

GMB CONGRESS 2024

CEC RULE AMENDMENT TO CONGRESS 2024 - RULE A3

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Current Rule A3

Rule A3 Section national conferences

- 1 We will hold a national conference for the members of each section every year. The conferences will report to and advise the Central Executive Council and the union negotiators, and all decisions of the conferences must be approved by the Central Executive Council and Congress. The conferences must not consider any matter Congress is responsible for. The Central Executive Council and Congress may, from time to time, issue guidelines on what matters the conferences can consider.
- 2 Section national conferences will be held every year at a time and location approved by the Central Executive Council. There will be one regional delegate for every 1,500 financial members of the section in each region. Regions shall take steps to ensure the regional delegation properly reflects the balance of the regional section membership in respect of industry, geographic spread, ethnicity, gender, disability, youth and sexual orientation. Delegates will hold office for one year.
- 3 A section national president will be elected in 2008 and at every fourth Section Conference from then on, from among the members of the Section Conference elected in line with rule A3.2 for that year, and from the members of the Section National Committee. The section president will hold office for four years, chair the Section Conference after that at which they are elected and be eligible to be nominated and re-elected after their four-year term of office. In the event an election is required to fill a casual vacancy at an intervening Section Conference the section national president then elected will serve the balance of the period of office until the next election is due in line with this rule. During their term of office the section president will chair all meetings of the Section National Committee.

Proposed Amendment:

Rule heading delete "National". Delete clauses 1, 2, 3; Insert new clauses 1 and 2.

Rule to read:

Rule A3 Section conferences

- 1 We will hold sector, industry or employer specific conferences for members as required from time to time and as determined by the Section National Committee. The conferences will report to and advise the Section National Committee and the Union negotiators, and all decisions of the conferences must be approved by the Section National Committee. The conferences must not consider any matter Congress is responsible for. The Central Executive Council and Congress may, from time to time, issue guidelines on what matters the conferences can consider.
- 2 At its first meeting following an election for the Central Executive Council held under rule 11.7, the Section National Committees will elect from their own members, a Section National President. For the Private Section only the

Private Section National Committee will elect joint Section National Presidents. The joint Private Section National Presidents so elected will be gender balanced, with one elected from the former Manufacturing Section membership of the Private Section National Committee and one elected from the former Commercial Services Section membership of the Private Section National Committee. The Section National President(s) will hold office until the term of office of the Central Executive Council ends, and be eligible to be re-elected if still a member of the Section National Committee under rule A2.

The Public Section National President will chair all meetings of the Section National Committee. The joint Private Section National Presidents will chair meetings of the Section National Committee on a rotational basis. If the Public Section National President is unable to attend a meeting the Section National Committee will elect from its own members a chair for that meeting. If both joint Private Section National Presidents are unable to attend a meeting the Section National Committee will elect from its own members a chair for that meeting. In the event an election is required to fill a casual vacancy the next following meeting of the Section National Committee will elect from its own members a new Section National President who will serve the balance of the term of office.

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