

District 7475 MOP — Summary of Changes

Comparing Version 050624 (Effective July 1, 2024) to Version 033126 (Effective July 1, 2026)

Structural Additions

- A new **Appendix II – Definitions** was added, formally defining: Member, Quorum, Majority Quorum, Simple Majority, Voting Members, and Proxy Vote.
- Article 1 now references Appendix II for defined terms.

Article 3 – Officers

- **Assistant Governors (3.4):** Added that after completing three consecutive years, an AG may return to the position after a one-year sabbatical (previously just capped at three consecutive years with no return provision).
- **District Secretary (3.6):** Minor rewording; the one-year term language was removed, though no term limit remains.
- **District Meetings & Voting (3.7):** Rewritten to use the new defined terms (Quorum, Voting Members). Language about "email voting" was broadened to "electronic voting." Clarified that voting may be conducted separately from a meeting.

Article 4 – Committees

- **4.2 Committee List:** Non-RI-required committees are now called "standing committees."
- **4.7 Learning Committee:** References to "Pre-PETS" and "PETS" were changed to "Pre-PELS" and "PELS."
- **4.10 Risk Management:** Removed a duplicate paragraph about the Contract Review Subcommittee that appeared erroneously in the 2024 version.
- **4.19 Youth Exchange:** Minor wording change from "intercultural competency" to "intercultural competence."

Article 5 – Finance

- **5.1 Budget:** Minor cleanup — "amount of" was removed from the contingency reserve language ("at least 2 percent of total income").
- **5.1.1 Adoption of District Budget:** Substantially rewritten using the new defined terms (Majority Quorum, Simple Majority, Voting Members). The voting threshold changed from "two-thirds majority" to **Simple Majority (50%+1)**, which is a meaningful procedural change.
- **Article 5 intro:** "registered as an IRS 501(c)(4)" changed to simply "an IRS 501(c)(4)."

Article 10 – Changes and Amendments

- **10.1 Voting:** Rewritten using defined terms. The threshold to amend the MOP changed from a **two-thirds majority** to a **Simple Majority** of Voting Members —

a significant change. Notice of meetings is now sent to both Club Presidents and Presidents-Elect (previously only Presidents).

Appendix I – District Regions

- The regional club assignments were updated to reflect 2026 membership data, with several clubs added, removed, or reassigned across the six regions.

Key Takeaways: The most substantively significant changes are the lowered voting thresholds (from two-thirds to simple majority) for both budget adoption and MOP amendments, the addition of formal definitions in Appendix II, and the AG sabbatical/return provision.