

**MAKING VALUABLE CHANGES OPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION-WIDE  
(BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS PROPOSALS)**

**Optimist International Bylaws Amendments**

Please take time to re-evaluate the Optimist International Bylaws and make sure they continue to effectively serve the organization. By doing this, you and your Club can help shape and improve all of Optimist International.

If your Club wants to recommend an amendment, it must submit a proposal citing the Article(s) and Section(s), and EXACT proposed wording change to the articles and sections cited, along with a written rationale (200 words or less) for the change. Proposals should be submitted on original Club letterhead and signed by the Club President (email submissions must be accompanied and/or followed by the original copy on Club letterhead). All submitted changes will be brought before the 2024 convention delegates for vote and possible endorsement.

All proposed change submissions for the Optimist International Bylaws must be received at the International Office by 5 p.m. Central Standard Time Sunday March 24, 2024. Please send to Dana Thomas, Executive Assistant, Optimist International, 4494 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108; email: [dana.thomas@optimist.org](mailto:dana.thomas@optimist.org).

**Convention Resolutions Process**

Use the Convention Resolution Process to your advantage! This communications vehicle can be used for any aspect of the organization not covered in the Bylaws. Clubs must submit resolutions by Tuesday, April 23, 2004 to the Resolutions Committee. The Committee will choose the strongest resolutions and report them to convention delegates for debate and vote (NOTE: Resolutions endorsed by convention delegates are non-binding and are sent to the International Board of Directors for further consideration and study.)

Please type resolution(s) on club stationery and include your Club name, number and Club President's signature. All resolutions should be written in standard resolution format: "Whereas..., Whereas..., Whereas..., Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of Optimist International is asked to consider..."

Please send your resolution(s) to:  
Resolutions Committee, Optimist International, 4494 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis MO, 63108 or  
email to: [dana.thomas@optimist.org](mailto:dana.thomas@optimist.org)