

## BYLAWS OF THE ARABIAN HORSE DISTANCE RIDING ASSOCIATION

### Article I Name

The name of the organization is the Arabian Horse Distance Riding Association and may also be known as AHDRA.

### Article II Purpose

The purpose of the organization is to promote and encourage the use of the Arabian horse in the activities of endurance, limited distance and competitive trail riding. This organization shall not be conducted or operated for profit. In the event of the dissolution of this organization, all assets shall be donated to the Arabian Horse Association or a qualified tax-exempt, non-profit equine-oriented organization to be determined by the AHDRA Board of Directors.

### Article III Membership

Membership will be either as an Affiliate or an Associate.

- An Affiliate member has membership in both AHDRA and the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). This may be a Single (adult) or a Youth Affiliate membership.
- An Associate membership may be a Single, Family or Youth. An Associate membership is with AHDRA only.
- A Family is defined as one or more related or coupled as significant other adults and/or children of such adults, all of whom reside in the same household.
- Youth members are under the age of 18 at the beginning of the competition year.

Each current member in good standing shall have one vote per election or proposition requiring a vote. Proxy voting shall not be permitted.

Termination of membership may be sought for a member who deliberately and knowingly provides false or misleading information on any AHDRA forms or registrations. Memberships may be terminated by a two-thirds majority vote of the membership present at a scheduled meeting.

### Article IV Board of Directors

The board of directors shall consist of at least seven (7) individuals: three officers (the president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer) and at least four at-large directors. The President and at least two at-large directors shall be elected to two year terms in even numbered years, and the Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and at least two at-large directors shall be elected to two year terms in odd numbered years. Directors shall receive no compensation.

Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the president and the appointee shall serve for the remaining term of the vacated position.

Election of the Board of Directors shall occur at the annual meeting of the organization. Nominations shall be from the floor and open to the current year's membership. Election shall take place by secret ballot.

The management and control of AHDRA is vested in the members elected as the board of directors. A quorum of the board of directors shall consist of a majority of the Directors.

The board of directors shall have the power to retain the services of legal counsel to represent AHDRA or its Board. Directors shall be entitled to indemnification for actions as directors of this organization to the extent permitted by the organization's available resources and applicable law.

#### Article V Officers and their Duties

The officers of the organization shall be president, vice president and secretary/treasurer.

The president shall be the chief executive officer of the organization and shall supervise the affairs of the organization. He or she shall direct general management of the organization and see that all orders and resolutions are carried into effect. He or she shall preside at meetings of the organization. The president shall make appointments to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors.

The vice president shall assume the duties of the president in the absence of the president. He or she is responsible for maintaining (or having maintained) the website of the organization and the point standings. He or she shall also assume other duties as assigned by the president.

The secretary/treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining the minutes of the meetings, official correspondence, and financial records of the organization. He or she shall receive member dues and maintain the list of members.