

PROPOSED STANDING RULES

1. Each delegate, when recognized by the chairman, shall state his/her name and the congregation s/he represents.
2. Speakers from the floor shall be limited to two (2) minutes in addressing the convention.
3. Speakers will alternate, pro and con, clergy and lay person.
4. There will be no repeat speakers until all desiring to speak have been heard once.
5. While any voting delegate may call the question at any time, after every 15 minutes of debate on any one motion there shall be an automatic call of the question by the chairman.
6. Instead of a voice vote on motions before the convention, the chairman shall ordinarily call for the raising of the right hand.
7. Substitute motions will be considered according to Robert's Rules of Order (not the so-called "Benken Rule"). The convention shall first decide by majority vote whether or not to consider it. If the decision is in the affirmative, the substitute motion will be debated and voted on. If the substitute motion is passed, it becomes the main motion and is able to be debated and amended. If the substitute motion does not receive favorable action to consider or adopt, the original motion remains the main motion.*
8. Questions of privilege shall be addressed *in writing* to the chairman.
9. A limit of two (2) amendments to any resolution shall be allowed. Amendment must be submitted to chair in writing before it is brought to the floor.*
10. Members of the New Jersey District Board of Directors shall have the privilege of speaking from the floor.
11. Resolutions not acted on at this convention before adjournment die.
12. Unless covered by these Standing Rules, parliamentary procedures shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order (2011 Edition). All decisions of the Parliamentarian shall be final and unappealable.

* Amended from workbook version.