

STATUTS OF THE ASSOCIATION ZÉRO DÉCHET MONT BLANC (English translation)

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The members who are present have founded this association governed by the law of 1st July 1901 and the decree of 16th August 1901, and named Zéro Déchet Mont Blanc

ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE

The purpose of this association is to promote and to facilitate the adoption of a zero waste way of life by individuals and businesses, improving recycling and reuse, and reducing the amount of waste produced in daily life. To do this, we will build a community, sharing information and managing local projects, including:

- Organising events and promoting practical zero waste projects;
- Sharing information to educate and engage businesses;
- Putting in place sharing platforms to facilitate exchanging goods to allow their reuse;
- Supporting and working with local service providers to reduce their waste.

We take a positive and practical approach; our objective is to bring about sustainable change.

ARTICLE 3 – REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered office is 413 Avenue des Alpages, 74310 Les Houches
This can be changed by a decision of the managing committee.

Article 4 - DURATION

The duration of the association is unlimited.

ARTICLE 5 - COMPOSITION

The association is made up of active members (individuals or organisations).

ARTICLE 6 - ADMISSION

The association is open to everybody without condition.

ARTICLE 7 – MEMBER’S – SUBSCRIPTION

Active members are those who have paid the subscription of a minimum of 5€ (individual membership) or a minimum of 25€ (for organisations).

ARTICLE 8. - CANCELLATIONS

Membership is given up by :

- a) Resigning;
- b) Death;
- c) Cancellation of membership by the managing committee following non-payment of membership fees or a serious action; in the latter case the interested party would be given the opportunity to provide an explanation to the managing committee.

ARTICLE 9. - AFFILIATION

The association may be affiliated to other associations or unions by a decision of the managing committee.

ARTICLE 10. - RESOURCES

The financial resources of the association are:

- 1 ° Money from subscription fees and entry fees;
- 2 ° Subsidies from the state, departments and municipalities.
- 3 ° Other resources authorized by the laws and regulations in force.

ARTICLE 11 – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting is held with all the members of the association whatever their role. It is held in July each year.

Papers, including the agenda, are sent out by the Secretary at least two weeks before the meeting. The present chairs the meeting and, with the assistance of other committee members, provides a summary of all the activity of the association. The treasurer presents the financial reports for approval. During the AGM the amount of annual membership fees and entry fees to be paid by the different categories of members is set. Only items on the agenda can be discussed.

Decisions are made by majority vote of members present or representatives. Once the agenda is complete, decisions are made on the renewal of any outgoing members of the committee.

All deliberations are taken by show of hands, except for the election of committee members. Decisions of the AGM are binding on all members, including those who are absent.

ARTICLE 12 – EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS

If necessary, or at the request of a quarter of the registered members, the president can convene an extraordinary general meeting, according to the modalities provided for in these statutes and only for modification of the statutes or dissolution. The convening procedures are the same as for the ordinary general meeting. Decisions are taken by a majority of the members present.

ARTICLE 13 – MANAGING COMMITTEE

The association is managed by a committee, elected for two years at the AGM. Members are eligible for re-election.

The committee is renewed every year by half, the first year, outgoing members are chosen by drawing lots.

In the event of vacancies, the committee temporarily provides for the replacement of its members. They are definitively replaced by the next general meeting. The powers of the members thus elected end at the expiration of the term of office of the replaced members.

The committee meets at least once every six months, when convened by the chairman, or at the request of a quarter of its members.

Decisions are taken by majority vote; in the event of a tie, the president's vote is decisive.

Any member of the committee who, without excuse, does not attend three consecutive meetings will be considered as having resigned.

ARTICLE 14 – THE ADMINISTRATION

The committee has among its members the administration which comprises :

- 1) A president;
- 2) A secretary ;
- 3) A treasurer-;
- 4) Several zero waste leads.

ARTICLE 15 – INDEMNITIES

All functions, including those of members of the committee and of the administration, are free and voluntary. Only the costs incurred by the performance of their mandate are reimbursed on supporting receipts. The financial report presented to the AGM presents, by beneficiary, any reimbursements of travel or representation expenses.

ARTICLE - 16 – INTERNAL RULES

Internal rules can be established by the committee, which then has them approved by the AGM.

This optional regulation is intended to fix any points not provided for by these statutes, in particular those which relate to the internal administration of the association.

ARTICLE - 17 - DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution pronounced according to the system provided for in article 12, one or more liquidators are appointed, and the net assets, if any, devolve to a non-profit organization, or to an association with similar aims, in accordance with the decisions of the extraordinary general meeting which decides on the dissolution. Net assets cannot be vested in a member of the association, even partially, unless a contribution is taken back.

Article – 18 RELEASES :

The annual report and accounts, as defined in Article 11 (including those of the local committees) are sent each year to the Prefect of the department.

The association undertakes to present its registers and accounting documents on any requisition from the administrative authorities with regard to the use of the gifts that it would be authorized to receive, to allow its establishments to be visited by the representatives of these competent authorities and to report to them on the functioning of said establishments.

Signed in Chamonix, 2 July 2020

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