

**BYE-LAWS FOR ELECTION OF THE COUNCIL  
OF  
MAHARASHTRA BADMINTON ASSOCIATION**

1. Nomination papers for the election of the office bearers, viz. a President, a Deputy President, a Senior Vice-President, Six Vice-Presidents, and a Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Secretary Tournaments, Honorary Secretary Coaching and Development, a Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Jt. Secretary, and the eleven Members of the Council to be elected from among the delegates as described in Rules 9 and 10 or otherwise shall be forwarded along with the Notice of the Annual General Meeting to the delegates entitled to attend it under Rule 41.
2. The Nomination Papers duly filled in shall be deposited with the Honorary Secretary at least seven days before the date of Annual General Meeting whereat the election of the Council is to be held.
3. Each Nomination paper shall state the name or names of a candidate/or candidates in full and shall be proposed and seconded by the two/different delegates entitled to attend the Meeting under Rule 41, a delegate shall not propose or second more candidates in the aggregate than the number of vacancies.
4. The persons nominated for office, that of the President, Deputy President, one of the Vice Presidents or Honorary General Secretary or one of the Honorary Secretaries, shall not be necessarily from among the delegates as described in Rule 9 and Office Bearers as described in Rule 21(i).
5. A list of nominations shall be exhibited at the office of the Association five days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
6. In the number of the valid nominations is the same as the number of the vacancies, the candidates nominated shall be deemed to be duly elected and the Chairman of the Annual General Meeting shall declare them duly elected.
7. The election shall be by ballot. The Ballot Papers, initialed by the Honorary Secretary, with the names of the candidates duly nominated shall be furnished to the delegates present and entitled to vote at the meeting held for the purpose of electing the Office Bearers and the Members of the Council at the time, when they sign the Attendance Sheet tabled at the place where the meeting is scheduled to be held.
8. Each delegate as described in Rule 9(a) and Office Bearers as described in Rule 21(i), present at the Annual General Meeting shall have one vote. In case any two or more candidates receive an equal number of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote besides his own vote.
9. At the time of voting each person entitled to vote shall place a cross on the right hand side of the Ballot Paper against the name of each candidate for whom he or she desires to vote thus X.

The Ballot paper shall be folded, and without showing it to anybody, shall be handed over to the Chairman of the meeting.

10. If a delegate vote for more candidates than the number of vacancies or gives more than one vote to the same candidate or places any mark on the Ballot Paper whereby she or he may be afterwards identified, the Ballot Paper shall be considered invalid.
11. No Ballot Paper shall be received after fifteen minutes from the time when the business of the meeting is proceeded with.
12. The Chairman of the meeting shall appoint two scrutinizers from among those present and who are not nominated to an Office or Membership of the Council.
13. After counting the Ballot Papers received, the Chairman shall hand them to the scrutinizers who shall examine them and shall duly record the votes secured by each of the candidates.
14. The scrutinizers shall report in writing to the Chairman of the meeting the result of their scrutiny, giving the names of the candidates arranged according to the number of votes each candidates has obtained. The Chairman shall declare the results as per the Report of the Scrutinizers.
15. If any delegate present at the meeting challenges the Report of the Scrutinizers, the Chairman with the assistance of any two delegates of his choice shall scrutinize the Ballot Papers and shall declare the result of election as per findings.
16. The Ballot Papers shall be destroyed, after the Chairman has taken a suitable resolution.