

Royal College of Nursing

Regulation on Requisitioning a General Meeting

1. This Regulation is made under Standing Order 13.9.
2. Where Members wish to submit a petition to requisition a General Meeting under Standing Order 13.3 they must request a petition form via the office of the Chief Executive & General Secretary. This may be supplied in electronic or hard copy form within 7 working days.
3. The petition form will request the information set out in Standing Order 13.5 and the authentication of up to three Member(s) willing to act as the lead proposer(s) of the requisition.
4. Within 30 days of receipt of the petition form, the Council, after considering the advice of the Chief Executive & General Secretary, will determine if the petition meets the requirements set out in Standing Order 13.5.
5. If the petition does not meet the requirements set out in Standing Order 13.5 the lead proposer(s) will be informed.
6. If it is determined that the petition does meet the requirements set out in Standing Order 13.5 the petition will be published in the Members' area of the College website, and the lead proposer(s) will be informed.
7. The number of required signatories required under Standing Order 13.3 will be calculated at the date of publication of the petition.
8. Members signing up to the petition will have their credentials checked through the College's membership system and sent a communication requesting confirmation that they signed up to the petition.
9. The petition will be open for a period of not less than 20 days. If it has not received the required number of signatories under Standing Order 13.3 within that period it will be closed.
10. If the petition secures the required number of signatories by the end of that period the provisions in Standing Orders 13 to 18 will be applied in respect of the calling and conduct of a General Meeting to consider the business specified in the petition.

Agreed by RCN Council [26 July 2023]