



NEW PATRIOTIC PARTY GERMANY

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RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE NEW PATRIOTIC PARTY GERMANY



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PREAMBLE

Established as an external branch of the NEW PATRIOTIC PARTY GHANA (NPP Ghana) pursuant to Article 8 of the Party's Constitution, the Germany Branch of New Patriotic Party (NPP Germany) hereby agrees to abide and be governed by the Rules and Regulations. The Constitution of NPP Ghana remains the supreme document under which the NPP Germany is governed.

SECTION 1

NAME

The organisation shall be called NEW PATRIOTIC PARTY GERMANY (NPP Germany)

SECTION 2

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Article 2 of the constitution of the NPP Ghana

SECTION 3

MEMBERSHIP

- a) The membership shall be open to all Ghanaians and Germans resident in Germany.
- b) The membership becomes invalid on the death, resignation or dismissal of a member.
- c) Resignation can be tendered in at any time. It shall be submitted in writing to the National Executive Committee (NEC). Dues must be paid in full for the whole year and the dues so paid are not refundable.
- d) A member who joins or declares his or her adherence to another political party in Ghana automatically forfeits his or her membership to the party.
- e) If a member encounters difficulties with the chapter, which cannot be resolved at chapter level, the issue should be reported to the NEC in a written statement and NEC should decide on the issue within a month.



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- f) If a member leaves his/her chapter to join a new chapter and the person is in arrears of dues at the old chapter, the person cannot be admitted as a member of the new chapter.
 - g) All membership forms submitted to the Branch must bear the signatures of both the chapter Chairperson and the chapter Secretary.
 - h) A copy of the membership form should be sent to the Branch and the original must be kept at the chapter.

SECTION 4

STRUCTURE OF THE PARTY

- a) The party shall consist of Chapters
- b) The minimum number of membership/persons to qualify to form a chapter shall be ten (10). The status as a Chapter will be subject to an annual review by the National Executive Committee.
- c) No city/town shall have more than one chapter. Regional chapters shall be formed only at the voluntary desire of all the local chapters involved.
- d) There shall be a Chapter Executive Committee of at least seven (7) Members (Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Organiser, Youth Organiser and Women Organiser).

SECTION 5

ORGANS OF THE PARTY

Organs of the organisation shall be:

- a) The National Congress - The general members' meeting (ordinary and extraordinary)
- b) The National Council (NC)
- c) The National Executive Committee (NEC)
- d) The Advisory Board
- e) The National Council of Elders

SECTION 6

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS (ordinary and extraordinary)

- a) It shall be the highest decision-making organ of the Party.
- b) It shall meet at least once every four years. Invitation to the Congress shall be



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communicated in writing indicating the agenda, date, time and place.

- c) The National Council, by a two-thirds majority, shall convene an extraordinary Congress at any time

SECTION 7

NATIONAL COUNCIL

The National Council (NC) shall be the second decision-making organ.

It shall consist of the National Executive and a Representative from each Chapter.

The presence of at least one third of the Members of the National Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum of the Council.

SECTION 8

THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall run the affairs of the organisation and draw up programme of activities. Their duties are the same as defined by the Constitution of NPP Ghana.

- a) Composition of the National Executive Committee. The executive committee shall consist of:
1. The Chairperson
 2. The 1st Vice-Chairperson
 3. The 2nd Vice-Chairperson (*Shall be appointed*)
 4. The Branch Secretary
 5. The Vice - Branch Secretary(*Shall be appointed*)
 6. The Treasurer
 7. Financial Secretary (*Shall be appointed*)
 8. The Branch Organizer
 9. The Deputy Branch Organizer (*Shall be appointed*)
 10. The Branch Women Organizer
 11. The Deputy Branch Women Organizer (*Shall be appointed*)
 12. The Branch Youth Organizer
 13. The Deputy Branch Youth Organizer (*Shall be appointed*)
 14. The Communication Director (*Shall be appointed*)
 15. The Deputy Communication Director (*Shall be appointed*)
 16. The Nasara Coordinator
 17. The Deputy Nasara Coordinator (*Shall be appointed*)



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- b) The positions to be appointed shall be made by the National Executive Committee. The National Executive Committee may establish working committees as and when they become necessary
 - c) The presence of at least one third of the Members of the National Executive Committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum of the Committee.
 - d) Every national executive member must be oriented in his/ her role and duties.

SECTION 9

ADVISORY BOARD

- a) There shall be an Advisory Board of minimum three members. Tenure of the office is the same as the National Executive Committee.
- b) The members of the Advisory Board shall advise the Executive Committee.
- c) Members of the Advisory Board shall have no executive power or function.
- d) The Advisory Board shall also serve as the Disciplinary Committee
- e) The National Chairperson in consultation with the National Executive Committee shall appoint members of the Advisory Board.

SECTION 10

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ELDERS

An Elder is a highly respected member of the Branch and with integrity.

- a) There shall be a National Council of Elders composed of Members who have given of their best and have contributed significantly to the formation, welfare and progress of the Party and its forebears.
- b) The National Council of Elders may be called upon from time to time to:
 - i) Solve disputes and differences among Members;
 - ii) Give ideas and advice for the improvement of the Party's activities
 - iii) Assist in raising funds for the Party.
- c) The National Executive Committee (NEC) shall appoint members of the National Council of Elders, which shall be approved by National Council (NC).

SECTION 11

ELECTION

- a) For a member to hold a position at the chapter level the said member should



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- have been a member for at least one year.
- b) For a member to hold a position at the branch level the member either must have held/served in a position at the chapter level or should be recommended/endorsed by the chapter.
- c) One member one vote principle is to be applied. The candidate with the highest number of valid votes shall be declared the winner.
- d) A voter must be a member of NPP Germany in good standing; shall have paid his/her dues and other official levies in full.
- e) The principle of regional balance shall be applied.
- f) The National Council shall constitute the Electoral Board/Committee (EC) of maximal five members to organise and supervise the elections.
- g) The Electoral Board/Committee shall be constituted latest 9 months before the date of the Elections. The Electoral Board/Committee is to present electoral guidelines to the National Council for approval.

SECTION 12

FINANCE

- a) A financial report shall be made at the end of every function or activity. Mid-year financial reports shall be presented to the National Council. An overall report shall be prepared at the end of every year. The financial year is the calendar year.
- b) At the end of every financial year, the National Council shall appoint at least two auditors (excluding members of the Executive Committee) to audit the accounts and submit report
- c) The national dues shall be 30.00 € (thirty Euro) per calendar year. A registration fee of 10,00 € (ten) shall be paid at the time of enrolment. There shall be an Electoral Levy to be decided by the National Council in case the NPP Ghana is in opposition.
- d) The national executive committee may spend up to 500.00 € (five hundred Euro) in a financial year without prior approval of the National Council.
- e) Members shall not be entitled to assets of the party on resignation.
- f) In case of dissolution, the assets of the party shall be handed over to the NPP Ghana.
- g) All monies accruing to NPP Germany shall be deposited in the organization's Bank Account.
- h) The executive shall organize social functions and may appoint Patrons to raise money for the Party.
- i) NPP Germany shall finance the National Congress.



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- j) Membership Cards shall be issued to members in good standing.
 - k) Every six (6) months all chapter treasurers should send their detailed chapter financial report to the branch treasurer.
 - l) Detailed chapter financial report should include information on the chapter's dues and cards registrations.
 - m) Membership cards must be issued to only members in good standing.
 - n) Members in good standing are persons who have fulfilled their financial obligation at chapter and branch levels.
 - o) An approved budget for an event shall not be overspent by 20%.
 - p) The treasurer should be part of the planning committee of any branch event.
 - q) Detailed documented financial reports with all accompanied receipts should be submitted to the NEC after every event.

SECTION 13

WELFARE FUND

There shall be an emergency fund to cater for the following situations:

- a) Death of a member
- b) A member becoming a casualty/victim in the course of duty on behalf of NPP Germany
- c) The branch shall donate €500,00 to the family of a bereaved member.
- d) The chapters are also encouraged to contribute something as well.
- e) All other welfare cases must be handled at the Chapter level.

SECTION 14

AMENDMENT

The amendment of the Rules and Regulations shall be done at a Congress on the recommendation of the National Council with at least two-thirds majority approval of members.

SECTION 15

MISCELLANEOUS

Members are expected to be of good behaviour in order not to bring the name/image of the Party in disrepute. A Member, who breaches or whose activities undermines



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this Rules & Regulations, shall have a complaint lodged against him/her. A complaint against a Member shall be made to the National Executive Committee and, in case of a Member of the National Executive Committee, to the National Council. Upon receipt of a complaint against a Member, the National Executive Committee shall, within five (5) days, submit the complaint to the Advisory Board/Disciplinary Committee.

- a) No single person or a group of persons shall use the name of the Party to organize a party or social functions without the consent of the National Executive Committee.
- b) Telephone Conferences and Virtual Video Conferences shall be accepted as official meetings.

The National Congress at the Virtual Video Conference Mini Congress held on Saturday August 29, 2020 approved the Amendment of the Rules & Regulations of NPP Germany Branch.

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