

# REGULATION OF THE FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM GROUP OF THE CIGAR CLUB ASSOCIATION

## Introduction

The Facebook group of the Cigar Club Association was born as a meeting point for slow smoking enthusiasts.

The CCA Facebook group will contain topics related to the world of slow smoking and, by analogy, also pairings with drinks and food.

Maximum freedom of thought is in force in the Facebook group, within the limits of education and civil dialectic, with the exclusion of political, racial and religious controversies, or interventions with commercial ends unrelated to the Association.

Moderation is by the Administrators of the Facebook group and, by extension, by the Board of Directors of the CCA

## Article 1: Acceptance of the regulation, registration and access to the Facebook group

Due to the topics discussed, the CCA Facebook group is a closed group accessible to members who register; there are no areas reserved for user groups.

It is not possible to participate in discussions without prior registration, which will be confirmed by the group administrator.

Subscription to the Facebook group is free and free and does not involve any obligation on the part of the user, except for acceptance of the Facebook group regulation necessary for joining and subsequent access to the group.

By joining the Facebook group, you accept without reserve and in all their parts the Regulations of the Facebook Group, published on the Association's website, and the expected behavioral rules. The user also undertakes to accept future changes, announced with official communications. Members of the Facebook group are required to read every change to the Regulations whenever it is announced with a specific publication in the group; the changes to the Regulations are therefore considered accepted for the sole fact of having been made known to all users.

Failure to read the Regulations at the time of registration and subsequent changes does not exclude the user from liability towards the Administration, the Moderators of the Facebook group or third parties, none excluded.

The user cannot oppose the lack of knowledge of the regulation against any disciplinary measures taken by the Administration of the Facebook group and by the Moderators.

In case of disagreement with any modification to the regulation, the user can contact the Administrator and ask for exclusion from the group.

## Article 2: Messages and responsibilities

Each entry reflects the point of view and opinions of the user who entered it.

By registering, the user assumes, for all legal purposes, full, direct and personal responsibility, both on a civil and criminal level, for the content of the messages he has entered. No responsibility can be attributed to Cigar Club Association and its Staff, as written by users.

Any photo, video, post or more generally anything published on the official profiles of the Cigar Club Association which is reported by another user or by the network itself or which, more generally, gives perplexity to the Moderators, may be deleted by them for purely precautionary purposes and of protection, so that any checks can be carried out for the purpose of subsequent publication. Each message inserted in the Facebook group that violates this regulation may be subject to modification, closure or cancellation, at the sole discretion of the Administrator and Moderators. The author of the message that does not comply with the regulation may be subject to various measures by the Staff, up to and including exclusion from the Facebook group.

Since it is in fact impossible for the moderators to monitor the Facebook group 24 hours a day, the user who feels offended by a message entered by another user, or who notices a violation of any kind, is invited not to reply on the group Facebook, but to immediately report the message and its author to the Staff, who will check what is written and take the appropriate measures.

Anonymity is not welcome.

Off-topic messages (Off Topic or OT) and commercial advertisements are not permitted within the Facebook group, and may be canceled by the Staff without notice.

In particular, political, racial and religious controversies are not tolerated, as are any other controversies contrary to good taste and civil coexistence.

### **Article 3: Rules of conduct**

For a coexistence that is as peaceful and pleasant as possible, the Staff of the Facebook group relies mainly on the common sense and spirit of collaboration of the members.

In any case, in order to avoid dubious interpretations, on the CCA Facebook group it is absolutely forbidden:

- \* insert images or other contents with a pornographic background;
- \* insult, threaten, or attack personally, in any form, any user or member of the CCA Staff;
  
- \* defame people, companies or other subjects, especially by anonymous users;
- \* summon parties who cannot respond, especially from anonymous users.
- \* publish contents with a racist background or containing any type of apology for the inferiority or superiority of one race over the others;
- \* offend institutions of any kind or religious confessions;
- \* deal with topics deemed unsuitable for the spirit of the Facebook group, contrary to good taste or in any case capable of offending the sensibilities of other users,
- \* enter serial codes and/or copies (including links) of commercial software;
- \* insert links to external sites containing material that violates copyright and copyright laws;
- \* promote any illegal attitude, such as the sale of cigars (original or/and fake) by unauthorized parties or the sale of cigars by mail order;
- \* the use and abuse of controversy and vulgarity;
- \* the use and abuse of private messages and personal profile information to argue, embarrass or insult other users, or for any other action contrary to the regulation;
- \* the use of flame, understood as all those deliberately provocative or offensive behaviors, put in place for the sake of creating controversy on the Facebook group;
- \* spam understood as: a) repeated posting of messages with content unsuitable for the spirit of the Facebook group, b) deliberate and repeated advertising of any kind; on the other hand, the insertion of news from other sites is allowed, as well as the insertion of external links, but these practices must be pertinent to the topics covered and not a form of commercial advertising;
- \* any act or attitude that violates the laws in force in Italy.

### **Article 4: Guidelines for publishing Events**

The CCA, through the Communication, Web and Education group, will be able to organize events. These events will be marked by the "CCA cockade".

- ASSOCIATED CLUB EVENTS

In the CCA Facebook group, the clubs associated with the CCA will be able to request the publication of their events (poster and text).

The operating modes are as follows:

1. the club interested in publishing an event on the CCA channels (Facebook, Instagram, etc.) must send an email or, more generally, notify the moderators before publication;

2. the administrators of the various groups will publish the event maintaining a pre-established and equal layout for everyone, in order to guarantee the same visibility;
3. the events of the Clubs that have followed the procedure indicated in the previous points will be marked as OFFICIAL EVENTS;

- **NON-ASSOCIATED PERSON EVENTS**

People or national or international clubs who want to promote their event can do so by following this procedure:

1. the events of clubs or associations NOT part of the CCA circuit will be published EXCLUSIVELY after approval by the Board of Directors;
2. it is therefore necessary to send the poster or, more generally, the "post" to be published to the moderators who will submit it to the Board of Directors for possible publication;
3. in the event that an event by a non-member overlaps with an official event, it will be removed from any publication;
4. no more than one promotional post can be published, any repetition will be removed;
5. published events may only be related to slow smoking and may be virtual or physical;
6. the publications and events promoted must not contravene the regulation and the Statute, otherwise they will be removed.

- **ASSOCIATED CLUB EVENTS IN COOPERATION WITH NON-ASSOCIATED PERSONS**

In the event of events involving the collaboration of associated Clubs with non-associated subjects (whether they are other clubs, people or associations linked or not to the world of slow smoking) the Posters must be sent in advance, to be approved before their publication, with the same methods as above.

### **Article 5: Moderation**

Moderation is by the CCA Facebook Group Staff made up of Facebook group administrators and appointed moderators and, by extension, members of the Board of Directors. Any discussion where arguments or tones do not comply with this regulation will be closed, modified or canceled.

The moderator is given ample power to intervene as he deems most appropriate if, during the discussion, the topic should degenerate.

It is expressly forbidden to open new discussions where the topic is the dispute of topic closure or the resumption of the arguments that motivated the topic closure.

The Staff of the Facebook group is authorized to modify the titles and contents of the messages, in order to correct spelling errors, command syntax, links and anything else that can improve the readability of the messages or correct violations of this regulation.

### **Article 6: Bans and suspensions**

The violation of this regulation can lead to different types of intervention against the user by the Staff, whose judgment is unquestionable and unappealable, depending on the seriousness of the violation:

\* Warning (minor violation)

\* Ban (very serious violation, indefinite ban)

In the event that a user is permanently banned from the Facebook group, he cannot re-register with another nickname, as people are not banned but nicknames.

If the Moderators or Administrators discover a banned user re-subscribed to the group with another nickname, he will be permanently banned and will definitively lose the right to return to the Facebook group.

If the permanently banned user continues to re-register, with the sole purpose of contesting and hindering the smooth running of posts on the group, we will proceed with the notification to the managers of the social network Facebook (or other social network) or to the competent authority.

A private message signed CCA containing the arguments that led to the sanctioning decision will be sent to the interested party.

### **Article 7: Clarifications and disputes**

The work of the Moderators is unquestionable and can only be judged by the Administrator of the Facebook group and by the Board of Directors.

Any requests for explanations, clarifications or reports of incorrect behavior must be made, in a civilized manner, by e-mail, private message (PM) or by instant messaging program, in any case always in private form.

Any thread having as its object dispute arguments in a polemical key will be immediately closed.

Anyone who persists in this attitude will be immediately removed from the Facebook group according to the unquestionable judgment of the Staff.

We inform you that any form of protest that does not fall within the canons of civil coexistence and mutual respect will be appropriately reported.

The same goes for "fakes", i.e. people who cannot be identified through real connotations who damage the image of others with their harmful and disrespectful actions; these subjects will be instantly reported to the competent authorities.