

# **Statutes of the association**

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## **Pharmacists without Borders Switzerland**

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### **General information**

#### **Article 1: Name**

The association Pharmacists without Borders Switzerland (PSF CH) is a non-profit association, within the meaning of articles 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code.

#### **Article 2: Headquarters**

The headquarters of the association is located in the canton of Geneva, Switzerland.  
The association is registered in the Commercial Register of the canton of Geneva.

#### **Article 3: Duration**

The duration of the association is unlimited.

### **I. Goals**

#### **Article 4: Purposes of the association**

The association Pharmacists without Borders Switzerland pursues the following goals:

- Ensure access to quality care for everyone, everywhere, especially in the pharmaceutical sector,
- Promote the rational use of medicines in the interest of public health.

### **II. Resources**

#### **Article 5: Resources of the association**

The association's resources come from various sources, of which:

- Gifts and legacies
- Sponsorship,
- Public or private subsidies,
- Membership,
- The product of special actions,
- Interest on the capital,
- Any other resource authorized by law.

The funds are used in accordance with the social purpose.

### **III. Members**

#### **Article 6 : Members**

Individuals or legal entities who have demonstrated their commitment to the aims of the association may apply for membership. The committee decides on admissions. It may refuse to accept a member without giving any justification.

#### **Article 7: Entry**

Upon his or her entry, each member recognizes the statutes and decisions of the competent entities. After acceptance of the application by the committee, membership is acquired by payment of the membership fee.

#### **Article 8: Resignation, Exclusion**

Any resignation must be communicated in writing to the committee. It can take place at any time. However, the

resigning member shall remain liable to pay his membership fee of the current year.

The exclusion of a member may be pronounced for just reasons, with the right to appeal in front of the General Assembly within 30 days. The decision shall be taken by the Committee by a two-thirds-majority of the members.

Resigning or excluded members have no right to any share in the company's assets.

Membership is also lost due to death or non-payment of dues for more than one year.

#### **Article 9: Liability**

The members of the Association are not personally responsible for social debts, which are secured only by the Association assets.

### **IV. Organs**

#### **Article 10 : Organs**

The association is composed of following entities

- The General Assembly,
- The Committee,
- The Auditors

### **V. General Assembly**

#### **Article 11: The General Assembly**

The General Assembly is the supreme power of the association. It is composed of all its members and is chaired by the President of the association.

It meets once a year in ordinary session. It may also meet in extraordinary session if necessary, at the request of the Committee or 1/5th of the members.

The General Assembly is validly constituted regardless of the number of members present.

The Committee shall notify the members in writing of the date of the General Assembly at least three weeks in advance. The notice of meeting mentioning the agenda shall be sent by the Committee to each member at least 10 days in advance. Any proposal to be submitted to the General Assembly must reach the Committee in writing at least 12 days in advance.

#### **Article 12 : Role**

The General Assembly is entitled to:

- Decide on the exclusion of members,
- Elect members of the Committee and appoint at least one President, one Secretary and one Treasurer,
- Read the reports and financial statements for the financial year and vote their approval
- Approve the annual budget,
- Monitor the activity of other organs that it may revoke for valid cause,
- Appoint the audit authority,
- Determine the amount of contributions,
- Decide on any amendments to the statutes,
- Decide on the dissolution of the Association.

#### **Article 13: Voting Procedures**

Each individual or collective member has one vote. The accumulation of votes is prohibited.

Voting and elections are conducted by show of hands. At the request of at least five members, they shall be held by

secret ballot.

Decisions relating to the amendment of the statutes and the dissolution of the association can only be taken by a 2/3 majority of the members present. Other decisions are taken by a simple majority. In case of tie, the President shall decide.

#### **Article 14 : Agenda**

The agenda of the Annual General Assembly, known as the Ordinary General Meeting, necessarily includes:

- Approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly,
- The Committee's report on the activity of the association during the past period,
- The reports of the treasury and the auditors,
- The adoption of the budget,
- The approval of reports and accounts,
- The election of the members of the Committee and the auditors,
- Individual proposals.

## **VI. Committee**

#### **Article 15 : The committee**

The committee is authorized to undertake all acts related to the goals of the association. It has the broadest powers of management for the day-to-day businesses. It meets as many times as the association's business requires.

The committee shall be composed of at least:

- A president,
- A secretary,
- A treasurer.

#### **Article 16: Composition and Election of Members**

The committee is elected at each ordinary General Assembly. The members of the committee may be re-elected.

Committee members may add other members by simple co-option as the association's tasks increase or upon the resignation of one of its members. These co-optations must be ratified by the next ordinary General Assembly.

Pharmacists must amount at least to 50% of the committee's members.

#### **Article 17 : Competences**

The committee directs the activity of the association and takes all necessary measures to achieve the objectives set. It is the executive body of the association and represents it towards third parties.

The committee is responsible for:

- taking appropriate measures to achieve the goals set by the association,
- convening ordinary and extraordinary General Meetings,
- taking decisions on the admission, resignation and possible exclusion of members,
- making decisions on requests for support from potential partners,
- taking strategic decisions on health assistance and public relations projects,
- ensuring the application of the statutes and to draft the regulations,
- administering the assets of the association,
- hiring and managing volunteer and paid staff.

### **Article 18 : Decision-making by the Committee**

Decisions are taken by a majority of present members, provided that at least 2/3 of the members are present.

Otherwise, an e-mail consultation of absent members will be conducted.

### **Article 19: Compensation and Non-Remuneration**

The members of the Committee shall act on a voluntary basis and may only claim compensation for their actual expenses and travel expenses. Any attendance fees may not exceed those paid for official commissions. For activities that go beyond the usual scope of the function, each member of the committee may receive an appropriate compensation.

Paid employees of the association may only sit on the committee in an advisory capacity.

## **VII. Miscellaneous provisions**

### **Article 20: Commitment of the association**

The association is validly bound by the individual signature of the president of the association or by the collective signature of two members of the committee in the event the president cannot be reached.

### **Article 21: Management and control of accounts**

The financial year begins on 1 of January and ends on 31 of December of each year.

The management of the accounts is entrusted to the association's treasurer and audited each year by a trustee through a limited audit. The trustee will present his/her report to the General Assembly. The trustee, appointed outside the committee, is appointed by the General Assembly for a period of two years and is immediately eligible for re-election.

### **Article 22 : No-return possible in case of dissolution of the Association**

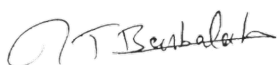
In the event of dissolution of the association, the available assets will be entirely allocated to an institution pursuing a public interest, whose purpose is similar to that of the association and benefiting from tax exemption. Under no circumstances the property may be attributed to the physical founders or members of the association, nor may it be used for their benefit in whole or in part and in any manner whatsoever.

### **Article 23 : Ratification**

These statutes were adopted by the General Assembly on June 4, 2025, in Geneva. The statutes enter into force immediately. For all matters not provided for in these statutes or in Articles 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code, the association relies on the Committee's decisions.

Geneva, June 4, 2025.

On behalf of the association:



The President :

Marie-José Barbalat



The Treasurer :

Stéphanie Martin Christie



The Secretary :

Christophe Berger