# Statutes of the Helvetic Speedrunners association

# Art 1. Name and headquarters

- a. Under the name "Helvetic Speedrunners" exists an association under the stipulations of Sections 60 ff. of the Swiss Civil Code.
- b. The headquarters is located at the current association president's domicile.

## Art 2. Purpose

- a. The association has the purpose of exercising of video games, providing a platform for simple exchange within the Swiss speedrunning community, as well as the introduction of children, adolescents and adults to speedrunning under consideration of the valid youth protection laws.
- b. The association
  - <sup>1</sup> does not pursue any economical purpose and is not profit-oriented.
- <sup>2</sup> acts as non-profit organization. It pursues solely and directly purposes of public benefit.
- <sup>3</sup> provides a platform for networking and exchange within the Swiss speedrunning community.
- <sup>4</sup> supports events in favor of the preservation and expansion of the association.
- <sup>5</sup> cherishes relationships with the international speedrunning community.

#### Art 3. Means

- a. The purpose of the association shall be achieved by the non-material and material means cited in Art. 2.
- b. As non-material means serve,
  - <sup>1</sup> the communication over the internet, as well as on-site meetings,
  - <sup>2</sup> the organization of speedrunning events and the provision of the necessary infrastructure,
  - <sup>3</sup> the participation in external events,
  - <sup>4</sup> the publication and delivery of information bulletins and communications ("newsletters").
- c. The necessary material means should be raised through
  - <sup>1</sup> Sponsorships,
  - <sup>2</sup> Donations/Patronages.

#### Art 4. Membership

- a. The association is divided into active members, passive members and honorary members.
- b. Any natural or legal person who has an interest in the purpose of the association and can contribute to its fulfillment may apply for active membership with voting rights.
- c. Any natural or legal person who maintains an active relationship with the association and/or supports it financially or technically may become a passive member.
- d. Children and adolescents from the age of 13 may apply for active membership with the signature of a legal representative.
- e. Membership is free and no membership fee is charged.
- f. Honorary members may be appointed for special achievements by the committee.

### Art 5. End of membership

- a. Retirement of membership may be declared at any time through a written notice to the committee.
- b. Resignation and/or Retirement of a member of the committee may only be declared with one month's notice to the end of the quarter through a written statement to the General Assembly.
- c. A member may be excluded by order of the committee without notice if it has culpably damaged the reputation or interests of the association in a serious manner or has repeatedly violated the obligations incumbent upon it through to the statutes.
- d. A request for re-entry after exclusion is only possible by a written request to the committee. The General Assembly decides on a request for re-entry after exclusion.
- e. Membership ends by retirement, exclusion, dissolution or death.

#### Art 6. Bodies of the association

- a. The bodies of the association are
  - <sup>1</sup> the General Assembly,
  - <sup>2</sup> the Executive Committee,
  - <sup>3</sup> the auditor of the annual financial statement if the requirements in Section 69b of the Swiss Civil Code are met.

### Art 7. The General Assembly

- a. The highest body of the association is the General Assembly.
- b. The General Assembly has the following indefeasible tasks:
  - <sup>1</sup> Election or deselection of committee and the auditor,
  - <sup>2</sup> Approval of the annual report and financial statement,
  - <sup>3</sup> Approval of statutes and regulations,
  - <sup>4</sup> Approval of the minutes of the General Assembly,
  - <sup>5</sup> Discharge of the committee,
  - <sup>6</sup> Advice and decision-making on motions of the committee and the association members,
  - <sup>7</sup> Dissolution of the association.
- c. An ordinary General Assembly must be convened by the committee at least once a calendar year.
- d. The committee shall convene an extraordinary General Assembly if the interest of the association requires it or if at least 20% of the association's active members request it in writing, stating the purpose and the reasons.
- e. The invitation to the General Assembly takes place in writing with the agenda included. The period of 10 working days for ordinary and 5 working days for an extraordinary General Assembly must be adhered to.
- f. The invitation of passive members is optional.
- g. The General Assembly may be carried out decentralized (via instant messaging/chat or phone conference).
- *h.* Votes of the General Assembly shall be taken by open votes. The General Assembly takes decisions through a simple majority. In the event of a tie, the president/vice president has the casting vote.
- i. Each active member has one vote.
- j. The re-election or premature dismissal of a member of the committee by the General Assembly is permissible.
- k. Minutes of the General Assembly must be taken in writing and signed by both the president and the minute taker.

#### Art 8. The Executive Committee

- a. The Executive Committee consists of:
  - <sup>1</sup> President
  - <sup>2</sup> Head of Communication
  - <sup>3</sup> Treasurer
  - <sup>4</sup> Executive Assistant
- b. A member of the Executive Committee may only occupy one position of the committee.
- c. Only active members of the association may be members of the committee. End of active membership also ends the membership of the Executive Committee.
- d. The president proposes a member of the committee for the position of vice president. The vice president represents the interests of the president during his absence.
- e. All members of the committee are volunteers and work solely as honorary members of the committee. They are not entitled to any form of compensation.
- f. The Executive Committee has the following tasks:
  - <sup>1</sup> Representation of the association toward the public,
  - <sup>2</sup> Convocation and preparation of the General Assembly,
  - <sup>3</sup> Execution of decisions of the General Assembly,
- <sup>4</sup> Admission and dismissal of members of the association,
- <sup>5</sup> Administration of the association's assets and preparation of the annual report and financial statement,
- <sup>6</sup> Decision-making on the association and basic tasks, as well as investment and divestment,
- <sup>7</sup> Resolution on setting up committees as well as ad hoc and project groups.
- g. The committee has a quorum if at least 51% of the committee members including the president or, if he is unable to attend, the vice president are present.
- h. The committee takes decisions through a simple majority. In the event of a tie, the president/vice president has the casting vote.
- i. Minutes of the committee meetings must be taken in writing and signed by the minute taker.

## Art 9. Community polling

- a. If the General Assembly wishes to involve the members of the Swiss speedrunning community into matters of general interest, the committee shall create a public community poll accessible over the platforms provided by the association.
- b. Results of polls are non-binding and are only considered a helping tool during the process of decision-making.
- c. Members of the association may also participate in a community poll.
- d. A community poll must be kept open for at least 3 days.
- e. The results of the community poll shall be examined, verified and summarized by the committee and presented during the next General Assembly.

## Art 10. Use of pseudonyms

- a. Most of community members generally communicate with each other via their online identity. To simplify the process of documentation, their pseudonyms may be used in internal documents where appropriate.
- b. The committee shall maintain an undisclosed member list to verify their persona if necessary.

### Art 11. Dissolution

- a. The ordinary dissolution of the association can be decided exclusively by the General Assembly with a 75% majority.
- b. In the event of the ordinary dissolution of the association, the committee members are jointly authorized liquidators if the General Assembly does not appoint other persons.
- c. In the event of the ordinary dissolution of the association or the absence of the previous purpose
  - <sup>1</sup> shall remaining sponsorship funds be returned to the respective sponsor.
- <sup>2</sup> shall any remaining surpluses be given to an organization/institution with the same or similar purpose, or a charitable organization/institution.
- <sup>3</sup> shall any remaining tangible assets be transferred or sold to a suitable organization/institution, whereby the resulting proceeds shall be surrendered according to pt. 2.
- <sup>4</sup> decides the General Assembly which organization/institution will benefit from these assets.

# Art 12. Coming into effect

| These statutes have been approved by the General Assembly on the 15th of July 2018 and will come into effect on the |
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