



ZU`AMA ELECTIONS FOR THE TERM 2022-23

Procedures for Conducting Elections and Submitting Results

(This section is only for the guidance of presiding and assisting office bearers conducting the elections)

Each majlis should conduct Za'im elections in an Ijlās 'Ām.

Presiding and / or assisting person should observe the following procedures:

1. Read elections general rules and guidelines (Sections A, B and C below).
2. Conduct the elections and fill out the Election Form completely along with the signatures of the presiding and assisting person. If more than four names are presented, use additional copy of the form.
3. Regions should submit the results to Qiadat `Umumi as soon as possible. The results should preferably be sent by emailing scanned copy of the signed forms at umumi@ansar.ca and then original hard copy by postal mail. Always keep a copy for your records.
4. Regions should also enter the results of the elections in the election tracker worksheet provided by the markaz and send it to Qiadat `Umumi at umumi@ansar.ca as soon as possible.



A. Rules for Conducting Elections:

27. All the elections shall be open (e.g., by show of hands).
28. Any type of propaganda or canvassing implicit or explicit is not allowed in the election.
29. The quorum for an election meeting shall be one half of the total members eligible to vote vide rule No. 22 of the Majlis concerned. If the quorum is short at the time of first election meeting and it has to be postponed the quorum for the next meeting* shall be one third of the eligible voters of the Majlis concerned.
(* and any subsequent meetings)

B. Eligible Voter Criteria

- 22 c. i. He should be regular Chanda paying member of Jamā'at and the Majlis Anṣārullāh.
- ii. A Nāsir who is in arrears of Chanda Majlis Anṣārullāh for more than six months, and of Chanda Sālāna Ijtimā' for more than one year shall not be eligible to hold any office and shall not be allowed to participate or vote in the elections of Majlis Anṣārullāh.
- iii. A Nāsir who is in arrears of Obligatory Chandas (viz Chanda 'Ām, Chanda Hiṣṣa Āmad for more than six months and Chanda Jalsa Sālāna for more than one year) shall not be eligible to hold any office and shall not be allowed to participate or vote in the elections of Majlis Anṣārullāh.

C. Eligible Office Bearer Criteria

22. The following points shall be kept in view when the appointment of an office-bearer is being considered:
 - a. He should be regular in congregational prayers.
 - b. He should be truthful, honest and have regard for the institutions of the Silsila 'Aliya Ahmadiyya and the Majlis.
 - c. Rule c i, ii and iii as mentioned above for Eligible voters are also applicable for eligible Office Bearer.
 - iv. A member who bypasses the local Jamā'at system and insists to send his Chanda directly to the Markaz shall not be eligible to become an office-bearer.
 - v. A member against whom Jamā'at took disciplinary action and a period of three years has not yet been completed after his pardon shall not be eligible to become an office-bearer.



- vi. A member who's Wasiyyat has been cancelled by Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya by way of disciplinary action or due to non-payment of Chanda Wasiyyat shall not be eligible to become an office-bearer.
- vii. A person who ever brought Jamā'at funds or Auxiliary Organization funds into personal use, shall be liable to reimburse the used amount and shall not be eligible to be elected or nominated to any office for a period of three years after the reimbursement of the used amount and pardon by Hazrat Khalīfatul Masīh.
- d. If a person is subjected to any disciplinary action a second time, he shall never again be eligible to hold any office.
- e. He should observe the Islamic Sha'ir viz. he should have beard. In case of an exception it shall be necessary to obtain permission from Sadr Majlis.
- 25. No person shall be elected to the same office for more than three consecutive terms. However, Hazrat Khalīfatul Masīh may waive off this condition in case of Sadr Majlis or Nā'ib Sadr Saf Dom. The Sadr Majlis may waive off this condition in case of other office-bearers.
- 30. A person who is appointed to a higher office by election or nomination shall not be eligible to retain a lower office as well unless the Sadr Majlis exempts someone from this rule.