

CUSTOMARY RTM PROCEDURES FOR APPOINTMENT  
OF MEMBERS TO STANDING COMMITTEES

A. SEQUENCE (following Annual Meeting on second Monday in November)

1. The Moderator will arrange for the individual Preference Sheets to be given to each District's Rules Committee members.
2. Each District's Rules Committee members, preferably working together, shall develop recommendations to give to the Rules Committee. Consultation with individual members, especially when the first choice cannot be honored, is strongly encouraged.
3. At the next Rules Committee Meeting, following the Annual Meeting and prior to the Organization Meeting, the recommendations are posted on a display board. (Moderator provides board, pins, labels, etc. )
4. Discussion - Revisions - Decisions/Assignments

B. CRITERIA

1. Rules Committee Principles
  - a. Every member except the Moderator is to be assigned.
  - b. Each District shall have at least two and no more than four members on each Standing Committee.
  - c. A member shall normally be assigned to only one Standing Committee.
2. The Rules Committee is to be guided by the statement on the Preference Sheet which says, "Standing Committees should have a balance of experience, skills, and district representation. Members' preferences are a factor in deciding relative committee sizes. Assignments will also take into account RTM seniority (continuous elected RTM service), qualifications indicated on the lower portion of the sheet, and recognized past effective committee participation by returning RTM members: effectiveness will be assessed by attendance, contribution, and comments (if available) of the past standing committee chairman.
3. The Rules Committee will try to honor a member's first choice if it is to return to his/her previous year's committee, unless that assignment was the result of an interim appointment. District Rules Committee members, if making a recommendation contrary to an RTM members's desire to return to his previous year's committee, shall inform the Rules Committee as to the reasons for the contrary recommendation.