

USJA Board of Directors (excerpt from the By Laws)

E. Eligibility. To be eligible to serve as a Director, an individual must;

(i) be a current Annual or Life Member in good standing of the Corporation

(ii) have been an Annual or Life Member of the Corporation or its predecessor organization for not less than five (5) consecutive years

(iii) be at least twenty-one (21) years of age

(iv) be citizen of the United States; and

(v) if a previous Director not have been removed from the Board of Directors for cause.

Individuals may have their names placed on the ballot for election to the Board of Directors by submitting to the Board of Directors, a petition signed by at least one hundred (100) current Senior Annual or Life Members of the Corporation. **(Click here to download a [Board of Directors Nomination Petition](#))** All such petitions must be received at the USJA National Office no later than July 31st of the election year for which they are intended. No employee of the Corporation is eligible to submit a petition to the Board of Directors to seek election as a Director of the Corporation. The petition requesting placement on the ballot must bear a statement signed by the prospective Board Member stating that he desires to become a Board member and that he will attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall cause notice of each election to be given to all Senior Members of the United States Judo Association Incorporated. This notice shall be made in all publications of the USJA magazine and any other publications available to the membership, to include but not be limited to internet web sites and electronic mail by computer, no later than one (1) year prior to the filing due date for petitions to be placed on the ballots. All petitions for placement on the ballot shall be post marked not later than midnight of the due filing date. Such petitions shall be examined for membership status and verification of names signed on such petitions.

F. Term and Election. The USJA Board of Directors shall consist of eleven (11) members each serving a term of four (4) years. Elections shall be held in 2005 and every four (4) years thereafter. Vacancies, which occur on the Board of Directors, shall be filled by majority vote of the Board. Board members may run for consecutive terms on the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall insure that the mail ballots shall be mailed to each USJA Chartered Club, with the Club Leaders to distribute Ballots to all Senior Annual Members and Senior Life Members during the month of August of each election year. The ballots will contain the names of the individuals nominated to serve on the Board of Directors beginning with the next meeting held after the election. Ballots not post marked to the Executive Office Manager by September 30th shall not be counted in such election, and the final count for each election will be made on October 15th, of each election year.