

Statutes of the World Union Deutsch-Kurzhaar

1. The World Union Deutsch-Kurzhaar is a voluntary alliance of associations and clubs that breed and handle German Shorthair Pointers with the goal of assimilating the breeding, training and accommodation provisions and agreement on events and organisational questions as well as closer contact and experience transfer. The seat of the World Union is the place in the FRG, where the head office is.
2. All Deutsch-Kurzhaar clubs and other clubs officially recognised by the cynology umbrella organisation responsible in the specific country may and should become members of the alliance. The appertaining national kennel club's issued regulations for the specific associations and clubs will not be effected in any way, although the World Union members should take influence upon new versions of regulations.
3. Associations and clubs that want to join this alliance after the founding meeting, can apply for membership at the head office in written form in German in duplicate. With the application acknowledgement of the Statutes of the World Union must be stated. The head office will then conduct a ballot vote on the application. The membership is accepted, if 2/3 of the members are in favour. Objection against the admission of a new member is only allowed with sound reason. The reasons must be signed and sent to the head office in duplicate by the final fixed voting date.
4. The alliance will be presided by the founding association of the breed, the Deutsch-Kurzhaar-Verband e. V. Germany, who will contribute the president and the business-manager. Two vice presidents, who should not be from the mother-country, are to be elected for a term of two years by simple majority at the regular meeting turn of the members of the World Union.
5. The meetings will be held upon necessity, but at least every two years. The business manager will call for the meeting by order of the president. The meeting will be presided by the president or his/her delegated substitute. The meeting point should be the town, where the International Kurzhaar Prüfung (IKP) is being held.
6. Each member has one vote. The president is entitled to vote. Simple majority of votes of the official representatives at the meeting is needed. Should there be a tie, the president's or his/her delegated substitute's vote is decisive. Voting is done by acclamation. The official representatives must identify themselves with the voting ballots that they had received with the invitation to the meeting.
7. Ballot voting is possible.
8. Negotiations will be held in German, correspondence is also possible in English, French or Spanish.
9. Official representatives attending the meeting are allowed to bring a translator with them.
10. All members can make **motions/proposals**. **Motions** must be submitted to the **business-manager/general secretary** in one of the four languages (German, French, English, Spanish) in duplicate.
11. The minutes of the meeting are to be written by the **business-manager/general secretary**, must be approved of by the president or his/her substitute and **must be made available** to every member.

12. Only two representatives per club will be admitted to the meetings. Travel and subsequent expense must be paid for by the members themselves.
13. There is no membership fee. Larger expenditures, which had been approved of by the general assembly, will be compiled at the end of each calendar year and sent to the members. These expenditures will be divided in equal parts and must be settled by the members. Should the business expenditures increase to the point, where settlement can no longer be demanded of the members, there will be a **consultation/deliberation** about membership fees or allocations at the next meeting.
14. Resignation of membership is only possible with a three months notice prior to the end of the two year period, beginning from the founding date.
15. Associations and clubs can be excluded from the alliance, if serious mistakes are made that damage the reputation of the World Union or the rules of procedure are grossly violated. Resignation or exclusion from a kennel club belonging to the FCI doesn't automatically lead to the consequence of no longer being a member of the World Union. Should a kennel club belonging to the FCI apply for the exclusion of an association or club from the World Union, then they must prove that the relevant association or club has seriously offended in breeding or seriously violated the FCI-Regulations. In all cases, the assembly will come to a conclusion by a 2/3 majority. The same is applicable in countries that are not under jurisdiction of the FCI, but are affiliated to the FCI.

Associations and clubs from a specific country that have become members of the World Union should not develop or support any cynologic activities in other countries without written permission of the Deutsch-Kurzhaar associations/clubs in that country.
16. The Statutes must be approved of by the members by a 2/3 majority. For revisions and amendments to the Statutes a 2/3 majority is also necessary. All members must comply to the majority votes.