

**Proposal to Amend Bylaw 40:
The Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee (ECFSC)**

WHEREAS, the creation of the Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee is in the best interests of the League and its members, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to ensure the establishing motion is not to be interpreted as directing Staff but rather to maintain the board's advisory and policy role;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the following changes are made to By-Law 40:

The Existing By-Law 40 (as noted on the ARRL Web Site): (noted in italics for purposes of differentiating)

40. The Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee (ECFSC) shall:

- *Create and modify programs, services, training and advise the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Emergency Communications, with the objective of improving the League's support of, and training for, Section Managers, Section Emergency Coordinators, Section Traffic Managers, Affiliated Club Coordinators and other Field Service volunteers;*
- *Create and modify programs, services, and training and advise the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Emergency Communications, in the pursuit of "best practices" for the Amateur Radio Service in the provision of volunteer emergency communications through the League's Amateur Radio Service in the provision of volunteer emergency communications through the League's Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and National Traffic System (NTS);*
- *Monitor and assess current and evolving trends in emergency communications technology, organizational structures, and participant skills in the United States and around the world, to assure the ARRL's maximum awareness of, access to and implementation of "best practices" in these fields;*
- *Create and modify programs, services, training and advise the Chief Executive Officer and National Club Coordinator, to improve the League's support for the ARRL's affiliated and Special Service Clubs, including such policy, programs, services and training as necessary to assist the affiliated and Special Service Clubs in the recruitment and retention of new and existing licensees, Club and ARRL Members, and the enhancement of the technical and communications skills of their Members;*
- *Coordinate and cooperate with other Amateur Radio national societies, especially within IARU Region 2, in the development and expansion of the ability of Amateur Radio to provide emergency communications services;*

- *Provide guidance and direction to the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Emergency Management in translating Board and ECFSC policy into prioritized tasking, funding and staffing recommendations for the implementation of the Board policy, programs, services and training created or modified by the ECFSC;*
- *Provide guidance and direction to the Chief Executive Officer and National Club Coordinator in translating Board and ECFSC policy into prioritized tasking, funding and staffing recommendations for the implementation of the Board policy, programs, services and training created or modified by the ECFSC;*
- *Recommend the creation or modification of Board policy that relates to or affects matters for which the Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee has responsibility.*
- *Consistent with the best governance of the ARRL, the Chairman and a majority of the Members of the ECFSC shall be selected from the Divisions with the greatest historical exposure to natural disasters.*

Initial Membership

Notwithstanding any provisions of the newly developed By-Law 37, and at the request of, and with the consent of, the President, the current Members and Chairs of the Emergency Management Director Selection Committee, the Administration and Finance Committee and Programs & Services Committee are appointed to serve as Members and Chairs of the Standing Committees until the end of the next Annual Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors.

The Proposed By-Law 40 in Mark-up Form

40. The Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee (ECFSC) shall:

1. ~~Create and modify programs, services, training and advise~~Recommend new programs and provide constructive review of existing programs to the Chief Executive Officer ~~and Director of Emergency Communications, or his/her designee~~ with the objective of improving the League's support of, and training for, Section Managers, Section Emergency Coordinators, Section Traffic Managers, Affiliated Club Coordinators and other Field Service volunteers;
2. ~~Create and modify programs, services, and training and advise~~Recommend new programs and provide constructive review of existing programs to the Chief Executive Officer ~~and or his/her designee—Director of Emergency Communications,~~ in the pursuit of "best practices" for the Amateur Radio Service in the provision of volunteer emergency communications through the League's Amateur Radio Service, in the provision of volunteer emergency communications through the League's Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), and National Traffic System (NTS);
3. Monitor and assess current and evolving trends in emergency communications technology, organizational structures, and participant skills in the United States and

around the world, to make recommendations which assure the ARRL's maximum awareness of, access to and implementation of "best practices" in these fields;

4. ~~Create and modify programs, services, training and advise~~ Recommend new programs and provide constructive review of existing programs to the Chief Executive Officer ~~and or his/her designee National Club Coordinator,~~ to improve the League's support for the ARRL's affiliated and Special Service Clubs, including such policy, programs, services and training as necessary to assist the affiliated and Special Service Clubs in the recruitment and retention of new and existing licensees, Club and ARRL Members, and the enhancement of the technical and communications skills of their Members;
5. Coordinate and cooperate with other Amateur Radio national societies, especially within IARU Region 2, to make recommendations which enable the in the development and expansion of ~~the ability of~~ Amateur Radio ~~to provide~~ emergency communications services;
6. ~~At the request of Provide guidance and direction to~~ the Chief Executive Officer, ~~and Director of Emergency Management~~ provide guidance in translating ~~Board and ECFSC policy recommendations~~ into prioritized tasking, funding and staffing ~~recommendations for the implementation of the Board policy, programs, services and training created or modified by the ECFSC;~~
- ~~7. Provide guidance and direction to the Chief Executive Officer and National Club Coordinator in translating Board and ECFSC policy into prioritized tasking, funding and staffing recommendations for the implementation of the Board policy, programs, services and training created or modified by the ECFSC;~~
- 8.7. Recommend the creation or modification of Board policy that relates to or affects matters for which the Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee has responsibility.
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5. Coordinate and cooperate with other Amateur Radio national societies, especially within IARU Region 2, to make recommendations which enable the development and expansion of Amateur Radio emergency communications services;
6. At the request of the Chief Executive Officer, provide guidance in translating ECFSC recommendations into prioritized tasking, funding and staffing;
7. Recommend the creation or modification of Board policy that relates to or affects matters for which the Emergency Communications and Field Services Committee has responsibility.