

Summary of Mandatory Revisions to be made to the District 12-N Constitution & By-Laws Enacted at the 2024 and 2025 Lions International Conventions

Amendments to the Lions Clubs International Constitution & By-Laws were adopted at the 2024 International Convention in Melbourne and at the 2025 International Convention in Orlando. These amendments require corresponding updates to the District 12-N Constitution & By-Laws.

Pursuant to the Supremacy Clause, these revisions are mandatory and will be presented for review at the District 12-N Convention to be held in Farragut, TN, on March 27-28, 2026.

REFERENCES:

Constitution:

Article V: Supremacy Clause

Article IX, Section 2: Automatic Updates

By-Laws:

Article XI: Amendments, Section 2: Automatic Updates

Section 2. **AUTOMATIC UPDATE.** When amendments to the International Constitution and By-Laws are passed at the International Convention, any amendments that would have an effect on this District Constitution and By-Laws shall automatically be updated in this district constitution and by-laws at the close of the convention.

UPDATES:

Constitution:

Article VI, Section 2. DISTRICT CABINET: The district shall have a district cabinet composed of the district governor, as chairperson, ~~the immediate past district governor~~, the first and second vice district governors, ~~none of whom shall be from the same club, the immediate past district governor~~, the region chairpersons ...

- Clarified that district governor, first and second vice district governors, cannot be from the same club.

By-Laws:

Article II, Section 6 (c). FIRST AND SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS AND OTHER VACANCIES: Have served or will have served at the time they take office as first or second vice district governor:

- (1) As ~~officer~~ president of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof; and
 - (2) As a member of the board of directors of a Lions club for no less than two (2) additional years; and
 - (3) As zone chairperson, region chairperson, district global extension team coordinator, district global leadership team coordinator, district global membership team coordinator, district global service team coordinator, district LCIF coordinator, or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof. ~~member of the district cabinet for a full term or major portion thereof.~~
- Clarified wording on (c)(1) and (c)(2). Added wording on (c)(3) that allows GET, GLT, GMT, GST, LCIF Chairs to be eligible to serve as FVDG and SVDG.