



NEW YORK STATE HORSE COUNCIL, INC

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OFFICIAL 2017 VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are designed to give NYS Horse Council members who do not attend the 2017 Annual Meeting an opportunity to vote for candidates to represent them. Please follow the instructions precisely otherwise your vote will be rendered invalid. All mail-in voting prior to the Annual Meeting, which will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2017, must be done by US Postal Mail. Emails, faxed ballots or ballots returned by any other means such as FedEx or UPS will not be accepted. All **General, Lifetime** and **Lifetime Recognition** members are entitled to one (1) vote.

1. Place a mark on the ballot beside the person for whom you are voting. If you choose to write in a different name, that person must have agreed to accepting the position and an affidavit to that affect must be received by the Nominations Committee prior to the Annual Meeting. If an affidavit of acceptance is not received from the nominee prior to the Annual Meeting, that vote will be invalidated.
2. A member may only vote for Regional Directors and Regional Vice Presidents who are in the Region in which they reside. A map of the **Regions** and Counties in each region can be found at this location: www.nyshc.org/join/chapters. Any vote for a nominee not in your region will not be counted. All members may vote for any general office up for election.
3. Place your ballot in a plain white envelope and mail to:
NYSHC Nomination Committee
Gary Slate
7599 West Sorrell Hill Rd.
Baldwinsville, NY 13027
4. Every **General, Lifetime** and **Lifetime Recognition** member is entitled to one (1) vote. The name and address of the person completing the Ballot must be clearly written in the return address portion of the envelope. This name and address will be checked against the NYSHC membership data base for authenticity. Failing to do include a name and address on the envelope will invalidate the ballot.
5. The word **BALLOT** must be clearly written on the outside of the envelope. Failing to do this will make your ballot not counted.
6. All mailed ballots must be received by the Nomination Committee by Wednesday, September 20, 2017 to be counted.

All returned and validated ballots will be held until the Annual Meeting and will be opened and counted at that time. Members need not return a mailed ballot if they plan to attend the Annual Meeting. Voting will also take place at the meeting. If a mailed ballot is returned by a person who attends the Annual Meeting, the mailed ballot will be discarded.