

**New Mexico Environmental Health Association
By-Laws**

2011 Revision

**ARTICLE I
Membership and Dues**

Section 1 - Any professional person employed in the field of environmental health or related environmental field may, upon payment of the dues hereinafter prescribed in the by-laws, become an Active member.

Section 2 - Any person who is interested in the environmental health field and this organization may, upon payment of dues hereinafter prescribed in the by-laws, become an Associate member. Students are included in the Associate member category.

Section 3 - Retired membership may be awarded to any Active member upon retirement. Retired members may subsequently remain in Retired (no dues) status, or choose Associate or Active membership status. Retired members may vote only if they maintain Active status. Retired members who return to work in the environmental health field must become Active members.

Section 4 - Honorary membership may be conferred upon any person for distinguished achievement in the environmental field by a simple majority vote of the Executive Board members, provided that a quorum voted.

Section 5 - The organization must maintain a minimum of 15 members. If the number of members falls below 15, the NEHA Board of Directors will make a determination on the future status of the Affiliate.

Section 6 - The dues of an Associate member shall be one-half (1/2) that of the Active Member per calendar year. No dues shall be charged for the Retired and Honorary members. The Active membership dues shall be determined by a quorum vote of the Executive Board. Special fees may be assessed as approved by a vote of a simple majority of the Active members voting at the annual business meeting, provided that a quorum voted.

**ARTICLE II
Election and Duties of Officers and Executive Board**

Section 1 - Election of officers shall be by written ballot or electronic ballot and submitted to the Secretary. A ballot approved by the Executive Board shall be sent to each voting member at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. To be elected, a nominee must receive a simple majority of the Active members voting. In the event of a tie, an immediate runoff election shall be held between the nominees at the annual meeting. The winner will be the individual with the most votes of the Active members present at the annual meeting. If a vacancy occurs in the office of President during the year, the President-elect shall become President and shall perform the duties of both

