

Equestrian Nova Scotia Proposed By-Law Changes - November 2025

By-Law Section	Current By-Law	Proposed By-Law	Rationale
Throughout the By-Laws Document	Nova Scotia Equestrian Federation	Equestrian Nova Scotia	To reflect name change
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Section 1 - 1.2 c)	<i>Auditor</i> means an individual appointed by the Board to audit the books, accounts, and records of the Society	<i>Auditor</i> means an individual/firm appointed by the Board to perform an assurance engagement of the books, accounts, and records of the Society	To reflect audit/annual review as per 6.3 Auditors and Financial Statements; annual reviews are completed; require an audit at the direction of the board, from time to time
Section 2 - 2.8	The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by not less than 75% of the Directors present and entitled to vote at a general or special meeting of the Directors, request any Member to resign from ENS; will mail to the Member in question a copy of the request by registered mail at the address last entered for the Member in the Register of Members. The Member concerned may, within thirty days (30) of the date of such resolution, request a hearing on the matter before the Board of Directors. In the circumstance, the Directors will be notified at least fourteen (14) days in advance of the date and place of the hearing. If the Member concerned, fails to resign or request a hearing within thirty (30) days of the date of the original resolution, the Secretary will, without further notice, cancel the membership of the Member.	The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by not less than 75% of the Directors present and entitled to vote at a general or special meeting of the Directors, request any Member to resign from ENS; will mail to the Member in question a copy of the request by registered mail at the address last entered for the Member in the Register of Members. The Member concerned may, within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of such resolution, request a hearing on the matter before the Board of Directors. In the circumstance, the Directors will be notified at least fourteen (14) calendar days in advance of the date and place of the hearing. If the Member concerned, fails to resign or request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the original resolution, the Secretary will, without further notice, cancel the membership of the Member.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 3 - 3.2	Notice of the Annual General Meeting of members will be made not less than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting, and the nature of such business, shall be given to every member by ordinary mail, electronic mail or public notice.	Notice of the Annual General Meeting of members will be made not less than 14 calendar days prior to the Annual General Meeting, specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting, and the nature of such business, shall be given to every member by ordinary mail, electronic mail or public notice.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 3 - 3.3	Not less than 14 days' prior notice of a Special Meeting, specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in case of special business, the nature of such business, shall be given to every member by ordinary mail, electronic mail and/or public notice.	Not less than fourteen (14) calendar days' prior notice of a Special Meeting, specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting, and, in case of special business, the nature of such business, shall be given to every member by ordinary mail, electronic mail and/or public notice.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 4 - 4.1	At a club meeting prior to the Annual General meeting (either in-person or conference call) one (1) Director representing Member Clubs will be nominated to serve on the ENS Board of Directors.	To Preside for a two-year (2) staggered term, not exceeding two consecutive terms: e) Safe Sport Officer	New role created to better reflect the growing needs of the organization's governance. Clubs will be represented via the Recreation portfolio.
Section 4 - 4.1	To preside for a three-year (3) staggered term, six (6) Directors at Large, where at each Annual General Meeting, two (2) Directors-at-large are elected.	f) To preside for a three-year (3) staggered term, six (6) Directors at Large, not exceeding two consecutive terms, where at each Annual General Meeting, two (2) Directors-at-large are elected.	Clarification on term limits. As all director positions have a two-term limit.
Section 4 - 4.5	A Director may be removed by Resolution of the Board or by Special Resolution of the voting Members in a Meeting of the Members, provided the Director has been given fourteen (14) days' notice and the opportunity to be present and to be heard at the meeting where a Resolution or Special Resolution is put to a vote.	A Director may be removed by Resolution of the Board or by Special Resolution of the voting Members in a Meeting of the Members, provided the Director has been given fourteen calendar (14) days' notice and the opportunity to be present and to be heard at the meeting where a Resolution or Special Resolution is put to a vote.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 4 - 4.6	Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the secretary on the direction of the Chair and will be held at least quarterly and as often as the business of ENS may require	Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called on direction of the Chair and will be held at least quarterly and as often as the business of ENS may require	Removes a role of secretary as this has become an administrative role
Section 4 - 4.14	The Board of Directors will have the following standing committees: Finance, Competitions, Education, and Recreation, and may appoint other standing committees, as they deem necessary.	The Board of Directors will have a Finance and Governance committee and may appoint other standing committees, as they deem necessary.	Allows for Board to ensure there is always a Finance and Governance committee and all other committees will be appointed/directed by the Board as written in 4.14 Committees and Regulations
Section 5 - 5.2	The Secretary will ensure the filing of the annual requirements with the office of the Registrar, and with the Registrar (a) within fourteen (14) days of their election or appointment, a list of Directors with their addresses, occupations and dates of appointment or election; and (b) a copy of every special resolution within fourteen (14) days after the resolution is passed.	The Secretary will ensure the filing of the annual requirements with the office of the Registrar, and with the Registrar (a) within fourteen (14) calendar days of their election or appointment, a list of Directors with their addresses, occupations and dates of appointment or election; and (b) a copy of every special resolution within fourteen (14) calendar days after the resolution is passed.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 5 - 5.3	An Officer may be removed by Resolution of the Board or by Special Resolution of the voting Members in a Meeting of the Members, provided the Officer has been given fourteen (14) days' and the opportunity to be present and to be heard at the meeting where a Resolution or Special Resolution is put to a vote.	An Officer may be removed by Resolution of the Board or by Special Resolution of the voting Members in a Meeting of the Members, provided the Officer has been given fourteen (14) calendar days and the opportunity to be present and to be heard at the meeting where a Resolution or Special Resolution is put to a vote.	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 6 - 6.3	A copy of this report will be filed with the Registrar within 14 days after the Annual General Meeting of the Members in each year, in accordance with Section 19 of the Societies Act, signed by two ENS Directors .	A copy of this report will be filed with the Registrar within 14 calendar days after the Annual General Meeting of the Members in each year, in accordance with Section 19 of the Societies Act, signed by two ENS Directors .	To reflect calendar days, for clarity
Section 6 - 6.4	The books and records of the Federation may be inspected by any Member at any reasonable time within two days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Federation at the registered office of the Federation.	By appointment, the books and records of ENS may be inspected by any Member during business hours, with the exception of the seven days prior to the ENS Annual General Meeting, at the registered ENS office	To clarify time and days that a member can visit office for such reason