

AMPI-NC Elections Rules

Preamble: The elections for the posts of chairman, vice-chairman, secretary, treasurer, and other EC members of the Association of Medical Physicists of India-Northern Chapter (AMPI-NC) is conducted periodically among the members of this association at a prescribed interval. The spirit behind framing these rules/methodology for the elections is to hold them in a transparent manner with the available resources and without losing sight of the broad aims and objectives of AMPI-NC. The rules are in line with the spirit of the elections rules of the parent body i.e. Association of Medical Physicists of India (AMPI). For better clarity, interpretation, and for some procedural issues the following is being spelt-out.

Rules:

1. The elections for the office bearers of AMPI-NC namely for Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and other EC members will be held by a secret ballot in the General Body Meeting (GBM) conventionally called during the annual conference of the AMPI-NC at the venue of the conference. In an eventuality of GB not able to meet, the EC can decide on an alternative mode/means for the election. Further, if resources permit the option of holding the elections electronically can also be considered.
2. The tenure of the office bearers should be for a period of two years or as prevailing in the AMPI main body.
3. The EC of AMPI-NC will designate an Election Officer to conduct the elections.
4. All nominations for the elections will be invited by the designated Election Officer. The EC of the AMPI-NC/ Election Officer will issue an election notification and circulate it among the members preferably through emails and other internet media for inviting nominations. Rules of elections will be attached with the notification to avoid any confusion. A last date for filing the nominations (about two weeks from the issuance of notification) as well as for withdrawal of names (within about two weeks from last date of filing of nominations) will be mentioned in the election notification.
5. All AMPI life members having work-place within the jurisdiction of the AMPI-NC are eligible to nominate, vote, and contest for elections. However, members contesting for elections need to have completed at least three-years of membership of AMPI. Also, their work-place residency within the AMPI-NC jurisdiction should be at least of three-year duration.
6. A proposer and a seconder are required for all the nominations. A member is allowed to propose / second more than one contestant but not for the same post (except for EC member posts). Further, adding of electronic email signature of the proposer/seconder on the nomination form is allowed, if required. The Election Officer will need a mechanism to verify the same.
7. A candidate cannot contest for more than one post. Also, a member is not eligible to contest the elections if he/she is completing two consecutive terms in office at the time of the elections.

8. Once nominations have been received, the names may be circulated amongst the contestants by the election officer. After last date of withdrawal of names, the Election Officer will put-up the final list of candidates on the AMPI-NC website and may also circulate the same through emails to individual members (voters).

9. Voting will be held as per the procedures mentioned in Rule 1 above. The results will be declared by the Election Officer in the GBM/any other appropriate forum. Any clarifications needed by voters/contestants will be dealt with by the Election Officer in consultations with the EC.

10. Any situation/condition related to the elections arising during the elections that cannot be resolved by direct application of the above rules will be dealt with by the EC in accordance with the spirit of the election rules in a transparent and just manner.