

Standing Rules for the House of Delegates at Convention

- Rule 1 - Only delegates with official delegate badges may present or speak on motions and vote.
- Rule 2 - Only delegates with certified delegate cards may enter or be seated in the area designated for delegates.
- Rule 3 - The House of Delegates shall allow delegates to leave and re-enter; however, ballots shall not leave the House.
- Rule 4 - Any main motion or amendment shall be written, signed by the maker and seconder, and presented to the Executive Director before it is moved.
- Rule 5 - No delegate may speak more than three minutes at a time unless allowed to do so by the orders of the day or by a majority vote of the delegates.
- Rule 6 - No delegate may address the assembly a second time on the same question until all delegates who desire to speak on the topic have spoken.
- Rule 7 - The maker of a motion shall be entitled to speak first in support of such motion or may immediately yield the floor to another delegate.
- Rule 8 - Debate shall alternate between those speaking for and those speaking against a motion.
- Rule 9 - Microphones shall be designated by number. Speakers for the main motion shall use the odd-numbered microphones, and speakers against the main motion shall use the even-numbered microphones. The chair will recognize microphones in rotating order.
- Rule 10 - A delegate shall not speak for or against a motion and move to close debate on the same recognition.
- Rule 11 - A Sergeant at Arms shall be positioned at each microphone to relay to the chair priority motions, such as a point of order, a point of information, etc.
- Rule 12 - Debate on any proposed resolution or amendment to the Bylaws, shall be limited to 15 minutes. Debates on amendments to the amendment shall be limited to five (5) minutes, which shall not apply to the initial fifteen (15) minute limit.
- Rule 13 - A motion to move the previous question will not be in order until 15 minutes of debate has taken place or all microphones are clear.
- Rule 14 - Candidates for the offices of Governor, Governor-elect and Treasurer shall have one (1) nominating speech not to exceed two (2) minutes and a seconding speech not to exceed one (1) minute.
- Rule 15 - Candidates for the office of Governor-Elect shall personally address the House of Delegates not to exceed five (5) minutes. In the event of a run-off election, each of the candidates involved shall return to the stage before the second ballot to present remarks not to exceed two (2) minutes.
- Rule 16 - Candidates for the office of Treasurer shall personally address the House of Delegates for no more than three (3) minutes.
- Rule 17 - Any candidate who is unopposed for office may be elected by a voice vote. The candidate shall be declared by the Executive Director to the House of Delegates. The presiding officer shall call for nominations from the floor during the House of Delegates. If the nominee remains the sole candidate for the office, the presiding officer will declare the nominee elected.
- Rule 18 - Nominating speeches for officers may not be waived.
- Rule 19 - Any of the above rules may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.
- Rule 20 - *Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by the Bylaws of Kiwanis International and these standing rules.