

Administrative directive – 2020-12

Target Committee: Club's Affairs Committee

Target clubs: All All-Breed Regional Clubs

Target audience: Anyone wishing to become an associate member of Chats

Canada Cats

Anyone wishing to become a regular member of Chats

Canada Cats

Chats Canada Cats Registrar

Whereas the objectives of a regional all breeds club are, but are not limited to:

- Create an information and support network promoting knowledge sharing;
- Offer local training to breeders;
- Participation in group purchases and discounts at certain suppliers of products and services in the region;
- Representation of catteries and breeders to the various stakeholders in their territories;
- Development of local services, among other things, by organizing a local cat show every year.

Whereas the all breeds regional clubs affiliated with the Chats Canada Cats must be inclusive and create a dynamic of mutual aid and induce networking between breeders and future breeders on its territory

Whereas several clubs so far have experienced governance and/or accountability issues with their members and/or the Chats Canada Cats

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Whereas it is clear that all breeds regional clubs have recruitment difficulties and the efforts of the teams in place are mainly focused on setting up shows, which should not be the main center of activity of the club

Whereas the Chats Canada Cats must support existing clubs and support the development of new clubs across Canada

Whereas the Chats Canada Cats contracts liability insurance which covers the administrators of the clubs. This insurance could be revoked for a governance problem of one of the affiliated clubs.

On November 16th, 2020, the Chats Canada Cats Board of Directors adopted the guideline, following a unanimous vote by the Club Affairs Committee.

For the fiscal year starting January 1, 2021 and subsequent years:

The Chats Canada Cats:

- 1 All persons who join the CCC will automatically be a member of the regional all breed club in their region, if there is one;
- 2 The Chats Canada Cats will communicate the member's information to the designated person by the all breeds club at the time of its membership or renewal;
- 3 The Chats Canada Cats will pay out club memberships every quarter with a membership statement;
- 4 The agreed discount amounts are:
 - \$ 10 for a regular member
 - \$ 5 for the 2nd member of a family membership regular member
 - \$ 5 per associate member

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5 - Due to the automation of the membership of Chats Canada Cats members in all breed regional clubs, the Chats Canada Cats has a right to oversee the management of the club, its governance, its activities as well as the accountability of elected officials. The President of Chats Canada Cats has the power to appoint an observer to an affiliated club in order to be able to ensure adequate support and may, if deficiencies are evident in governance, establish and enforce a recovery plan up to and including to the guardianship.

The clubs:

- 1 Any all breeds regional club pre-existing this directive will have to modify its by-laws, its statutes or any other administrative regulation in order to harmonize them with this directive;
- 2 The all breeds regional club must follow up with the new member within three (3) working days of receiving the relevant information from the Chats Canada Cats registrar;
- 3 The club can offer exclusive additional services (eg: advertising, etc.) to these members, but these must be optional and cannot constitute an additional premium for the member;
- 4 The club is free to accept non CCC members in their membership according to their terms;
- 5 By requesting or renewing membership in Chats Canada Cats, the clubs explicitly and implicitly accept the terms of this directive, which is evidence of the mutual commitment of the parties;

The members:

- 1 A member of the Chats Canada Cats is automatically a member of his all breeds regional club if he is not disqualified from it (if he has not been excluded under the club's By-laws);
- 2 A member is free to voluntarily join any other club affiliated with the CCC, if he complies with the requirements of the club in question and pays the membership fee at his own expense;



3 - Reminder: a member of Chats Canada Cats cannot sit on more than two club boards (By-laws, articles 9.10 and 10.08)

The board of directors, by this decision, wishes to support the development and growth of all breeds regional clubs and to support members in the creation of a lasting network.