

ARTICLE TWO: CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND ELECTIONS

Section 1: Central Committee

The Central Committee shall be the collective leadership and highest decision making body of the organization. The Central Committee shall serve in a voluntary capacity, and will not receive any compensation for fulfilling duties related to their position on the Central Committee, with the exception of officers who simultaneously serve on The Central Committee. The Central Committee shall be the ultimate authority of this organization, and be responsible for the affairs of the Canadian Socialist Rifle Association. It shall meet formally no less than once per quarter via any method the Central Committee deems acceptable to form a quorum.

Section 2: Composition

The members of the Central Committee shall initially include the at-large delegates which have worked together to establish this document and its by-laws, whose names shall be listed at the end of this document and the end of these by-laws.

All officers, following their election, shall take the seats entitled to them on the Central Committee, and shall have all rights, privileges, and obligations of a Central Committee member.

At no time shall the Central Committee be composed of less than two at-large delegates. The Central Committee may, at least two months prior to its election, decide to increase or decrease the number of at-large delegates to be elected during the upcoming election.

The Central Committee may recognize chapter delegate positions to be added to the Central Committee. Such additions will be subject to the simple majority approval of the at-large membership, and shall be subject to the standards outlined in Article Five.

It shall be understood that any member of the Central Committee must be a member in good standing within the Canadian Socialist Rifle Association.

Section 3: Functions

The Central Committee will be ultimately responsible for the business of the organizations, to include but not limited to: supervision of officers and staff, financial matters, publication of materials, and supervision of educational activities.

Section 4: Quorum and Term

A quorum of the Central Committee must be a majority of its members. When quorum is considered for votes that require a majority of larger of the Central Committee, the quotient which such a vote would need to pass shall be as follows:

For all regular matters not included in this Article, to include but not limited to resolutions, waiver of dues, all disciplinary action except expulsion, amendment of by-laws, and appointments of

Officers, the divisor used to determine the necessary number of members will be all current seats of the Central Committee minus all vacancies and all absences.

For irregular matters, to be limited to the expulsion of a member, the amendment of by-laws, the modification of dues, and the modification of the number of at-large members of the Central Committee, the divisor used to determine the necessary shall be all current seats of the Central Committee minus all vacancies. Absences shall not be taken into account.

The Central Committee shall assume office immediately upon its election to serve a two year term.

Members of the Central Committee shall be limited to serve four consecutive years in their capacity as members of the Central Committee. No member of the Central Committee shall be permitted to stand for election that would extend their commission beyond four consecutive years. A former member of the Central Committee may stand for the election again after a one year lapse in their commission.

Section 5: Elections

After the initial term of the Central Committee expires, elections shall be held. Any member may self nominate for any seat on the Central Committee or be nominated by another member, provided the nominee is a member in good standing.

At large Central Committee positions shall be chosen by approval voting, wherein the full membership shall be given a ballot to mark which candidates they approve of for the Central Committee. Members may approve of as many candidates as they wish, or none at all. The approval votes for all candidates will be summed up, and the candidate with the most approvals will be selected first. The candidate with the second most approvals will be selected second, and this process will continue until all seats are filled. In the event of a tie and the end of this process, a coin shall be flipped by a member of the officers not competing for the position contested.

If applicable, any chapter delegates will be chosen solely by votes of the members within that chapter's jurisdiction. The chapter delegate shall be chosen in the same process as the Central Committee, but there will be only one delegate selected per chapter.

Section 6: Removal of Central Committee members

Any member of the Central Committee may be removed for gross negligence, lack of confidence, or violation of the membership conditions contained within Article 1. Removal shall require at least two-thirds approval of the Central Committee, a petition of one fifth of the full membership, or a petition of one fourth of the ratified chapters, followed by a simple majority approval of the membership. Removal will be effective upon certification of both the Central Committee and membership votes.

Members of the Central Committee who are Chapter Delegates may additionally be removed by either the petition of their chapter leadership via a mechanism enumerated within their chapter bylaws, or by a petition of one fifth of the registered members of the chapter. Both petition of the chapter leadership and petition of the registered members of the chapter must be followed by a vote of the chapter membership, requiring simple majority approval. Removal is effective immediately upon verification of the chapter membership vote.

Section 7: Central Committee Vacancies

Any vacancy of the Central Committee shall be filled by either appointment by two thirds majority approval of the Central Committee, or the hosting of a special election of the general membership within four weeks of the vacancy occurring.