

Proposed Changes to NYSSRS Bylaws

The following changes are proposed to the NYSSRS Bylaws for consideration at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the NYSSRS to be held in Corning, NY on Oct 21 – 23, 2021.

Please note that text added is highlighted in **Yellow** & text deleted is in **Blue**.

ARTICLE	Current Bylaw	Proposed Bylaw	Rationale
Article III Section 2.A	ACTIVE MEMBERS shall be those actively practicing in radiologic sciences and are registered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) or its equivalent or hold an unrestricted license under New York state statutes. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of membership including the right to vote, debate, hold office and if a voting member of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) may serve as a delegate in the ASRT House of Delegates.	ACTIVE MEMBERS shall be those actively practicing in radiologic sciences and are registered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) or its equivalent or hold an unrestricted license under New York State statutes. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of membership including the right to vote, debate, and hold office. and if a voting member of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) may serve as a delegate in the ASRT House of Delegates Active members may serve as a delegate in the ASRT House of Delegates provided that they meet requirements as specified in the ASRT Bylaws and ASRT House of Delegates Procedure Manual.	Employment is not required to become an ASRT Active Member and employment verification is not a requirement for application or renewals for NYSSRS membership. ASRT Delegate requirements are specified in the ASRT Bylaws and ASRT House of Delegates Procedure Manual.
Article III Section 2.B	ASSOCIATE MEMBERS shall be those who are or have been employed in the technical, educational, managerial or corporate aspects of the radiologic sciences or do not qualify for active or student membership. They have the obligations and privileges of active members except to vote, hold office or serve as a delegate in the House of Delegates.	ASSOCIATE MEMBERS shall be those who are or have been employed in the technical support , educational, managerial or corporate aspects of the radiologic sciences or do not qualify for active or student membership. They have the obligations and privileges of active members except to vote, hold office or serve as a delegate in the House of Delegates.	To better clarify that “technical” refers to service and support personnel, rather than medical imaging or radiation therapy professionals.
Article III Section 2.C	STUDENT MEMBERS shall be those who are enrolled in primary radiologic science programs which are approved by an accreditation agency recognized by the ARRT and registered with New York State Department of Health as a student. Eligibility for this membership class shall terminate upon completion or discontinuation of such education. They shall have all the rights, obligations and privileges of active members, except the right to vote, hold office or serve as a delegate in the ASRT House of Delegates.	STUDENT MEMBERS shall be those who are enrolled in a primary medical imaging or radiation therapy program radiologic science programs which are approved by an accreditation that is accredited by an agency approved recognized by the ARRT and registered with New York State Department of Health as a student . Eligibility for this membership class shall terminate upon completion or discontinuation of such education. They shall have all the rights, obligations and privileges of active members, except the right to vote, hold office or serve as a delegate in the ASRT House of Delegates.	To more accurately define “Student Members” of our profession. Further, since students are not “registered” with NYSDOH, this statement is inaccurate and unnecessary.

<p>Article VII Section 1.A</p>	<p>The PRESIDENT shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the absence or inability of the chairman to serve, the president shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors Be spokesman for the NYSSRS Perform duties consistent with the office Be an ex-officio member of all committees except the auditing and nominating committees. Appoint committee chairmen unless otherwise provided in the bylaws. Serve as Delegate to the American Society of Radiologic Technologist (ASRT) House of Delegates. 	<p>The PRESIDENT shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In the absence or inability of the chairman to serve, the president shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors Be spokesman for the NYSSRS Perform duties consistent with the office Be an ex-officio member of all committees except the auditing and nominating committees. Appoint committee chairs chairmen unless otherwise provided in the bylaws. Serve as First Delegate to the American Society of Radiologic Technologist (ASRT) House of Delegates, provided that they meet ASRT Delegate requirements as stated in the ASRT Bylaws and ASRT House of Delegates Procedure Manual. 	<p>Editorial: replace bullet list with a numbered list for better clarity.</p> <p>Editorial: replace “chairman” with the gender-neutral term “chair”. This change will be applied throughout this document</p> <p>To clearly identify the conditions for serving as an affiliate delegate to the ASRT House of Delegates.</p>
<p>Article VII Section 1.B</p>	<p>The PRESIDENT-ELECT shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be familiar with NYSSRS and prepare to assume the office of President at the conclusion of the term. Serve as second delegate to the ASRT House of Delegates. 	<p>The PRESIDENT-ELECT shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Be familiar with NYSSRS and prepare to assume the office of President at the conclusion of the term. Serve as Second Delegate to the ASRT House of Delegates, provided that they meet ASRT Delegate requirements as stated in the ASRT Bylaws and ASRT House of Delegates Procedure Manual. 	<p>Editorial: replace bullet list with a numbered list for better clarity.</p> <p>To clearly identify the conditions for serving as an affiliate delegate to the ASRT House of Delegates.</p>
<p>Article VII Section 2</p>	<p>Qualifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All officers shall be voting members of the NYSSRS and the ASRT. Officers shall practice in the profession. Officers shall have served as an officer in the State or District or Chapter or as Chairman of a committee. Nominees for the office of President-Elect must be a voting member of the NYSSRS and ASRT for two (2) years immediately preceding nomination. In addition, the President and President-Elect shall have served at least one complete term on the Board of Directors or the President-Elect have served as the president of a recognized district or chapter of the NYSSRS who meets all requirements for the office as prescribed in the bylaws. 	<p>Qualifications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> All officers shall be voting members of the NYSSRS and the ASRT. Officers shall practice in the profession. Officers shall have served as an officer in the NYSSRS, State or District, or Chapter, or as Chairman of a member of a NYSSRS committee. Nominees for the office of President-Elect must be a voting member of the NYSSRS and ASRT for two (2) years immediately preceding nomination. In addition, the President and President-Elect shall have served at least one complete term on the Board of Directors or the President-Elect have served as the president of a recognized district or chapter of the NYSSRS who meets all requirements for the office as prescribed in the bylaws. 	<p>Editorial: replace bullet list with a numbered list for better clarity.</p> <p>To increase opportunities for members to qualify as a candidate to serve as a NYSSRS officer.</p>

<p>Article IX Section 2</p>	<p>Qualifications</p> <p>A. A delegate shall show proof of continuing education.</p> <p>B. A delegate shall be a member of the ASRT and the NYSSRS for two (2) years immediately preceding the ASRT House of Delegates meeting.</p> <p>C. A delegate shall have served as an officer, or on the Board of Directors, or as a committee member for the NYSSRS.</p> <p>D. A delegate shall practice in the radiologic science profession.</p> <p>E. A delegate may serve concurrently on the board of any national radiologic science certification or national accreditation agency.</p> <p>F. A delegate shall have the time and availability for necessary travel to represent the NYSSRS.</p>	<p>Qualifications</p> <p>A. A delegate shall show proof of continuing education.</p> <p>B. A delegate shall be a member of the ASRT and the NYSSRS for two (2) years immediately preceding the ASRT House of Delegates meeting.</p> <p>C. A delegate shall have served as an officer, or on the Board of Directors, or as a committee member for the NYSSRS.</p> <p>D. A delegate shall practice in the radiologic science profession.</p> <p>E. A delegate may serve concurrently on the board of any national radiologic science certification or national accreditation agency.</p> <p>F. A delegate shall have the time and availability for necessary travel to represent the NYSSRS.</p> <p>G. A delegate shall meet ASRT Delegate requirements as stated in the ASRT Bylaws and ASRT House of Delegates Procedure Manual.</p>	<p>To increase opportunities for qualified NYSSRS members to serve as an affiliate delegate to the ASRT House of Delegates.</p>
<p>ADD NEW Article XIII</p>		<p>ARTICLE XIII EMERGENCY BYLAWS</p> <p>See attachment, next page</p>	<p>Required addition to NYSSRS Bylaws that are needed to maintain compliance with ASRT Bylaws, and as a chartered ASRT affiliate.</p>
<p>Article XIII</p>	<p>Article XIII: INDEMNIFICATION</p>	<p>Article XIV: INDEMNIFICATION</p>	<p>Renumbered due to addition of Emergency Bylaws</p>
<p>Article XIV</p>	<p>Article XIV: DISSOLUTION</p>	<p>Article XV: DISSOLUTION</p>	<p>Renumbered due to addition of Emergency Bylaws</p>
<p>GLOBAL DOCUMENT EDITORIAL CHANGES</p>		<p>All bulleted lists will be reformatted to numbered or alphabetical lists, as appropriate.</p> <p>All references to the term “chairman” will be replaced with the gender-neutral term “chair”.</p>	

ARTICLE XIII: EMERGENCY BYLAWS

This Article XV shall become operative upon majority vote of the Board of Directors as a result of the existence of an emergency condition. An “emergency condition” is defined as an act of God, war, government regulation or advisory (including travel advisory warnings), travel restrictions by employers due to laws, civil disruption or disturbance, terrorism or threats of terrorism as substantiated by governmental warnings or advisory notices, environmental or other disaster, determinations of outbreak of disease by either the World Health Organization or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (or other recognized entities), epidemics, pandemics, public health risks, quarantine, or other life threatening communicable disease, or threat thereof, or any other comparable conditions, or the imposition of a financial hardship on NYSSRS which materially impairs, or makes it inadvisable, illegal, impracticable or impossible, in part or in full, NYSSRS’s ability to fulfill its obligations hereunder.

Section 1: Meetings

Regular meetings and any related meetings may be suspended, canceled or the proceedings modified by the Board of Directors during an emergency condition. Meetings that are not suspended or canceled during an emergency condition, may at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be held with a statement of the business to be transacted. No business other than that specified shall be transacted.

Section 2: Motions

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, motions that were to be considered at a meeting being impacted by these emergency bylaws may be held for consideration until the next meeting occurring after the emergency condition has ended.

Section 3: Quorum

If a meeting is not suspended or canceled, a quorum shall consist of Twenty-five percent(25%) of the voting members registered and include not less than two (2) officers.

Section 4: Probation

NYSSRS Districts and Chapters shall not be placed on probationary status while these emergency bylaws are operative.

Section 5: Elections & Seating of any Appointed or Elected Individual

Notwithstanding any other Bylaw provision regarding the length of a term, when a term is to begin or end, the Board of Directors may, by majority vote, exercise discretion and delay the beginning of a term or extend an existing term for the purposes of functioning in the best interests of the NYSSRS during any emergency event and for a reasonable time period thereafter.

Section 6: Officers

All officers in office immediately prior to commencement of the emergency condition shall remain in their respective offices until their successors are able to be installed.

Section 7: Authority

The primary duty of the Board of Directors during an emergency condition shall be the continued function of the NYSSRS. The Board of Directors may adopt such other emergency Bylaws as may be necessary in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors to accomplish the foregoing.

Section 8: Bylaws Applicability and Duration

To the extent not inconsistent with any emergency Bylaw, all other NYSSRS Bylaw provisions shall remain in effect during the emergency condition. Upon the end of the emergency condition, as determined by the Board of Directors applying a reasonable person standard considering factors including, but not limited to, government warnings or restrictions, member opinion, travel restrictions, the emergency Bylaws shall cease to be operative.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, emergency bylaws shall not supersede the provisions of the General corporate laws of the State of New York, with respect to amending the articles of incorporation or the regular bylaws of the corporation, adopting a plan of merger or consolidation with another corporation or corporations, authorizing the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation other than in the usual and regular course of business, or authorizing the dissolution of the corporation; and the regular bylaws of the corporation and the articles of incorporation shall continue in full force and effect for such purposes.