

## Constitution of the Kai Ken Society of America

Section 1. The name of the club shall be the Kai Ken Society of America

Section 2. This organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding Section of any future tax code.

Section 3. The mission of the club shall be:

- (a) To encourage and promote quality in the breeding of Kai Ken and to do all possible to preserve their natural qualities in harmony.
- (b) To encourage the organization of independent local Kai Ken specialty clubs in those localities where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed to meet the requirements of the American Kennel Club.
- (c) To promote responsible ownership through education, support & encouragement to all Kai owners, including mentoring new breeders and participants in showing and activities appropriate for Kai Ken.
- (d) To act as the repository for the history of Kai Ken in America. To promote and protect correct and helpful information about the Kai Ken.
- (e) To honor and be guided by the standard of the Kai Ken Aigokai - by which nearly all Kai in Japan, the country of origin, are judged - and promote that standard's attributes and spirit as we compose our official standard for acceptance by The American Kennel Club, so that this will be standard of excellence by which Kai Ken shall be judged in AKC.
- (f) To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at companion events, field trials and tests, and dog shows.
- (g) To promote registration of Kai dogs with the AKC. To become able as a club to conduct sanctioned matches, specialty shows, companion events, field trials and tests under the Rules and Regulations of The American Kennel Club.

Section 4. The Club shall not engage in any act which would prevent it from qualifying as a tax exempt organization under 26 U.S.C., Section 501. The Kai Ken Society of America is irrevocably dedicated to, and operated exclusively for, non-profit purposes; and no part of the income or assets of the Club shall be distributed to, nor inure to, the benefit of any individual.

Section 5. The Board of Directors of the club shall adopt and may from time to time revise its bylaws as may be required to carry out its mission. This Constitution was adopted by the Organization Workgroup of the Kai Ken Society of America on November 24, 2017

Section 6. Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding Section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

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