

COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

MEMORANDUM OF ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF  
THE DOMINICA ASSOCIATION OF DISABLED PEOPLE

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

1. The Name of the Association (hereinafter referred to as the Association) is The Dominica Association of Disabled People.
2. The registered office of the Association will be situated in the Commonwealth of Dominica.
3. The objects for which the Association is formed are:
  - (1) To act as an advocate in all matters concerning the development and welfare of disabled persons in the society.
  - (2) To promote and undertake programmes to assist disabled people in acquiring vocational skills thus preparing them for better job opportunities and independence.
  - (3) To seek and promote a Government policy statement on the rights of disabled people in the Commonwealth of Dominica and to seek to lobby the Government of Dominica to ratify the International Convention and Declaration on the rights of disabled persons.
  - (4) To promote or aid in the promotion of policies and programmes which have as their objectives the prevention and control of disability and to foster a greater awareness among the population for safety awareness and safety standards.
  - (5) To seek to promote programmes geared towards the early detection and treatment of all types of disabilities whether physical, mental or otherwise.
  - (6) To seek to educate the population generally to take steps to prevent disabling injuries and to promote safety awareness and the enforcement by the authorities of existing safety standards.
  - (7) To promote and undertake programmes to enable the full participation and equality of all disabled persons at all levels of society.
  - (8) To collaborate for the benefit of disabled persons with any individual or organization, whether in the Commonwealth of Dominica or elsewhere, which the Association from time to time deems it necessary so to do for the realization of its objects.
  - (9) To encourage or pursue any other activities that may be to the benefit of the disabled person.
  - (10) To take steps to raise funds for the objects listed in the Memorandum by holding Socials. Charging fees, making personal or written appeals, public meeting or otherwise as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Association in the form of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise.

- (11) To purchase, take lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire by any real or personal estate which may be deemed necessary or convenient for any of the purposes of the Association.
  - (12) To construct, maintain, alter any house, buildings, or works necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Association.
  - (13) To take any gift of property, whether subject to any special trust or not for any one or more of the objects of the Association.
  - (14) To print and publish any newspapers, periodicals, books or leaflets that the Association may think desirable for the promotion of its objects.
  - (15) To sell, manage, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the Association.
  - (16) To borrow and raise money in such manner as the Association may think fit.
  - (17) To invest the monies of the Association not immediately required for its purposes in or upon such investments, securities or property as may be thought fit, subject nevertheless to such conditions (if any) and such consents (if any) as may for the time being be imposed or required by law and subject also as hereinafter provided.
  - (18) To undertake and execute any trusts or any agency business which may seem directly or indirectly conducive to any of the objects of the Association.
  - (19) To establish and support, and to aid in the establishment and support of any other Association formed for all or any of the objects of this Association.
  - (20) To do all such other lawful acts as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.
4. The income and property of the Association, whensoever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Association as set forth in this Memorandum of Association, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred or indirectly, by way of dividend, bonus, or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the members of the Association.

Provided that nothing herein shall prevent the payment in good faith, of reasonable and proper remuneration in money or money's worth in such manner as the Association shall find convenient to any officer or servant of the Association for any service actually rendered to the Association or by way of reimbursement of payments made or charges or expenses incurred in or about the objects or affairs or on behalf of the Association, nor prevent the payment of interest on any money lent or reasonable and proper rent for premises devised or let by any member of the Association.

5. The liability of the members is limited.
6. Every member of the Association undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Association (in the event of the same being wound up during the time he is a member or within one year afterwards) for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before the time at which he ceases to be a member, or within one year after he ceases to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Association contracted before he ceases to be a member, and of the contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding \$50.00.

7. If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Association there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association, and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Association under or by virtue of clause 4 hereof, such institution or institutions to be determined by the members of the Association or before the time of dissolution and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provision then to some charitable object.