

1 **Illinois Republican Party**

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3 **Convention Committee on Rules and Procedures**  
4 **Permanent Rules of the 2024 Illinois Republican Party State Convention**

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6 **1. AUTHORITY AND PRECEDENCE**  
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8 Article VII, Section G of the Bylaws of the Illinois Republican Party (the “Bylaws”), as  
9 last amended on April 25, 2020, grant the Convention Committee on Rules and Procedures the  
10 authority to adopt rules to govern the 2024 Illinois Republican Party State Convention (the “State  
11 Convention”) that are not inconsistent with the Bylaws. The State Convention therefore shall be  
12 governed by the Bylaws and by these Permanent Rules and Procedures.  
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14 These Permanent Rules and Procedures are effective immediately, subject to a majority  
15 vote of the State Convention.  
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17 The rules and procedures set forth in the Bylaws and these Permanent Rules and  
18 Procedures control over Robert’s Rules of Order where the two conflict.  
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20 **2. AGENDA AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**  
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22 The Agenda for the State Convention, as distributed to delegates on May 25, 2024, is  
23 hereby incorporated into these Permanent Rules and Procedures and shall govern the  
24 Convention. The Agenda may not be amended, except by a 2/3 vote of the Convention. A  
25 motion to amend the agenda is not debatable and not amendable, and shall be immediately put to  
26 a vote on passage or rejection.  
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28 Any motion to extend the time for adjournment beyond 3:00 pm on May 25, 2024 shall be  
29 ruled out of order.  
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31 A call or motion or request for Orders of the Day is out of order if it would terminate the  
32 election of At-Large National Delegates or Alternates, Presidential Electors, or the election of  
33 the National Committeeman/Committeewoman.  
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35 **3. CREDENTIALS**  
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37 Any person seeking to serve as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the 2024 Illinois  
38 Republican State Convention must be a registered voter in the Chicago Ward, Cook County  
39 Township, or County (outside of Cook) the person seeks to represent and must also be duly  
40 affiliated with the Illinois Republican Party.  
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42 Only individuals who (1) have been appointed and certified as Delegates or Alternate  
43 Delegates by the Republican County Chairman from the county in which they reside, or, with  
44 respect to individuals who reside in Cook County, have been appointed and certified by the  
45 Republican Township or Ward Committeeman from the Township or Ward in which they reside  
46 and are registered to vote, or by the Cook County Chairman in cases of vacant Wards or  
47 Townships; and (2) for whom a valid Delegate Certification Form has been filed with the Illinois

1 Republican Party by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, may be credentialed and seated as a  
2 Delegate or Alternate Delegate to the State Convention. Any Republican County, Ward, or  
3 Township party official certifying a list of Delegates and Alternate Delegates is directed to  
4 confirm the required registered voter status of each person certified.  
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6 In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chicago Ward Committeeman or a Cook  
7 County Township Committeeman, the Cook County Chairman shall be empowered to appoint  
8 the Delegates and Alternate Delegates for said Chicago Ward or Cook County Township in the  
9 number to which that Chicago Ward or Cook County Township is entitled.  
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11 The Credentials Committee for the Illinois Republican Party 2024 Convention shall  
12 examine the credentials of all individuals appointed to serve as Delegates or Alternate Delegates.  
13 The Credentials Committee shall determine, in accordance with these rules, and the bylaws of  
14 the Illinois Republican Party, the eligibility of all Delegates and Alternate Delegates, and shall  
15 issue a report to the Convention announcing its findings. The seating of any Delegate to the  
16 State Convention is subject to approval by the Convention Committee on Credentials.  
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18 After 12:00 noon on Thursday, May 23, 2024, no changes may be made to the official  
19 Delegate Certification Form without approval of the Credentials Committee.  
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21 In the event a Delegate fails to check in to receive his or her credentials by 10:00 A.M.,  
22 on Saturday, May 25, 2024, the County, Township or Ward chair, or his designee, if the chair is  
23 not in attendance, who appointed such delegate may request that an Alternate Delegate take the  
24 place of said Delegate. That chair must submit his or her request, in writing, to the Executive  
25 Director of the Illinois Republican Party, or his designee, no later than 10:30 A.M., on Saturday,  
26 May 25, 2024. The Credentials Committee shall be empowered to vet and approve, in its  
27 discretion, all such requests, and shall produce any necessary supplementary report to the  
28 Convention. Any Alternate Delegate who is elevated to Delegate shall be seated only if he or  
29 she is in line at the check-in registration table by 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, May 25, 2024. No  
30 Alternate Delegate may be seated as a Delegate to the State Convention after 10:30 A.M. on  
31 Saturday, May 25, 2024.  
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33 Delegates and Alternate Delegates shall pick up their own credentials and produce  
34 photographic identification at the registration desk on site at the Gateway Convention Center on  
35 May 24, 2024 or May 25, 2024. Each Delegate and Alternate Delegate must produce  
36 photographic identification or other identification acceptable to the Credentials Committee.  
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38 Delegates shall be provided credentials to identify themselves. Delegates must wear  
39 these credentials at all times when on the floor. Delegates will not be entitled to vote on any  
40 matter without said credentials. Delegate credentials are NOT transferable, and may only be  
41 worn by the Delegate provided the credential at check-in.  
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43 Alternate Delegates will be provided credentials to identify themselves. These  
44 credentials will be distinguishable from the delegate credentials. Alternate Delegate credentials  
45 are NOT transferable, and may only be worn by the Alternate Delegate provided the credential at  
46 check-in.  
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1           Guests may attend the State Convention at the discretion of the Chairman of the Illinois  
2 Republican Party in an area designated for guests to remain. Only registered and credentialed  
3 Delegates, Alternate Delegates, and guests shall have access to Convention space. All registered  
4 Delegates, Alternate Delegates, and guests must wear at all times the official Convention  
5 credential and/or identification while on the premises.  
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#### 7 **4. MOTIONS, DEBATE, AMENDMENTS, AND VOTING**

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9           As provided in Article VII, Section J of the Bylaws, no motion or resolution from the  
10 floor shall be in order unless submitted in writing to the Convention Secretary, and signed by the  
11 Chairmen of at least fifty (50) delegations, along with 750 photocopies of the motion or  
12 resolution, unless otherwise provided for in the Bylaws. Only a motion or resolution so  
13 submitted by 2 hours prior to the commencement of the Convention shall be placed in the  
14 appropriate place on the Agenda for consideration by the Convention.  
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16           As provided in Article VII, Section J of the Bylaws, for the purpose of this Section, the  
17 Chairman of a delegation shall be defined as follows: The Chairman of a county delegation shall  
18 be the County Chairman. The Chairman of a Cook County Township delegation shall be the  
19 Township Committeeman. The Chairman of a City of Chicago Ward delegation shall be the  
20 Ward Committeeman. If, however, the Chairman of a delegation as herein defined is not in  
21 attendance at the Convention, as determined by the Credentials Committee, the respective  
22 County Chairman, Township Committeeman or Ward Committeeman may designate another  
23 member of the delegation to serve as Chairman of the delegation during Convention proceedings.  
24 Any such designation shall be made in writing, shall be signed by the delegation Chairman, shall  
25 be notarized or witnessed by that Chairman's member of the State Central Committee, and shall  
26 be submitted in writing to the Convention Secretary. In addition, if any county, township or ward  
27 is represented by only one delegate in attendance at the Convention, as determined by the  
28 Credentials Committee, said delegate shall serve as Chairman of the delegation during  
29 Convention proceedings. Any proxy executed in accordance with Article VII, Section F of the  
30 Bylaws shall be made in writing, shall be notarized, shall be limited to only one per delegation,  
31 and may be used only in emergency circumstances as determined by the Credentials Committee.  
32 The notarized proxy document must adequately disclose the emergency circumstances that  
33 necessitate the proxy and must be submitted to the Chair of the Credentials Committee at least  
34 three (3) hours prior to the commencement of the Convention.  
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36           As provided in Article VII, Section H of the Bylaws, no delegate will be permitted to  
37 speak to any question for more than three (3) minutes nor more than once on any subject unless  
38 by special leave of the State Chairman, except that the maker of a motion or resolution, if  
39 debatable, shall have an additional three (3) minutes to close debate. No question shall be  
40 debated on the floor of the Convention for more than fifteen (15) minutes unless by special leave  
41 of the State Chairman.  
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43           A main motion may be amended only as provided in Robert's Rule of Order. However,  
44 notwithstanding anything in Robert's Rules of Order, no amendments to amendments will be  
45 entertained. All Points of Information, Clarification, Privilege and Order (or any other "Points"  
46 discussed in Robert's Rules of Order) found to be dilatory, redundant or an abuse of process will  
47 be ruled out of order.  
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1 All votes will be taken by voice vote or standing vote, unless a motion or request for a  
2 roll call vote is made pursuant to the requirements of Article VII, Section F of the Bylaws. If the  
3 voice vote result is not overwhelming, a standing vote will be taken. It shall be in the discretion  
4 of the Chairman of the Convention whether he needs to count the number of persons standing  
5 during such standing vote to discern the winning position.  
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7 Except as provided in Article VII, Section F of the Bylaws, any motion or request for a  
8 roll call vote (including a call for division) will be out of order.  
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10 All matters passed out of each convention committee shall require at least nine (9)  
11 affirmative votes.  
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### 13 **5. MINORITY REPORTS**

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15 As set forth in Article VII, Paragraph G of the Bylaws, no minority report of any  
16 convention committee will be accepted by the Convention unless the subject matter is discussed  
17 in committee and such minority report is in writing, signed by seven (7) or more members of  
18 such committee and submitted to the Convention Secretary prior to or at the time the majority  
19 report is submitted to the Convention.  
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### 21 **6. RESOLUTIONS**

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23 As set forth in Article VII, Paragraph I of the Bylaws, all resolutions shall be submitted to  
24 the Convention by the Committee on Platform and Resolutions without reading or debate except  
25 as otherwise provided by the Illinois Republican Party Bylaws. No resolution or any amendment  
26 thereto shall be reported out or made a part of any report of the Convention Committee on  
27 Platform and Resolutions unless it has been submitted to the committee in writing prior to its  
28 report to the Convention and shall have received the affirmative support of seven (7) members of  
29 that committee.  
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### 31 **7. CONVENTION COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

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33 Each State Central Committeeman shall have the power to appoint a member to each  
34 Convention Committee up to and until the announced start time of the Convention Committee  
35 meeting held on May 24, 2024, or May 25, 2024. In the event of a vacancy on any one of the  
36 Convention Committees at the start of said Committee meeting on May 24, 2024 or May 25,  
37 2024, the State Chairman shall fill said vacancy, in accordance with Article VII, Paragraph G of  
38 the Bylaws.  
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### 40 **8. LIST OF DELEGATES**

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42 Any person or organization hosting officially sanctioned Convention events, or  
43 candidates who have completed an application for National Committeeman or  
44 Committeewoman, may have access to the names of delegates, by County, Township or Ward, to  
45 the 2024 Illinois Republican State Convention. The list of Delegates will be made available once  
46 the list is approved by the Credentials Committee, and upon written request submitted to the  
47 Executive Director of the Illinois Republican Party, and upon completion by the requesting party  
48 of an appropriate non-disclosure agreement.

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**9. SIGNAGE**

All convention signage, other than Illinois Republican Party signage, shall be approved in advance by the Committee on Arrangements.

Adopted by the Convention Committee on Rules and Procedures at its duly-held meeting on May 21, 2024 in Chicago, Illinois.



**Judy Diekelman, Chairman**  
**Convention Committee on Rules and Procedures**

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