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Proposed Rule Changes Due January 1st of the Current Convention Year

Proposed Rule Changes to be brought before the National Convention must be sent to the Director of Operations to send to the Rules Committee who will review the submissions for duplication, clarity and conflict with existing rules.

All submissions must be postmarked on or before January 1 of the current Convention year so that they may go through the appropriate process and be able to be printed in the October issue of *The Journal*. All items **MUST BE** submitted on the following proposal form. All copies must be signed and must include the submitter's ASPC/AMHR membership number.

NO ITEMS WILL BE INTRODUCED FROM THE FLOOR AT CONVENTION!

Proposed ASPC/AMHR Rule Change (Please type or print – Must include Section, Article Part & Item Info)
Section, Article, Part & Item Number: Sec. III, Part 1, #14 Page #34

Indicate: Add or Delete: Revision as below

Proposed Rule Change (provide desired language and intent of rule):

Proposed language:

Family – includes mother, father, husband, wife, registered domestic partner (or state equivalent for the state where the union occurred), brother, sister, children (to include step-siblings or step-children), and cohabitant.

Intent of rule: See below.

Reason/Justification for Rule Change (provide brief description of why this needs changed/added)

Rewrite rule to update to be consistent w/ law (domestic partner as family member) and make consistent with proposed changes to amateur rule (remove phrase "significant other" and substitute "cohabitant")

The phrase significant other is nowhere defined in the rules and is unduly vague (and therefore avoided by other associations). Further, proposed changes to the amateur rule by the Amateur Committee dispense with use of the term "significant other" as part of that definition, adopting the more widely used term "cohabitant" as used by other USEF affiliated entities in that it is readily defined (reside together) and avoids intrusive and vague inquiries.

Proposed Effective Date: 2023

Committees/Rules that will be effected by change: Amateur, membership

Submitted by (please provide best contact info for questions/clarifications)

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