CONSTITUTION OF

DRESSAGE SOUTH AFRICA

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1. CONSTITUTION, NAME AND CORPORATE PERSONALITY

1.1. This is the Constitution of the body known as "**Dressage South Africa** ", which Association is the national body duly recognised by the South African EquestrianFederation.

1.2. **Dressage South Africa** is a voluntary Association having a corporate identity separate from that of its Members and is entitled to own property, whether movable orimmovable or otherwise, and is entitled to sue and to be sued in its own name and, notwithstanding any change in the composition of its Members from time to time, shall have perpetual succession.

1.3. The provisions of this Constitution are founded upon and shall be implemented and administered in the recognition of human dignity, equality and the advancement of human rights and freedoms, non-racialism, non-sexism and the right of freedom of association and the supremacy of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (1996), the rule of law and good corporate governance.

1.4. At all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

2. DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED

2.1 For the purposes of this Constitution, the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings unless the subject or context indicates otherwise:

2.2 “Act of Parliament” refers to the National Sport and Recreation Act, (Act No 110 of1998) and the National Sport and Recreation Amendment Act (Act No 18 of 2007), also referred to as “The Act”.

2.3 "AGM" means the Annual General Meeting of Members held in accordance with theprovisions of this Constitution.

2.4 “Judicial Body” means a judicial body appointed by the Council in terms of thisConstitution.

2.5 “Associate Members" means all those associations or organisations having the same or similar objects to **Dressage South Africa** and having their National Office within the area of jurisdiction of **Dressage South Africa,** which bodies have made application and have been accepted as Associate Members of **Dressage South Africa** in terms of the provisions of this Constitution.

2.6 “Athlete” shall mean the individual, together with each horse which shall be regarded as one competitor, who are both registered with and subject to the authority of DSA and the SAEF in terms of their registration and/or membership.

2.7 "Annual Financial Statements" or “AFS” means the annual audited balance sheet,income and expenditure account, Treasurer’s report and Auditor’s report.

2.8 "Chief Executive Officer" or “CEO” means the person appointed by Executive Committee of **Dressage South Africa,** to be employed in terms of an employmentcontract. It is specifically recorded that such person may be a member of the National Executive, but shall not be entitled to any voting rights in terms of this Constitution.

2.9 “DRESSAGE” shall mean the discipline of DRESSAGE as referred to in this Constitution and as defined by the FEI, whether ridden in the presence of other Athletes, or by means of correspondence or by way of the internet, computer software programs or otherwise.

2.10 "Club" means any club which caters for any discipline but must include the discipline of DRESSAGE in a district or Province, as contained in this Constitution and must have a minimum of five (5) or more bona fide active Dressage Members. The Club must be affiliated to **Dressage South Africa** and SAEF**.**

2.11 “Compliance” means that the member club or individual has fulfilled the necessary provisions of this Constitution in regard to specific requirements as contained herein, and as such is regarded as being in good standing with **Dressage South Africa.**

2.12 "Constitution" means this Constitution.

2.13 "Dressage Council" means the National Council of **DRESSAGE SA** as constituted interms of this constitution

2.14 "**Dressage South Africa** " and “**DRESSAGE SA**” means the body recognised bySAEF as the organisation responsible for DRESSAGE in the Republic of South Africa, and as referred to in this Constitution, and incorporates all rights that may have existed or exist in the entity formerly known as the South African EquestrianAssociation National Dressage Technical Committee.

2.15 “Day” means a calendar day.” Working day” means a calendar day excludingSaturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

2.16 “Event” means a DRESSAGE event held under the auspices of the SAEF and **DRESSAGE SA** and where a Show Schedule has been submitted and approved by either a Provincial or a National council of **DRESSAGE SA** and activated on the online entry system.

2.17 “Event Organiser” means the responsible person who has been appointed as such by a Show Holding Body to manage an event on behalf of a Show Holding Body that is affiliated with **DRESSAGE SA.**

2.18 “EXCO” means the Executive Committee of **DRESSAGE SA** as appointed by thecouncil of the association.

2.19 “FEI” means the ***Fédération Equestre Internationale*** being the supreme controllingbody of DRESSAGE including but not limited to global and continental levels.

2.20 "Honorary Life Members" means all those persons bestowed with this honor by theGeneral Council of **DRESSAGE SA** at a **SGM** or an **AGM**

2.21 "Levies" means the monies levied on competitors at **DRESSAGE SA** competitions and due to **DRESSAGE SA** and paid over to **DRESSAGE SA** by the membership relevant Show Holding Bodies and as approved and agreed to by the membership at a **SGM** or an **AGM** of **DRESSAGE SA.**

2.22 "Member" shall mean an Ordinary Member or an Associate Member duly appointed as such in terms of this Constitution.

2.23 "Month" means a calendar month.

2.24 “National Sport Federation” means the national governing body of Equestrian Sport in South Africa, namely S.A.E.F being a member of SASCOC and recognised by the Department of Sport and Recreation in the Republic of South Africa.

2.25 "National Office" means the head office of **DRESSAGE SA** as defined in this Constitution.

2.26 Ordinary General Meeting" or “OGM” means a meeting convened in terms of this Constitution.

2.27 "Ordinary Members" means those members duly accepted as members in terms of the geopolitical demarcations known as Provincial Associations as set out in this Constitution.

2.28 “Organisers” shall mean those persons who have been duly authorised by **DRESSAGE SA** either directly or through their provincial membership to stage a DRESSAGE event inclusive of the hosting, managing, organising, planning, and supervision of such an event and who report directly to the Event Organiser of that event.

2.29 "Person" means a natural or legal person.

2.30 "President" means the President of **DRESSAGE SA**, duly elected in terms of this Constitution.

2.31 “Province” means one of the nine (9) geopolitical areas also defined as an “Ordinary Member” in good standing with **DRESSAGE SA** which geographical areas such Ordinary Member is affiliated to is as defined in Section 103 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 1996 (as amended).

2.32 “Provincial DRESSAGE Committee” means a body consisting of more than one Clubwithin a Province, associated with each other, for the special and specific purpose of liaison and communication with the sporting codes of that Province, the Provincial Confederation and the Department of Sport and Recreation in that Province. The Province will only be active if they have a minimum of two (2) Clubs with a minimum of five (5) or more bona fide active Dressage Members.

2.33 “Rules, Regulations and Policies” means the rules, regulations and policies of **DRESSAGE SA**.

2.34 “S.A.E.F.” or “SAEF” means the South African Equestrian Federation.

2.35 “S.A.I.D.S.” or “SAIDS” means the South African Institute for Drug-FreeSport.

2.36 “S.A.S.C.O.C.” or “SASCOC” means the South African Sport Confederation and Olympic Committee duly recognized and approved by the Department of Sport and Recreation as the governing body of Sport in the Republic of South Africa.

2.37 "Special General Meeting” or “**SGM**” means a meeting convened in terms of thisConstitution.

2.38 “Treasurer" means the person elected in terms of the provisions of this Constitution.

2.39 "Vice-President" means the Vice-President of **DRESSAGE SA** as defined in this Constitution.

2.40 “W.A.D.A” or “WADA” means the World Anti-Doping Agency.

2.41 “Year” means a calendar year.

3. INTERPRETATIONS

3.1. The headings to the clauses or paragraphs of this Constitution are for descriptive purposes only and shall not be used in the interpretation hereof.

3.2. Unless the context indicates a contrasting intention, the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.

3.3. Any words importing one gender include all other genders.

4. HEADQUARTERS

4.1. The National Office Headquarters shall be in Gauteng Province, Republic ofSouth Africa, and shall remain as such until the Council of **DRESSAGE SA** resolves that the National Office be moved.

4.2. The National Office shall always be located within the borders of the Republic of South Africa.

5. AREA OF JURISDICTION OF DRESSAGE SA

The geographical area of jurisdiction of **DRESSAGE SA** shall be the Republic of South Africa.

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6. OBJECTS OF DRESSAGE SA

The objects of **DRESSAGE SA** are:

6.1. To be and to operate and function as the autonomous controlling andadministrative body of the sport of DRESSAGE within the area of its jurisdiction.

6.2. To direct, develop, promote and administer the sport of DRESSAGE within the area of its jurisdiction in accordance with sound business and financial principles.

6.3. To develop and participate in the sport of DRESSAGE, in such a way as to ensure the development of DRESSAGE Athletes through constructive coaching and capacity building.

6.4. To ensure that the encouragement, promotion, development and administration of the sport of DRESSAGE, whether same be at National or Provincial level, is carried out in accordance with the principles of non-racism and non-sexism, ~~by~~ which it is meant that race ethnicity, nationality or gender shall not be a basis for discriminating against or of affording privileges to any one person or group of persons.

6.5. To promote sportsmanship and fair play at all levels of the sport, free of anyinterference.

6.6. To apply annually to be a member of SAEF and to abide by their Constitution and Rules and Regulations.

6.7. A resolution passed by the EXCO may decide to cooperate with SAEF and SASCOC (through SAEF) if required, in particular as regards the participationof DRESSAGE Athletes in all Multi-Code Games and Events.

6.8. To advance the objects of **DRESSAGE SA** and to associate itself with all such other lawfully constituted Associations and Organisations as shall be decided by Dressage Council, whether within or without the area of jurisdiction of **DRESSAGE SA** and irrespective of whether or not such other Associations or Organisations be connected with the sport of DRESSAGE.

6.9. To uphold and enforce the rules of DRESSAGE as prescribed by the FEI, where applicable, from time to time and to encourage and promote the highest standard of sporting behavior in connection with the performance of DRESSAGE.

6.10. To uphold and enforce any code of conduct pertaining to the sport of DRESSAGE approved by the FEI, SAEF and/or any other code of conduct decided upon by **DRESSAGE SA**.

6.11. To encourage the appointment of coaches at all levels within the Equestrian community.

6.12. To select representative Athletes at all levels for participation in any tournament whether same be local or international.

6.13. To apply to SAEF for the awarding of national colors in terms of the criterialaid down in the Rules and Regulations of the SAEF and SASCOC.

6.14. To recognise and accept the jurisdiction, rules and regulations of the SAIDSas well as the code of the WADA and the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations as may be amended from time to time.

6.15. To promote the appointment and education of Judges and Officials under the auspices of DRESSAGE SA.

7. MEMBERSHIP

DRESSAGE SA consists of three categories of members namely:

7.1. **Ordinary Members** shall be those members as defined by their geopolitical areas and made up of their clubs as set out in this Constitution.

7.2 At the time of acceptance of this constitution, there shall be a maximum of nine (9) Ordinary Members which will be limited by the boundaries of theprovinces, which shall be:

7.2.1 Western Cape DRESSAGE;

7.2.2 Gauteng DRESSAGE;

7.2.3 Eastern Cape DRESSAGE;

7.2.4 Free State DRESSAGE;

7.2.5 Limpopo DRESSAGE;

7.2.6 KwaZulu Natal DRESSAGE;

7.2.7 Northern Cape DRESSAGE;

7.2.8 Northwest DRESSAGE; and

7.2.9 Mpumalanga DRESSAGE.

7.3 The jurisdictions of Ordinary Members shall be limited by the boundaries of the provinces, in compliance mutatis mutandis with SASCOC.

7.4 Should the legislation of the Republic of South Africa determine a variation to the existing provincial structures or boundaries, then the ordinary membership of DRESSSAGE SA will vary in such a way as to mirror such a change as and when the legislation becomes effective.

7.5 **Associate Members** shall be those members currently within the SAEF and shall include the Schools Association ("SANESA" and any other Member who complies fully with the provisions of this Constitution, and who is confirmed by SASCOC as having fulfilled the criteria of *bona fide* Associate Members in terms of the SASCOC Constitution.

7.6 **DRESSAGE SA** may, by a majority vote taken at an **AGM** or a **SGM** convened inter alia for this purpose, grant associate membership status to anyother association operating on a national level provided that no associate membership shall be granted to an association with the same or virtually the same aims and objectives as **DRESSAGE SA**.

7.7 **DRESSAGE SA** may, by a two-thirds majority vote taken solely for this purpose, withdraw its recognition of any associate member contemplated inthis Constitution, in which event; the relevant association will cease, forthwith, to be an associate member of **DRESSAGE SA**.

7.8 In matters of mutual interest, **DRESSAGE SA** and any members may, if theneed arises, enter into a written agreement covering specific issues for the benefit DRESSAGE and itsmembers.

8. POWERS OF DRESSAGE SA TO CARRY OUT ITS OBJECTIVES

8.1. **DRESSAGE SA** shall have all such powers and authorities as shall be necessary or desirable or conducive of achieving any and all of the objects of **DRESSAGE SA**. These powers and authorities shall be exercised by the Dressage Council and/or by the EXCO and/or by any duly constituted sub-committee in accordance with and subject to the provisions of this Constitution and the Act. Without in any way limiting the generality of the aforegoing, the powers and authorities of **DRESSAGE SA** shall include those set out in Clauses 8.2 to 8.20 below.

8.2. To acquire by purchase, exchange, hire, sub-lease, donation or otherwise movable and/or immovable property of any kind.

8.3. To sell, let, mortgage, dispose of, give in exchange, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property or rights of **DRESSAGE SA**

8.4. To enter into contracts of any and all kinds necessary to carry out, give effect to or secure the objects of **DRESSAGE SA**.

8.5. From time to time, in accordance with sound business and financial principles to invest the funds of **DRESSAGE SA** in such property or assets or other security as may be deemed advisable.

8.6. To employ, suspend or dismiss and remunerate employees, professional assistants and experts.

8.7. To establish and contribute to a pension, annuity, medical aid scheme and/or other fund for the benefit of its employees and/or the dependents of such employees in accordance with the rules of such fund and to grant pensions, allowances, gratuities and bonuses to employees or ex-employees of **DRESSAGE SA**, or the dependents of such persons, and to support or subscribe or make donations to any charities or other institutions, clubs, societies and funds in accordance of the policies of **DRESSAGE SA.**

8.8. To invite the patronage of any person or persons as it may consider advisable.

8.9. To insure against losses, damage, risk and liability of all kinds.

8.10. To draw, make, accept, endorse, execute, negotiate and issue, electronic transactions, promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants and other negotiable or transferable instruments.

8.11. To initiate and transact on electronic banking platforms and applications provided by the major banks of the Republic of South Africa subject to their standard terms and conditions.

8.12. To institute, conduct, defend, compound or abandon any legal proceedings by and against **DRESSAGE SA** or its officers or otherwise concerning the affairs of **DRESSAGE SA**, or the action of its Members, and also compound and allow time for payment or satisfaction of any debts due or any claims or demands made by or against **DRESSAGE SA**.

8.13. To lawfully raise money by annual membership fees subscription or annual levies which are to be paid to **DRESSAGE SA** by the 5th 31st day of January each year from its Members inclusive of clubs and show holding bodies and to lawfully secure funding from any other source and to recover by legal process monies due by any of the above. , tertiary institutions, and or any other associations or organisations which are affiliated directly or indirectly to **DRESSAGE SA** on behalf of ordinary DRESSAGE Athletes who are members of the bodies referred to above, as well as to obtain funding from any other source, and to recover by legal process monies due by any of the above.

8.14. To contribute or subscribe to bodies with aims similar to the aims of **DRESSAGE SA** and invest monies upon such security and in such manner as it may from time to time determine.

8.15. To borrow and guarantee or otherwise secure the repayment of money insuch manner and in such terms as it may think fit.

8.16. To make and pass policies, rules, by-laws or regulations and to add to, repeal or alter such rules, by- laws or regulations, with or without penalties for the carrying out, administration and implementation of this Constitutionand the attainment of the objects of **DRESSAGE SA**.

8.17. To impose fines, to suspend for a period of time, to ban and/or implement anyother disciplinary measures on its Members or former Members or on any DRESSAGE Athlete or club or association or organisation connected or concerned with DRESSAGE arising out of or connected with any contravention or breach of the provisions of this Constitution or any rule, policy, by-law or regulation passed by Dressage Council, including those of FEI, SAIDS, SASCOC and WADA Anti-Doping Code and recover by legal action or otherwise such fines or compulsory contributions or damages from its Members or former Members. Without in any way limiting the generality of the aforegoing, **DRESSAGE SA** shall have the power to suspend or ban any DRESSAGE Athlete, Judge, Coach or Member ~~or Club~~ from participating in any championship or event.

8.18. To take all such action as may be required or necessary to enforce fully and effectively all obligations of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising which may be owed to **DRESSAGE SA** by its Members, former Members or any other persons or body.

8.19. **DRESSAGE SA** shall establish a financial reserve equal to the 25% of the average expenditure of the previous three financial years, and such reserveshall be topped up annually. Such reserve shall be used only ininstances where there is an urgent need of funds, but it shall not be accessed if **DRESSAGE SA** is of the view that it will cease to be a going concern, whether or not it uses such reserve.

9. MEMBERSHIP AND TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

9.1. Any Association which wishes to become an Associate Member of **DRESSAGE SA** shall apply in writing to Dressage Council to be admitted as an Associate Member and shall furnish a copy of its constitution and all such information as Dressage Council may require in order to decide upon its application.

9.2. No Association shall be admitted to membership of **DRESSAGE SA** unless the Dressage Council is satisfied that the constitution of such Association substantially complies with the requirements.

9.3. In deciding whether or not to admit a new Association as an Associate Member, Dressage Council shall have regard to such factors as it considers relevant including the number of clubs and DRESSAGE Athletes within the jurisdiction of the applicant, clubs run by the applicant, and whether or not the applicant and the clubs within its jurisdiction are committed to the scheme in terms of which levies are paid to **DRESSAGE SA.**

9.4. Dressage Council's decision to admit or refuse any application for membership shall be referred to the next meeting of the Council for ratification.

9.5. Associate Members shall agree upon and define their geographic areas of jurisdiction provided that in the event of dispute and failure to reach agreement such areas of jurisdiction shall be defined by Dressage Council and shall comply mutatis mutandis with the SAEF constitution.

9.6. The right of each existing and future Member to have one or more representative teams participate in the various events and championships which are held or staged under the auspices of **DRESSAGE SA** shall be determined by the Dressage Council, which may vary such rights from time to time.

9.7. Any Member other than an ordinary member which ceases to operate a viable structure as defined in this Constitution and may ipso facto be suspended from membership and the Council shall decide at its next ordinarymeeting whether the membership of such member should be terminated.

10. VOTING RIGHTS

10.1 The voting rights set out in this clause shall apply in respect of any and allmeetings of the Council.

10.2 The President, Vice-President and Treasurer shall each have 1 (one) vote,however the President shall have a deliberate as well as a casting vote.

10.3 Ordinary Members shall each have 1 (one) vote.

10.4 The Athletes Representative shall each have 1 (one) vote.

10.5 Associate Members shall each have 1 (one) vote.

10.6 Honorary Life Members may only vote in connection with any motion to terminate the Membership of any Honorary Life Member, and shall each have1(one)vote

10.7 Only Members whose are personally present or online or in their absence have their duly appointed representatives present at the meeting concerned shall have the right to vote. Dressage SA shall at the beginning of the meeting verify the identity of any online participants in a reasonable manner at the beginning of the meeting, especially where votes are to be cast by such participants.

10.8 Each Voting Member as set out in 10.2, 10.3, 10.4 and will be entitled to in their absence, nominate one representative to attend and to vote at any AGM, SGM and OGM. Such representative nominations shall be in writing, in the format specified for such a meeting, duly signed and addressed to the President of Dressage SA and must be received by the National Office prior to the time for the commencement of that meeting.

11. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ("AGM")

11.1. An **AGM** shall be held once in every year provided that not more than fifteen months shall elapse between one **AGM** and the next.

11.2. The EXCO shall decide the date, time and place on which each **AGM** shall be held, provided that unless there is good reason to the contrary, it shall be held at a venue or online platform to be determined by the EXCO or at such other place as EXCO may determine and that the **AGM** is held in within 3 (three) months from the end of the financial year.

11.3. The following persons shall be entitled to attend and speak at the **AGM**:

11.3.1. All members of Dressage Council

11.3.2. Not more than 1 (one) representative of each ordinary Member, 1 (one) representative of the Athletes Representative, and not more than 1 (one) representative of the Associate Members.

11.3.3. All Honorary Life Members

11.3.4. Any other person who may be invited by Dressage Council to do so.

11.4. The business to be transacted at an **AGM** shall be:

11.4.1. To read the notice convening the Meeting

11.4.2. To confirm the Minutes of the previous **AGM** and **SGM's** and to considerany matters arising therefrom

11.4.3. To receive and consider the Annual Report of the President, for the periodsince the date of the previous **AGM**

11.4.4. To adopt with or without modification, the audited Annual Financial Statements for the period since the date of the previous **AGM**, providedthat if not so adopted, the Annual Financial Statements shall stand for consideration and adoption, with or without modification, or rejection by the Council at an **SGM**, **OGM** or by the Dressage Council as per the decision of the **AGM**

11.4.5. To appoint the auditors of **DRESSAGE SA** to hold office until the next **AGM**, provided that if not so appointed, the appointment of the auditors shall stand for consideration and appointment, or rejection by the Council at an **SGM**, **OGM** or by the Dressage Council as per the decisionof the **AGM.**

11.4.6. To consider and to adopt with or without modification, or to reject any recommendations of Dressage Council

11.4.7. To consider all nominations by Dressage Council of persons to be Honorary Life Members and to accept or to reject any such recommendation or nomination

11.4.8. To elect the Dressage Council in terms of this Constitution.

11.4.9. To discuss and consider any matter of which 15 (fifteen) days written notice has been given.

11.5 Notice of a non-electoral **AGM** shall be sent to all the Members, Members of Dressage Council, and Honorary Life Members not less than 30 (thirty) calendar days prior to the date of the **AGM**.

11.6 Not less than 14 (fourteen) calendar days prior to the date of any **AGM**, copies of the Agenda for that **AGM** and the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year preceding the date of the **AGM** shall be disseminated to all Members and Honorary Life Members by electronic means.

12. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS ("SGM's")

12.1. An **SGM** of Members shall be convened:

12.1.1. By resolution of Dressage Council, or

12.1.2. By resolution of the EXCO, or

12.1.3. Upon the written requisition of not less than 50% (fifty per centum) plus 1 (one) Ordinary Members, in good standing, addressed to the President and delivered to the National Office provided that such written requisition shall state the exclusive purpose for which the **SGM** is to be called and the text of the motion to be put to the meeting.

12.2. Within 14 (fourteen) calendar days after receipt of the resolution or requisition referred to in sub-clause 12.1.3, the President shall send written notification to all Members, which notice shall specify the time, date and place or online platform of the **SGM**, which time, date and place or online platform shall have been determined by EXCO provided that the date shall not be more than 21 (twenty-one) calendar days and not less than 7 (seven) calendar days after the date of posting dissemination of the notification, together with written notification of the purpose of and measures to be transacted at the **SGM** and the text of motions to be put to and considered by the meeting.

12.3. No business other than that stated in the notification, referred to in sub- clause 12.2, shall be transacted at the **SGM**.

12.4. Only the persons referred to in 11.3 as in an **AGM** shall be entitled to attend and speak at the **SGM**'s.

13. ORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS ("OGM's")

13.1. An **OGM** of Members shall be convened:

13.1.1. By resolution of Dressage Council, or

13.1.2. By resolution of the EXCO

13.2 An **OGM** of the Council shall be held on such date and at such place or online platform as the EXCO shall determine unless there are good reasons to the contrary.

13.3 All persons referred to on clause 11.3 save those referred to in sub-clause 13.4 shall be eligible to attend and speak at meetings of theCouncil.

13.4 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Honorary Life Member shall be entitled to attend or speak at the **OGM** but may do so upon the invitation of Dressage Council.

13.5 Notice of any **OGM** of the Council shall be sent to Ordinary, ~~Special~~ and Associate Members not less than 21 (twenty-one) calendar days before the date of such meeting which notice shall be accompanied by a proposed agenda as recommended by EXCO.

13.6 The text of any motion which any Member wishes to be put to and considered by any **OGM** shall be received not less than 14 (fourteen) calendar days prior to the date of such meeting by the National Office who shall disseminate it by electronic means, together with the final agenda to all Ordinary Members and Associate Members, not less than 7 (seven) calendar days prior to such date.

13.7 The business to be transacted at the **OGM** shall be:

13.7.1 to read the notice convening the meeting;

13.7.2 to table and confirm, with or without amendments, or to reject the minutes of the previous **OGM** as the case may be, as well as the minutes of any **SGM** held in the interim, and to consider any matters arising therefrom;

13.7.3 to consider and to adopt, with or without modification, or to reject, any Resolution of which due notice has been given;

13.7.4 to consider and to adopt with or without modification or to reject the budget for the ensuing year which shall have been prepared by the Treasurer and considered and recommended to the Dressage Council by the EXCO;

13.7.5 no resolution which has the effect of creating, amending or repealing a by-law, policy, regulation or standing rule shall be binding unless the notice thereof has been given in terms of 13.5 hereof or such resolution has been ratified at the next EXCO meeting.

14. GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO AGM's, OGM's AND SGM's.

14.1 The following provisions shall apply to all **AGM**'s, **OGM's** and **SGM**'s.

14.2 **AGM**'s, **OGM'**s and **SGM**'s shall, subject to the terms of this constitution, be held at such time and place or online platform as shall be decided by the Dressage Council or the EXCO.

14.2.1 The chairperson of any **AGM**, **OGM**, or **SGM** shall be the President or in his or her absence the Vice-President, or in his or her absence suchother person as shall beelected for that purpose by the Members or therepresentative of the Members present at the Meeting and entitled to vote.

14.2.2 Each member of Dressage Council shall have 1 (one) vote as per 10.1above and the Chairperson of any meeting shall have 1 (one) vote second or casting vote, only in the event of an equality of votes.

14.2.1 A quorum shall consist of 50% (fifty per centum) plus 1 (one) of theOrdinary Members in good standing.

14.2.2 If a quorum shall not be present at the place of the meeting within 30 (thirty) minutes after the time set for commencement of the meeting, or if the Member is not present during the meeting, until the proceedings have been duly declared to have been concluded so by the Chairman, the meeting if convened upon the requisition of Ordinary Members, shall be dissolved; in any other case, it shall stand adjourned to a date not earlier than 7 (seven) calendar days and not later than 14 (fourteen) calendar days after the date of that meeting, and, at such adjourned meeting the Ordinary, Special and Associate Members that are presentor their representatives that are present and entitled to vote, shall constitute a quorum and may transact the business of that meeting.

14.2.3 Where a meeting has been adjourned as aforesaid, the President shall, upon a date not later than 3 (three) calendar days after the adjournment disseminate a written notice to each Member stating:

14.2.3.1 the date, time and place or online platform to which the meeting is adjourned;

14.2.3.2 the matter before the meeting, when it was adjourned;

14.2.3.3 the outstanding items still on the agenda at the time ofadjournment;

14.2.3.4 the grounds for the adjournment; which notice shall have been settled by the President;

14.2.3.5 Voting shall be on a show of hands unless a poll be demanded by Members or representatives of Members, of not less than 40% (forty per centum) of Members and representatives, entitled to vote, and insuch event, the poll shall be conducted in such manner as the Chairperson of the meeting shall decide.

15. DRESSAGE COUNCIL

15.1 Subject to the terms of this Constitution the Dressage Council shall be the highest authority of DRESSAGE SA and shall determine its policy, decideupon its budget and give directives to the EXCO.

15.2 The Dressage Council shall consist of the following persons:

15.2.1 The President, who takes overall responsibility for the running of DRESSAGE SA but subject to the approved annual budget and the authority of the Council and SAEF as the regulating authority of Dressage SA;

15.2.2 The Vice-President with or without a portfolio, who will be supportive to the President and stand in for the President in his or her absence but in doing so shall be subject to the approved annual budget, the authority of the Council ad SAEF as the regulating authority of Dressage SA.

15.2.3 The Treasurer, who shall be an Ex-Officio member and will be responsible for the overall running of the financial affairs of **DRESSAGE SA** and adhere to all the laws of the Country and good governance, and who shall have a sound background and experience in accounting matters and the governance of the financial affairs of sports bodies.

15.2.4 The Presidents of each of the provincial structures referred to under article 7.1.

15.2.5 The Athletes Representative shall be an Ex-Officio member and entitled to vote. The athletes' representative communicates the will of the provincial athletes' representatives on council, shall have experience in the administration Dressage on Provincial or National Level, and shall have competed at Provincial and / or National Level to enable an acute understanding of the needs of an athlete.

15.2.6 The CEO (if appointed) who shall be an Ex-Officio Member, with no voting rights.

15.2.7 Provided that at no stage shall there be less than 5 (five) women who shall occupy the positions referred to above.

15.2.8 Maximum of 8 (eight) members holding the following portfolios:
(The Provincial President may not hold one of thefollowingportfolios)

15.2.8.1 Development and Transformation;

15.2.8.2 Technical Portfolio;

15.2.8.3 Judges and Officials;

15.2.8.4 Legal and Administration Portfolio;

15.2.8.5 International Affairs;

15.2.8.6 Venue and Schedules;

15.2.8.7 Marketing and Communications;

15.2.8.8 Para-Dressage.

15.2.9 **DRESSAGE SA** shall have the right to appoint, where needed, thefollowing sub- committees, or distribute the portfolio among the members of Dressage Council.

15.2.9.1 National Selection Committee

15.2.9.2 National Judges Committee

15.2.9.3 National Disciplinary Committee

15.2.10 Any individual who is a Provincial President of SAEF may not at the same time be a member of the Dressage Council.

15.3 Dressage Council Meetings shall be deemed to be validly constituted notwithstanding the fact that at any time there are no fewer than 2 (two) women as members thereof.

15.4 Dressage Council may co-opt other persons as members in order to discharge specific functions provided that no co-opted member shall have a vote and provided further that although the predominant criterion for co-option shall always be merit, Dressage Council shall, as far as possible, seek to preserve a balance of men and women members.

15.5 Members of Dressage Council shall vote on all resolutions by a show of hands.

15.6 Members of Dressage Council shall decide on all matters by a simple majorityvote.

15.7 Each member of Dressage Council shall have 1 (one) vote, and the Presidentof any meeting of Dressage Council shall have a second or casting vote, in the event of an equality of votes, save and except at an Elective Annual General Meeting where the DRESSAGE COUNCIL shall have no vote after item 11.4.7 of the AGM's Agenda.

15.8 The chairperson of any meeting of Dressage Council shall be the President, orin his or her absence the Vice-President, or in his or her absence such other Member of Dressage Council as shall have been appointed at that meeting by the Members of Dressage Council present and entitled to vote.

15.9 The elected members of Council shall be elected and shall hold office for a term of four (4) years but shall not be entitled to serve for longer than two (2) successive terms (8 years) in a single elected position. Save as aforesaid, all members shall be eligible for re-election.

15.10 Dressage Council shall meet not less than twice (2 times) per annum.

15.10.1 A quorum shall consist of 50% (fifty per centum) plus 1 (one) of theOrdinary Members in good standing.

15.1.2 Subject to clause 10.7, which shall entitle the Chairman to remove a participant that cannot reasonably identify him/herself from the meeting, should there is not a quorum present at the appointed time and place or online platform for any meeting of Dressage Council or if there is not a quorum presentduring the whole of the meeting until proceedings have been duly concluded and declared by the chairperson of that meeting to have been concluded, such meeting shall stand adjourned until a date, time and place or online platform to be determined by those members of Dressage Council who are present at that meeting provided that such date shall not be less than 7 (seven) days or more than 14 (fourteen) days after such meeting; and at such adjournedmeeting those members of Dressage Council present and entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum and may transact the business of that meeting.

15.11 The President shall, by such means as is most expedient and by such means as appears most appropriate in the circumstances, inform those members of Dressage Council who were not present at the meeting of the date, time and place or online platform to which the meeting has been adjourned.

15.12 Except where otherwise stated herein and subject to the provisions of this constitution, Dressage Council shall be vested generally with all such powers and authorities as are necessary to promote and attain the objects of **DRESSAGE SA** and, without in any way limiting the generality of the aforegoing, Dressage Council shall have all such powers and authorities asare necessary to carry out the duties and functions referred to in paragraph14.16.

15.13 The Dressage Council shall control all expenditure of the funds of the Association and shall not incur any liability nor enter into any commitment which cannot bedischarged out of the funds of the Association.

15.14 No financial transaction on behalf of **DRESSAGE SA** shall be valid unless authorised by any 2 (two) of the President, the Vice-President, the Treasurer, the CEO , or any other employee of **DRESSAGE SA** who has been authorised by Dressage Council to have signing powers provided that it shall not be competent for the two signatures to be those employees of **DRESSAGE SA**, whether or not one of them is that of the CEO.

154.15 Dressage Council shall be entitled to make any regulations, policies and by- laws and all such policies, by-laws or regulations necessary to promote the aims and objects of the Association and shall be binding upon members. Such regulations, policies and by-laws shall take effect as prescribed and further shall be ratified at the next **OGM** or **AGM**.

15.16 Dressage Council may delegate the exercise of any of its powers and functions to one of its Members or to a sub-committee of **DRESSAGE SA**.

15.17 In addition to the aforegoing, Dressage Council shall:

15.17.1 undertake and perform all such duties and functions as shall bedecided by the Council;

15.17.2 consider and, if thought fit, approve the separate constitutions, by-laws, rules, policies and regulations of each Member, and any amendments or alterations thereto;

15.17.3 generally undertake and perform all such duties and obligations asare reasonably required to achieve the objects of **DRESSAGE SA**,and to implement the policies to be followed by **DRESSAGE SA**;

15.17.4 formulate recommendations and resolutions for the consideration of the Council and to prepare the agenda for Council meetings;

15.17.5 subject to the provisions of the Constitution, make, amend, vary, repeal and enforce rules, by-laws, policies and regulations;

15.17.6 conduct disciplinary proceedings in respect of any infringement of this constitution or the by-laws, policies, rules or regulations or any agreement between any participant and **DRESSAGE SA** or the rules of the sport and to impose sanctions whether by way of fines,or suspension or banning/ exclusion from participating in any championships, event or event held or being conducted under the auspices of **DRESSAGE SA** or the activities of **DRESSAGE SA** orby way of withdrawing monies for which any person would otherwisebe eligible. For the purposes of this Constitution, all Dressage events and championships of whatsoever nature organised and/or run by Members of **DRESSAGE SA** shall be deemed to be under the auspices of **DRESSAGE SA**;

15.17.7 impose and collect levies, subscriptions, dues and imposts;

15.17.8 arrange, control, regulate and promote events, championships and any other forms of competition;

15.17.9 employ any person upon such terms and conditions as shall be decided and, when considered necessary or desirable, terminate the employment of any such person. In particular, Dressage Councilmay from time to time appoint a suitable person to act as the CEO of **DRESSAGE SA** and shall determine his or her powers, duties, remuneration and privileges. Such person shall be an ex officio member of the Dressage Council with no voting rights at any Dressage Council or general meetings.;

15.17.10 decide upon and resolve any dispute between any Members, and/orClub, and/or persons who are members of such clubs;

15.17.11 subject to 7.1 above, determine the area/s or jurisdiction of Members and vary or alter such areas from time to time whennecessary;

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15.17.12 co-opt any person to Dressage Council as may be required to achieve the objects of **DRESSAGE SA** or fulfil any purpose incidental thereto;

15.17.13 form sub-committees, consisting of one or more persons, for any purpose incidental to the objects and powers of **DRESSAGE SA** and, subject to the constitution, by-laws, policies, rules and regulations, delegate such of its powers to such sub-committees as may be required;

15.17.14 appoint special advisers and consultants, for any purposes, and terminate such appointment/s;

15.17.15 accept or reject any application for membership subject to ratification by the Council.

15.17.16 open accounts with any recognised commercial banking or financial institution and invest any funds of **DRESSAGE SA** and pay any such funds to any person (natural, corporate or otherwise) who has a valid claim for payment against **DRESSAGE SA**;

15.17.17 recommend the criteria for the awarding of National Colors and appoint National Selectors for the selecting of teams which may be recommended for such awards by SASCOC.

15.17.18 To appoint and empower the EXCO of the Dressage Council to form an effective body to run the day to day affairs of the association and to either ratify or reject all resolutions passed by the EXCO in a reasonable period of time.

15.17.19 ensure that full and proper books of accounts are kept in accordance with sound accounting principles;

1517.20 ensure that the said books of account and all records of **DRESSAGE SA**'s finances and assets are duly audited each year as soon as is practicable after the financial year end of **DRESSAGE SA** which shall be 31 December of each year and that annual financial statements are prepared;

15.17.21 deal with any question or issue arising out of or relating to or incidental to non-racialism as described in the schedule one hereto;

15.17.22 deal with any question or issue arising out of or relating to or incidental to non-sexism or discrimination on any grounds as referred to in this Constitution.

15.17.23 Actively manage Development and Transformation and to address any question or issue or matter concerning or incidental to development and transformation including budgeting for and expenditure on development and transformation;

15.17.24 approve the employment and termination of employment of staff by **DRESSAGE SA** including all matters incidental thereto and the review from time to time of all existing contracts of employment of staff and all matters incidental thereto;

15.17.25 decide any question, issue or matter relating to logo's emblems, colours, or anthems for **DRESSAGE SA**;

15.17.26 make recommendations on any question or issue relating to the affiliation to or disaffiliation from any macro or other body;

15.17.27 decide any question or issue relating to the use of DRESSAGE facilities and/or other facilities incidental thereto and/or the standard thereof;

15.18 Dressage Council's jurisdiction shall not be limited to dealing with such matters as are referred to it but shall include the power and capacity to be pro-active and initiate such enquiries and/or take such steps as Dressage Council seems fit.

15.19. It is recognised that it is desirable for all provincial bodies themselves to negotiate and achieve unified provincial bodies.

15.20 Any member of Dressage Council who, without having first obtained leave of absence from Dressage Council, shall otherwise than in circumstances beyond his or her control, not attend 3 (three) consecutive meetings of Dressage Council, of which due notice has been given, shall be deemed to have resigned from Dressage Council.

15.21 No member of Dressage Council shall be entitled to any remuneration, but all members of Dressage Council shall be entitled to be refunded any disbursementincurred by any such member in fulfilling any duties or functions as shall be approved in advance by the Dressage Council.

15.22 The CEO if appointed by Dressage Council, and shall:

15.22.1 Represent as an Ex-Officio member of the Dressage Council Committee with no voting rights

15.22.2 Send to all Members, and to all members of Dressage Council:

15.22.2.1 Written notification of all meetings of Dressage Council (excluding emergency meetings), and the proposed Agenda,not less than 7 (seven) calendar days prior to the date of the proposed meeting.

15.22.2.2 Copies of the minutes and resolutions of all meetings of Dressage Council, within 14 (fourteen) calendar days after thedate of the relevant meeting.

15.23 Any Member, of any classification, shall be entitled to have a representative attend and speak, at any meeting of Dressage Council; provided such Member shall have submitted written notification to the President of such intention and the full details of any matter such member is desirous of raising at such Meeting, not less than 7 (seven) calendar days prior to the date of suchmeeting.

16 ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, TREASURER AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF DRESSAGE COUNCIL

16.1 Every member in good standing with a club where they reside, and in good standing with DRESSAGE SA and SAEF shall be entitled to nominate 1 (one) person for election as President, 1 (one) person for election as Vice-President, 1 (one) person for election as Treasurer and 1 (one) person for election for each portfolio as referred to in clause 15.2.9.

16.2 Every member proposing a nomination, accepting such a nomination or casting a vote shall be over the age of 18.

16.3 Each nomination shall be in writing and shall be signed by the nominee to indicate his or her acceptance of the nomination. All nomination forms must be signed off by either the Provincial President, Provincial Vice President or Provincial Secretary in the province of the nominee's residence and an authorised representative of the club on thenomination form in the position indicated as the seconding signature position. The nominee must also sign the form accepting the nomination. This process shall always be subject to the governing SAEF directives and suggested templates as amended from time to time.

16.4 It shall be permissible for the same person to be nominated for more than one office/position. Should a person nominated be elected for the highest position ofall other nominated positions, then all other nominated positions shall fall away.Should he/she not be elected for the highest position nominated for election such a member continues down the line of nominated positions.

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16.5 A valid nomination for any of the posts referred to in sub-paragraphs 14.2.1 to 14.2.3 inclusive and 14.2.7 shall, in the event of the nominee being defeated inan election for the post concerned, be deemed to be a valid nomination for election as a member with portfolio in terms of sub-paragraph 14.2.9.

16.6 In the event of the nominee being elected to one of the posts referred to in sub- paragraph 14.2.9 and appointed as a representative of an ordinary member, the nominee shall be entitled to 1(one) vote on the Dressage council.

16.7 The following timelines and procedures will be strictly enforced with regard to the election process:

16.7.1 No less than 60 (Sixty) days before the election date the Secretary shall:

16.7.1.1 Send notification to every member who shall distribute to such a notice to all clubs and **DRESSAGE SA** EXCO informing them of the date, time and venue of elections meeting.

16.7.1.2 Advise them who the appointed electoral officer will be.

16.7.1.3 16.7.1.3 Call for the nominations for each of the positions to be filled during the elections and issue a nomination template as determinedby the **DRESSAGE SA EXCO**. Correctly signed and completed nomination forms must be returned to the appointed electoral officer and the National Sport Federation Secretary General no later than 30(Thirty) days from the date on which the elections are announced.

16.7.2 No less than 25 (Twenty-Five) days before elections the electoral officershall return all received nominations forms after verification to the Secretary of **DRESSAGE SA** for distribution amongst members stating who the candidates for elections are and what positions they have been nominated for, in order to obtain mandates on who to vote for.

16.8 Only Ordinary Members may cast a vote on the Election Day with the understanding that a quorum of 50% plus one of total active PROVINCES shall be present. This process shall always be subject to the governing SAEF directives and suggested templates as amended from time to time.

16.9 It is to be noted that the outgoing Executive has no voting rights at elections neither do they have voting rights to vote for a vacant position on the Executive.

16.10 Majority votes recorded shall establish the elected person. Only in the event of an equality of votes, shall three Provincial council representatives present at the meeting, jointly have a second or casting vote which they may exercise repeatedly until a clear majority is achieved. The three Provincial representatives will be selected on the basis their rankings based on the highest number of adult athletes registered in their prospective provinces.

16.11 If no nominations are received for the election of the President or the Vice- President, or both, the President or the Vice-President, shall continue in office, if available, until the next **AGM**; failing which at the first meeting of Dressage Council after that **AGM**, the members of Dressage Council shall elect a person to act as the President or the Vice-President, or both until a President or Vice- President, as the case may be, is duly elected at an Ordinary General Meeting of theCouncil.

16.12 The retiring President, the retiring Vice-President and the retiring Treasurershall be eligible for re-election without nomination, provided the EXCO shall have received written notification from such persons of their willingness to continue in office, if re-elected.

16.13 If there is more than one nomination for any of the posts of President, Vice- President and Treasurer then such posts shall be elected separately by ballot, such elections to be held in the sequence aforesaid.

16.14 **DRESSAGE SA** promotes racial and gender equality.

16.15 Each person who votes shall record a vote for not more and not less than thenumber of vacancies.

16.16 All members of Dressage Council that hold portfolios for which elections are being held, shall hold office from the date of the AGM in which they were elected until the date of the next electoral **AGM.**

17 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ("EXCO")

17.1 The Dressage Council will appoint an Executive Committee at an AGM, SGM or OGM, comprising of:

17.1.1 The President, and/or Vice-President, and/or Treasurer;

17.1.2 Between One (1) and Four (4) Ordinary Members of Dressage Council inclusive of the of the Athletes Representative;

17.1.3 The CEO, if one is appointed;

17.2 The EXCO shall meet at least 10 (ten) times a year.

17.3 The EXCO, willfunction as the decision-making body around policy matters and shall be empowered to take decisions and to immediately undertake any action required in the interests of DRESSAGE SA.

17.4 The EXCO shall appoint an independent Disciplinary Committee to deal with alldisciplinary matters relating to the Membership and/or their individual members.

17.4.1 The President may call on any member of Dressage Council to attend a EXCOMeeting.

17.4.2 The minutes of the EXCO Meetings must be distributed to all members of Dressage Council.

17.4.3 The membership and representation of each sub-committee shall be decidedand approved by the EXCO.

17.4.4 Each sub-committee shall, subject to the provisions of this Constitution and to the policies, by-laws, rules and regulations of **DRESSAGE SA**, perform such duties and functions as are delegated to it by the EXCO.

17.5 It is specifically recorded that any Head of a Commission in Dressage shall not be entitled to occupy such position in the event of such person having a financial interest in a business venture connected to the Sport of DRESSAGE unless it has been declared and accepted by Dressage Council.

18 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

18.1 Any association or organisation which wishes to become an Associate Member of DRESSAGE SA. shall apply in writing to Dressage Council to be admitted assuch and shall furnish a copy of its constitution and all such information as Dressage Council may require to decide upon its application.

18.2 Dressage Council may in its discretion admit any such association or organisation as an Associate Member upon such terms and conditions including terms and conditions as to the payment of subscriptions as Dressage Council orEXCO may consider fit.

18.4 Any decision by Dressage Council or EXCO in respect of the advance of an application for Associate Membership shall be referred to the next **OGM** of theCouncil for ratification and shall not be binding until so ratified.

18.5 Notwithstanding anything else herein contained it shall be competent for Dressage Council, with the ratification of the Council, to create quasi- independent and quasi-autonomous bodies or associations having their own constitutions and members for the purpose of better achieving any of the objects of **DRESSAGE SA** The constitution, by-laws, policies and regulations ofsuch bodies or associations shall at all times be subject to the approval and ratification of **DRESSAGE SA** which shall at all times have the power to dissolve and/or withdraw recognition of any such body or association.

19 HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

19.1 Dressage Council shall, from time to time, nominate any person who has rendered notable and meritorious service to DRESSAGE SA and/or in the promotion of the sport of DRESSAGE and whom it wishes to recognise and honour as an Honorary Life Member which nomination shall be presented to theCouncil for ratification at the next AGM or OGM and, if ratified by the Council, such person shall become an Honorary Life Member and shall enjoy the rights and privileges namely to attend the AGM, to receive advance notice and to make preferential bookings in respect of any event or championship held under the auspices of DRESSAGE SA.

19.2 All past presidents of **DRESSAGE SA** may become an Honorary Life Member of **DRESSAGE SA** if so nominated and such appointment is ratified at an **AGM**or **OGM**.

20 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY OF MEMBERS INDEMNITY

20.1 The liability of any Member, of any classification, is limited exclusively to the sum of any monies then due and payable by such Member to DRESSAGE SA,by way of subscription or otherwise howsoever.

20.2 The President, the Vice-President, the Directors, all members of Dressage Council, the Treasurer, all officials, servants, agents and persons (natural, corporate or otherwise) acting on behalf of DRESSAGE SA, in terms of this Constitution and under delegated powers from the Members in General or EXCO Meetings or from Dressage Council, shall be and they are hereby indemnified and held harmless against any claim or demand by any third party as a result of any act or omission in the performance of their duties for and on behalf of DRESSAGE SA, from whatever cause arising, provided such person/sacted in good faith.

21 ALTERATION OR VARIATION OF THIS CONSTITUTION

21.1 This Constitution may be altered or varied, at any time, by the Members in a General Meeting, upon a majority vote of not less than 75% (seventy-five percentum) of the total votes of the Members, who are present in person or by representative and entitled to vote at that time, provided not less than 21 (twenty-one) calendar days written notification of such Meeting is given, together with a copy of a proposed resolution/s.

21.2 No amendment to this Constitution shall be valid unless it has thereafter been approved by the South African Equestrian Federation in writing.

22 NOTIFICATION

22.1 For the purposes of this Constitution, all notifications by DRESSAGE SA to anyperson or any Member or Honorary Life Member shall, unless delivered by hand, be effective from the date of proven transmission by e-mail, and/or by hand, to the last known e-mail address of such Member/s, by any official of DRESSAGE SA;

2 2 . 2 but all notifications to DRESSAGE SA by any person (natural, corporate or otherwise)or any such Member shall only be effective from the date of receipt thereof by the President or Vice-President.

23 NTERPRETATION OF THIS CONSTITUTION

Any disputes arising out of or in connection with the enforceability of this constitution or the application and interpretation of the provisions thereof or any dispute between **DRESSAGE SA** and another national sports federation,or between a member of the Dressage Council and Dressage Council or between Dressage Council and a Member or individual shall be referred to SAEF who may refer the matter to SASCOC or the designated statutory bodydetermined by the appropriate government department, for resolution throughmediation or expedited arbitration. In the event of arbitration in terms of the aforegoing, such resolution shall be final and binding on the parties to the dispute.

24 DISSOLUTION OR WINDING UP OF DRESSAGE SA

24.1 **DRESSAGE SA** may be dissolved or wound-up, at any time, by the Membersin General Meeting, upon a majority vote of not less than 75% (seventy-five per centum) of the total votes of the Members, who are present in person or by representative and entitled to vote at that time, provided not less than 21 (twenty-one) calendar days written notification of such Meeting is given and ofany resolution aimed at dissolving or winding-up **DRESSAGE SA** shall have been given to all Members.

24.2 Upon dissolution or winding up of **DRESSAGE SA**, all the property and assetsof **DRESSAGE SA**, after payment of all monies owing to any third parties, shall be transferred free of compensation to any other Association/s or Organisation/s having objects similar to **DRESSAGE SA**, at the discretion of the Members.

25. JUDICIAL BODY

25.1 The EXCO shall appoint the members of the Judicial Body and delegatesuch powers to this body to include, but not be limited by the following:

25.2 To assist **DRESSAGE SA** with legal advice.

25.3 To handle Appeal, Ethics and Disciplinary matters.

25.4 Set up and continuously update a disciplinary code for bothparticipants and office bearers and employees as appointedby Council.

25.5 Chair disciplinary hearings when requested, and adjudicate, mediate andarbitrate upon legal and disciplinary matters.

25.6 The Judicial Body shall compromise of three members of which at least onemust have a legal background.

25.7 Every member of the Judicial Body shall have one vote each at their meetingsandhearings.

This Constitution was unanimously adopted by the Membership present at the Special General Meeting held on the 13th day of January 2025 and adjusted according to SAEF requirements.

President (D Smith)

Vice-President (S Horne)

South African Equestrian Federation (S Venter)