

Bylaws of the
Alaska Chapter
Earthquake Engineering Research Institute

1. The name of the organization shall be the Alaska Chapter of the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, hereafter called the Alaska Chapter.
2. The purpose of the Alaska Chapter shall be to promote the objectives of the EERI by serving the public and the members of the EERI within the area of the Chapter.
3. The territory of the Alaska Chapter shall be the State of Alaska.
4. The membership of the Alaska Chapter shall consist of the members of EERI who also pay the dues of the Alaska Chapter, hereafter called members.
5. The government of the Alaska Chapter shall be vested in the Board of Directors, which will consist of four members and three officers.
6. The officers of the Alaska Chapter shall be a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary-Treasurer.
7. The term of officers shall be two years. The term of the other four members of the Board of Directors shall be four years, which will be so arranged that every two years, the term of only two of those four members expires.
8. The Board of Directors will hold elections by ballots every two years in the month of November or December to elect the Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and two members of the Board of Directors. The outgoing Vice-President will automatically become the new President. Any vacancy caused during the mid-term of a member of the Board of Directors or an officer shall be filled by the decision of the remaining officers and members of the Board of Directors, for the remainder of the vacancy. Unless otherwise decided by the Board of Directors on the basis of unusual circumstances, any officer or member of the Board shall not be elected for two consecutive terms.
9. The Board of Directors shall set the dues for the Alaska Chapter and shall have the power to take any necessary actions for raising additional money to support the Alaska Chapter activities. Unless specifically agreed with the EERI Board of Directors, no action of the Alaska Chapter shall financially obligate the EERI.
10. The Board of Directors shall hold meetings of the Board as often as it is deemed necessary but not less than once a year. The Board of Directors shall formulate activity and budgetary policies and guidelines, within which the officers shall be responsible for carrying out the operation of the Alaska Chapter. The President,

in consensus with other officers, may appoint committees to carry out specific tasks undertaken by the Alaska Chapter.

11. Actual disbursement of the funds of the Alaska Chapter must be approved by at least one officer and one other member of the Board of Directors, who may be another officer.
12. The Alaska Chapter shall not speak for EERI, nor issue policy statements on matters outside of its geographic area, without the advance approval of the Board of Directors of the EERI.
13. An amendment to the bylaws may be proposed by the Board of Directors or by ten members of the Alaska Chapter. It will be presented to members of the Alaska Chapter by mail. For the purpose of this article, a voting member shall be any member who votes with the letter ballot within the specified time limit. The amendment shall become effective when it is approved by either: (i) two-thirds of the voting members, or (ii) more than half of the voting members and more than half of the members of the Board of Directors.
14. The fiscal and activity year of the Alaska Chapter shall be the regular calendar year (January 1 to December 31).

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