

**ARTICLE I — NAME**

The name of this organization shall be Florida Alpha Delta Kappa of Alpha Delta Kappa, hereinafter referred to as Florida Alpha Delta Kappa. The first chapter of Florida Alpha Delta Kappa was chartered on Feb 8, 1953, in Pensacola, Florida.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

The purpose of Florida Alpha Delta Kappa shall be to promote the purposes set forth in ARTICLE II of the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa*.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

Refer to ARTICLE III in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on membership, transfer, resignation, reinstatement, termination, Omega Chapter, and dues, fees and assessments. See also Florida Policies and Procedures Manual on dues, fees and assessments.

ARTICLE IV — CHAPTER ORGANIZATION

Refer to ARTICLE IV in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on chapter organization.

ARTICLE V — SUSPENDING AND REVOKING OF CHARTERS

Refer to ARTICLE V in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on suspending and revoking of charters.

ARTICLE VI — INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD and REGIONAL COUNCIL

Refer to ARTICLE VI in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on the International Executive Board and Regional Council.

ARTICLE VII — OFFICERS

Refer to ARTICLE VII, Section 2, a. Eligibility (4) in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on state co-officers. See also Florida Policies and Procedures Manual.

Elected officers of Florida Alpha Delta Kappa shall be president, president-elect, immediate past president, vice president for membership, secretary, treasurer, historian, chaplain, and sergeant-at-arms.



Section 1. Election

- a. The elected candidate qualifications committee shall present to the convention a slate of candidates whose eligibility requirements have been met.
- b. In the event a candidate cannot attend the convention at which officer elections are to be held a two-thirds (2/3) vote will be required to add her name to the ballot. If elected, that officer's name will be read in the officer installation ceremony.
- c. In the event the candidate qualifications committee presents an incomplete slate of candidates, a member without eligibility willing to be nominated for a vacant office may be accepted by the following process:
 - 1) The delegates will vote, by ballot, to accept the nomination of the candidate by a two-thirds (2/3) vote. If adopted, the name of the candidate will be added to the slate of candidates.
 - 2) Previous notice shall be provided.
- d. Election of state officers shall be by ballot and a majority of the delegates registered and voting shall elect. If the slate of candidates has only one member nominated for each office, the state president declares the election effective by unanimous consent or acclamation.
- e. In the event the first ballot fails to give a majority vote to one (1) candidate for any office, the second ballot shall contain the names of the two (2) candidates receiving the highest number of votes on the first ballot.

ARTICLE VIII — COMMITTEES

Refer to ARTICLE VIII, Section 2 in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on state committees. See also Florida Policies and Procedures Manual.

The following shall be designated as state committees: Alpha Delta Kappa Month, altruistic, budget, bylaws, candidate qualifications, fraternity education, membership and Florida has established these additional standing committees: Alpha Delta Kappa Collegiate Club, courtesy/disaster relief, excellence in education, Florida Alpha Delta Kappa scholarship house, honoris causa, leadership seminar arrangements, music, past state presidents' scholarship, policies, state convention, technology, ways and means and world understanding.



Section 1. Committees and their chairs, except the candidate qualifications committee, which is elected by the executive board, shall be appointed by the state president following each state convention in even-numbered years or when the committee is authorized by the executive board.

Section 2. Duties of committees shall be as listed in the Florida Policies and Procedures Manual.

ARTICLE IX — INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Refer to ARTICLE IX in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on International convention.

ARTICLE X — INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS

Refer to ARTICLE X in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on the International Council of Presidents.

ARTICLE XI — REGIONS, REGIONAL LEADERSHIP AND REGIONAL CONFERENCES

Refer to ARTICLE XI in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on regions and regional conferences. Florida is in the Gulf Region, one of the seven regions in Alpha Delta Kappa.

ARTICLE XII — STATE CONVENTION

Refer to ARTICLE XII in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on the state convention. See also Florida Alpha Delta Kappa Policies and Procedures Manual.

Section 1. Official delegates to the state convention shall be each chapter delegate and at-large delegates consisting of each elected state officer, each past state president, and each state committee chairman.

Section 2. Each delegate has only one vote.

Section 3. Chapter delegates

- a. Chapter delegates to the state convention shall be one delegate or her alternate for each ten members and major portion thereof. One of these delegates shall be the chapter president or designee. Every chapter, with dues current, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.
- b. A chapter whose dues are in arrears shall neither be able to vote nor present a candidate for office at the state convention.
- c. A chapter, who has not officially disbanded, may be reinstated in good standing upon receipt of the delinquent dues at least thirty (30) days prior to the state convention.

Section 4. A quorum for the state convention shall be a majority of delegates registered and voting.

**ARTICLE XIII — S/P/N COUNCIL OF CHAPTER PRESIDENTS**

Refer to ARTICLE XIII in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on the state council of chapter presidents. See also: Officer and Committee Manual in the Handbook of Alpha Delta Kappa and Florida Alpha Delta Kappa Policies and Procedures Manual.

The council shall meet in conjunction with the state convention in even-numbered years and may meet at a leadership seminar for members and committees.

ARTICLE XIV — DISTRICTS

Refer to ARTICLE XIV in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa*, for information on districts.

Section 1. Seven districts have been established by the Florida executive board to provide a strong, vital link between the chapters and the state. At the discretion of the state executive board, a number of chapters in a geographically convenient area shall be grouped together to form a district. The geographical boundaries may be changed by the action of the executive board. The purpose of the districts shall be to develop closer association of members through participation in fraternal education.

- a. District meeting schedules shall be established in conference with and approved by the state executive board. Leadership training workshops held after regional conference may be included in these schedules.
- b. Each district shall elect a chair, chair-elect, secretary, and any other officers deemed necessary.

Section 2. District chairs shall closely coordinate the work of their district and shall be directly responsible to the state president. District chairs shall meet at the state leadership seminar for members and committees to implement coordination between the state and districts.

ARTICLE XV — CITY/AREA COUNCILS OF CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Refer to ARTICLE XV in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on city/area councils of chapter presidents. See also Florida Alpha Delta Kappa Policies and Procedures Manual.

**ARTICLE XVI — CHAPTER MEETINGS**

Refer to ARTICLE XVI in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on chapter meetings.

ARTICLE XVII — S/P/N AND CHAPTER BYLAWS

Refer to ARTICLE XVII in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on state and chapter bylaws. See also Florida Policies and Procedures Manual.

Section 1. Florida Alpha Delta Kappa shall adopt bylaws and/or policies and procedures manual, which must be in compliance with the *Constitution of Alpha Delta Kappa* and *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa*. Each biennium, the state bylaws chair shall send for certification, a current copy of the state bylaws or the official policy statement, from the Florida Policies and Procedures Manual, that satisfies the requirement of the Internal Revenue Service for states of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, to the International Bylaws Committee Chair by October 15 of even-numbered years.

Section 2. The chapters shall adopt bylaws and/or policies and procedures manual, which must be in compliance with the *Constitution of Alpha Delta Kappa*, *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* and the Florida Bylaws and/or the Florida Policies and Procedures Manual. Each biennium, the chapter bylaws chair shall send, for certification, a current copy of the chapter bylaws or the official policy statement, from the chapter policies and procedures manual, that satisfies the requirement of the Internal Revenue Service for states of the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, to the state bylaws committee chair by March 15 of odd- numbered years.

ARTICLE XVIII — PUBLICATIONS

Refer to ARTICLE XVIII in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on publications.

Section 1. Florida Alpha Delta Kappa publications include the state directory, The Florida Alpha Delta Kappa Policies and Procedures Manual, timelines for chapter officers, district guidelines, and the president's newsletters.

Section 2. The publications shall be distributed as listed in the Florida Policies and Procedures Manual.



ARTICLE XIX — PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Refer to ARTICLE XIX in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* for information on parliamentary authority.

ARTICLE XX — AMENDING OF BYLAWS

Refer to ARTICLE XX in the current *Bylaws of Alpha Delta Kappa* and the Florida Policies and Procedures Manual for information on amending the bylaws.

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the official delegates present and voting at any regular state convention provided that:

- a. the proposed amendments shall have been proposed by the Florida executive board, the state bylaws committee or by a chapter.
- b. a copy of the proposed amendments shall have been sent to all chapters at least thirty (30) and not more than ninety (90) days prior to the state convention.

Section 2. Unless otherwise provided prior to its adoption or in the motion to adopt, an amendment to these bylaws shall become the law of Florida Alpha Delta Kappa at the close of the state convention at which it shall have been adopted.

Article XXI – DISSOLUTION OF THE ORGANIZATION

The Internal Revenue Service requires upon the dissolution of the corporation's states, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any chapters within, the assets of the state or chapter(s) having assets which remain after payment of its obligations has been made or provided for, and after return, transfer, or conveyance of assets held upon condition requiring such return, transfer, or conveyance, shall be transferred to one or more nonprofit organizations whose purposes are substantially similar to those for which the corporation is organized and which at the time of such distribution are described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Code and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code.