

## CHNYC Proposed By-law Changes

### Article 3. Membership

3.1 Regular memberships shall be open to:

3.1.1 All active duty, active reserve, and retired members of the Armed Forces of the United States of America and U.S. Coast Guard.

3.1.2 All active duty members of the Armed Forces of other nations allied with or having security agreements with the United States of America

3.1.3 Lawful dependents of the persons indicated in the subparagraphs above.

3.1.4 Department of Defense employees and retirees.

3.2 Associate memberships shall be open to:

3.2.1 Lawful minor dependents of regular members.

***3.2.2 Associate memberships are only open to individuals who are active participants in the organization's activities.***

***3.2.3 Associate memberships require the individual to be sponsored by a regular member, both for initial application and annual renewal.***

***3.2.4 Associate memberships must be approved by a member of the Executive Board for initial application and annual renewal.***

3.3 Honorary memberships may be conferred on any person for a period of one year by a majority vote of the Executive Board. There shall be no more than twelve honorary members at any given time.

3.4 Privileges of Membership

3.4.1 Regular members shall be entitled to hold office, except as provided in Article 4 below, to vote at general meetings, to enjoy all activities of the organization and to use all the physical and material facilities and boats owned or operated by the organization.

3.4.2 Associate members shall be permitted to enjoy all activities of the organization and to use all of the physical and material facilities and boats owned or operated by the organization, unless any activity, facility, or boat have been restricted from associate members by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

3.4.3 Honorary members shall be permitted to enjoy all activities of the organization and to use all of the physical and material facilities and boats owned or operated by the organization, unless any activity, facility or boat has been restricted from honorary members by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

3.5 Application for Membership. Each person shall apply for membership by written ***or on-line*** application to the Secretary of the organization, accompanied by payment of annual dues, which shall not be pro-rated. Membership is effective upon issuance of a membership card signed by the Commodore, Vice-Commodore, or Secretary of the organization.

3.6 The membership year of this organization shall be from April 1 to March 31 of the calendar year following. The Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Secretary may begin issuing memberships for the upcoming membership year within a period not to exceed 90 days prior to the beginning of that year.

3.7 Expiration of membership. All shall automatically expire on March 31 of the membership year.

3.8 Revocation of membership. All memberships may be revoked for cause by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board. All memberships may be suspended for cause and reinstated by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board.