

Essential Rules, Terms, and Guidelines for PTC Leadership Elections

The rules, terms, and guidelines for the PTC leadership elections — Board of Governors (BG) [every year] — are part of the PTC Bylaws. The procedures for the elections, including nominations and polling, are established by the Succession Planning Committee (SPC), an independent committee of the AC. The SPC maintains the interpretation of the Bylaws and ensures procedures for the elections follow both the letter and spirit intended.

Below are the essential rules, terms, and guidelines for the BG and AC elections.*

Board of Governors (BG)
→ The BG consists of up to 14 elected members, each to three-year terms. → Members are divided into three (3) classes resulting in terms that are staggered such that approximately one-third of the Board is elected at each annual election cycle. → BG members are limited to three (3) consecutive three-year terms for a total of nine (9) consecutive years. Additional terms are possible after being off the BG for at least one (1) year. → The BG is made up of a minimum of four (4) Governors from the Asia-Pacific region and ten (10) Governors from the rest of the world. • The Asia-Pacific category includes these regions: East Asia, Southeast Asia, South Asia, Oceania and the Pacific Islands, Non-contiguous United States & Other U.S. Pacific Territories. → The ballot is set such that no more than the “available” seats can be selected in each category, and the overall number of votes to be cast is limited to the total seats available in that year’s election cycle.

*This document is only a summary of the main rules and guidelines. Additional provisions apply (please see Article V for the BG and Article VI for the AC) as described in the PTC Bylaws [available for download](#) from the PTC website (PTC.ORG).