

Organizing Local Chapters

This article, if created, shall replace Article II Section 2, Article IX, and Article X of the constitution and bylaws.

Purpose

- To enable the establishment of Chapters throughout the world;
- To provide the minimum requirement for establishing a Chapter;
- To provide the two different type of Chapter charters;
- To provide the framework by which a new Chapter may be recognized by the National Association; and
- To provide the framework by which an existing Chapters may merge, split, or dissolve.

Proposed Sections to the Article

Section 1. There may be established local Chapters of the association, subject to the approval of the National Assembly.

Section 2. Eagle Scouts, Rizal Scouts, and Scout Citizens may establish Chapters of the association in partnership with one or more local Scout councils. Application for Chapter recognition shall be submitted to the National Executive Committee for conditional approval, pending its ratification by the National Assembly, with the following minimum requirement:

- a) A list of at least five-(5) founding members of the charter including their full name, signatures, and copies of their Scouting credentials as awarded the highest rank of Eagle Scout, Rizal Scout, or Scout Citizen;
- b) A list of Chapter Officers, at the minimum:
 - a. Chapter President
 - b. Chapter Vice President
 - c. Chapter Secretary
 - d. Chapter Treasurer
- c) The defined area of coverage or jurisdiction for membership, not served by an existing Chapter of the association. A Chapter may be an Institutional or Community Chapter. An Institutional Chapter

has membership within a common institution (e.g., school, church). A Community Chapter has membership within a defined geographic area (e.g. city, municipality, province, multiple cities).

- d) A copy of the Chapter bylaws approved by the Chapter membership
- e) A copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Chapter membership recording the approval of the Chapter bylaws and the election of the Chapter Officers.

Section 3. The NEC shall act on all application for Chapter recognition within one-(1) month after receiving such application for recognition. The NEC shall report to the National Assembly all applications for Chapter recognition received, approved or denied, not yet presented to the National Assembly for acceptance.

Section 4. The Chapter shall report to the NEC any changes to its Chapter Officers within fifteen-(15) days after the election or appoint of the officers.

Section 5. The Chapter shall report to the NEC any amendments to its Chapter Bylaws within thirty-(30) days after such amendments. A copy of the minutes of the meeting recording the change and a copy of the new bylaws must be submitted.