

Czech Aikido Association

Statutes

CAA was founded by its General Assembly on 11th December 1993 and registered by the Czech Ministry of Interior Affairs on 16th December 1993 under the reg. No.: VS/1-22825/93-R.

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CAA President



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Article 1 Name and seat

- 1.1 Czech Aikido Association – hereinafter CAA (or *Aikikai of the Czech Republic* in English) is an unpolitical cultural organization which according to the Czech law no.83 §3 from 27th March 1990 respects rights of citizens, especially doesn't discriminate nationalities, races and religions. The Czech Aikido Association (further only CAA or Association) has its seat in Prague and operates in the Czech Republic (Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia). It is a subject according to the Czech law.
- 1.2 Relations of CAA to other aikido organizations in the Czech Republic are specified in the Statutes Implementing Regulations (see 7.1).
- 1.3 The seat of CAA is 140 00 Prague 4, Boleslavova 10/793.

Article 2 Aims

- 2.1 Aikido is a martial art created by O-Sensei Morihei Ueshiba from various Japanese martial arts and from his own spiritual experience.
- 2.2 Association admits only aikido created by O-Sensei Morihei Ueshiba and spread by *Aikido World Headquarters* (or *Aikikai Foundation*), 17-18 Wakamatsu-cho, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan.

CAA respects the Statutes of IAF (*International Aikido Federation*), the official international organization of *Aikido World Headquarters*.

- 2.3 The aims of CAA are:
 - a) to create conditions for practicing and spreading aikido, especially to organize seminars, summer schools etc., to help to establish new aikido clubs and so on
 - b) to keep the practice of aikido in the spirit of heritage of its founder and especially not to admit practice of aikido which is competitive in any aspect
 - c) to keep close contacts with Aikikai Foundation through the CAA bodies which have been appointed to this aim. They are the CAA Technical Committee and the “person in charge”
 - d) to coordinate cooperation between members and to protect their common interests

Article 3 Commencement and termination of membership

- 3.1 Any citizen of the Czech Republic which is not a member of other aikido organization in the Czech Republic can become a member. A foreigner can become an extraordinary member.

3.2 Membership is terminated if:

- a) it has been cancelled by the member in written form
- b) it has been nullified
- c) the member has been expelled
- d) the member has died
- e) CAA has terminated its activity

3.3 Members of the Association are gathered in clubs to practice aikido. The clubs representatives represent the members at CAA General Meetings.

3.4 A club ceases to be a CAA club if:

- a) majority of members have cancelled membership in written form
- b) the club has been cancelled
- c) the club has been expelled
- d) CAA has terminated its activity

Article 4 Rights and duties of members

4.1 Member of CAA has the rights:

- a) to take part in any event organized by CAA (seminars, summer schools etc.)
- b) to be informed about an activity of the CAA bodies and about all events organized by CAA
- c) to vote and to be elected to CAA bodies
- d) make complaints and comments to CAA bodies
- e) to obtain a CAA card and to take part in examinations for the kyu and Dan degrees

4.2 Member of CAA has the duties:

- a) to keep the CAA Statutes, other regulations and adopted CAA resolutions
- b) to pay annually the membership fees
- c) to work in the positions he/she was elected to
- d) to be a member of a CAA club

4.3 A member communicates with the bodies of Association in writing or through representatives of his/her club.

Article 5 CAA Bodies

5.1 CAA bodies are:

- a) CAA General Assembly
- b) CAA Council
- c) CAA Technical Committee
- d) CAA Review Board

- 5.2** Position in a CAA body is bound up with prescribed minimal age and with the agreement of elected or appointed member.
- 5.3** CAA General Assembly (GA) is a meeting of the representatives of the CAA clubs who have right to vote and to elect in the name of their club members. GA is the highest CAA body. It can adopt any decision about any stipulated question except for the technical aspects and CAA Technical Rules. It gathers at least once a year.
- 5.4** CAA Council is the highest CAA body in the period between the GAs. It can solve any problem which doesn't belong to responsibility of GA, Technical Committee or Review Board. It has an odd number of its members (from 5 to 9) according to the decision of the GA. Members of the Council are elected by the GA for one year.
- 5.5** CAA Council has the following organs:
- a) CAA President
 - b) CAA Vice-president
 - c) CAA Secretary
 - d) CAA Treasurer
 - e) CAA Council members (without functions)
- 5.6** CAA Technical Committee is CAA body which is in charge of all technical aspects of aikido within CAA that are closely specified in the Technical Rule of CAA.
- The Technical Committee is directed by the Director of CAA Technical Committee who is appointed by the highest body of the organisation by the CAA General Assembly.
- 5.7** CAA Review Board is created by two inspectors elected for two years, so that the old one and the new one are in office currently. They are charged to check CAA economic activities.
- 5.8** If needed, CAA may establish other bodies for distinguished period.
- 5.9** CAA President has the right to negotiate on behalf of CAA. It is also possible to delegate in writing another CAA body or member to negotiation in some extent.

Article 6 Economy

- 6.1** CAA financial resources consist of membership contributions or other charges, incomes from organising events, or other contributions (grants, presents, sponsorship etc.).
- 6.2** CAA economy is managed by the CAA budget for the appropriate financial year and by the CAA Economic Rules. Annual CAA budget is prepared by the Council and adopted by the GA.

- 6.3 The Council is responsible for the financing in accordance with the budget, the treasurer for the bookkeeping and cash handling. Any other charged person is responsible for the financial funds given to him/her.
- 6.4 GA approves a report on CAA economy in the previous period elaborated by the Council, the Treasurer and the Review Board.
- 6.5 Fees for CAA seminars and summer schools are set by the Council.

Article 7 Additional regulations

- 7.1 To make the understanding of CAA Statutes clearer and the work of organization easier CAA will bring out:
 - a) **CAA Implementing Regulations**
 - b) **CAA Technical Rules**
 - c) **CAA Economic Rules**

These documents are considered to be a part of the CAA Statutes forming altogether the **Basic CAA Documents**.

- 7.2 The CAA GA authorizes the CAA Implementing Regulations and Economic Rules.
- 7.3 CAA Technical Rules are proposed and modified by the CAA Technical Committee.
- 7.4 CAA bodies may issue another binding complementary regulation, if necessary.

Article 8 Termination of CAA existence

- 8.1 CAA can - after the GA decision - become a member of another organization, if there is no contradiction with 1.1 and 2.2.
- 8.2 The GA can decide about merging with another organization, if there is no contradiction with 1.1 and 2.2.
- 8.3 Termination of CAA existence can happen by voluntary breaking up or merging with another organization. This can be only decided by the GA and the decision will be announced to all clubs and up to 30 days to the Ministry where CAA is registered. Property settlement must be solved before.

Article 9 Final Provision

- 9.1 This document replaces the CAA Statutes approved by the Establishing CAA General Assembly on 11th November 1993 and it comes into force on the day of its approval.
- 9.2 This document replaces the CAA Statutes approved by the Establishing CAA General Assembly and the changes approved by the CAA GA on 26th November 1998 and it comes into force on the day of its approval.

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