

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT FORM



Instructions:

1. Please print or type.
2. Constitutional Resolutions must be submitted on this form or facsimile.
3. Constitutional Resolutions must be **received** by the NSNDP Resolutions Committee no later than **2:00pm on May 20th, 2022** (35 days prior to the Convention.)
4. All resolutions **must** contain a minimum of one "whereas" explaining the reason for the resolution being submitted.
5. All resolutions **must** contain a "Therefore be it resolved" statement.
6. **Ensure** that the resolve portion of the resolution contains the subject matter identified in the whereas portion of the resolution.
7. Resolutions must be duly discussed and adopted at an annual general or special general meeting, Provincial Executive, Provincial Council, an NSNDP Committee or through the NSYND and sent to resolutions@nsndp.ca.

Submitted by EDA:

Title of Amendment: _____

Intent of this amendment: _____

Whereas: _____

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Therefore be it resolved that: _____

Dear Member,



THE PURPOSE OF A RESOLUTION is to provide a means whereby the membership can submit their ideas and proposals to the Nova Scotia New Democratic Party for implementation.

Any CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTION properly prepared on this form (reverse side) must be presented through an approved body and when duly passed, it will be presented to the Convention through the NSNDP Resolutions Committee.

Sample Constitutional Amendment:

Resolution C1: (submitted by NSNDP Provincial Council 2018)

Title of Resolution: Amendment to make the procedure for Disciplining Members a Council Procedure and take it out of the Constitution.

Intent of resolution: To better clarify discipline procedures of members having been harassed.

Whereas the NSNDP Member Discipline Policy is out of date

Therefore be it resolved that the following actions take place:

- a. Delete **Appendix B**
- b. Change **7.01** - In accordance with the procedure ~~set out in Appendix B,~~ **adopted by the Provincial Council**, the Executive may suspend, expel or otherwise discipline any individual or affiliate Party member, or body within the Party for any conduct which:
 - (a) is contrary to this Constitution;
 - (b) is contrary to the principles of the Party;
 - (c) brings discredit to; or
 - (d) willfully damages the interests of the Party.
- c. **Add 7.02 - Request for Disciplinary Proceedings**
 - A request that disciplinary proceedings be taken against any member or group of the Party in Nova Scotia shall be:
 - (a) made in writing; and
 - (b) outline the reason or reasons for the request; and
 - (c) be sent to the Provincial Secretary, or if the complaint is against the Provincial Secretary, to the Chairs of the Rules and Privileges Committee.
- d. **Add 7.03** - No particular form of written request ("complaint") is required, so long as the complaint meets the requirements set out in the Council policy/procedure.
- e. **Add 7.04** - Provincial Council must maintain, and review, every two years, the policy referred to in 7.01

This is your opportunity to participate in your Party. Please submit your CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTIONS on or before May 20th, 2022.

The Constitution may be altered at any Convention or Annual General Meeting by an amendment passed by a two-thirds majority vote of those present.

An amendment to the Constitution shall become effective at the conclusion of the Convention at which the amendment received the necessary majority vote, except where a later date is specified by the amendment.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to request assistance from resolutions@nsndp.ca

There will be two policy / resolution writing workshops scheduled, please visit nsndp.ca/convention2022 for more details.