

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETING

Q: WHO CAN VOTE AT THE SPECIAL MEETING?

Chapter regents or, in her absence the first vice regent or alternate of each chapter and delegates or alternates of each chapter.

Source: National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2

Q: HOW MANY DELEGATES/ALTERNATES DOES MY CHAPTER HAVE?

Chapter representation is based on the number of members of your chapter that paid dues on or before Dec. 1st. To know how many delegates your chapter is eligible for, refer to page 264 of the NSDAR Handbook.

Remember to verify member dues as of Dec 1st

Source: NSDAR Handbook, Representation

Q: HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CHAPTER IN ORDER TO BE A DELEGATE?

1 continuous year immediately preceding the Continental Congress

Source: NSDAR Handbook, Representation

Q: HOW DO I BECOME A DELEGATE FOR MY CHAPTER?

Let your chapter regent know that you would like to be delegate or an alternate.

Delegates and alternates to the Continental Congress shall be elected on or before April 1st.
Source: National Bylaws, Article XIII Chapters, Section 9

Q: WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE NAMES TO NATIONAL?

The deadline for sending the names of delegates and alternates to the National Society is April 15th.

Source: NSDAR Handbook, Representation, Election of Delegates and Alternates

Q: ASSUMING ALL DEADLINES HAVE BEEN MET AND I AM OFFICIALLY LISTED AS A CREDENTIALED DELEGATE/ALTERNATE FOR CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, MUST I ACTUALLY ATTEND CONTINENTAL CONGRESS IN ORDER TO STILL BE A VOTING DELEGATE AT THE SPECIAL MEETING?

No. You need not attend Continental Congress in order to be a voting delegate/alternate at the Special Meeting. However, you must be officially listed as a delegate/alternate for Continental Congress with the Credentials Committee.

Source: President General Ginnie Storage in email correspondence

Q: AS A DELEGATE/ALTERNATE, AM I ABLE TO VOTE AS I SEE FIT?

A delegate is free to vote as she sees fit on questions at the convention, **except as her constituent unit may have instructed her in regard to particular matters scheduled for consideration.**

Source: RONR (12th ed.) 58:18

Q: HOW MANY MEMBERS CONSTITUTE A QUORUM AT A SPECIAL MEETING?

150 VOTING members shall constitute a quorum at any special meeting.

Source: National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 7