

ARTICLE V - ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1 - Elections: The regular elections of the Secretary, President-Elect, and the five Division Representatives will be held between the last regularly scheduled general meeting in January [hereafter referred to as the NOMINATION MEETING] and the last regularly scheduled meeting of February [hereafter referred to as the ELECTION MEETING].

Section 2 - Term of Office: The term of office for Executive Committee will be from April 1 through March 31.

Section 3 - Eligibility: The following restrictions apply regarding election to the Executive Committee of the ASSOCIATION:

- a) All candidates for election to the Executive Committee must be members in good standing with the ASSOCIATION.
- b) A member may only serve as Division Representative for the division in which they are classified. Members who will advance to a higher division at the conclusion of the current season are eligible to run for Division Representative of only that higher division. No member may be a Division Representative more than two successive years, regardless of the division(s) represented.
- c) The Immediate Past-President shall not be eligible to run for any Executive Committee position until one year has elapsed from the date the Immediate Past-President leaves office.
- d) No restriction shall be placed on the Secretary or Treasurer succeeding him or herself.

Section 4 - Election Committee: An Election Committee, chaired by the President-Elect and consisting also of the Immediate Past-President, the President, and two members-at-large appointed by the President-Elect, will be solely responsible for:

- a) Accepting proposed candidates and ensuring their eligibility for any Executive Committee position;
- b) Providing the general membership with a list of nominees during the Nomination Meeting;
- c) Reviewing report of electronic ballots, validating results, organizing runoff elections, and communicating election results to general membership at the Election Meeting.

Section 5 - Nominations: All nominations for Executive Committee will be made by the general membership to the Election Committee. Nominations will be accepted for proposed candidates from the last regularly scheduled meeting in December to five days prior to the Nomination Meeting. All accepted nominees should provide a Qualifications Summary electronically to the Election Committee by the end of the Nomination Meeting if they want it posted for the election.

Section 6 - Election Process: The methodology used in conducting the regular election will be as follows:

- a) The Executive Committee election will be conducted by secret electronic ballot prepared by the Election Committee and will be available for voting by membership for one week beginning the Friday following the Nomination Meeting.
- b) Each member elected to the Executive Committee must have a majority of the votes cast on any ballot. In the event there is not a majority of votes cast for an individual position, there shall be a runoff between the two (2) candidates receiving the most votes in the initial election.

- c) Runoff elections will be conducted with the same rules and regulations as general elections and will be conducted the week following the general election.
- d) Members of each division shall vote for their respective Division Representative only
- e) No person who has been nominated for an office will be involved in any activity associated with the election process.

Section 7 - Filling a Vacancy: To fill a vacancy in any Executive Committee position, the presiding officer may announce at any regular meeting that an election will be held at the next regular meeting to replace said vacancy. Nominations and elections will be held at the same meeting in filling vacancies. Should a vacancy occur between April 1 and November 1, the Executive Committee may appoint a member to serve until an election may properly be held.

Section 8 - Voting Eligibility: All regular and active members are eligible to vote.

Section 9 - No Multiple Positions: No person may run for or serve in more than one position on the Executive Committee at the same time.