

THIRD SCHEDULE

THE ELECTION OF THE PARTY LEADER AND DEPUTY PARTY LEADER

As provided for by the Party Constitution at Section 12, the following are the rules for the election of the Party Leader & Deputy Party Leader:

1. (a) In this schedule Nominators shall be those Members of the House of Assembly who accept the Party Whip.

(b) In this schedule Special General Meeting (SGM) shall mean a meeting of the Central Council.

(c) In this schedule eligible members shall be the members of the Central Council.
2. The Party Leader and Deputy Party Leader shall be elected from amongst the Members of the House of Assembly who accept the Party Whip.
3. There shall be an election of the Party Leader when;
 - a. The Party Leader shall resign; or
 - b. The Party Leader shall have the Party Whip removed; or
 - c. The Party Leader shall cease to be a member of the House of Assembly; or
 - d. A motion of no confidence is passed in the Party Leader; or
 - e. A motion of re-affirmation of the Party Leader as provided for in Rule 6 is not passed; or
 - f. A challenge to the Party Leader has been received by the Party Chairman as provided for in Rule 19.

4. NOTICE OF ELECTION MEETING

Within 7 days of an election being required the Party Chairman shall give notice of the date, place and time of such election meeting which shall be held no later than 21 days and no earlier than 7 days from the date of notice.

5. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

The Party Chairman shall direct the Party Secretary to give notice of the date, place and time of a Special General Meeting which shall take place after nomination day and before the election at which the candidates shall make a speech of no more than 15 minutes and at which meeting the candidates shall respond to questions. No other speeches at this Special General Meeting shall be made.

6. A motion of re-affirmation of the Party Leader shall be voted on within 7 days after a General Election at a time, date and place set by the Party Chairman.

7. MOTIONS OF NO CONFIDENCE

a. A motion of No Confidence can only be made if signed by not less than one-third of the eligible members of Central Council as per clause 6 of the Constitution.

b. The motion shall be given to the Party Chairman who upon receipt of the motion shall call a SGM and shall direct the Party Secretary to give notice of the time, date and place of the vote on the motion which shall be no later than seven days after receipt of the motion.

8. The Party Chairman shall chair all the meetings under these rules.

9. CANDIDATES

When an election is required the candidates shall be those

a. Who sign a nomination form in the form provided at Rule 18; and

- b. Whose nomination form shall be signed by no less than 30% of the Nominators who support the nomination; (for the sake of clarity any fraction of the percentage of the nominators required should be rounded up to the nearest whole number). Nominators can only sign one nomination form per election; and
 - c. Whose forms are returned to the Party Chairman in confidence no later than nomination day. That day shall be seven days before the SGM.
- 10. If only one nomination form is received which is in compliance with Rule 9 as set out above at the close of nomination day then the Party Chairman shall declare the Candidate nominated, elected as the Party Leader of the Party.
- 11. If more than one nomination which is in compliance with Rule 9 as set out above is received at the close of nomination day then the Party Chairman shall make copies of the nomination forms which shall be given in confidence to those voters eligible to attend the SGM no later than three days before the election.
- 12. The voters in the election for the Party Leader shall be the eligible members of Central Council.
- 13. If there shall be an election and there are two candidates the election shall be by a majority of all eligible voters present at the SGM.
- 14. If there are more than two candidates the eligible voters shall vote in favour of the candidate of their choice.
 - a. If on the first vote a candidate obtains the support of the majority of the eligible voters present at the SGM that candidate shall be elected Party Leader.
 - b. If no candidate obtains such a majority the candidate with the least number of votes shall be eliminated and voting will continue until a candidate obtains the support of a majority of the eligible members present at the SGM then that candidate shall be elected Party Leader.

- c. In the event of a tie for the least number of votes a separate vote shall be taken to determine which candidate shall be eliminated.
 - d. In the event of a tie between all the candidates then on the ballot there shall be a further vote if after a further vote there still remains a tie, then the meeting shall adjourn for 72 hours for a new vote. If on the new vote the tie remains the election shall be abandoned and the nominations shall be declared invalid and a new notice of election shall be given in accordance with Rule 4 above.
 - e. The Party Chairman may waive Rule 4 and abridge time in order to comply with the terms of the Bermuda Constitution.
- 15. All Votes under these Rules shall be by secret written ballot.
 - 16. Votes by eligible voters under these Rules shall be by the eligible voter who is present in person, except that a Member of Parliament or Senator who is eligible to vote and is unable to attend shall be able to vote by proxy executed by the Member of Parliament or Senator.
 - 17. Candidates shall be entitled to appoint one scrutinizier each who shall serve with a scrutineers appointed by the Party Chairman. The scrutineers shall report the result of the ballot to the Party Chairman who shall then announce the results of the meeting.
 - 18. NOMINATION FORM
 - a. Candidate

I (Name of the Candidate) offer myself for the position of Party Leader of the United Bermuda Party.

Signature of Candidate

b. Nomination

I the undersigned nominate (Name of the Candidate) for the position of Party Leader of the United Bermuda Party.

Nominator

One form per Nominator

(Repeat until at least 30% of the Eligible Members as per Rule 9 (b) have nominated the Candidate)

19. A challenge to the Party Leader shall have been made provided that all of the following are fulfilled;
 - a. A period of 24 months has passed from the date of the election of the Party Leader.
 - b. That a challenger has presented to the Party Chairman nomination forms which comply with Rule 9 (a) and (b) and Rule 18(a) and (b).
20. The Rules set out above shall apply mutatis mutandis to the Deputy Party Leader.