

A. Levels of Membership

1. Pledge Members

- a) Pledge members are those who:
 - (1) Are domiciled in New Hampshire,
 - (2) Are not registered to vote or participate in any other political party,
 - (3) Are registered to vote as a Libertarian, if such a designation is available with the State of New Hampshire
 - (4) Have certified in writing, communicated to the State Party Membership Director that they oppose the initiation of force in the furtherance of political goals.
- b) Pledge Members, other than those who are also Lifetime Members, must pay annual dues to the party in the minimum amount determined by the policy manual.

2. Activist Members

- a) Activist Members are those members who:
 - (1) Have been a Pledge Member for not less than one year,
 - (2) Have displayed sufficient commitment to the activities of The State Party that The Membership Committee has approved their application for promotion.
- b) Activist Members, other than those who are also Lifetime Members, must pay dues to The State Party at an amount double the minimum dictated by the policy manual for Pledge Members.
- c) Activist Members are eligible to be officially endorsed by The State Party when seeking nomination to public office.
- d) Activist Members are eligible for appointment to ad hoc working committees and campaign committees at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

3. Sustaining Members

- a) Sustaining Members are those who:
 - (1) Have been an activist member of the party for at least one year,
 - (2) Have displayed sufficient commitment to the activities of the State Party that the Membership Committee has approved their application for promotion.
- b) Sustaining members shall be eligible for:
 - (1) Eligible to be credentialed as a voting member to State Party Conventions,
 - (2) Eligible to be elected or appointed to State Party Executive Committee Positions, and Standing Committees,

4. Lifetime Members, and Charter Members

- a) Lifetime Members shall have all the responsibilities and privileges of Sustaining members, and shall be counted as such, for these bylaws,
- b) Lifetime Membership will be considered to be current and in

good standing concerning the payment of membership dues, and exempt from further requirements to pay membership dues.

- c) The cost of a Lifetime Membership shall be determined by the Executive Committee, but shall not be less than 20 times the cost of annual membership dues. (*e.g., 20 x \$25 = \$500*)
- d) On a case-by-case basis, the Executive Committee may review, authorize, and issue honorary lifetime memberships. These Honorary Lifetime memberships shall be considered the same as other Lifetime Memberships described in these bylaws.
- e) Those members party to the original ratification of these bylaws shall be known as Charter Members and, for a period of 2 years following the ratification of these Bylaws, may purchase a Lifetime membership at the cost of \$250.
- f) Charter members shall be considered sustaining members regardless of seasoning requirements once dues are paid.

B. Promotion of Membership Levels.

- 1. The executive committee shall establish rules and a process by which a member may request an application to promote their level of membership. This process shall be recorded in the Policy Manual.
- 2. The Membership and Credentials Committee shall be in charge of reviewing and approving or denying all requests for membership promotion.
- 3. The standards of promotion, beyond the tenure requirements explicitly stated in these bylaws, shall be determined by the members of the Membership Committee.

C. Revocation of Membership.

- 1. By a vote of 3/4 of the Executive Committee, the membership of an individual at any level of membership may be revoked for cause.
 - a) The Executive Committee may, on a case-by-case basis, provide for disciplinary measures short of revocation, by demoting an individual's membership level, and permanently or temporarily suspending their privileges of enfranchisement in Party Governance.
 - b) Cause, for this section, shall include, but not necessarily be limited to:
 - (1) Calling for the initiation of force or violence in the pursuit of political goals in contravention of the membership pledge.
 - (2) Destruction or theft of party property, including negligent mismanagement of assets, including digital assets.
 - (3) Intentional and malicious misrepresentation of The State Party or National Party, including, but not limited to, unlicensed use of Branding, Logos, or the name "Libertarian Party" without the express consent of the Licensee (the Executive Committee)

(4) Seeking Election to Partisan Political Office as a registered member of another Political Party.

(a) This item shall not be construed to prevent "fusion nomination," provided the candidate secures the nomination of another party via write-in vote.

c) The revocation of any lifetime membership shall be considered a suspension until it can be ratified by a majority vote of the delegates at the next State Party Convention.

(1) Should the revocation of a lifetime membership by the executive committee not be upheld by the body of convention, then the member in question shall be immediately credentialed as a delegate for the remainder of the current convention.

d) Individuals whose membership has been revoked by disciplinary action under this section shall not be eligible to rejoin the party, unless a 3/4 vote of a State Party Convention shall deem them to have become re-eligible.

D. Restrictions on Membership

1. Charter Members notwithstanding, any of the following individuals are disqualified from holding any party membership or office which gives them any authority over or power to vote on internal matters:

(1) Individuals who have been legally associated with another party in the last year;

(2) Those who have sought a leadership position in another party within the last two years; and

(3) Anyone who has endorsed a candidate of another party within the last two years.

2. This restriction is not to be construed as to prohibit the party or its agents from building coalitions as necessary and proper to achieve the State Party's stated purpose.