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Clause 1.**Legal Context.****1. THE 1991 CONSTITUTION OF SIERRA LEONE (Act No. 6 of 1991)**

The Rules and Regulation herein are for the conduct of Executive Elections of the Liberation People's Party (LPP). These rules are in conformity with Section 35 Subsection 1 and 2 of the 1991 Constitution of Sierra Leone (Act No. 6 of 1991) as follows:

Section 35 (1)

"Subject to the provisions of this section, political parties may be established to participate in shaping the political will of the people. To disseminate information on political ideas, and social and economic programmes of a national character, and to sponsor candidates for Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Government elections."

Section 35 (2)

"The internal organization of a political party shall conform to democratic principles, and its aims, objectives, purposes and programmes shall not contravene, or be inconsistent with, any provisions of this constitution"

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE LIBERATION PEOPLE'S PARTY PUBLISHED IN THE SIERRA LEONE GAZETTE.

The LPP Constitution of 2025 embodies the following relevant provisions in terms of the functions of the Regional, District and Constituency Party organization:

Article 19 (C). The Executive Council of each Ward shall be elected every three (3) years by the registered members of the Party in the Ward

Article 19 (2) (2A). Members of the Constituency Executive Council shall be elected every three (3) years by the registered members in their Constituency.

Article 19 (3) (C). The members of the District Executive Council shall be elected every three (3) years by all Constituency Executive Council members within the District

Article 19 (4C). The election of District Executive Council Officers will also be conducted via secret ballot, with voting determined by either a simple majority or consensus.

Article 19 (5) (Ci). The members of the Regional Executive Council will be elected every three (3) years during the Party's Regional Conference by all District Executive Council members within the Region.

CLAUSE 2.

In line with all the constitutional provisions in the LPP Constitution 2025, the Rules and Regulations hereby submitted for resolution of the National Executive Council (NEC) for the enactment of the following basic Rules and Regulations to govern the supervision, conduct and approval of elections for all executive positions of the Party, starting from the Ward Executive Council, Constituency Executive Council, District Executive Council, National Executive Council, Regional/Diaspora, National Young Generation Council Executive, National Women's Council Executive and National Officers of the Liberation People's Party (LPP).

1. All sections for the purposes of the administration of the LPP shall correspond to the established sections within the chieftom administration in the provinces and approved by the Ministry of Local Government/
2. In urban centres, the party shall create wards for its effective administration. The number of wards created shall vary from constituency to constituency, but no urban constituency shall have less than ten Wards and more than 25 zones.
3. The creation or recreation of zones of any urban municipalities shall be done by the constituency executive under the supervision of the District Chairman with approval

of the Regional Chairman. The recreation or creation of any zone shall be done in consultation with the existing zonal executives with the corroboration of the Party Membership in the constituency.

4. All party members eligible for voting in these elections, shall have valid party membership cards. All list of eligible voters at these elections shall be signed and validated by the Constituency, District and Regional Chairmen and Secretaries.
5. Before conducting any election of the Party, and in order to ensure the validity of that election, the person conducting the elections shall first verify the identity and eligibility of the voter, candidates, nominators and seconders. To be eligible, the person must produce an evidence of a valid membership identification card and receipt of payment of membership dues to the returning officer.
6. Before a Ward/Constituency/District/ Women's Council/ Young Generation Council/ regional election is conducted, the list of voters/ delegates shall be prepared and published and circulated for period of not less than five (5) days prior to the date fixed for such election. All aspirants shall have access to the voter/delegate list without any let of hindrance.
7. Each and every voter/delegate shall be entitled to one vote only provided he or she is a fully paid-up member of the party for not less than one year
8. All voting shall be by secret ballot.
9. The winner of any election shall be determined by a simple majority.
10. Except otherwise specified by the National Executive Council (NEC) of the Party, the date and venue for every executive elections of the party shall be published/ displayed publicly by the executive concerned as stipulated in the Rules and Regulations for that election and shall be communicated to the National Chairman through the Regional Chairman and National Secretary General. The information of such date and venue shall be deemed published if sent by WhatsApp, SMS, Emails and any other form of electronic media not later than 5 days prior to the date of elections.
11. Where the situation so demands, the venue or date shall be changed for an election, such change shall be communicated within 48 hours prior to the new date and venue fixed for the elections.
12. An attendance list of all voters/delegates shall be kept for every election. A voter/ delegates shall sign the attendance list upon arrival at the voting place before he or she shall be allowed to vote at that election.
13. The delegates list for Regional election to be valid, it shall be authenticated by the signature of the National Chairman and National Secretary General and duly published not later than five days prior to the date of the elections, for the election of the Women and Young Wing, a valid delegates list must be authenticated by the National Chairman and National Secretary General of the Party.
14. There shall be no voting by proxy. Impersonation is a criminal offence and all those found culpable shall be criminally prosecuted.
15. Nominations for the candidate for a vacant position shall be done where the elections take place. Every nomination shall be made on a Nomination form provided for that purpose by a nominator and seconded as a seconder.
16. The candidate nominated shall be a validly registered and a fully paid-up member of the party as stipulated in these rules and regulations for that elections.

17. Results of any election shall be duly entered into a Result sheet prepared for that purpose and signed by the returning officer and initialled by all the contestants. The refusal of one candidate to initial the results sheet shall not invalidate the results of the elections.
18. Ballot papers to be used for an election shall be signed by the returning officer in the presence of all contestants, the absence or refusal of a contestant to be present for that purpose shall not invalidate the elections result.
19. Before any election, all contestants shall sign a declaration expressing their satisfaction with the preparation and such declaration shall be deemed to be an evidence of their acceptance of the process.
20. The failure of a contestant to sign the declaration shall not invalidate the outcome of the election and the contestant shall not be allowed to participate in the election. The National Secretariat shall set up in each region a Regional Complaints Committee (RECC) whose membership shall be drawn from all the districts (One from Each District) in the region.
21. The committee shall appoint one of its members as the Chairman. This committee shall be responsible to investigate any complaints emanating from any electoral process in the Region.
22. Each complaint shall be in writing and addressed to the chairman and copies sent to the other members of RECC, Regional Chairman and the National Chairman.
23. Only complaints relating to the actual voting process shall be entertained by the RECC. The RECC shall entertain complaints from only those who participated in that particular election either as a voter or contestant provided such complaint is lodged within forty eight (48) hours after the end of the elections.
24. The RECC shall investigate all complaints validly filed and submit its report to the National Chairman within Forty-Eight Hours from the date of receipt of the complaint. The final decision shall be made by the National Secretariat. The National Secretariat shall set up a Diaspora Regional Elections Complaint Committee (DIRECC).
25. Its membership shall be drawn from all the Branches/Chapters in the Diaspora Region (One from Each Chapter/Branch), the committee so set up by the National Secretariat shall elect it own chairman.
26. The DIRECC shall perform the same functions stipulated in these rules and regulations for the RECC.
27. All results for Constituencies and Districts elections shall be endorsed by the Regional Convention and submitted to the National Chairman through the National Secretary General.
28. All results so endorsed by the Regional Convention and the Regional Elections results, the Women, and Young Generation Cou shall be submitted to the National Secretariat for presentation at NEC for ratification.
29. All results so endorsed by NEC shall be immediately published by the National Secretary General and Circulated to all the Regions, Districts, Chapters, Branches and Constituencies.
30. All negative campaigns in the public (including radio, newspapers, social media and any other media outlet) by candidates against each other or by their supporters is strictly prohibited.
31. Such campaigning constitutes a violation of these rules and regulations.

32. All aspirants and any unauthorized persons shall refrain from unduly interfering with the conduct of any elections. Any undue direct or indirect interference by the category of persons aforementioned that disrupts the process of an election shall be dealt with by the disciplinary committee of the party.
33. These Rules and Regulations shall apply to the conduct of elections for all executive positions in the LPP in Sierra Leone and the Diaspora. It shall also apply for the conduct of elections for all student bodies and other organizations and associations affiliated to the party.

CLAUSE 3.

1. WARD/SECTIONAL EXECUTIVE.

As a general rule, after meeting the criteria set out in the LPP constitution of 2025, the following elections shall be conducted as follows:

- a. Ward/Sectional Executive shall be chosen by consensus under the direct supervision of the Constituency Executive.
- b. For constituencies with multiple chiefdoms, the consensus process in choosing a Ward/Sectional Executive shall be done by the Chiefdom Executive and approved by the Constituency Executive.
- c. The Chiefdom Executive shall be chosen by consensus under the direct supervision of the Constituency Executive.
- d. This consensus shall be done in a manner fairly representative of the local community and it shall be endorsed by the constituency chairman.
- e. If for any valid reason, a consensus is not forthcoming, elections shall be held under the direct supervision of the Constituency Executive. In any of such cases, the results shall be signed by the returning officer and endorsed by the constituency chairman and sent to the District Executive for submission to the National Chairman through the Regional Chairman and National Secretary General for final endorsement and documentation.
- f. For the purposes of elections, the Chiefdom Executive shall conduct ward/sectional elections in all multiple chiefdom constituencies. the constituency executive shall conduct all chiefdom Executive Elections, and for constituencies that have extra wards, the Constituency Chairman shall conduct the elections for those sections.
- g. Eligibility to contest in an election at the Ward/Sectional level shall be in line with the provisions of Article 19(1) of the LPP 2025 Constitution and any other provisions as provided by these Rules and Regulations.

2. CHIEFDOM EXECUTIVE.

Sectional Executives.

- a. Ward Executives (in the case of constituencies in the urban areas such as Freetown, Bo, Kenema, Port Loko, Makeni, Koidu and Bonthe urban).

- b. There shall not be more than ten (10) executives per section or ward who are eligible to be voters.
- c. This shall be based on the provisions of the LPP constitution and any other provisions as provided by these Rules and Regulations.

3. CONSTITUENCY EXECUTIVE.

The delegates spread for constituency elections shall be in line with the provisions of the LPP 2025 Constitution.

4. DISTRICT EXECUTIVE.

The Delegates spread shall be in line with the provisions of the LPP 2025 Constitution.

ELIGIBILITY

- a. This shall be in line with the provisions of Article 19 (3) (C) of the LPP 2025 Constitution.
- b. Elections shall be conducted in line with the provisions of Article 19 (3) of the LPP Constitution.

5. CHAPTER/BRANCH EXECUTIVE IN THE DIASPORA.

- i. All registered and fully paid-up members of the Party in their respective Chapters/Branches shall constitute the delegates for the election of the Chapter/Branch Executive in the region.
- ii. Eligibility of executive members of the diaspora shall be only fully registered and paid up members of the Party in the Chapter/Branch shall be eligible to vote for the executive of their Chapters/Branches
- iii. All elections for the Chapter executives in the LPP shall be conducted by chapter executives and the list of elected Chapter executive shall be submitted to the Regional Chairman through the Regional Secretary General and a copy of the said list shall be submitted to the Chairman through the National Secretary General for documentation.
- iv. All elections for the Branch executive in the United Kingdom shall be conducted by the Regional Executive and the list of elected Branch Executive shall be submitted to the Regional Chairman through the Regional Secretary and a copy of the said list shall be submitted to the National Chairman through the National Secretary General for documentation.
- v. The Chapter/Branch Executive composition shall be in line with Article 19 (14) of the LPP 2025 Constitution.
- vi. The Chapter/Branch Chaplain and Imam shall be appointed by the Chapter/Branch Executive.

6. REGIONAL EXECUTIVE SIERRA LEONE.

The delegates for the Regional Executive shall be in line with Article 19 (5) of the LPP 2025 Constitution.

1 Eligibility

A candidate for any Regional Executive Council position must:

- a. Be a registered and fully paid-up member of the Party for at least two (2) consecutive years preceding the election.

- b. Be a member in good standing with no disciplinary action pending or ongoing against them
- c. Be ordinarily resident in the region for which they seek election
- d. Demonstrate a record of active participation and service within the Party

2 Additional role-specific qualifications:

- a. Candidates for Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and Auditor must have demonstrable experience in leadership, administration, or financial management.
 - b. Candidates for National Youth Leader, Deputy National Youth Leader, Regional Youth Leader and Deputy Regional Youth Leader must be aged between eighteen (18) and thirty five (35) years at the time of nomination.
 - c. Candidates for Women's Leader must self-identify as female.
3. No member shall simultaneously hold more than one elected position within the Regional Executive Council.
4. a. Nomination Process: Nominations shall open at least 21 days before the Regional Conference and close not later than 7 days before the election date.
- b. All nominations must be endorsed by at least five (5) paid-up members from different districts within the region.

7. DIASPORA REGIONAL EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS.

A. Composition

The delegates for the Diaspora Regional Executive Elections shall be:

- a. All members of the existing Diaspora Regional Executive
- b. All the executive members of the Chapter/ Branch.

B. Eligibility

Only fully paid up members of the party in the region shall be eligible to vote and contest for an election.

8. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIASPORA INDEPENDENT ELECTIONS MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (DIEMOC) FOR THE CONDUCT OF DIASPORA REGIONAL ELECTIONS.

All Regional Diaspora elections shall be conducted by the Diaspora Independent Elections Monitoring and Oversight Committee (DIEMOC) which shall comprised of the following:

- a. For the composition of the DIEMOC, each Chapter/Branch shall nominate one member who is not part of the Chapter/Branch Executive to the Regional Chairman, who shall submit the list of all the nominees to the Regional Executive for Information and Approval.

- b. The Chairman of the Diaspora Independent Elections Monitoring and Oversight Committee shall be selected from among the members so nominated by the Branch/Chapter.

9. FUNCTIONS OF THE DIASPORA INDEPENDENT ELECTIONS MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (DIEMOC).

The functions of the DIEMOC shall include the following:

1. Supervising and conducting elections of diaspora regional executive elections of the Party and any other elections referred to it by NEC.
 - a. Shall verify the identity of the delegates/voters, candidate, nominators and seconders. Such verification may take the form of a roll call of each delegates/voter by name, Branch/Chapter or organization, as appropriate, with a view to eliminating any possibility of impersonation, when a delegate's name is called from the list, he/she shall move forward to receive a duly validated ballot paper from the ballot issuer (one of the DIEMOC members designated for that purpose) who will be located in an open area visible from all sides of the venue.
 - b. It shall verify the eligibility criteria for all candidates set out in the LPP 2025 Constitution.
 - c. It shall obtain a written declaration from every candidate for the position of diaspora Regional Chairman that he or she is not under any legal impediment to contest for the said position.
 - d. It shall publish and circulate (by any electronic means available) the final list of all delegates/voters from the Chapters/Branches. Such final list of voters/delegates shall be published and circulated within 72 hours so that all the contestants have access to the list.
2. To provide accreditation for all delegates/voters whose names are contained in the final list published as stipulated in Clause 2 (6) mentioned above.
 - a. Provide each delegate/voter one ballot.
 - b. Ensure that voting is done by secret ballot
 - c. To determine the winner of an election by a simple majority
 - d. Ensure that proxy or absentee voting is strictly prohibited.
 - e. To regulate the process for the nomination of candidates provided that such nominations shall take place not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the time fixed for the elections.
 - f. To regulate the process of accrediting agents duly appointed by contestants.
 - g. Perform any other function as may be provided for by the party constitution or any other rules and regulations.
3. The DIEMOC shall utilize any appropriate technology and adopt any appropriate measures in the performance of any of its functions.
4. The DIEMOC shall meet for the dispatch of its business at such time and place as it may determine, the mode of meeting shall be determined by its members.
5. The Chairman shall preside at a meeting of DIEMOC at which he is present and in his absence, a member elected by the members present from among their number, shall preside.

6. Each member of the DIEMOC shall have one vote on the issue of decision making, where there is an equality of votes, the Chairman or the other member presiding shall have a casting vote.
7. A quorum for the meeting of members of DIEMOC shall be 50% of the total members.
8. All decisions, matters or things authorized to be done by the DIEMOC shall be decided at a meeting where a quorum is present and the decision supported by the votes of the majority of the members.
9. The DIEMOC or its members shall not accept any gift, grant, donation from any member of the party who is a candidate for the internal party elections.
10. While serving as a member of DIEMOC, you shall not be eligible for election as a member of any executive of the party.

10. NATIONAL YOUTH WING COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

The composition of the delegates for the National Youth Wing Council Elections shall be in line with the entire provisions of Article 19 (13) of the LPP 2025 constitution.

A Eligibility

To be eligible for election as an executive member of the Youth Wing you must be:

- i. Between the age of 18-45 years.
- ii. Be a registered and fully paid up members of the Party for at least two (2) years preceding the election

B Elections

- i. Electoral Committee: An independent Youth Wing Electoral Committee shall be constituted by the Party's National Executive Council to oversee the conduct of the elections.
- ii. Only duly accredited delegates as defined under Article 19(13) of the LPP 2025 Constitution shall be eligible to vote.
- iii. Voting shall be by secret ballot.

11. NATIONAL WOMEN'S WING COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

The composition of the delegates for the National Women's Wing Council shall be in line with the provisions of Article 19 (12) of the LPP 2025 Constitution.

A Eligibility:

To be eligible for election as an executive member of the National Women's Council you must be:

- i. Fully Registered and paid-up member of the Party for at least two (2) years preceding the election.
- ii. Self identify as a female

B Election Committee:

An independent Election Committee shall be constituted by the Party's National Executive Council to supervise, coordinate, and oversee the entire electoral process of the National Women's Council.

C Notice of Election:

Minimum notice of thirty (30) days shall be given to all eligible delegates, specifying the date, venue, time, and procedures for nomination and election.

D Nomination Process:

Nominations shall be submitted in writing to the Election Committee not later than fifteen (15) days before the date of the election, accompanied by a declaration of eligibility and endorsement by two (2) delegates.

E Voting Procedure:

Voting shall be by secret ballot. A simple majority of valid votes cast shall determine the winner. Where there is a tie, a runoff election shall be conducted between the tied candidates.

12. ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS.

The Delegates for the election of National officers shall be in line with Article 19 (10.2) of the LPP 2025 Constitution.

A Eligibility

A person shall be eligible to contest for any National Office of the Party if he or she:

- i. Is a registered member of the Party for not less than three (3) years immediately preceding the date of the election;
- ii. Has been in good financial standing with the Party, including the regular payment of dues and subscriptions as prescribed by the Constitution;
- iii. Has held a position of responsibility within the Party at any level (National, Regional, District, or Ward) for at least two (2) years;
- iv. Has not been convicted of any criminal offence involving dishonesty, fraud, or moral turpitude;
- v. Has not been found guilty of any act of gross misconduct, insubordination, or anti-party activity by the Party's Disciplinary Committee;
- vi. Submits a declaration of assets and liabilities in accordance with applicable national laws (if required);
- vii. Is not holding executive office in another political party or any office deemed incompatible by the Party Constitution or National Laws;
- viii. Has fulfilled all nomination requirements as set out by the Independent Electoral Body appointed by the National Executive Council.
- ix. The elections of National officers shall be conducted by an Independent body appointed and approved by the National Executive Council for that purpose.

CLAUSE 4. THE CONDUCT OF NATIONAL OFFICERS ELECTIONS.**A ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT ELECTIONS MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (IEMOC)**

An Independent Elections Monitoring and Oversight Board comprising a chairman and seven (7) members of whom five (5) shall come from the five regions in Sierra Leone one from each region and two from the ranks of the former members of Parliament and shall be established by NEC. All

members shall be elected by the NEC and shall be persons of proven competence and integrity and are fully paid up and registered members of the Party.

B FUNCTIONS.

1. The functions of the IEMOC shall include the following:

- i. Supervising and conducting elections of National Officers of the Party and any other elections referred to it by NEC.
 - ii. Shall verify the identity of the delegates/voters, candidate, nominators and seconders. Such verification may take the form of a roll call of each delegate/voter by name, district, region or organization, as appropriate, with a view to eliminating any possibility of personification. When a delegate/voter's name is called from the list, he/she shall move forward to receive a duly validated ballot paper from the ballot issuer (one of the IEMOC members designated for that purpose) who will be located in an open area visible from all sides of the venue.
 - iii. It shall verify the eligibility criteria for all candidates set out in the LPP 2025 Constitution.
 - iv. It shall obtain a written declaration from every candidate for the position of National Chairman that he or she is not under any legal impediment to contest for the said position.
 - v. In corroboration with the National Secretary General, to publish and circulate the final list of all delegates/voters ratified and approved by the NEC. Such final list of voters/delegates shall be published and circulated for a period of not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date fixed for the election.
 - vi. To provide accreditation for all delegates/voters whose names are contained in the final list published as stipulated in Clause 2 (6) above.
 - vii. Provide each delegate/voter one ballot for the elections they are conducting.
 - viii. Ensure that voting is done by secret ballot
 - ix. To determine the winner of an election by a simple majority
 - x. Ensure that proxy or absentee voting is strictly prohibited.
 - xi. Regulating the process for the nomination of candidates provided that such nominations shall take place not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the time fixed for the elections.
 - xii. To regulate the process of accrediting agents duly appointed by contestants.
 - xiii. In collaboration with the Secretariat, to facilitate the observation by the PPRC or any other invited bodies of the election of National Officers or any other elections referred to it by NEC.
 - xiv. Perform any other function as may be provided for by the party constitution or any other rules and regulations.
2. The IEMOC shall utilize any appropriate technology and adopt any appropriate measures in the performance of its functions.
3. The IEMOC shall meet for the dispatch of its business at such time and place as it may determine, and the mode of such meetings.

4. The Chairman shall preside at a meeting of IEMOC at which he is present and in his absence, a member elected by the members present from among their number, shall preside.
5. Each member of the IEMOC shall have one vote on the issue of decision making, where there is an equality of votes, the Chairman or the other member presiding shall have a casting vote.
6. A quorum for the meeting of members of IEMOC shall be 50% of the total membership.
7. All decisions, matters or things authorized to be done by the IEMOC shall be decided at a meeting where a quorum is present and the decision supported by the votes of the majority of the members.
8. The IEMOC or its members shall not accept any gift, grant, donation from any member of the party who is a candidate for the internal party elections.
9. While serving as a member of IEMOC, he/she shall not be eligible for election as a member of any executive of the party.

CLAUSE 5.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL APPROVAL,

1. These Amended Rules and Regulations shall be approved by the National Executive Council as so required by the LPP Constitution 2025
2. These Rules and Regulations shall immediately be submitted to the PPRC as required by the PPRC Act 2002 (as Amended)
3. The National Secretariat shall take immediate steps to ensure that they are properly gazetted.

CLAUSE 6.

These Rules and Regulations shall enter into force after they have been published in the Government of the Republic of Sierra Leone Gazette and it shall govern the conduct of all executive elections for executives for the Liberation People's Party (LPP) both in Sierra Leone and in the Diaspora.

CLAUSE 7.

ADOPTION.

We the undersigned do hereby confirm that these Rules and Regulations were deliberated and adopted by the National Executive Council (NEC) on the day of July 2025

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (NEC) THIS DAY OF JULY 2025

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 MOHAMED SAMUEL KAMARA
 INTERIM NATIONAL CHAIRMAN AND LEADER
 LIBERATION PEOPLE'S PARTY

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 INTERIM NATIONAL SECRETARY GENERAL