

**Constitution  
of  
The Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers Association**

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**Article I - Name**

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be The Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers Association.

**Constitution Article II - Purpose**

Section 1. The purpose of this organization shall be to: Preserve, protect and promote the Norwegian Forest Cat.

- 1) Preserve the Norwegian Forest Cat by:
  - encouraging and supporting breeders of the Norwegian Forest Cat;
  - educating breeders about feline health, genetic diversity, and husbandry;
  - supporting feline health research.
- 2) Protect the Norwegian Forest Cat by:
  - requiring breeder members to maintain accurate breeding records and to correctly register litters and cats.
- 3) Promote the Norwegian Forest Cat by:
  - providing accurate information to the public;
  - requiring members to exhibit the highest standards of conduct when showing their cats;
  - encouraging the exchange of breed information within the Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers Association and with other feline oriented organizations.
- 4) Promote kindness to all animals and assist in the prevention of cruelty and maltreatment of animals.

**Article III - Affiliation**

Section 1. The Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers Association is a non-affiliated organization and will remain so as long as it is in existence.

**Constitution Article IV - Location**

Section 1. This association is intended to serve primarily the interests of the owners, breeders and fanciers of the Norwegian Forest Cat in North America, but it shall not be limited to this area.

**Article V - Disbandment**

Section 1. This Association shall not vote to disband as long as five (5) members in good standing vote to continue and there are enough members in good standing to serve as the Officers of the Association.

Section 2. In the event of disbandment of this association, the Executive Board shall meet and, after paying all outstanding bills, shall audit the accounts and inventory club property. Any credit balance of money shall be donated for such use as deemed in the best interest of the cat fancy in general such as, but not limited to, veterinary scholarships or feline research, etc.

## **Article VI - Constitutional Amendments**

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of votes received from members of this Association who are eligible to vote on By-Laws and Constitutional amendments, as defined in the By-Laws of the Association.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed in any of the following ways:

- 1) By the By-Laws or Constitution Committee, after approval of the proposed Amendments by an eighty percent (80%) vote of the Committee members;
- 2) By a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Executive Board;
- 3) By petition sent to the President bearing the signatures of one third (1/3) of the members of this Association who are eligible to vote on By-Laws and Constitutional amendments, as defined in the By-Laws of the Association.

Section 3. The procedure for ballots and voting shall be as defined in the By-Laws of the Norwegian Forest Cat Fanciers' Association.