

STATUTES

of the Polish Yongchun Boxing Association

CHAPTER I General Provisions

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The Association shall be incorporated under the name of: Polish Yongchun Boxing Association, referred to herein for brevity as the 'Association'.

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The Association shall operate in the Republic of Poland.

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The seat of the Association shall be in Gdańsk.

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The Association may be a member of national and international organizations and associations that promote various styles and variants of yongchun boxing, martial arts, combat sports, self-defence systems and intervention techniques intended for uniformed services or security services, as well as ones that promote educational programs on physical education with elements of self-defence, health-oriented exercises, recreational, physical culture, health culture, sports and implement training programs into these. Moreover, the Association may act in the sphere of public services defined in the Act of law on Public Benefit and Volunteer Work. The Association does not conduct business activity.

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The Association has the right to:

1. Use seals, signs, symbols, marks and logos.
2. Use proper names of the Association in European languages and languages used on the area of China in media, promotional as well as in formal and legal contacts that require establishing and maintaining cooperation with subjects defined in §4. Main notation forms of Association's name are: the name in English: Polish Yongchun Boxing Association and name in Chinese written as: 波蘭永春拳和詠春拳協會.
3. On the base of §4 and §5 clauses 1-2, use notation of yongchun boxing in continuous form as yongchunquan, separately as yong chun quan and abbreviation yong chun or yongchun. This name may be written with both capital and small Polish letters.
4. Organize and conduct promotional, training, exam and competition activity within training subjects defined in §6 clause 1; moreover, in area of physical culture and Far Eastern martial arts, defence sports and shooting sport.
5. Organize, commission organization and finance national training, educational and sport-oriented trips abroad as well as study tours with Association's Board, lecturers, instructors, referees, contestants and activists and cover the costs in full on partially from Association's resources.

CHAPTER II

Association's aims and their realization

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The aim of Association is to realize, organize, co-organize, coordinate, promote and popularize on the area of statutory activity:

1. Different systems, styles and schools of Chinese yongchun boxing (yongchunquan), written in Chinese as follows: 少林永春拳, 永春拳, 咏春拳, 咏春拳 and similar disciplines hereinafter referred to as training subjects.
2. Systems, subsystems and various types of physical exercises related to or favourable for methodological, technical and health-oriented training support as well as improve training subjects defined in §6 clause 1.
3. Physical culture that includes sport, physical education and motor rehabilitation, martial arts and defence sports, shooting sport, self-defence and intervention techniques, hand-to-hand combat and with use of items that enable defence of necessity against attempt on human life, health or freedom from other parties on the base of applicable laws.
4. Means of lawful, tactical precautionary measures as well as physical and technical defence against aggressive animals.
5. Disciplines derived from those defined in §6 clauses 1-2 and fields of knowledge, teaching programs and projects that may in any form or matter enhance the above-mentioned bits of information, as well as stimulate and shape physical and humanistic development among young people, and also physical and intellectual activity among adults, including disabled people in full scope.
6. Programs, forms, methods, systems, trends, projects and styles that improve skills of people who are officially required to be familiar with issues listed in Association's aims, defined in §6, as well as in the area of medical rescue and lifesaving in an emergency in accordance with binding provisions of law in this regard.
7. Educational projects and programs in the area of physical culture with elements of self-defence and hand-to-hand combat to professional groups, uniformed services, security services and emergency response teams.
8. Health-oriented, relaxation, anti-stress and biological regeneration, massage, self-massage and acupressure projects, programs and exercises.
9. Extensive sporting competition within training subjects defined in §6 clause 1 in form of organized tournament titled North Cup: "Puchar Północy w Boksie Yongchun" and South Cup: "Puchar Południa w Boksie Yongchun".
10. The Polish championship in Yongchun Boxing, International Yongchun Boxing championship, European Yongchun Boxing Championship and World Yongchun Boxing championship.
11. Sport-oriented trips and study tours with Association's Board, lecturers, instructors, referees, contestants and activists financed from these persons own funds or Association's resources.
12. National and international trainings financed from Association's resources.

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The Association realizes its aims by:

1. Systematic realization of principles defined in §5-6 of the Statute.
2. Organizing as well as giving theoretical and practical classes in form of general, physical and mental, special and specifically-oriented sports exercises, regular training and classes, seminars, placements, training camps, courses, lectures and talks thanks to social and unpaid work of Association's instructors.
3. Organizing and giving courses that enable the realization of sporting and recreational activity as well as other that popularize yongchun boxing. Moreover, planning and organizing referee courses as well as competitor courses in martial arts, defence sports, shooting sport, self-defence and intervention techniques, physical education with elements

- of self-defence for civilians and functionaries, uniformed services thanks to social work of its members and instructors, without earning income for the Association.
4. Organizing and carrying out shows with active participation of their members as well as episodic, system, in form of course and regular, consult and individual lessons and trainings in Chinese yongchun boxing, defined in §6 clause 1.
 5. Organizing and carrying out training in self-defence, hand-to-hand combat, defence of necessity, case of absolute necessity, criminal legislation, rules of Association's sporting competitions and other, lifesaving to improve technical, special and general qualifications of Association's members, instructors, referees, organizers and activists.
 6. Organizing and carrying out martial arts, defence sports, self-defence and intervention techniques and shooting sport shows as well as participating in sporting, recreational and competitive activity organized by other associations, unions operating in fields of physical culture and state-run institutions.
 7. Organizing and carrying out educational activity in field of yongchun sport, physical culture and healthy lifestyle.
 8. Supporting yongchun boxing schools that are not Association's field units in terms of program and training, associating and admitting independent contestants, instructors, trainers and activists to the Association.
 9. Creating a system of student ranking system ji (cup) and master ranking system duan (dan), their division and specific range of conditions and norms of granting these.
 10. Examining Association members in student ranking system ji (cup), master ranking system duan (dan) and conferring these ranks by examiners or examination board appointed for a particular training year by Board's resolution.
 11. Examining non-members of the Association in student ranking system ji (cup), master ranking system duan (dan) and conferring these ranks.
 12. Conferring student ranks ji (cup) and master ranks duan (dan) individually for high sporting achievements that fulfil examination norms of the Association.
 13. Conferring honorary student ranks ji (cup) and master ranks duan (dan) with simultaneous recommendation of conferring procedure for outstanding, individual achievements in development of yongchun activity in Poland as well as for services in promoting yongchun boxing in the national and international area.
 14. Detailed means for realization of provisions defined in §7 clauses 8-13 of the Statute are regulated by resolutions of Association's Board.
 15. Provisions defined in §7 clauses 9-13 cover all training subjects referred to in §6 clause 1.
 16. Granting term club, contestant, instructor and trainer licences according to resolutions of the Association.
 17. Accepting donations, subsidies, grants, fees, payments as well as training and starting charges and using these funds for the purchase of materials, sports equipment and other items that enable carrying out organized training, sports and recreational events, contests, educational, instructional and methodological classes, renting educational, sports and conference facilities.
 18. Drawing up, for internal use of the Association, training, promotional, educational and graphic materials, bulletins and regulations that promote information about training subjects defined in §6 clause 1 in accordance with binding provisions of law in this regard, but without earning income for the Association.
 19. Organizing and carrying out scientific, psychological, educational and sociological research and using acquired data for statutory aims of the Association.
 20. Gathering data acquired by means of cultural tourism and study tours connected with learning tradition of martial arts in Asian countries, training subjects defined in §6 clause 1. Processing above mentioned data for the statutory aims of the Association.
 21. Conducting financial activity for the realization of statutory aims of the Association in accordance with binding provisions of law, rights and responsibilities in this regard.

CHAPTER III

Members of the Association, their rights and duties

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Members of the Association are divided into:

1. Regular members,
2. Contesting members,
3. Supporting members,
4. Honorary members, including Honorary Chairpersons.

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Any natural person (of full legal age, without any criminal record) may become a Regular member, on condition that they pay registration fee, approve statutory aims of the Association and commit themselves to solid realization of these aims as well as solid and active participation in educational, sporting and promotional activity of the Association and furthermore to prompt payment of statutory charges. Admission as a Regular member takes place on the base of written application accepted by Association's Board within 14 days from receiving written member application.

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Regular members have the right to:

1. Choose for and be chosen for Association's authorities.
2. Take active part in trainings and events organized by the Association or in which Association is an official participant.
3. Represent the Association, its colours, use its marking and logos in accordance with binding resolutions.
4. Submit improvement suggestions and present suggestions concerning development, realization and promotion of Association's aims.

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Regular members are required to:

1. Keep to and actively realize statutory aims, resolutions and regulations of the Association.
2. Pay member fee regularly, fully and on time in accordance with regulations of the Association.
3. Keep sportsmanship and care about keeping Association's good name.
4. Counter besmirching of the Association's image and interest.
5. Give own likeness for drawing up information and materials designed for promotion of Association's aims and training subjects defined in §6 clause 1.
6. Present medical certificates that one is fit for exercises connected with Association's aims.
7. Present medical certificates that one is fit for sporting competition.
8. Present clear criminal record statement from National Record of Convictions at Association's demand.

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1. Any under-aged person may become a Participating member of the Association, on condition that they pay registration fee, submit written application and will be admitted as a member of the Association with written consent of their Guardian.
2. Participating members of the Association that do not have the full capacity to perform acts in law do not have voting rights for Association's authorities and right to vote of resolutions.
3. Requirements towards Participating members are identical with the requirements towards Regular members defined in §11 sections 1-8.

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Any natural or legal person that supports statutory aims of the Association, gives financial or any other assistance may become a Supporting member.

1. Supporting member has the right to:

- a) take part in the General Meeting of Members of the Association in an advisory capacity,
- b) propose motions and demands to the Association's authorities,

c) use Association's equipment and classes in accordance with rules established by Association's Board.

2. Supporting member is required to:

- a) support statutory aims of the Association,
- b) carry out declared help for the Association,
- c) keep to the ruling of the Statutes of Association.

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The ranks of Honorary Member and Honorary Chairman are granted to natural persons for considerable services to development and promotion of statutory aims and good name of the Association. The ranks in the question are granted at the General Meeting of Members of the Association at the request of Association's Board.

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Honorary Members and Honorary Chairpersons have all rights of Regular members; moreover, they are exempt from member charges.

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1. Cessation of membership occurs as a result of:

- a) Voluntary withdrawal submitted in writing with regulating all member charges first.
- b) Exclusion by Association's Board due to gross breach of the Statutes, resolutions and regulations, acting to the detriment of the Association, default of a payment of member, course, sports competitions and equipment usage charges on time.
- c) Gross dereliction of duties defined in §11 clauses 1-8.
- d) Serious disease, permanent inability to perform sporting, recreational or rehabilitation exercises, as well as inability to fulfil member responsibilities due to health condition or at member's request.

2. In cases defined in §16 section 1 letter b, interested member is entitled to written dismissal addressed to the Members of General Meeting. Dismissal in question shall be submitted within one month from the delivery date of the registered letter with the decision at the member's address under the pain of loss of the above-mentioned right.

CHAPTER IV

Association's authorities

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Authorities of the Polish Yongchun Boxing Association are:

1. Annual General Meeting of the Association,
2. Association's Board,
3. Association's Review Board.

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The term of office for authorities is four years.

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The General Meeting of Members of the Association is the highest authority of the Association. The General Meeting of Members may take place in regular and extraordinary proceedings.

1. Regular General Meeting of Members is called by the Association's Board at least once a year. General Meeting may take place in the Association's registered office or in other place appointed by the Association's Board.
2. Extraordinary General Meeting of Members of the Association is called by the Association's Board:
 - a) on the base of Board's resolution,
 - b) at the request of Review Board,
 - c) at the request of at least $\frac{2}{3}$ of Members of the Association entitled to vote, within one month from the submission of motion.
3. In case the Board does not call the Meeting within period defined in §19 clause 2 letter c of the Statute, the Meeting is called by the Review Board or at the request of members.

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1. For the validity of resolutions passed by the General Meeting of Members as the highest authority of the Association it is essential that at least $\frac{1}{2}$ of members entitled to vote is present.
2. The General Meeting of Members passes resolutions by a majority vote among voters during the Meeting.
3. In case of resolutions to change the Statute and dissolve the Association absolute majority of votes of those entitled to take part in the General Meeting of Members of the Association is required.
4. Resolutions are passed in an open voting. At request of at least $\frac{1}{10}$ of those present the Chairman of the General Meeting of Members orders voting by secret ballot.

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1. General Meeting of Members is attended by Members of the Association entitled to vote.
2. General Meeting of Members may be attended in an advisory capacity by:
 - a) representatives of Supporting Members,
 - b) persons invited by the Association's Board.

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1. Announcement about the General Meeting of Members of the Association shall be proclaimed in the registered office and training facilities of the Association at least two weeks before the session. The first and second term of the Meeting shall be determined.
2. In case of absence of a quorum on the first General Meeting of Members, the session starts in the second term and resolutions are lawful no matter the number of present Members entitled to vote. The above does not apply to resolutions to change the Statutes or dissolve the Association.

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Competencies of the General Meeting of Members include:

1. Examining reports on Association's Board and Review Board activity.
2. Electing and dismissing Association's Board and Review Board.
3. Passing changes to the Statutes.
4. Passing resolution on dissolution of the Association.
5. Passing resolutions in cases not reserved for separate authorities of the Association. Simultaneously competencies of more than one authority of Association cannot overlap within the same area of activity or issues.
6. Hearing appeals in cases of member admission or exclusion.
7. Granting and revoking ranks of Honorary Member and Honorary Chairperson of the Association at the request of the Board.

§24

The Board of Association is made up by four members, including the Chairman, Deputy-chairman and Secretary.

1. Resolutions of the Board are passed by $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of members present at voting.
2. Meetings of the Board are called as the need arises; however, at least once a year.
3. Chairman of the Board, who is also the Chairman of Association, controls Board's activity.
4. For incurring a liability in the name of the Association it is necessary for two Members of the Board to cooperate, including the Chairperson.
5. In case of Board member resignation and him/her giving up activity in the Board the General Meeting of Members appoints another member for this post.

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Competencies of Association's Board include in particular:

1. Supervising current activities of Association, conducting financial activity, realizing tasks in accordance with the Statute and guidelines of the General Meeting of Members.
2. Passing work schedule, promotions, trainings and sports competition as well as monitoring realization of these.

3. Registering and approving certificates and acquired ranks ji (cup) and duan (dan) according to specimen determined in the resolution.
4. Registering proprietary programs that promote health and defensive aspects of yongchun boxing (sport).
5. Passing budget of the Association and approving balances.
6. Designing materials for the General Meeting of Members.
7. Representing the Association.
8. Incurring liabilities and concluding agreements.
9. Admitting members.
10. Setting membership charges and other payments aimed at realizing statutory aims of the Association.

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The Review Board is made up by three members: Chairperson, Deputy-Chairman and Secretary. The Review Board is appointed by the General Meeting of Members of the Association.

1. Competencies of the Review Board include:

- a) auditing entirety of Association's activity at least once a year, its statutory and financial activity by means of functionality, economy and diligence,
 - b) putting forward motions resulting from audit to the Board and General Meeting of Members.
2. The Review Board passes resolutions by majority vote in presence of all Members of the Review Board at the Meeting,
 3. In case of Review Board member resignation the General Meeting appoints another person for this post.

CHAPTER V

Property and funds of the Association

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1. Property of the Association include real estates, movables, rights, cash and bonds.
2. Funds of the Association are made of:
 - a) membership and registration fees,
 - b) inheritances, donations, compensations, subsidies, subventions and sponsorships,
 - c) earning from realization of statutory activity and property.

§28

1. The base for financial activity of the Association are budgets that cover all resources at disposal of Association's authorities.
2. Budget is passed for one year.
3. Financial years ends with December year in hand.

CHAPTER VI

Awards and punishments

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For conscientious and excellent fulfilment of duties as well as for considerable services to the Association its member may be awarded by the Board with:

1. Oral commendation at the General Meeting of Members of the Association.
2. Written commendation.
3. Certificate of appreciation.
4. Occasional medals for considerable services to training subjects defined in §6 clauses 1-2.

§30

For disobeying of the Statutes ruling, acting to the detriment of the Association and its good name as well as for other violation of accepted conventions within Association a member may be punished by the Board with:

1. Oral reprimand at the General Meeting of Members of the Association.

2. Written reprimand.
3. Letter of reminder about the possibility of membership suspension or exclusion from the Association.
4. Suspension of membership for 1 year that not exempt from duties of members of Association.
5. Dismissal from the Association on disciplinary grounds.

CHAPTER VII

Final provisions

§31

1. Each member of the Association may submit changes to the Statute.
2. Changes to the Statute require voting during the General Meeting of Members, at the same time it is essential that at least $\frac{2}{3}$ of members entitled to vote is present and they vote for passing changes to the Statute, defined in §31 section 1.
3. Changes to the Statute are introduced immediately after the announcement of voting results.

§32

Dissolution of the Association requires double voting at 30 minute interval. It is essential that $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of members entitled to vote is present at the General Meeting of Members and they vote simultaneously on the above matter. Dissolution of Association comes into effect after second voting.

§33

Destination of Association's assets upon its dissolution is decided on at the General Meeting of Members of the Association.

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The following Statute was approved by founding members, who after registering the Association automatically became its members.