



FIRE BRIGADES UNION

CONFERENCE 2026

**PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO
CONFERENCE STANDING ORDERS**

Standing Order Number 3

Delete current Conference Standing Order number 3 and replace with:

The Standing Orders Committee shall issue a preliminary agenda containing the resolutions received from the Brigade/National Sectional Committees which have been accepted for inclusion by the Standing Orders Committee acting in accordance with Standing Order No. 5 not later than six weeks before Conference is about to be held. Policy statements from the Executive Council shall also be issued not later than six weeks before conference is about to be held. A Brigade/National Sectional Committee shall have the opportunity to submit amendments to Executive Council Policy Statements prior to Conference.

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Standing Order Number 4

Delete current Conference Standing Order number 4 and replace with:

The Standing Orders Committee shall issue to the Secretary of each Brigade/National Sectional Committee and delegates a Final Agenda containing all motions and amendments, together with amendments to rules, accepted for inclusion by the Standing Orders Committee in accordance with Standing Order No. 5. These documents, together with delegates' names shall be issued not less than 14 days before Conference is due to commence. Any resolution and amendment to rule which has been rejected by the Standing Orders Committee shall be circulated to each Brigade and National Sectional delegation, prior to Conference, with the Standing Orders Committee's reason for rejection. There is a facility to allow resolutions and amendments to rule which have been rejected to be amended in a timely manner for reconsideration by the Standing Orders Committee.

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Standing Order Number 7

Delete current Conference Standing Order number 7 and replace with:

Brigade/National Sectional Committees shall not be allowed to submit more than three resolutions, except where membership exceeds 1500 members. A Brigade/National Sectional Committee which exceeds 1500 members shall be allowed one resolution per 500 members or part thereof. The Executive Council shall not be allowed to submit more than three Policy Statements.

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Standing Order Number 7

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Brigade/National Sectional Committees shall not be allowed to submit more than three resolutions, except where membership exceeds 1500 members. A Brigade/National Sectional Committee which exceeds 1500 members shall be allowed one resolution per 500 members or part thereof. The Executive Council shall not be allowed to submit more than three resolutions/Executive Council policy statements.

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Standing Order Number 8

Delete current Conference Standing Order number 8 and replace with:

8. Notwithstanding the provision of the above rule, the Executive Council or any Brigade/National Sectional Committee shall, subject to the approval of the Standing Orders Committee, be permitted to submit emergency resolutions for the consideration of the delegates' to Conference. Any emergency resolution that would cause a resolution included in the final agenda to fall will be ruled out of order. Where a resolution included in the final agenda is withdrawn by the proposing Brigade/National Sectional Committee, the emergency resolution would, subject to the approval of the Standing Orders Committee, be permitted.

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Standing Order Number 22

Delete current Conference Standing Order number 22 and replace with:

The mover of the resolution shall be allowed seven minutes, the seconder five minutes and any or each subsequent speaker, three minutes. The mover of an amendment shall be allowed five minutes and the seconder three minutes. No person shall speak more than once on a question, except the mover of the original resolution, who alone shall have the right to reply. Should the proposed mover of a composite resolution through no fault of his/her/their own, be absent from the Conference Hall when he/she/they is called, any other delegate representing a Brigade/National Sectional Committee or Chair or Secretary of the National Equalities sections involved in the composite shall be allowed to move the resolution.

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