

# Bylaws Executive Summary

## Newport Beach Women's Democratic Club

Respectfully submitted on March 24, 2022 by the NBWDC Executive Board

The main purpose for this Bylaws amendment is to ensure we are in full compliance with the Bylaws requirements of the CADEM and DPOC.

**Failure to comply with DPOC bylaws requirements will result in NBWDC losing its Charter and official affiliation with the Democratic Party.**

Following is a summary of the key changes made in this year's Bylaws amendment:

### IV MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

We have better aligned our definitions for Member and Member in Good Standing to reflect DPOC requirements. This change provides us with the opportunity to qualify for an increased number of delegates who may attend and vote on behalf of NBWDC at CADEM conferences.

**Member** (no change):

1. The individual is a registered Democrat residing in Orange County; **OR**
2. The individual is ineligible to vote (due to age, non-residency, or other legal impediment), but pledges to register as a Democrat when eligibility is attained; **OR**
3. The individual supports the purpose of the Club as stated in Article II, and is registered as NPP or from another party and approved unanimously by every member of the Executive Board; **AND**
4. The individual has paid all Club dues (or had them waived) in the prior calendar month; **AND**
5. The individual has agreed to be bound by the Club's Code of Conduct

**Member in Good Standing** (lowered meeting attendance requirement):

1. The Member is a registered Democrat; **AND**
2. The Member has **attended at least one meeting as a Member in the 12 months prior to voting; AND**
3. The Member has not had his/her membership revoked in the preceding 12 months.

**VIII OFFICERS** (expanded officer candidacy qualifications):

In order to comply with CADEM and DPOC Non-Discrimination requirements, incorporated in NBWDC's Bylaws as Article IV C, **any** Member in Good Standing may be considered as a candidate for NBWDC leadership positions as President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary.