compete for North Dakota Quarter Horse Association resident points, but may compete for three non-resident awards to be named by the Board of Directors of the North Dakota Quarter Horse Association.

It is hereby certified that the above and foregoing constitute the Restated By-Laws of the North Dakota Quarter Horse Association as heretofore adopted or amended as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 1973.

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Secretary-Treasurer