

IRS Form 1023, Part IV Narrative:

The Schipperke Club of America Rescue and Health Charitable Trust was established to accomplish the following goals:

1. Develop a program to offer financial support to third parties engaged in Schipperke rescue.
2. Develop and maintain references about rescue for the general public. This includes information for owners considering placing a Schipperke in rescue and persons interested in obtaining a Schipperke from rescue.
3. Develop and make available to the general public information about proper development and training of Schipperkes, including the importance of training and socializing Schipperkes as puppies and throughout their lives, in order to help avoid the need to place dogs in rescue.
4. Develop better understanding of the diseases and genetic anomalies that affect Schipperkes by promoting the participation of breeders and owners in the existing open health database.
5. Support and promote studies and research on the genetics and health issues which affect Schipperkes.
6. Keep abreast of and make available to the general public and the purebred dog fancy information about the proper care, treatment, breeding, and development of Schipperkes relative to the health and well-being of individual dogs and the breed as a whole.

The Trust will be funded from donations and fundraising events. Donations will be requested of the Schipperke Club of America members in their dues renewal statements on an annual basis. Fund raising events will be held in connection with the Schipperke Club of America National and Regional Specialties. We project yearly income of \$3200 from these fundraising efforts.

To achieve these goals, the Trust plans to undertake the following activities:

Goal I: Develop a program to offer financial support to individuals, local and regional Schipperke Clubs and regional animal shelters engaged in Schipperke rescue.

1. **Develop Guidelines:** The trust will develop guide lines that will govern the circumstances and manner in which it offers financial support to rescue groups and individuals. The Trust will develop applications and release forms in light of these guidelines. We anticipate that up to 40% of the Trust's time in 2006-2007 will be spent developing these guidelines. After the initial guidelines are developed, resources will be transferred to publicity and fundraising.
2. **Publicize:** The Trust will publicize the availability of rescue funding to Schipperke owners, breeders and the general public. It will do this through an internet website, through articles in the Schipperke Bulletin and news letters and by contacting animal

shelters that have taken in Schipperkes. We anticipate that up to 15% of the Trust's time will be spent on such publicity.

3. **Education:** The Trust will develop specific information about the characteristics of purebred Schipperkes and disseminate this information to Animal Shelters so that they can identify Schipperkes that enter their shelter and seek assistance from the Trust. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be spent on such educational efforts.
4. **Fundraising:** The Trust will develop fundraising plans to ensure the ongoing viability of these support efforts. In addition to annual solicitation of Schipperke Club of America members, the Trust will conduct additional fundraisers throughout the year. We anticipate that up to 15% of the Trust's time will be spent on fundraising the first year, up to 50% of the trust's time will be spent on fundraising in the succeeding years.

Goal II: Develop and maintain references about rescue for the general public. This includes information for owners considering placing a Schipperke in rescue and persons interested in obtaining a Schipperke from rescue.

5. **Research:** The Trust will research available animal shelters and rescue organizations throughout the U.S. and develop a list of Schipperke-friendly resources. On at least an annual basis it will update the information on this list. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be spent on such research.
6. **Educate:** The Trust will develop protocols for helping people decide whether to place their Schipperke in rescue or keep the animal. This will include assistance in finding Schipperke – knowledgeable people and training facilities. The Trust will also develop a checklist of information for people considering accepting a Schipperke rescue to help them decide if the rescued Schipperke is appropriate for them. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be spent developing these protocols.
7. **Contact Person:** The Trust will make available to the public the name, email address and telephone numbers of a contact person for the general public to speak with concerning Schipperke issues. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be used by this contact person talking to the general public about Schipperke rescue.

Goal III: Develop and make available to the general public information about the proper care, treatment, breeding and health development and training of Schipperkes including the importance of training and socializing Schipperkes as puppies and throughout their lives, in order to help avoid the need to place dogs in rescue.

8. **Illustrated Standards:** The Trust will support the creation of an illustrated standard for the Schipperke to help educate the general public and the dog fancier about the Schipperke and its unique characteristics. This illustrated standard will be used to help animal shelters identify Schipperkes that they rescue. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be spent to support the creation of an illustrated standard.

9. **Website:** The Trust will create a website where it will publish articles about socialization and training of Schipperke's. We anticipate that up to 5% of the Trust's time will be spent on developing and maintaining a website.

Goal IV: Develop better understanding of the diseases and genetic anomalies that affect Schipperkes, in part by promoting the participation of breeders and owners in the existing open health database.

10. **Health Survey:** The Trust will continue the existing health survey
 - a. The health survey will be modified as necessary.
 - b. The health survey will be sent to all Schipperke Club of America members through the Bulletin biennially and to any additional schipperke owners through the internet or conventional mail as necessary.
 - c. Data will be analyzed, updated and reported through publications of the Schipperke Club of America biennially.
11. **Educational Resources:** The Trust will develop and disseminate to the public information about health problems and recommended health tests for Schipperkes.
 - a. Information about the symptoms and treatment of Schipperke health problems will be published in Schipperke Club of America publications and placed on its website.
 - b. Recommended health clearance tests for schipperkes will be published in Schipperke Club of America publications and placed on its website.

Goal V: Support and promote studies and research on the genetics and health issues which affect Schipperkes.

12. **Fund Medical Research:** Using information from the health survey, the Trust will research the available opportunities to fund medical research and make donations in support of research into canine diseases that particularly affect Schipperkes.
13. **Promote Participation in CHIC:** The trust will promote CHIC registration for all Schipperkes in order to make health information available for today's breeders and those of the future.

Goal VI: Keep abreast of and make available to the general public and the purebred dog fancy information about the proper care, treatment, breeding, and development of Schipperkes relative to the health and well-being of individual dogs and the breed as a whole.

14. **Education:** The Trust will promote education of breeders and owners about breeding and genetics as they affect the health and wellbeing of Schipperkes.
15. **Public presentations:** The Trust will support presentations about Schipperke health issues at National and Regional Specialty shows.

16. Website and publications: The Trust will make health and genetic information as it relates to the Schipperke available in the Schipperke Club of America's publications and on its website.

The Schipperke Club of America Rescue and Health Charitable Trust has been formed to help in the rescue, care and treatment of unwanted or stray Schipperkes. We are vigilant about the care and personal placement of this unique breed. It is not our intention for the Trust to be directly involved in rescue. We intend to lend financial assistance to the National rescue group of the Schipperke Club of America, Inc (SCA), and the regional affiliated groups as they arise. There may be times when other non-affiliated third parties will warrant our financial assistance, as well. We already have significant guidelines in place addressing how much can be spent per animal, and how. These guide lines will continue in force. We will also offer educational information and presentations to the Schipperke fancier and the general public. Here we will address the care needed to properly home a Schipperke. Our goal is to continually reduce the number of Schipperkes ending up in rescue by screening potential owners and educating about the uniqueness of the Schipperke's behavior and personally personality before they are placed in their forever home.

Also, the Trust has been formed to aid in scientific research that will benefit the health of dogs in general and in Schipperkes specifically. We will not be directly involved in research, but hope to help fund legitimate studies and keep the fancy aware of current projects and new information that becomes available.

We have several annual events and projects aimed at fundraising. These will be continued and expanded. We will also solicit funds from SCA members, people who have previously adopted Schipperke from SCA rescue and Schipperke Fanciers. Adoption fees collected from SCA rescue will be placed in the trust fund.

All of this work will be done on a volunteer basis. No Trustee will receive remuneration for his/her activities. We do not expect to have any employees.

Form 1023, Part VIII, Specific Activities:

Line 15: The Trust will have a close relationship with the Schipperke Club of America. This is the parent dog breed club for the Schipperke. The Trust will be funded from donations and fundraising events. Donations will be requested of the Schipperke Club of America members in their dues renewal statements on an annual basis. Fund raising events will be held in connection with the Schipperke Club of America National and Regional Specialties.

Form 1023, Part IX Financial Data

Line 15	2006	2007	2008
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Line 23	2006	2007	2008
Veterinary Expense	\$5,500.00	\$5,750	\$6,000
Transportation & Boarding	\$1,500.00	\$1,750	\$2,000
Shipping/Postage/Supplies	\$ 200.00	\$ 500	\$1,000