

Inland Northwest Machine Quilters Bylaws **Revised as of January 21, 2019**

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Inland Northwest Machine Quilters, also known as INMQ, is located in Spokane Valley, Washington and is a non-profit organization.

Mission Statement: To promote the art of machine quilting through education and fellowship.

Membership: Membership is open to anyone who is interested in the art of machine quilting.

Elections: Officers are to be elected in odd numbered years and will be held at the September meeting by those members physically attending the meeting. The term of office will be a 2 year term. If an officer resigns before the end of their term, the current board may elect another to serve until the next general meeting, at which time another will be elected to finish out the term vacated. The person elected to fill the vacancy will only serve out the remainder of the original term of office.

Nominations: Nominations for officers will be from the membership present at the fall meeting.

Elected Officers: Board officers will be: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, public relations / communications, and membership coordinator. Officers will meet as needed to conduct guild business.

Indemnification:

This organization, from the date of the acceptance of these by-laws by the general membership, shall indemnify its officers for any costs, expenses, or liabilities necessarily incurred in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding in which they are made a party by reason of being or having been a member serving in an elected or appointed capacity. No member shall be indemnified when judged in the action or suit to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duty.

Membership Dues:

Annual dues for each calendar year are due and collected in November for the next year's membership. Everyone's membership expires at the end of December regardless of the time of the year they joined. Youth membership's annual dues are the same. Youth under age 16 require an INMQ member sponsor for their membership approval.

Amendment of bylaws:

These bylaws may be amended at any general meeting of INMQ by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing in the newsletter preceding the general meeting.

Dissolution:

Should INMQ be dissolved, all monetary assets if any, remaining after payment of all debts shall be turned over to an agreed upon charitable organization. Physical assets, if any shall be auctioned to the general membership with the proceeds going to said charitable organization.