

National Constitution and Bylaws
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‘The key is to update your Constitution and Bylaws and lock in the use of your governing documents.’

Whenever National revises the Constitution, Bylaws, and Standing Rules, Salons must review theirs to ensure they comply.

Every Departemental and Petit Salon should have a current Constitution and Bylaws with a set of Standing Rules. A copy of the Nationale Constitution with Bylaws and Standing Rules should also be available. Partners should research items not covered by these governing documents using Robert's Rules of Order most current edition.

The Departemental Constitution and Bylaws Committee and the Departemental L'Avocate will be responsible for updating Departemental Constitution and Bylaws. Usually, Salons must update approximately every three (3) to five (5) years—**updates should be completed by January 1st. The National L'Avocate will need to receive four (4) copies for approval. Upon approval, National L'Avocate will send three (3) copies to the National Constitution and Bylaws Chairman.** A copy will remain with the L'Avocate Nationale, one will go to the Nationale Headquarters, one will stay on file with the Nationale Constitution and Bylaws Chairman, and one return to the Departemental C & B Chairman

National Constitution and Bylaws, Article III, Section (3) Constitution and Bylaws Sub Section (c) Any changes to Departementaux Constitution and Bylaws shall be made any time during the year, **but not submitted to National within thirty (30) days before and after La Marche National.**

It is the responsibility of the Departemental Constitution and Bylaws Chairman to ensure all Petit Salons have a current Constitution and Bylaws on file with their Departemental.

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The Departemental Constitution and Bylaws Chairmen will need to provide any changes made at the Nationale La Marche to the Petite Salons. Must submit updates and changes before **January 1st**.

Each Petite Salon will need to send three (3) copies to the Departemental Constitution and Bylaws Chairman for approval. Upon approval, the C & B Chairman will return the original to the Petite Salon, one (1) copy will remain with the Departemental L'Avocate, and one will stay with the Departemental Constitution and Bylaws Chairman.

2024 Personal award (incentive) for the first Departemental Constitution and Bylaws received before the deadline. A unique gift for the best set of Constitutions and Bylaws, with the least number of corrections needed. If none qualify by the deadline, then the Departemental C & B Chairman with the best report will receive the incentive.

Salons that have not updated their Constitutions and Bylaws for years will need to do so. This committee will inform all Departementaux of pertinent information through the National website under the heading Reports, then to the Constitution and Bylaws topic. Departementaux are responsible for reporting to the Petit Salons.

Please feel free to contact any member of the committee with any questions that arise. If we do not answer immediately, we will find out and get back with the researched answer.

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