



**3RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT GOP  
2024 DISTRICT CONVENTION STANDING RULES  
BEAUFORT COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
APRIL 20, 2024**

**2024 3<sup>RD</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONVENTION  
RULES**

**Rule 1: Statement of Purpose**

It is the purpose of these Rules to provide for a fair and open Convention in a manner that facilitates the business of the Convention, respects the rights of the majority and minority, and encourages full participation by all Republican Delegates.

**Rule 2: Convention Officers**

The Officers of the Convention shall be the Convention Chairman, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, and such other officers deemed necessary. All appointments shall be by the District Chair.

**Rule 3: Registration**

All Delegates must be registered by April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to participate in Convention business, having been certified and elected Delegate by their respective County Conventions. There will be no registration at the door, only online and by mail. Check-in will be from 11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. Doors will close promptly at 12:30 P.M. Each Delegate's and Alternate Delegate's registration shall include the Delegate's or Alternate Delegate's name, address as shown on his/her voter registration, email address, and phone number. A Delegate or Alternate Delegate shall not be considered registered unless all the said information is submitted to the District Committee on Credentials. All Delegates shall receive and wear a badge or other Chairman approved identification for the purpose of authority to vote.

**Rule 4: Call to Order**

The 2024 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District Convention shall be held April 20, 2024, 1:00 P.M., at the Beaufort County Community College, 5337 U.S. Highway 264 East, Washington, NC 27889. The Convention will recess as determined by the Convention Chair.

**Rule 5: Report of the Committee on Credentials**

- A. No person shall be seated as a Delegate or Alternate unless duly elected a Delegate or Alternate at his/her respective Republican Party County Convention.
- B. Motions to amend a Report of the Committee on Credentials may occur only immediately following that Credentials Committee Report, for such period as allowed by the Convention Chair.
- C. After the report of the Committee on Credentials is presented to the Convention, but before the adoption by the Convention, motions to amend a Report of the Committee on Credentials shall be in order as follows:



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- 1) The motion is made by the County Chair, or in the absence of the Chair the county delegation leader; and,
  - 2) The motion concerns a discrepancy in the Report's Delegate or Alternate count for the respective County; and,
  - 3) The County Chair or other authorized person shall confer with the Committee on Credentials after so directed by the Convention Chair.
- D. The Committee on Credentials shall have available the lists of the Delegates and Alternates accredited to the Convention from each county, submitted by the County Chairmen, on hand as a reference.

**Rule 6: Plan of Organization, Platform, and Resolutions**

Motions to amend a Report of the Plan of Organization, Platform, and Resolutions shall be adopted upon a simple majority of the Delegates and Alternate Delegates sitting as Delegates, present and voting.

**Rule 7: Order of Business**

The order of business of the Convention shall be published in the printed Convention Agenda.

**Rule 8: Quorum**

A quorum for all business transactions shall consist of a majority of the accredited and registered Delegates and Alternate Delegates sitting as Delegates as certified by the Committee on Credentials and present on the floor of the Convention.

**Rule 9: Disclosure and Closure**

- A. No motion shall be in order unless each maker and seconder thereof states his or her name and county of residence. The maker and seconder must be from different counties.
- B. No Delegate shall speak in Convention longer than two (2) minutes at any one time, nor more than twice on any motion open for discussion.
- C. If any contest shall develop over any matter other than a nomination or election, the Convention Chairman may, at his discretion, rule it out of order.
- D. During the Convention, there will **not** be any demonstrations or presentations prior to the voting for elected positions. Candidates for North Carolina RNC Delegates or Republican Presidential Elector may have use of the registered delegates email list for campaign purposes.

**Rule 10: Guests and Alternate Delegates**

The Convention Chair may allow guests, at his discretion, to listen and observe the Convention. Guests and Alternate Delegates shall not attempt to vote or speak on any matter before the Convention.



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**Rule 11: Voting**

- A. Refer to Rule 6 (Plan of Organization, Platform, & Resolution).
- B. Voting shall be conducted, at the discretion of the Convention Chairman, by voice or paper ballot. National Convention Delegates, Alternate Delegates, and Replacement Alternate Delegates, and Presidential Elector, and Alternate Presidential Elector, shall be by secret paper ballot.
- C. Delegates must be present on the floor of the Convention at the time such a vote is cast.
- D. There shall be no proxy voting.

**Rule 12: Nominations and Elections – Presidential Election Years**

- A. Nominations for (3) National Convention Delegates, (3) Alternate Delegates, and (2) Replacement Alternate Delegates, and (1) Presidential Elector and (1) Alternate Presidential Elector will be made from the floor. The election for National Convention Delegates will be a plurality with the first three (3) elected will be Delegates, the next three (3) will be Alternate Delegates and the next two (2) will be Replacement Alternates. The election for Presidential Elector will be a plurality with the first elected being the Presidential Elector and the second highest vote getter will be the Alternate Presidential Elector.
- B. Nominations can come from the individual themselves. No seconding speeches are allowed.
- C. Each candidate will be allocated a total of three (3) minutes for a speech and may select another Delegate, of their choosing, to give said speech in lieu of themselves.
- D. Upon recognition from the Convention Chairman, the individual chosen to give a speech will state his or her name, county of registration, the name of the candidate, and office for which the candidate is running to fill.
- E. Nominations for (3) National Convention Delegates, (3) Alternate Delegates, and (2) Replacement Alternate Delegates, and (1) Presidential Elector and (1) Alternate Presidential Elector will be made as follows:
  - 1) Any person that wishes to serve as a National Convention Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Replacement Alternate Delegate, or Presidential Elector and Alternate Presidential Elector must submit a completed nomination form to the 3<sup>rd</sup> CD by April 13, 2024. Nominations should be submitted to the District by completing the online form available on the website (<https://3rdcd.nc.gop>)
  - 2) Within three (3) days of the closing of an application period for the 3<sup>rd</sup> District, the District Secretary will forward the nomination forms for National Convention Delegates, Alternate Delegates, and Replacement Alternate Delegates, and Presidential Elector, and Alternate Presidential Elector, to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Delegates.



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- 3) Any person that has submitted a completed, timely nomination form to the 3<sup>rd</sup> District may be nominated for the position of National Convention Delegate, Alternate Delegate, and Replacement Alternate Delegate, or Presidential Elector, and Alternate Presidential Elector pursuant to the procedures in Rule 12(A).

**Rule 13: Parliamentary Authority**

*Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, most current edition, shall govern this Convention when applicable and when not inconsistent with these Rules and the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Plan of Organization.

**Rule 14: Resolutions from the Floor**

No proposed Resolution from a Convention Delegate shall be in order unless it is first submitted to the Resolutions Committee one (1) hour prior to the start of the Convention. The Resolution must include the author of the Resolution, and if applicable, the name of any organization sponsoring the Resolution. 300 copies must be made available upon presentation of the Resolution. The Resolution can only be considered by the Body upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Convention Delegates present and voting.

**Rule 15: Amending and Suspension of Rules**

These rules shall be amended upon a two-thirds (2/3) voice vote of the seated Delegates. Unless suspended during the Convention contained herein by a two-thirds vote, these Rules govern and supersede all prior rules and understandings, both written and oral, except the rules contained herein which refer to the provisions of the 3<sup>rd</sup> District and State Plan of Organizations, which may not be suspended.

**Rule 16: Duration of Rules**

These Rules shall govern the 2024 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District Republican Party Convention only.

As present by the Rules Committee, approved by the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Executive Committee on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

Rules Committee: Lee Barrows, Chairman; Dave Wickersham, member; Michele Nix, member.

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*Convention Secretary*