

**Society for Range Management
Election Committee
Handbook**

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I. Introduction

The Election Committee of the Society for Range Management is responsible for counting ballots for Society elective office, specifically candidates for Board of Directors and Second Vice President, and certify the results of the election. In addition, the Election Committee counts votes for by-laws changes and other matters put to vote by the Board of Directors, and certifies their results.

II. Structure of the Committee

The Election Committee consists of Society members living close enough to the Headquarters Office to enable them to participate in the Committee's tasks. Since the advent of electronic voting by SRM, the need for a large committee has been eliminated. Four or five members can easily conduct the Committee's assigned business, although other SRM members are always welcome to attend. Committee members serve unspecified, open terms.

III. Schedule and Timing for Committee Action

The Election Committee meets yearly in the SRM Headquarters Office after the deadline for receiving ballots for elective office has passed. The exact date is set by the Chair after collaborating with the Headquarters Office and soliciting dates from Committee members.

The Election Committee also meets on an as-needed basis to count votes and certify their outcome for any other elections conducted by SRM.

IV. Other Committee Activities

When Election Committee members see ways that the Society's voting process can be improved or the Committee can operate more efficiently, the Chair will advise its Board of Directors representative.