

National Activity Competition Council Bylaws

Article I. Name The name of the Council shall be the National Competition Council of the American Canoe Association, Incorporated.

Article II. Responsibilities The National Competition Council shall oversee the affairs of the individual National Activity Committees that have competition as a component of their program. The National Competition Council shall represent the interests of these National Activity Committees to the National Board of Directors. The National Competition Council shall oversee the development of all program plans and other reports generated by the National Activity Committees and shall develop general procedures and protocols for these National Activity Committees as it deems necessary and appropriate. The National Competition Council shall oversee grievances of a competitive nature as handled by the appropriate National Activity Committee in accordance with each committee's procedures.

Article III. Membership Section

Section 1. Composition.

The National Competition Council shall be composed of the elected chairs of National Activity Committees as defined in Article II, a Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary elected by the Council, plus a minimum of two National Board of Directors appointed by the President, to serve one year terms, those members not constituting a majority of the Council. The terms of office begin 1 January of the year following the election or at such time as the new committee is installed. The ACA Executive Director or his/her designee (typically the ACA Director of Programs and Special Events) shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Council with voice but no vote.

Section 2. Officers.

A). Chair.

The Chair shall have general authority over the affairs of the Council with the powers and duties as prescribed by these bylaws and the National Board of Directors. The Chair shall preside at all Annual and other meetings of the Council and shall serve as the nominee of the Council for membership election to the National Board of Directors. The Chair must be a member of a national activity committee as defined in Article II.

B). Vice Chair. The Vice.

Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair when absent, and in the event of the death, resignation, or removal of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall assume the un-expired term of the Chair. The Vice Chair shall oversee the election of the Secretary.

C). Secretary. The Secretary shall record the minutes of all Annual and other meetings of the Council. The Secretary shall oversee the conduct of Council election, except for the election of the Secretary.

Section 3. Election of Officers.

The Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary shall be elected by the National Competition Council. The Chair and Secretary shall be elected on odd years and the Vice-Chair shall be elected on even years. The term of office shall be two (2) years. Officers may serve consecutive terms.

Section 4. Vacancies.

The Chair may temporarily fill any vacancies in elected Council members and officers positions until a permanent replacement can be elected by the appropriate committee membership.

Section 5. Resignations.

Any Council officer or member may resign at any time by giving written notification to the Chair or

Secretary.

Section 6. Voting/Meeting.

The Council generally operates by consensus. If voting is necessary, each Council member shall have one vote. All matters properly brought before the Council for vote shall be decided by a majority of votes cast. Meeting and voting may be conducted electronically according to approved protocols.

Section 7. Quorum.

One quarter of the eligible voting members of the National Competition Council shall constitute a quorum.

Section 8. Parliamentary Authority.

The rules contained in the current issue of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the National Competition Council in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Council or the National Board of Directors may adopt.

Article IV. Amendments.

Amendments to or repeal of these Bylaws may be proposed by members of the National Competition Council. The National Competition Council shall consider properly moved motions for Bylaw amendment or repeal at the Annual Meeting held in conjunction with the Annual Congress. Motions for Bylaw amendment or repeal must be approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote of ballots cast from the National Competition Council membership.