



Cheshire, North Wales and Shropshire Retriever and Spaniel Society Rules

1. The Society shall be known as the “Cheshire, North Wales and Shropshire Retriever and Spaniel Society” and its object is to encourage the breeding of Retrievers and Sports Spaniels and to develop and bring to perfection their natural qualities. If practical, separate Field Trials shall be held annually for Retrievers and Spaniels. Such Trials will be run according to the Rules of the Kennel Club.
2. The Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and a Committee not exceeding eleven members whose names and addresses shall be listed and kept by the Honorary Secretary which shall be available for inspection by members or by the Kennel Club.
3. The management of the Society shall be in the hands of the Committee consisting of not more than eleven members of whom all shall retire annually but shall be eligible for re-election. The President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Hon Secretary, Hon. Treasurer shall be ex-officio Members of the Committee. Meeting of the Committee shall be held as often as may be necessary and three shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

The Officers acknowledge that during the month of January each year Maintenance of Title shall be forwarded to the Kennel Club by the Hon. Secretary for the continuance of registration and that by the 31st July each year, other returns are stimulated in Kennel Club Regulations for the Registration and Maintenance of Title of Societies and Breed Councils and the Affiliation of Agricultural Societies and Municipal Authorities will be forwarded to the Kennel Club. The Officers also acknowledge their duty to inform the Kennel Club of any change of Hon. Secretary of the Society which may occur during the course of the year. No person whilst an undischarged bankrupt may serve on the Committee of or hold any other office or appointment within a Kennel Club Registered Society.
4. Candidates for election must be proposed and seconded by members, and after election shall enjoy the privileges of the Society at the discretion of the Committee.
5. The annual subscription shall be £10.00 payable to the Hon. Treasurer on the 1st January each year. No member whose subscription is unpaid shall be entitled to any of the privileges of membership and if any member shall fail to pay their annual subscription by the 1st March the committee shall have the power to erase their name from the list of Members, but if the Committee shall

subsequently receive a satisfactory explanation the member may at the discretion of the Committee and on the payment of arrears, be re-admitted to Membership. The financial year of the Society shall be from the 1st February to the 31st January.

6. The property of the Society shall be vested in the Committee and in the event of the Society ceasing to exist a general meeting shall be called to decide the disposal of any assets.
7. Any Member who shall be suspended under Kennel Club Rule A42j (4) and/or any Member whose dog(s) is/are disqualified under Kennel Club Rule A42j(8) shall ipso facto cease to be a Member of the Society for the duration of the suspension and/or disqualification.
If the conduct of any member shall, in the opinion of the Committee of the Society be injurious or likely to be injurious to the character or interest of the Society, the Committee of the Society may, at a meeting the notice convening which includes as an object the consideration of the conduct of a Member, determine that a Special General Meeting of the Society shall be called for the purpose of passing a resolution to expel him/her. Notice of the Special General Meeting shall be sent to the accused Member giving particulars of the complaint and advising the place, date and hour of the Meeting that he/she may attend and offer an explanation. If at the Meeting a resolution to expel is passed by a two thirds majority of the members present and voting, his/her name shall forthwith be erased from the list of Members and he/she shall thereupon cease for all purpose to be a Member of the Society except that he/she may, within two calendar months from the date of such Meeting appeal to the Kennel Club upon and subject to such condition as the Kennel Club may impose.
8. The Annual General Meeting shall be held as near as convenient to the last week in February for the following purposes: To receive the report of the Committee and Balance Sheet, to elect Officers and to discuss any resolution duly placed on the Agendas of which prior notice has been given to the Hon. Secretary. No business shall be transacted at an Annual General Meeting unless notice thereof appears on the Agenda with the exception of routine matters of those which in the opinion of the Chairman of the Meeting are urgent. The election of the Officers and Committee at the Annual General Meeting shall be either by vote or ballot of those at the Meeting. A special General Meeting shall be summoned by the Hon. Secretary if twelve Members send a signed requisition stating the subject to be discussed, no business that the matter on the Agenda may be discussed at a Special General Meeting. Members will receive 14 days' notice of a General Meeting. The Rules of the Society shall not be altered except at a General Meeting. Any alternations to the Rules shall not be brought into force until the Kennel Club has been advised and given the approval to the alternations.
9. Members may withdraw from the Society by give notice to the Hon. Secretary and upon paying the subscription for the then year.
10. The Kennel Club shall be the final Court of Appeal on all matters of dispute.
11. The Society shall not join any Federation of Societies or Club.