

**FMA National Bylaws**  
**ARTICLE III**  
**MEMBERSHIP**

**Current**

**Section 1. Membership.**

This category includes all individuals not otherwise recognized in this Article who profess an interest in the purpose and goals of the Association. Associate members shall be entitled to all benefits and services offered by the Association except they may not hold any elected office above the **chapter** level in this Association. Associate members may hold elected or appointed office in their local chapter if so authorized by the local chapter bylaws.

**Revised**

**Section 1. Membership.**

**(d)** Associate Member. This category includes all individuals not otherwise recognized in this Article who profess an interest in the purpose and goals of the Association. Associate members shall be entitled to all benefits and services offered by the Association except they may not hold any elected office above the **Regional Vice-Director** level in this Association. Associate members may hold elected or appointed office in their local chapter if so authorized by the local chapter bylaws.

## ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

### Current

#### **Section 5. Duties of the Executive Board.**

(a) When the Executive Board determines that a vacancy exists in the office of Region Director, if the region has a Regional Vice Director, then the Region Vice-Director will advance to Region Director and serve out the remainder of the term. Otherwise, the Executive Board shall appoint an interim Region Director. A special election for Region Director shall be promptly conducted when more than sixty (60) days would elapse between the interim appointment and the next National Convention or Region Conference.

### Revised

#### **Section 5. Duties of the Executive Board.**

(a) When the Executive Board determines that a vacancy exists in the office of Region Director, if the region has a Regional Vice-Director **who is a Regular or Retired member**, then the Region Vice Director will advance to Region Director and serve out the remainder of the term. Otherwise, the Executive Board shall appoint an interim Region Director. A special election for Region Director shall be promptly conducted when more than sixty (60) days would elapse between the interim appointment and the next National Convention or Region Conference.

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Note: As stated above, if a region has a Vice Director who is an Associate member, the FMA National Executive Board would appoint an interim Region Director.