

New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association

CONSTITUTION

Article I

The name of this association shall be the New Hampshire Water Pollution Control Association.

Article II

The purposes of this association shall be:

- (1) The acquisition and dissemination of knowledge concerning the nature, collection, treatment and disposal of water-carried wastes and the design and operation of wastewater systems.
- (2) The promotion of good public relations and sound legislation relating to wastewater control systems.
- (3) The advancement of the status of personnel engaged in the control of water pollution.
- (4) The improvement of wastewater collection and treatment and thereby the quality of New Hampshire's water resources.

Article III

Members of this association may be active, associate or honorary members. Only active members may vote or hold office.

- (1) Active members shall include the following.
 - a) Personnel directly involved with the collection and/or treatment of wastewater in New Hampshire.
 - b) Personnel directly involved in the direction or administration of pollution control in New Hampshire.
 - c) Personnel directly involved in education in the wastewater field.
 - d) Any other persons interested in pollution control whether or not they are residents of New Hampshire.
- (2) Honorary members shall include the following:
 - (a) Any person chosen by the association's awards committee to receive this special distinction.

Article IV

- (1) Dues for Active Members shall be set at the December meeting and payable by the following March. Anyone who is more than 90 days in arrears after second notice shall lose all rights and privileges in the association.
- (2) Reinstatement shall be automatic upon payment of dues in arrears.

Article V

- (1) The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board of Directors.
- (2) The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers and five active members designated 1st Director, 2nd Director, 3rd Director and two (2) Directors at-large who shall have voting privileges.
 - a) The immediate past President shall be a director ex-officio.
 - b) The Board of Directors may consist of up to three members representing consulting engineers and/or equipment vendors.
 - c) The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Directors shall serve one year terms and then proceed up the leadership organization yearly progressing ultimately to the office of President.
 - d) The two directors at-large shall serve two (2) year terms.
 - e) Should any Board of Director position become vacant, the Officers shall be empowered to appoint any active member of the Association to complete the remainder of the term.
- (3) The term of office for each officer shall be one year.
- (4) The initial three members elected to the Board shall be elected for terms of three years, two years, and one year respectively, after which a new director will be elected annually for a term of three years.
- (5) Certification Board members representing the association shall consist of one operator holding a grade III or lower license and one operator holding a grade IV or higher license.

Article VI

- (1) All elective officers, directors and certification board members representing the association will be elected at the annual meeting, which will be held in December of each year.
- (2) The nominating committee shall consist of the three most recent active past Presidents.
- (3) Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Article VII

- (1) The annual meeting will be held in December of each year.
- (2) Three additional meetings will be held during the Spring, Summer, and Fall months.
- (3) Special meetings may be held at the call of the Board of Directors.
- (4) All meetings will be held at such time and places as the Board of Directors may determine and notice will be mailed to all members at least five days prior to such meeting.
- (5) A quorum shall consist of a majority of the officers and Board of Directors and at least seven active members.

Article VIII

- (1) A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of a simple majority.
- (2) Meetings of the Board may be called by the President upon reasonable notice.

Article IX

- (1) This constitution may be amended by letter ballot by 2/3 vote of all voting members in good standing.
- (2) Copies of proposed amendments will be mailed to all active members at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which they are to be acted upon.

Article X

- (1) In the event that the membership of this association at some future date should vote to disband, all monies remaining after payment of all outstanding debts shall be donated to the New England Water Environment Association.

End of Constitution