

NATIONAL MOBILITY EQUIPMENT DEALERS ASSOCIATION

# BYLAWS



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ASSOCIATION**

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**National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association, Inc.**

# Bylaws

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## ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1 - **Name:** The name of the Association is the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association, Inc. (Hereinafter called NMEDA or the Association or the Corporation.)

Section 2 - **Purpose:** The National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association is formed to promote and support members engaged in the modification of quality transportation for individuals with disabilities and special needs. Dealers engaged in such activities are recognized as professionals who provide products contributing to the rehabilitation of individuals. NMEDA will establish and maintain guidelines to ensure that the products are installed properly.

This not for profit corporation is organized in order to engage in any lawful purpose or purposes not for profit; more specifically, to serve as a general business league for mobility and modified equipment dealers and for the purpose of promoting the advancement of the business entities within our industry. The term “mobility equipment industry” includes professionals who supply, install and manufacture mobility products, and professionals, who evaluate, rehabilitate, instruct and train individuals with disabilities.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing statements of purposes and powers, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation as set forth above. Nothing contained in the forgoing statement of purposes shall be construed to authorize this corporation to carry on any activity for the profit of its members, or to distribute any gains, profits or dividends to members as such, except for distribution of assets upon dissolution.

## ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP (*Changes the membership criteria and requirements for Dealer Members*)

Section 1 – There shall be four (4) categories of membership in NMEDA:

Dealer Members  
Associate Members  
Manufacturer Members  
Subscription

Section 2 - **Eligibility Criteria:** Dealers, Associates, and Manufacturer Members

### **Dealer Members of the Association must adhere to the following criteria:**

- a. Completed the NMEDA membership requirements
- b. Adhere to the NMEDA Rules.
- c. Dealer Members must conduct active business as described in Article II Section 3.
- d. Abide by the most current guidelines as published by NMEDA.
- e. Prior to obtaining membership, make full payment of dues and membership inspection fee (the amount set by a vote of the members or set by the Board of Directors).
- e. Abide by the Bylaws and standards of quality promulgated by NMEDA. A member may choose to be a Manufacturer Member and a Dealer Member provided dues are paid for each category and they adhere to all requirements.

### **NMEDA Dealer Membership Requirements**

- a. Submit a fully executed membership application that includes
  1. Signed application
  2. First years dues and first Inspection payment
  3. Dealer and/or Used Car License (from State/Province where applicable if they are going to sell/resell vehicles)
  4. Signed Code of Ethics

5. Signed agreement to be subject to NMEDA mediation/arbitration and abide by decisions thereof.
  6. Certificates of training for technicians for all products sold or installed
  7. Welding certificates (if doing Structural modifications is required)
  8. Copy of your NHTSA Registration letter or proof of NHTSA registration, and proof of national safety mark in Canada.
  9. All members agree to an Initial Inspection by a third party auditor to verify the membership requirements are in place and acceptable to NMEDA
    - The cost of the membership Inspection will be in addition to the cost of dues.
- b. All NMEDA dealer members agree to have an annual audit performed to review the status of the required membership criteria as listed below and outlined in the NMEDA Rules. A dealer member considered a “Structural Modifier and/or High Tech” is required to have two audits per year. Regular and out-of-sequence audits are described in the NMEDA Rules.
- The cost of the membership audit will be per audit in addition to the cost of dues.

**For Dealer Membership Acceptance into NMEDA:**

Upon receiving a signed and executed membership application for the National Mobility equipment Dealers Association (NMEDA), an “Initial Inspection” will be scheduled at the prospective member’s place of business within six weeks of NMEDA’s acceptance of the application. At the time of the Initial Inspection the following requirements of membership are to be in place:

- a. Insurance: Two types as stated in the NMEDA Rules
  1. Garage Keeper Liability
  2. Product and Completed Operations policy
- b. The shop facilities and customer business area are:
  1. To be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
  2. To be able to provide customers entry/egress into the building while being protected from the weather
  3. To have an overhead shop entry door of sufficient size to allow safe entry/egress of all vehicles that the dealer intends to sell and/or service.
- c. New members agree to be compliant with the NMEDA Facilities Requirements in the NMEDA Rules.
- c. Upon initial inspection the new member will have the tools required in the NMEDA Rules.
- d. Setup 24/7 Service within 30 days of membership acceptance.
- e. Agrees to abide by the Out-of-Area Sales and Service Requirements as outlined in the NMEDA Rules.

**To be accomplished with the first two months of membership:**

No later than two (2) months after the initial audit, the new member agrees to sign a contract with NMEDA’s third party auditor allowing future audits to be conducted. Refer to the Quality Assurance Program Rules for specifics.

The dealer must maintain the following record keeping items which are required to be a member in good standing of NMEDA:

- a. Labeling and Label Log as outlined in the NMEDA Rules.
- b. Installation Manuals, Books, Records, Process and Control Documents, NMEDA Guidelines, and Tools as outlined in the NMEDA Rules.
- c. Structural Manuals- If applicable (All structural modifiers are required to adhere to the NMEDA Rules.

(Note: At the request of the applicant this second phase may be accelerated).

Section 3 - **Section 3 -Members: Dealer, Associate, Manufacturer, Subscription  
(Hereinafter called member or stakeholder.)**

**Dealer Member** – An individual, corporation or sole proprietorship, or partnership primarily engaged in the combined business of selling, installing and servicing adaptive vehicles or adaptive vehicle equipment directly to end-users, from their regular place of business, who is not substantially in the business of manufacturing adaptive equipment or original vehicles that will be adapted, who provides such services for end-users, including delivery of the adaptive vehicle or equipment, and has been certified, and remains in good standing, under the terms of membership based on the QAP program. *Each member entity shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote in the Association.* Owners of multiple locations shall pay full membership dues for EACH LOCATION.

**Associate Member** – An individual, corporation, sole proprietorship, or partnership engaged in related industries and/or occupations pertaining to adaptive equipment, **who is not otherwise eligible for membership in any other category.** This includes representatives of governmental agencies, insurance carriers, catastrophic caseworkers, disability related organizations and rehabilitative professionals. Equipment Manufacturers or dealers of a vehicle cannot be an Associate Member. One (1) Associate Member is elected by Associate Members only or appointed to the Board of Directors to serve as a voting representative for the Associate Members. (Former Professional members are now included in this membership category.)

**Manufacturer Member** – An individual, corporation, sole proprietorship, or partnership primarily engaged in the business of production of a product that is installed by a dealer in a motor vehicle. Such products intended use by a disabled individual is: driving a vehicle, accessing a vehicle, securing the individual or mobility device in a vehicle, loading/unloading a mobility device from a vehicle, or other secondary accessories increasing a vehicle's function or access. Such business shall also include production of a complete vehicle, or an incomplete/intermediate vehicle as defined by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which is modified sold or serviced by a dealer member.

- a. The manufacturer shall build products to applicable industry and government quality standards.
- b. Manufacturers must have general and product liability insurance as well as a minimum one-year warranty.
- c. Manufacturers must provide product training and/or installation requirements. There will be two (2) Manufacturer Members elected by the Dealer Membership to the Board of Directors. (One (1) structural manufacturer and one (1) non-structural manufacturer.)

**Subscription Members:** This membership status is granted to consumers, companies or professionals who purchase a subscription to the publication Circuit Breaker. A subscription member cannot hold an office on the NMEDA Board, or serve on any Standing or Special Committee.

**ARTICLE III – RIGHTS OF MEMBERS:**

Section 1 - **Voting:** Each dealer member shall be eligible to cast one vote in the Association. (ARTICLE II Section 3 – Dealer Members). All dealer members shall be eligible to vote in the election process. Unless specifically designated herein, voting may be conducted in person, by mail, or by means of varifiable remote communication (including on-line voting).

A MAJORITY VOTE in the affirmative is required at all meetings for approval of an action except as provided for in Article IX – Amendments of the Bylaws.

Associate Members are eligible to vote for their representative as described in their member category.

Proxy ballots are not permissible at any meeting of the Association or Board of Directors.

Section 2 - **Member in good standing** is defined as any member who meets the qualifications for membership and is current in membership dues. If you are a member in good standing and have met all the membership requirements you are allowed to use the NMEDA logo.

Dues as determined by the Board of Directors will be payable on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month in which membership was activated. Dues will be delinquent sixty days (60) thereafter.

Section 3 - **Membership termination:** Any member of NMEDA will terminate membership by the following actions:

- a. **Failure to pay dues.** Membership dues are for a twelve (12) month period and must be paid on a timely basis. Dues not paid after sixty days (60) from member renewal date will constitute automatic termination. Termination may be revoked when full payment of dues and a reinstatement fee is paid in full.
- b. Non-compliance with NMEDA guidelines and/or Bylaws (Investigated and verified by the Mediation Committee with a recommendation made to the Board of Directors for resolution or termination of membership). There will be a waiting period of one year to reapply for membership in NMEDA if membership is terminated. All rights, privileges, and benefits will be suspended, including the use of the NMEDA logo.

Any membership terminated by the Board of Directors, for having three (3) unsatisfied complaints, will have to wait one (1) year to reapply for membership to NMEDA. The Board of Directors will have to revote to accept the member back into NMEDA. If the same membership that was terminated for unsatisfied complaints reinstates as a member with NMEDA and again receives three (3) unsatisfied complaints, their membership will be terminated and they will not be allowed to join NMEDA again. The terminated membership will remain with the company President or Owner of the d/b/a, regardless of company name.

Section 4 - **Membership Resignation:** Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the CEO of NMEDA. Upon leaving, former NMEDA members may not claim NMEDA status or affiliation. All fees are non-refundable. The use of the NMEDA logo must be discontinued immediately upon written notice to the member by NMEDA.

#### **ARTICLE IV QUALIFICATIONS: BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE BOARD, AND OFFICERS**

Section 1 - All officers and members of the Board of Directors shall be members in good standing of the Association. All officers and directors shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age. Only one representative from any company or subsidiary may serve on the Board of Directors at one time.

Section 2 - To become a director you must have served on at least one (1) NMEDA committee in the preceding three (3) years. To serve on the Executive Board you must have previously served on the Board of Directors and completed that term in good standing. To become President you must have been elected and served on the Board of Directors within the last three (3) years.

#### **ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1 - **Board role and, size:** There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of a minimum of ten (10) members. The Board of Directors shall constitute the governing body of the Association. It shall be vested with full power and authority to put into effect the laws, resolutions and decisions of the Association. The Board has the authority to approve/ratify appointments made by the President for offices, which may be vacant, for the remainder of the term of the office, and to exercise general supervision over the receipts and expenditures of the Association. The Board of Directors has the final approval of all committee recommendations and actions.

Section 2 - **Attendance:** The Board of Directors shall hold a minimum of three (3) face-to-face meetings and a minimum of eight (8) teleconference meetings per year. Failure of any member of the Board of Directors to attend three (3) meetings, without the prior approval of the President, will result in their position being deemed vacant. The President shall appoint a temporary replacement to fill the vacant position for the remainder of the term and the Board of Directors shall ratify the appointee.

Section 3 - **Quorum:** Three-Fourths (3/4ths) of the sitting Board of Directors must be in attendance at the meeting to constitute a quorum for conducting NMEDA business.

Section 4 - **Compensation:** Officers and members of the Board of Directors shall not receive any compensation for their services. Officers and members of the Board of Directors may be reimbursed for any expenses incurred with prior approval from the Executive Board.

Section 5 - **Election:** A majority vote of members in good standing will elect Officers and Board Members. Voting for Officers and Board Members will be via US Mail and/or electronic means (other than telephone) in the fourth quarter of the calendar year.

The following positions are elected during an even numbered year: President, Canadian President, Treasurer, Western, Midwestern, and one (1) Manufacturer Representative.

The Vice President, Secretary, Northern, Southern, one (1) Manufacturer and one (1) Associate Representatives are elected in odd numbered years.

Section 6 - **Term:** Directors shall serve a term of two years. No member of the Board shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same position.

Reasons for removal from the Board of Directors may include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Failure to perform board member duties
- b. Change in organization structure of business that would preclude discharge of proper representation of the electing body
- c. Attendance, illness or death
- d. Conflict of interest
- e. Unethical conduct – conduct injurious to the Association or its purpose.

## ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

Section 1 - The Association shall have the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2 - **President:** The President is the principal volunteer executive officer of the Association and in general, supervises the business and affairs of the Association under the direction of the Board of Directors. The President may call special meetings of the Board of Directors as needed. The President has the responsibility for providing effective leadership and for coordinating policy-making functions and the activities of the Association. The President shall appoint the Executive Director upon approval by the Board of Directors. The CEO shall be a salaried staff head, appointed by and directly responsible to the Board of Directors. The President is responsible for seeing that all Association objectives are carried out from initial planning to completion.

The President is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Board and assumes the term of office after serving as a board member. Once elected the President shall hold office for one (1) two (2) year term and can be elected to one successive term. Once a successor is duly elected or appointed to the position, the previous President will assume the Board of Directors position of Past President.

In the absence of the President or in the event of an inability to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President. In the absence of the Vice President, the Treasurer then the

Secretary shall perform the duties of the President. When so acting, any officer shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President.

Section 3 - **Vice President:** The Vice President shall serve as a member of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors. The Vice President shall perform other duties as may be assigned by the President or by the Board of Directors.

Once elected the Vice President shall hold office for one (1) two (2) year term and can be elected to one successive term.

Section 4 - **Secretary:** The Secretary is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for all administrative logistics of the Association, record minutes of membership meetings, and ensure that accurate records are maintained at the appropriate location(s) and such other duties as are prescribed by the Board of Directors or the President. The secretary may delegate to the CEO any or all of his/her duties and powers provided such delegation is made in writing and approved by the Board of Directors, and provided further that such delegation may be revoked at any time by the Secretary or a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Once elected the Secretary shall hold office for one (1) two (2) year term and can be elected to one successive term.

Section 5 - **Treasurer:** The Treasurer is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Board. The Treasurer is responsible for overseeing all funds and securities of the Association. He/she makes periodic reports to the Board of Directors and is responsible for any audit of the Association. Once elected the Treasurer shall hold office for one (1) two (2) year term and can be elected to one successive term.

Section 6 - **Immediate Past President:** The Immediate Past President of NMEDA will continue to serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors and will serve as an advisor to the current President and the Executive Board. He/she will also be asked to participate in Executive Board Meetings and other Executive Board activities as determined by the Executive Board and/or the Board of Directors. The Immediate Past President will also serve as a member of the Nominations Committee.

Section 7 - **Regional Representatives:** The nation is divided into five (5) regions: Northern, Southern, Mid-West, Western and Canada. Each region will have one (1) representative elected by its respective voting members. Representatives will assist with all Association functions and meetings in their region and assist members. The Representative will also be responsible for a regional report from their region to be published in each quarterly publication of the "Circuit Breaker".

Section 8 - **CEO:** The CEO shall be a salaried staff head, appointed by and directly responsible to the Board of Directors. The salary of the CEO will be determined by and evaluated annually by the Executive Board. The CEO shall employ staff members necessary to carry on the work of the Association within the staffing levels and associated salary ranges for each position. The CEO will have the authority to terminate the employment of such staff. The CEO has no vote in NMEDA Business.

## ARTICLE VII - COMMITTEES

The committees of the Association shall be Standing Committees and Special Committees.

Section 1 - **Standing Committees:** The Standing Committees of the Association shall be Executive Board, Education and Training, Finance, Quality Assurance Program, Mediation, Industry and Public Relations, Nominating Committee, Bylaws, Conference, and Guidelines. These committees shall have a minimum of three (3) members including the Chairperson.

Standing committees are to perform continuing functions and remain in existence for the life of the assembly within the association that establishes them. The Board of Directors may choose to grant limited provisions as parameters for the committee to carry out its recommendations and the Board of Directors has final approval over all committees.

Standing committees may not enter into any outside agreement nor obligate the Association financially or otherwise without prior written approval from the Board of Directors.

The President will appoint a Board Representative to the Standing Committees, upon approval of the Board of Directors, (with the exception of the Nominating Committee) within thirty (30) days of the Annual Conference. The Board Representative will choose a Committee Chairperson.

Section 2 - **The Executive Board** shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President and the CEO.

The Executive Board shall exercise, in the intervals between meetings of the Board of Directors, all the powers of the Board that may lawfully be delegated in the management of the affairs of the Association or such lesser powers as may be specified by vote of the directors. It shall meet at the call of the Chairperson or at the request of the majority of the Executive Board. A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum. All actions by the Executive Board shall be subject to review by the Board of Directors, and the Executive Board shall report all its actions to the Board.

**The Executive Board shall elect the Nominating Committee Chairperson. Note:** The sitting President shall not participate in any activities of the Nominating Committee.

The Executive Board shall have other duties and powers as the Board of Directors may delegate to it.

Section 3 - **The Finance Committee**, under the direction of the Treasurer, shall prepare an annual budget and present it to the Board of Directors for the Board's consideration at their fall meeting. A final budget will be approved by December 31 for the upcoming calendar year. The budget, upon adoption, shall be the control of expenditures of the Association's funds. Any expenditures in excess of the amounts budgeted, or any contemplated expenditure not budgeted, must be submitted as a supplement to the budget and be approved by the Executive Board before the expenditure is made. Such expenditures must be reported to the Board of Directors at its next meeting. The Finance Committee shall follow up with an Annual Report no later than November 1.

Section 4 - **Education and Training** shall provide education and training for our dealers and other industry stakeholders to enhance professionalism, innovation, and business proficiency.\*

Section 5 - **Quality Assurance Program Committee** will refine and enhance the Quality Assurance Program (QAP) such that it is recognized as the industry standard for quality. \*\*

Section 6 - **Mediation** is to provide a professional forum for fair and equitable resolution of all disputes and complaints brought forth by industry stakeholders.

Section 7 - **Industry and Public Relations** will continually increase the awareness and recognition of the mobility industry and the value its dealers bring to all stakeholders. \*\*\*

Section 8 - **Nominating Committee** is responsible for recruiting qualified candidates to run for the Officer and Board of Director Positions that are open for election during the current calendar year. They will create a slate of candidates with biographic information, photo (when available) and a personal goal statement from each candidate. A copy of the election packet including an absentee ballot and voting instructions will be sent to the Board of Directors prior to the general membership mailing. The election packet will be mailed to the general membership not later than the last business day of November.

Section 9 - **Bylaws Committee** shall consist of the chairperson and at least four (4) additional members, one (1) of whom shall have been on a previous Bylaws Committee. The committee shall review the Bylaws annually and present proposed amendments in accordance with ARTICLE IX. The chairperson shall inform the Executive Board of any proposed amendments. The Board of Directors will return any proposed changes, either initiated by the general membership or by the Board of Directors, to the Bylaws Committee prior to voting on such proposed changes for clarification, definition or direction as may be deemed necessary by the Bylaws Committee. The final version of the proposed changes will then be submitted to the Board for their final approval and then mailed to the general membership.

Section 10-**Conference Committee** is responsible for developing education programs or seminars sponsored by the Association and for advising the Association as to which new programs or seminars would be most beneficial to the members. Other tasks may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

Section 11-**Guidelines Committee** is responsible for any changes, additions or corrections, to the Guidelines. The committee will accept any recommended changes to the guidelines that are submitted no later than November 1. Upon review the committee will submit said proposed changes to the Board of Directors to review at the November Board meeting. After changes are accepted by the Board, the proposed changes will be mailed to the general membership no later than November 30 to allow members to review recommended changes at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting the following year.

**Resolution:** The Bylaws committee is authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross-references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the intent of the Association in connection with the Bylaws amendments that are adopted by the membership.

\* Note: Replaces activities previously conducted by, but not limited to Service School and Curriculum Design.

\*\* Note: Replaces activities previously conducted by, but not limited to Guidelines, QAP and QAP Compliance.

\*\*\* Note: Replaces activities previously undertaken by Interagency, Marketing Research/Public Relation, and Dealer Manufacturer.

#### Section 10 - **SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

Special Committees will be called Ad Hoc Committees and are to be appointed by the President as the need arises to carry out a specific task. All special committees will automatically cease to exist upon completion of their specified task(s) and the presentation of the final report of the committee to the President.

### **ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS – QUORUM**

There must be a quorum at all meetings in order that business can be legally transacted. A MAJORITY VOTE in the affirmative is required at all meetings for approval of an action, except as provided for in Article IX – Amendments of the Bylaws.

**At the Annual Conference Business Meeting** – a quorum is a minimum of 50% plus one (1) of the number of eligible voting delegates registered at the conference.

There must be a quorum of 25% of the members eligible to vote and require a 75% in the affirmative to approve a change to the NMEDA bylaws.

**At Committee Meetings AND Board of Director Meetings** – 3/4ths of the committee/Board members must attend to make a quorum.

#### Section 1 - **Annual Conference**

At the Annual Conference of the Association, there will be the installation of the newly elected Board of Directors, and transaction of other business.

A notice will be sent to the last recorded address of each member at least thirty days (30) before the meeting. The notice will include time, place and business matters to be considered.

#### Section 2 - **Special Meetings**

A Special Meeting of the Association may be called by the President or the Board of Directors, or shall be called by the President upon the written request of at least twenty-five (25) members of the Association. A notice will be sent to the last recorded address of each member of the association thirty days (30) before the meeting. The notice will include time, place and business matters to be considered.

### **ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS OF THE BYLAWS**

Suggested amendments or alterations to the Bylaws may be initiated by the Board of Directors or by a member of the general membership.

Proposed amendments to the NMEDA Bylaws must be submitted in writing to the Bylaws Committee Chairperson for consideration prior to September 15. Proposals of the Bylaws Committee shall be mailed to each member a minimum of thirty days (30) prior to the vote. Ballots will be mailed November 30 and returned with a postmark dated no later than December 31. Adoption of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws will be via US Mail and/or electronic means (other than telephone). *There must be a Quorum of 25% of the members eligible to vote and require a 75% vote in the affirmative to approve a change to the NMEDA Bylaws.*

## **ARTICLE X - PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The Association shall keep at the principal office of the Association complete and correct records and books of account, and shall keep minutes of the proceeding of the meetings of the Board of Directors, as well as a list or record containing the names and addresses of all members.

## **ARTICLE XI - FISCAL YEAR**

The Board of Directors subject to applicable law shall fix the fiscal year of the Association.

## **ARTICLE XII – INDEMNITY**

Section 1 - Any person made a part to any action, suit or proceeding, by reason of fact that he/she, his/her testator or in testate representative is or was a director, officer or employee of the Association, or of any Association in which he/she served as such at the request of the Association, shall be indemnified by the Association against the reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees, actually and necessarily incurred by him/her in connection with the defense of such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appeal therein, except in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding, or in connection with any appeal therein that such director, officer or employee is liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of his/her duties.

Section 2 - The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which any director, officer or employee may be entitled apart from the provisions of this section.

Section 3 - The amount of indemnity to which any director, officer or employee may be entitled shall be fixed by the Board, except that in any case where there is no disinterested majority of the Board available, the amount shall be fixed by arbitration pursuant to the then existing rules of the American Arbitration Association.

## **ARTICLE XIII - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are consistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order the Association may adopt and any statutes applicable to this Association.

## **ARTICLE XIV - DISSOLUTION**

The Association will be dissolved in accordance with the procedures required by the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act.

**National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association  
BYLAWS AMENDMENT RECOMMENDATION  
MUST be submitted with postmark BEFORE September 15.**

**The current Bylaw reads as follows:**

You must include the Article Number, Title and Section Number.

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**My proposed amendment is:**

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**Rationale (reason) for this amendment:**

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Company Name \_\_\_\_\_ My Name \_\_\_\_\_

I may be contacted at \_\_\_\_\_  
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\*\* You will only be contacted by the Bylaws Chairperson if the committee needs clarification of your amendment proposal.

**\*\* This form must be postmarked and returned on or BEFORE September 15.**

Complete this form and mail it to **NMEDA Headquarters** – Bylaws Committee Chairperson,  
3327 W. Bears Avenue, Tampa, FL 33618 **OR** FAX: (813) 962-8970

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