



NORTHERN RHODE ISLAND
BOARD OF REALTORS®

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

Members are hereby notified that our proposed Bylaw changes were approved by our Board of Directors and shall be presented for a vote of the membership at our 9/30/2021 Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE V - Qualification and Election

Section 3. Election.

The procedure for election to membership shall be as follows:

(A) Applicants for REALTOR® membership shall be granted provisional membership immediately upon submission of a completed application form and remittance of applicable association dues and any application fee. Provisional members shall be considered REALTORS® and shall be subject to all of the same privileges and obligations of membership. Provisional membership is granted subject to subsequent review of the application by the Board of Directors. If the Board of Directors determines that the individual does not meet all of the qualifications for membership as established in the association's bylaws, or, if the individual does not satisfy all of the requirements of membership (for example, completion of a mandatory orientation program) within ~~480~~ 90 days from the association's receipt of their application, membership may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be terminated.

Section 4. New Member Code of Ethics Orientation.

Applicants for REALTOR® membership and provisional REALTOR® members (where applicable) shall complete an orientation program on the Code of Ethics of not less than two (2) hours and thirty (30) minutes of instructional time. This requirement does not apply to applicants for REALTOR® membership or provisional members who have completed comparable orientation in another association, provided that REALTOR® membership has been continuous, or that any break in membership is for one (1) year or less.

Failure to satisfy this requirement within ~~480~~ 90 days of the date of application (or, alternatively, the date that provisional membership was granted) will result in denial of the membership application or termination of provisional membership.

Note: Orientation programs must meet the learning objectives and minimum criteria established from time to time by the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. (Adopted 1/01)

ARTICLE XI - Officers and Directors

Section 3. Board of Directors.

The governing body of the Board shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the elective officers, the immediate past President of the Board, and 6 elected REALTOR® Members of the Board. Directors shall be elected to serve terms of two years, Directors shall be elected each year as are required to fill vacancies. A Director can only serve two consecutive two year terms. The immediate past president shall be entitled to serve a ~~two (2)~~ one (1) year term on the Board of Directors after the completion of ~~their~~ his term as President. If the Directors, upon receipt of the proposed slate recommended by the Nominating Committee, feel there are an abundance of Directors from one office, shall refer the proposed slate back to the Nominating Committee for revision. In event of a merger, the governing body shall be such as agreed to as incorporated in the terms of the merger. (9/16) The Directors of the Board are volunteers and receive no compensation. (9/17)

ARTICLE XIII – Committees

Section 1. Standing Committees.

The President shall appoint from among the REALTOR® Members, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors, the following standing committees: Professional Standards, Grievance, Education, Program, Community Action, REALTOR® Political Party and

~~RPAC. Appointments to the Professional Standards Committee and the Grievance Committee shall be consistent with the cooperative professional standards enforcement agreement of the Board. (9/16)~~

~~In the event REALTOR membership falls below 200, appointments to the Professional Standards Committee and Grievance committee shall be consistent with the cooperative professional standards enforcement agreement of the Board.~~

~~Any committee member who fails to attend two regular or special meetings of the committee, shall be deemed to have resigned from the committee.
(9/15)~~

~~Section 2. Special Work Group or Task Force.~~

~~The President shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors, such special work group or task force as deemed necessary (9/16).~~

~~Section 3. Organization.~~

~~All committees shall be of such size and shall have such duties, functions and powers as may be assigned to them by the Board.~~

Rationale: above article will be implemented into NRI's Policies and Procedures manual and therefore, the remaining articles of the Bylaws shown below will be renumbered.

ARTICLE XIII XIV - Fiscal and Elective Year

ARTICLE XIV XV - Rules of Order

ARTICLE XV XVI – Amendments

ARTICLE XVI XVII – Dissolution