



Welcome to AATCC

BY – LAWS
OF
DELAWARE VALLEY SECTION

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF TEXTILE CHEMISTS AND COLORISTS

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ARTICLE I

NAME

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists/ Delaware Valley Section.

ARTICLE II

OBJECTS

Section 1: The objectives of this association shall be:

- To increase knowledge of the application of colorants, chemicals and polymers in the Textile industry.
- To encourage in any practical way, research work on textile design and coloration, chemical processes and materials of importance to the Textile Industry.
- To establish for the members channels by which the interchange of professional knowledge among them may be increased.
- To cooperate with the parent association in all phases of activity.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: All corporations having business headquartered in the area designated as the Delaware Valley Section by the National Board of Directors of the Association are automatically members of this section.

Section 2: Individuals shall be members only after their request for assignment to the Delaware Valley Section has been approved by the Association.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS AND ELECTION

Section 1: A Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and two Senior Members, who will constitute the Sectional Committee, shall be nominated by a Committee appointed by the Section Chairperson. This Committee shall be approved by the existing Sectional Committee and shall report at the first fall meeting.

Section 2: A Regional Board Member shall be nominated in accordance with the National Association By-Laws.

Section 3: Additional nominations can be made by a petition signed by at least ten Senior Members and shall be submitted to the Secretary within ten days after the first fall meeting. Such nominees shall be added to the ballot. Candidates for each office shall be listed alphabetically on the ballot.

Section 4: Election shall be by letter ballot to all Senior Members, except in case of no contest when the appointed tellers shall declare the nominees elected. Ballots shall be returned for tabulation at least one week before the last meeting of the year at which time the results of the election shall be announced.

Section 5: The newly elected officers shall take office on the first of January of each year.

Section 6: The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and the two members who constitute the Sectional Committee shall serve for a period of two (2) years, however, they may be re-elected if to serve additional term if necessary in order to carry out sectional business

ARTICLE IV cont'd

Section 7: In case of a vacancy, the Sectional Chairperson shall appoint a Senior Member to fill the vacancy for the balance of the year.

ARTICLE V

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: The Chairperson shall preside at all stated meetings of the Section. In the absence of the Chairperson, the meeting shall be presided over by the Vice-Chairperson.

The Chairperson shall appoint all Chairpersons of the Standing Committees, the members of the Scholarship Committee and other such special committees as he/she may deem advisable with the approval of the Sectional Committee. These positions shall be appointed annually and announced at the first Sectional Meeting.

The Chairperson shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

The Chairperson shall hold Sectional Committee meetings as deemed necessary.

Section 2: The Vice-Chairperson shall preside in the absence of the Chairperson and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section 3: The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings and the records of the Section. He/She shall send notices of all meetings and letter ballots when needed. The Chairperson may appoint one or more Associate Secretaries to aid the Secretary in carrying out his/her duties.

The Secretary shall submit to the Executive Director of the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists a report of each Section meeting within thirty (30) days of the meeting, as well as an Annual Report of the proceedings of the Section. The Secretary shall preside over stated meetings in the absence of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. The Secretary shall direct the activities of all Associate Secretaries.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall pay all bills

incidental to the operation of the Section out of funds from contributions and income from other activities related to the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists.

The Treasurer shall make an annual Financial Report of Sectional business to the Executive Directors of the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists.

For all other financial business, the Treasurer shall obtain the approval of the Sectional Committee before acting.

The Treasurer shall deposit all funds received in the name of the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists, Delaware Valley Section.

The Treasurer shall make a Financial Report which he shall present to the Secretary at each Sectional Committee Meeting.

Section 5: The two members-at-large of the Sectional Committee shall attend all Sectional Committee meetings and shall perform all duties as outlined in the By-Laws. In case of the absence of a Sectional Committee Member or Members at a Sectional Committee meeting, the Chairperson shall appoint a Senior member of the Section present to act in his place.

Section 6: A majority of the Sectional Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 7: Three Senior Members, other than officers, of the Section shall be appointed by the Chairperson of the Section to audit the books of the Treasurer. This should take place prior to the first Section Meeting of the year and a report shall be made to the Section.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

Section 1: Stated meetings of the Section shall take place at times as approved by the Sectional Committee.

ARTICLE VII AMENDMENTS

Section 1: A proposed amendment may be presented to the Secretary of the Section by any member provided the

same is signed by ten Senior Members of the Section. This proposed amendment shall be discussed by the Sectional Committee at the next Sectional Committee Meeting and then a written copy of it with the opinion of the Sectional Committee shall be sent to each Senior Member for his/her approval or rejection.

Section 2: The majority of the ballots received shall decide the acceptance or rejection of the amendment.

Section 3: If passed, the amendment shall be in effect at the next regular stated meeting.

**ARTICLE VIII
ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Section 1: The order of business shall be determined by the Acting Chairperson.

**ARTICLE IX
PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

Section 1: Robert's Rules of Order, except when inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association, shall govern all meetings of the Association.