



## 2018 Notice of Motion – By-Law Amendment

One by-law amendments is proposed at the 2018 AGM. **Absentee ballots** must be emailed no later than Friday, December 7th, to the MSO Secretary at [a\\_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca](mailto:a_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca)

### By-Law Amendment

MOVED by: Brigitte Zirger, Nepean / SECONDED by: Phil Rogers, National Capital Region Y

#### MOTION:

To amend the DEFINITIONS section of the MSO Bylaws to introduce the new term *Single Event Registrant* as follows.

“Single Event Registrant” shall mean a person registered with the Association for the duration of a single-day or multi-day event, sanctioned by the Association, and having paid the prescribed Single Event Registration fee.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Single-Event Registrant (SER) Policy extends MSO insurance to all swimmers wishing to participate in a MSO Sanctioned event.

The MSO Board of Directors initially approved the Policy at its meeting of July 26, 2016, when it unanimously passed a motion to “provide a Single-Event Registrant category for Open Water Swimming events within its policy of registration.” The Single-Event Registration Policy was thus reported to the membership at the October 16, 2016 AGM in Toronto.

At its January 15, 2017 meeting the MSO Board of Directors extended the *Single-Event Registrant category to all swimmers interested in participating a Masters Swimming **pool event** approved / sanctioned by MSO.*

Members acknowledged and supported this extension of the policy at the November 19, 2017 AGM in Toronto.

In 2017-2018, the Policy was used 93 times, 14 of which were at the MSO Provincials in Nepean. The numbers demonstrate that the Policy has been successful in achieving its goal of making MSO an open and welcoming organization.

This by-law amendment further supports the Policy by entrenching the term, *Single-Event Registrant* in the definitions so that SER is formally recognized it as an MSO membership category.



## Voting Procedures

At the meeting, we will be voting on the Board of Directors, if necessary, as well as a number of Motions. One Notice of Motion included in the **AGM Package**.

For reference the Notice of Motion is:

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### Voting

Only registered clubs and unattached members (as a group) have voting rights.

Votes are weighted in accordance with the AGM-SGM section 6 of the MSO Bylaws.

Voting Delegates attending the meeting are required to sign the Register upon arrival. The number of votes for each Member Club will be as outlined in the MSO Bylaws.

If the club Delegate attending the AGM is other than the President, please email the name of the club’s Delegate to the MSO Secretary at [a\\_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca](mailto:a_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca)

Absentee ballots (see below) **must be emailed** no later than **Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**, to the MSO Secretary at [a\\_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca](mailto:a_smith@mastersswimmingontario.ca).

Delegates must be registered members of MSO.

Also, MSO is accepting nominations for the Board of Directors. Please submit your completed [nomination form](#) to [Andrea Smith](#) by **Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**.



## Absentee Voting Ballot

Club:			
Name of Voting Delegate:			
	Choose 1 option only		
	In Favour	Opposed	Abstain
Motion 1 That the minutes from the 2017 Annual General Meeting be adopted.			
Motion 2 (See Notice of Motion above) To amend the By-laws to add the Definition of Single Event Registration			
Motion 3 That Schwartz Levitsky Feldman be re-appointed as external Accountants of MSO until the next Annual General Meeting.			
Election of Directors, if needed, using <i>Ballot for the Election of Directors</i>			

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## Vote Weighting

AGM-SGM section paragraph 6 states:

Delegates are as follows:

- a) For Member Clubs having two (2) or more Members in good standing, a voting right attuned to the democratic philosophy of “representation by population”, as follows:
  - 2-24 members have 1 vote
  - 25-49 members have 2 votes
  - 50-74 members have 3 votes
  - 75+ members have 4 votes
  - unattached swimmers have 1 vote as a group
  - as few as 1 delegate may represent all the vote of the club

Votes by Clubs as of November 9, 2018

Clubs with 4 Votes	Nepean, North Toronto, B-Train, Oakville
Clubs with 3 Votes	Burlington, London Silver Dolphins, Stittsville, Norseman, ThunderRays, NYAC, Alderwood, Laurentian, THOR, Milton, Downtown Swim Club, Ancaster, Guelph Marlins
Clubs with 2 Votes	UofT Mississauga, Technosport, Rideau Speadeaus, Cornwall Sealions, TYMS, SOO Polar Bears, Lim Lumsdon, Kanata, Mississauga Masters, North York Gators, Pickering, Ottawa Swim Masters, Brockville 1000 Islands, Ol’Henry Masters, Muskoka Masters, Ottawa Centre Masters
Clubs with 1 Votes	TOROSwim, TOEST, Kenora Borealis, Clarington, CMAV, Orleans Orcas, Toronto Masters of the Universe, Arnprior Greyfish, Waterloo Golden Hawks, Ryerson U, Markham, Brampton Cobras, Toronto Athletic Club, Brock Niagara, NCRY Masters, Carleton U, RMC, Orillia Old Poops, ETOB, Team Atomica, TOMS
Clubs with 0 Votes	All other clubs



**Ballot for the Election of Directors  
(as needed)**

**Nominee Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Nominee Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Write the name of your preferred Nominees on separate lines.

No ranking shall be inferred.

Each Ballot equals one vote for each Nominee.

The number of names written may be equal to or less than the number of candidates.

A name may be written only once on each Ballot

Any Ballot that contains more names than the number of positions available or on which a name appears more than once shall be identified as “spoiled” and shall not be counted.