

**STATUTE**  
**OF THE ITALIAN ASSOCIATION OF AEROFILATELIA**  
**AIDA**  
**Founded in Milan on December 27, 1958**

**Art. 1 Name**

The Cultural Association called AIDA - Italian Association of Aerofilatelia is established.

**Art. 2 Duration and locations**

The Association has an unlimited duration and, at the moment, has its registered office at the President. It may be transferred elsewhere by decision of the Board, hereinafter referred to as CD

**Art.3 Financial means**

The Association, endowed with organizational, legal and administrative autonomy, is non-profit and draws the means to achieve its statutory purposes from the annual fees paid by the Members and from any contributions and / or donations from public and / or private bodies.

It is forbidden to distribute, even indirectly, profits or operating surpluses as well as funds, reserves or capital during the life of the association unless the destination or distribution is required by law.

**Art 4 Statutory purposes**

AIDA is a free non-political association between citizens, without distinction of sex, age, social status or other and expresses the desire of individuals to live together a cultural, social and amateur experience. The Association has as its statutory purpose and institutional activity the development and dissemination of culture in the field of aerophilately understood as a means of training and deepening the Members.

The Association intends to concretely implement its aims:

- a) contributing to the development, diffusion and progress of airphilatelic collecting, from mythology to jet flights and travel in the cosmos, promoting the study of aeropostal history, all in collaboration with any public or private body, local, national or international.
- b) Facilitating and organizing exchanges of air mail postage stamps, aerograms, postcards, documents and any other object that has relevance to the aerofilatelic field for the purpose of collection and study.
- c) By providing assistance to Members, both from a technical point of view and for exchanges, estimates, etc. . . .
- d) By obtaining favorable conditions for the Members for the purchase of novelties (stamps, aerograms, etc. ... for the purchase of accessories and objects for collecting, for subscriptions to magazines and publications, for enrollment in other cultural clubs and associations.
- e) By publishing a social newsletter whose frequency will be determined by the CD and distributing publications relating to the activities and purposes of the Association to its Members.
- f) By publishing catalogs, books, monographs, studies, articles on aerophilathelia and the history of air mail and helping members in their publications.
- g) Organizing events, exhibitions and conferences relating to the purposes listed above.

Given the voluntary and amateurish nature of this type of activity and the declared intent of not wanting in any way to pursue profit, none of the Members including the members of the colleges and bodies of the Association, may be recognized any emolument, may be documented reimbursement of expenses for assignments assigned by the CD

**Art. 5 Social Categories**

All those who, natural or legal persons, sharing the aims of this Statute, intend to participate and benefit from the activities prepared by the Association can be part of the Association.

Members are divided into:

- Ordinary members: they are those who pay the membership fee

- Supporting members: they are those who pay an increased fee.

## **MEMBERS**

### **Art. 6 Membership status**

To become a member, it is necessary to submit an application to join the Association to the CD, in compliance with the following procedures:

- indication of the name and surname, complete place of residence, telephone number, e-mail address, profession exercised by the applicant (all data collected will be kept and processed in accordance with the regulations in force on privacy)
- explicit declaration of acceptance of this Statute and of the resolutions adopted by the corporate bodies
- signature of a presenting member

It is the duty of the CD to publish the receipt of the application on the Association bulletin so that the Members are aware of it and can possibly make confidential communications to the Secretariat. After the minimum term of two months from the publication of the application, the CD will decide on admission or not without giving details of its decisions.

For minors, the admission application must also bear the signature of a parent or guardian.

### **Art.7 Rights of Members**

Members have the right upon admission:

- to receive the social card
- the registration of the name, surname and address, type of collection and exchange and correspondence wishes in the general list of Members of periodic publication
- to receive a copy of the aforementioned general list of Members and related updates or supplements in which only the information which the Member has authorized the publication of will be indicated
- to take advantage of all the social services that will be implemented, in execution of the statutory purposes provided, as well as any other services and facilities.

### **Art. 8 Duties of Members**

Members are required to pay the annual membership fee by February 28 of each year, the amount and method of payment of the fee will be determined by the CD. All Members are required to comply with the Statute and the resolutions taken by the corporate bodies as well as to pay any extraordinary fees to supplement the social fund.

### **Art. 9 Renewal of registration**

The member's obligation is personal and lasts for one fiscal year.

### **Art. 10 Loss of membership**

Members are expelled or excluded for the following reasons:

- for voluntary resignation or death
- for measures of the CD following non-payment of the membership fee
- by deliberate expulsion from the CD following unfairness or dishonesty towards other Shareholders, violations of this Statute, internal Regulations, resolutions of the corporate bodies or other serious reasons.

## **BODIES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

### **Art.12 Members Meeting**

The Assembly of Members, which is always sovereign, is convened at the headquarters of AIDA or other location established by the CD:

- the Assembly is convened every year by December 31st. The convocation sent by simple letter must take place at least 15 days before the date of the meeting and must contain, in addition to the specific items on the agenda, the date, time and place of the meeting, as well as the date, time and place of any second call
- every four years by 31 December of the fourth year for the election of the CD and the convocation must be sent at least 45 days before

The Assembly, composed of all the Members for whom this qualification exists at the time of the convocation and in good standing with the payment of the shares, can be ordinary or extraordinary.

Resolutions are taken by a majority of votes, half plus one of those present or delegates.

In order to allow Members who are unable to attend the four-year Assembly in person, it is established that, together with the convocation, a special form with envelope is sent to all Members with voting rights. The ballot papers, sealed in envelopes, must be returned to the Secretariat before the start of the Assembly.

### **Art. 13 Ordinary Assembly Meeting**

An ordinary Assembly must be convened by the President of the CD at least once a year.

It will be called to discuss and deliberate the general lines of the program of activities and the final and budget budgets.

### **Art. 14 Extraordinary Assembly Meeting**

The Extraordinary Assembly is convened whenever the CD, its President deems it necessary or when a motivated written request is made by at least one third of the members.

### **Art. 15 Board**

AIDA is directed by a Board composed of the Association Members in a minimum number of five and a maximum of eleven. The members of the CD are elected by the Assembly of Members and remain in office for a period of four consecutive years and can be re-elected upon expiry. The CD may delegate to other non-elected members special functions or specific tasks that are deemed useful for achieving the corporate purpose. Those members who predominantly derive the means of life from philately or aerophilately cannot be part of it.

The number of members of the CD is decided from four to four years by the outgoing CD.

The CD elects among its members: a President, two Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and possibly a Deputy Secretary.

The CD holds its own meetings at least once a year in accordance with specific regulations.

The CD will meet whenever the President or the majority of its members deem it appropriate and / or necessary.

The CD is chaired by the President or in his absence by one of the two Vice Presidents, in case of absence of both the most senior of the Advisors present will be called to preside over the session. The meetings are valid with the presence of at least half of the members. Resolutions are adopted by simple majority.

The CD has the powers of ordinary and extraordinary administration, determines the amount of the annual membership fees, carries out all the necessary and functional tasks for the proper management of the association.

The CD has the faculty to attribute the title of Honorary Member to deserving people for their activity and for initiatives of particular interest in favor of aerophilately in its various sectors.

The President of the CD is president of AIDA in all respects, has the legal representation as well as the legal signature that he can delegate, for each single act, to another member of the CD

The President presides over the Assembly Meetings, also presides over the meetings of the CD which he convenes by written invitation whenever he deems it appropriate or at the request of at least one third of the Directors.

In case of urgency, he can take the place of the CD by requesting the ratification of his work within fifteen days.

The President, or at least one third of the Advisors have the right to propose to the CD the appointment of an honorary President of the Association.

The Secretary executes the resolutions of the Presidency and the CD and draws up the minutes of the meetings.

The treasurer takes care of the ordinary administration of the association, is in charge of collecting the membership fees and other income, keeping the accounts and the list of members updated.

#### **Art. 16 Delegates and representatives of the Association**

The CD can appoint delegates or representatives of the Association in the localities and countries where this is deemed appropriate in relation to the number of members existing there.

The duties of the delegates and representatives are foreseen by the respective regulations drawn up by the CD

#### **Art.17 Amendments to the Statute**

Amendments to this Statute must be approved by the Assembly Meeting, convened in accordance with the provisions of art. 12 on the proposal of the CD or at least one third of the Members. In this regard, the Shareholders' Meeting can be convened even before the deadline envisaged by Article 12 upon request of the person presenting the amendments to the Statute.

### **HERITAGE OF THE ASSOCIATION**

#### **Art. 18 Equity fund**

The patrimonial fund of the Association is indivisible and consists of:

- from the movable assets of the Association
- from the annual and extraordinary contributions of the members
- from contributions, disbursements and various bequests

#### **Art. 19 Company fees**

The sums paid for the social cards and the annual membership fees to the Association are non-refundable in any case, and are non-transferable.

#### **Art.20 Economic and financial report**

The financial statement must inform about the economic and financial situation of the Association. The report for each year (1 January-31 December) must be presented by 28 February of the following year.

#### **Art. 21 Dissolution of the Association**

The dissolution of the Association can only be deliberated by the Extraordinary Assembly of Members convened for this purpose.

The vote must bring together at least three quarters of the Members and the resolution must have a majority of two thirds of the votes of those present, for it to be valid.

#### **Art. 22 Methods of dissolution**

The residual assets that will result from the liquidation cannot be, in any form, distributed among the Members and therefore will be donated to charitable works designated by the Shareholders' Meeting that approved the dissolution.

#### **Art. 23 Final provisions**

All corporate offices are free, including those provided for in art. 16 "

The minutes of the meetings and sessions of the CD are drawn up by the Secretary, failing that, by another member of the CD designated by the President.

For anything not expressly provided for in this Statute, please refer to the legislation governing the matter.