

SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR GENERAL, DIOCESAN AND DEANERY SYNOD ELECTIONS

GENERAL SYNOD

Next Election: 2020

Cycle: 5 years

Qualification

- (laity) at least 18 years of age, communicant, name entered on the roll of any parish in the diocese. *Unlike electors, candidates need not be members of a deanery synod.*
- (clergy) the qualified electors (see below) with a few technical provisos that affect very few people

Electors

- (laity) the lay members of deanery synods excepting co-opted members and members of religious communities.
- (clergy) assistant bishops, archdeacons, beneficed and licensed clergy, cathedral clergy (but not the Dean), retired clergy representatives on deanery synods who hold PtoO.

DIOCESAN SYNOD

Next Election: 2018

Cycle: 3 years

Qualification

- (laity) at least 16 years of age, communicant, name entered on the roll of any parish in the diocese. *Unlike electors, candidates need not be members of a deanery synod.*
- (clergy) members of the deanery synods

Electors

- (laity) the lay members of deanery synods excepting co-opted members
- (clergy) members of the deanery synods excepting co-opted members

DEANERY SYNOD

Next Election: 2017

Cycle: 3 years

Qualification

- (laity) at least 16 years of age, communicant, name entered on the roll of the parish
- (clergy) This house is not elected. It is essentially all those clergy beneficed or licensed in the deanery, or holding the bishop's licence in the diocese and resident in the deanery. Plus, one retired clergy member with Permission to Officiate for every 10 such resident in the deanery, chosen by and from amongst themselves.

Electors

(laity only) those attending and eligible to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (ie, baptised, at least 16 years of age, name entered on the roll of the parish).

ELECTORAL ROLL

Can be added at any time (except 2 weeks before APCM) by contacting the parish electoral roll officer.

Qualifications

Baptised, at least 16, either resident in the parish or habitually worshipping there.

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