

Rational for Changes to Membership Requirements

- 1) To introduce potential new members to club service hour opportunities
- 2) To increase attendance at membership meetings
- 3) Minor grammar and spelling corrections

Current CCDTC By-Laws (Membership Items)

Article 1

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- 1) Applicants must have attended a minimum of two class sessions (or equivalent) conducted by the Corporation within 12 consecutive months;
- 2) Application must be made not less than sixteen (16) weeks, nor more than one year from the date of the first class attended, (Exception: Persons who have trained for and earned performance titles on one or more dog(s) may apply for membership not less than ten (10) weeks nor more than one year from date of first class attended, provided the training requirements have been met);
- 3) Applicants must attend one general membership meeting of the Corporation within one year of the date of the first training session attended (Exception: Those persons unable to attend a membership meeting may petition the board stating their difficulty of attendance);
- 4) Only one person per family need complete these eligibility prerequisites for a family membership,
- 5) The applicant must also be willing to serve the Corporation in such capacity as may be necessary for the function of the Corporation, and
- 6) The applicant must not currently be suspended or barred from the privileges of the United Kennel Club.

Types of membership are:

1. Single Membership shall be for 1 adult person.
2. Family Membership Defined as: at most 2 adults and children under 18 who live under the same roof, one of which must be a parent or legal guardian if the other member(s) is under 18 years old. After reaching the age of 18, children of a Family Membership must convert to a Single Membership by October 1st or they must apply for membership under the rules of this section.
3. Lifetime Membership is a Louisa Flood Award recipient.
4. Inactive Membership An Inactive membership shall be available for Members who have experienced some hardship that makes it difficult to maintain an active membership, but do not want to end their membership with the Corporation. Members that meet the requirements listed below:
 - 1) Must have experienced some hardship (ill health, loss of dog(s), etc.)
 - 2) Applicants for inactive membership must have been an active member for a period of at least five (5) years;
 - 3) Member must apply for a change in membership status to the Board for approval.
 - 4) An Inactive Member status is granted on a yearly basis and must be reapproved yearly for extenuating circumstances.

An Inactive Membership will cost fifty percent (50%) of the regular dues. o An Inactive Member may receive the newsletter, attend meetings, and volunteer to work at Club functions.

An Inactive Member may not have voting privileges, training privileges, or access to the building unless

attending a meeting or Club function.

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- a.) the membership chair submits all applications received by Howler deadline to Howler editor.
- b.) Howler publishes name, city, state and breed(s) of prospective members to be voted on at next meeting
- c.) if anyone has comments on a prospective member it must be submitted in writing to the Membership Chair or a Board Member prior to the next scheduled Board meeting.
- c.) if there are comments that the Board finds valid, the names) will be pulled from that month's ballot. The Board will resolve any contested applicants after an investigation of the issues/allegations.
- d.) all uncontested prospective members will be voted on at the first scheduled General Membership meeting after Howler Publication.
- e.) Applicants will be accepted for membership upon a majority vote of those members present and voting at the next regular meeting. Membership dues and service hours are prorated as of the date of admission to Membership to the Corporation. An applicant who wishes to register for the next class prior to being accepted as a member will follow the regular procedure and fee schedule for nonmembers; fees paid for such classes will not be refunded if the applicant is accepted for membership.

Current Standing Rules Membership Items

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