

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2007 CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE  
COLORADO STATE FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION**

For Adoption at the 2009 Annual Meeting

Amendment # 1: The revision date in the header on page 1 is amended to read: "2009".

Amendment # 2: Section 2.3 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

**2.3 Sections**

Subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, sections may be established to carry out detailed activities in specialized, fire-service related fields, consistent with the purpose of the Association. The following sections are established by this Constitution and Bylaws: ~~Fire Marshals' Section (known as the Fire Marshals' Association of Colorado); Fire Training Officers' Section (known as the Colorado Fire Training Officers Association); EMS Fire Officers' Section (also known as Colorado EMS Fire Officers' Association); Fire and Life Safety Educators Section (also known as Fire and Life Safety Educators of Colorado); Combination Fire Chiefs' Section; Volunteer Fire Chiefs' Section; Wildland Fire Service Section; Operations Chiefs' Section; Colorado Fire Chiefs' Fire Service Mechanics Section (known as the Colorado Fire Mechanics Association); and the Colorado Fire Chaplains Association.~~

- (a) Fire Marshals' Section (known as the Fire Marshals' Association of Colorado);
- (b) Fire Training Officers' Section (known as the Colorado Fire Training Officers Association);
- (c) EMS Fire Officers' Section (also known as Colorado EMS Fire Officers' Association);
- (d) Fire and Life Safety Educators Section (also known as Fire and Life Safety Educators of Colorado);
- (e) Combination Fire Chiefs' Section;
- (f) Volunteer Fire Chiefs' Section;
- (g) Wildland Fire Service Section;
- (h) Operations Chiefs' Section;
- (i) Colorado Fire Chiefs' Fire Service Mechanics Section (known as the Colorado Fire Mechanics Association); and
- (j) Colorado Fire Chaplains Association [added 2007].

Amendment # 3: Section 3.1 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

**3.1 Board of Directors**

There shall be a Board of Directors of the Association which shall manage the routine affairs of the Association and act on behalf of the Association when the general membership is unable to meet. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT, nine (9) Region

Representatives, and no more than nine (9) Section Representatives (one representative for each of the sections created by this Constitution and Bylaws). Any sections established after enactment of this Constitution and Bylaws (2007) shall only have ex-officio representation on the Board of Directors.

Amendment # 4: Section 3.2 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

### 3.2 Elected Officers

The elected officers of the Association shall consist of a President and Vice President, whom shall be elected by ballot at the ~~December~~ ANNUAL meeting of the Association ~~in even numbered years~~. The term of office for the President and Vice-President shall be ~~two~~ ONE calendar ~~years~~ YEAR beginning on January 1 ~~of odd-numbered years~~ and expiring on ~~December 31 of even-numbered years~~ OF ANY GIVEN YEAR. In no case shall the term end until a successor has been duly elected to begin the next term. These elected officers are limited to no more than two terms in succession. Should either office be vacated during the term, the Board of Directors shall appoint an officer to complete the vacated term (see Article 3.7). Such appointment shall not prohibit the person from subsequently being elected to that office for two successive terms. Following their election and prior to beginning their term of office, the President and Vice-President elect shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members of the Board of Directors (unless they are otherwise voting members of the Board of Directors).

Amendment # 5: Section 3.4 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

### 3.4 Board of Directors

There shall be a Board of Directors of the Association which shall manage the routine affairs of the Association and act on behalf of the Association when the general membership is unable to meet. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT**, nine (9) Region Representatives, and no more than nine (9) Section Representatives (one representative for each of the sections created by this Constitution and Bylaws). Any sections established after enactment of this Constitution and Bylaws (2007) shall only have ex-officio representation on the Board of Directors.

Amendment # 6: Section 3.4 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is further amended by the addition of a new Paragraph (C) to read:

(c) **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT.** THE OFFICE OF IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT IS HELD BY THE PERSON WHO JUST COMPLETED HIS/HER TERM OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT. THIS TITLE IS RETAINED UNTIL THE NEXT PRESIDENT COMPLETES HIS/HER TERM OF OFFICE. THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT IS AN EX OFFICIO

MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MAY BE ASKED TO CHAIR VARIOUS COMMITTEES OR WORKING GROUPS.

Amendment # 7: Section 3.5 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

### **3.5 Executive Board.**

The Executive Board is a subset of the Board of Directors and is comprised of the President, Vice President, two Regional Representatives and a Sectional Representative. The Secretary, Treasurer, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT and Executive Director will be ex officio members of this Board. This Board may meet as needed by to conduct routine business of the Association. The Board may meet as needed in person, by telephonic means, or by email. Actions of the Executive Board must be reviewed by the Board of Directors at the next scheduled meeting.

Amendment # 8: Article 4 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended by the addition of a new Section 4.5 to read:

### **4.5 IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT. THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT SHALL:**

- (a) SERVE AS AN EX OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
- (b) SUPPORT AND PROVIDE CONTINUITY TO THE PRESIDENT'S WORK OF FULFILLING THE ENVISIONED FUTURE, STRATEGIC PLAN, AND POLICIES ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
- (c) SHARE IDEAS, GUIDANCE, AND EXPERTISE WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
- (d) CHAIR THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE, CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE AND ANY OTHER COMMITTEE OR WORKING GROUP AS ASSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
- (e) REPRESENTS THE PRESIDENT OR SERVES AS SPOKESPERSON FOR THE ASSOCIATION AS REQUESTED BY THE PRESIDENT;
- (f) PERFORM SUCH OTHER DUTIES AS MAY BE ASSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OR BY POLICY DIRECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Amendment # 9: Section 5.1 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws is amended to read:

### **5.1 Annual Meeting**

There shall be an annual meeting of the Association held in the month of December of each year, at a location approved by the Board of Directors. ~~In even numbered years, the THE~~ election of officers of the Association will occur at this meeting. The entire program and order of business for the annual meeting shall be submitted to and approved by the Board of Directors before being adopted or published.

Amendment # 10: The remaining sections of Article 4 of the 2007 Constitution and Bylaws are amended by renumbering them successively.