

**American Nuclear Society
Trinity Local Section
Bylaws**

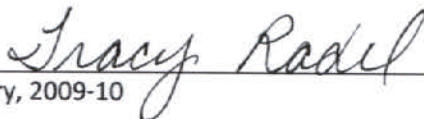
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The following articles constitute the governing documents of the Section. The Bylaws are derived from the Bylaws and Rules of the American Nuclear Society and thus can only be modified by authority of the national Board of Directors. The Rules are developed and maintained by the individual Local Section and can be modified using the procedure set forth within. In the event of a conflict between the Rules and the Bylaws, the Bylaws take precedence. Regulations on Section governance (if any) imposed by the state government should be incorporated into the Rules as necessary.

BYLAWS

B1 – NAME

1. The official name of this organization shall be the Trinity Section, Incorporated, of the AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY, Incorporated, hereinafter referred to as the Section and the Society, respectively.

B2 – OBJECTIVES

1. The objectives of the Section shall be consistent with the objectives of the Society as set forth in its Certificate of Incorporation and in Article B2 of its Bylaws and Rules, principally, "the advancement of science and engineering relating to the atomic nucleus, and of allied sciences and arts."
2. The Section shall undertake activities for the more active furtherance of the objectives in its locality. These activities shall be identified in Section Rules or Procedures.
3. The Section is organized exclusively for educational and scientific purposes, including for these purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law).

B3 – OBLIGATIONS TO THE SOCIETY

1. The activities of the Section and its members shall be governed by the provisions of these Bylaws, which shall be in accord with the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws and Rules of the Society. As specified in the Section Rules, the Section will also comply with obligations established by the State of New Mexico.
2. No action, obligation, or expression of the Section shall be considered an action, obligation, or expression of the Society as a whole. Any publication issued by the Section shall be imprinted with a statement that the Section assumes sole responsibility regarding an action, obligation, or expression with respect to the Society.

3. The Section shall not have authority to act for or in the name of the Society without prior approval of the Board of Directors or the elected Corporate Officers, provided, however, that the Section on local matters may represent the official position of the Section upon the approval of the Section Executive Committee and after consultation with the Chair of the Society's Public Policy Committee or the Executive Director of the Society.
4. The affairs of the Section shall be conducted in such manner that the Section shall be financially independent and shall not rely on support from the funds of the Society.

B4 – TERRITORY AND MEMBERSHIP

1. The territory in which the Section may operate shall consist of the area designated by the Society.
2. Members of any grade in good standing in the Society shall be eligible to become members of this Section. The grade of membership held in the Section shall be the same as the member holds in the Society.
3. Voting members of the Society in good standing shall be entitled to the right to vote and hold office in the Section. Voting Society members may hold elective office in no more than one (1) Section concurrently. Student members of the Society and Friends of the ANS (FANS) may be granted the right to vote or to hold office in the Section, except for the position of Chair or Vice Chair, as specified in the Section Rules.
4. Non-Society members may be eligible to become Section Participants of the Section if their association will result in the furtherance of the objectives of the Section as set forth in Article B2. Section Participants whose qualifications for participating in Section activities have been approved by majority vote of the Section's Executive Committee shall be entitled, upon payment of a contribution, or mailing fee, not less than the annual Section dues, to receive notices of, to attend meetings, and to have other privileges specifically granted by the Section.

Section Participants may be granted the right to vote on Section matters, as specified in the Section Rules.

Participants cannot hold Section offices of Chair or Vice-chair. Participants may be granted the right to hold other Officer or Executive Committee positions, with all Committee rights, in no more than one Section at any time, as specified in the Section Rules.

Participants shall be encouraged to apply for Society Membership.

B5 – ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

1. The Section shall have the right to levy special and reasonable assessments when authorized by affirmative vote of not fewer than two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a regular meeting.
2. The Section may also accept local non-compulsory financial contributions, but solicitation and acceptance of such contributions shall be subject to the following conditions. (These conditions not required for Sections outside the USA.):
 - a. Limited to solicitation for those activities consistent with the objectives of the Society.
 - b. Notification be given to the President of the Society, in writing, of the intent and purpose of the solicitation; the President may disapprove of such solicitation within 30 days of notification.
3. No part of the net earnings of the Section shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers or other private persons, except that the Section shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in this paragraph. No substantial part of the activities of the Section shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Section shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Bylaws, the Section shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

B6 – OFFICERS

1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, a Vice-Chair, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The duties of the Secretary and Treasurer may be combined into a single office. The Chair and Vice-Chair must be voting members of the Society.

2. Each year the Secretary shall provide the Society with a report which includes a review of Section activities, membership details, names of Officers and Executive Committee members and copies of meeting minutes. The report shall be filed with the Executive Director by August 31. Other information may be requested from time to time by the Executive Director of the Society or the Chair of the Local Sections Committee.

B7 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee shall be the governing body of the Section and shall have the power to act for the Section in all matters, subject to these Bylaws and to the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Society.
2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Section and include the Chair of each Branch if the Chair of the Branch is elected by the Branch membership. Additional members may be specified by the Section Rules.
3. In order to provide for handling the affairs of the Section, the Executive Committee shall prepare and adopt, in connection with these Bylaws, suitable Rules. Section Rules, and proposed changes to them, must be reviewed for consistency with Society Bylaws and Rules by the Bylaws and Rules Committee of the Society. A copy of such rules shall then be filed with the Executive Director of the Society.
4. The Section may enter into cooperative agreements with local scientific and engineering societies, or with local units of such national societies, not contrary to the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws and Rules of the Society.

B8 – MEETINGS

1. The Section shall hold no fewer than two (2) meetings each year, one of which shall be the annual meeting.

B9 – RULES OF ORDER

1. Rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, current edition, shall be used in the conduct of meetings of the Section and shall be the authority on parliamentary procedures except as may otherwise be required by the laws of incorporation of the Society and the Bylaws and Rules of the Section and the Society.

B10 – AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Standard Bylaws may be proposed by any Local Section, the Local Sections Committee, the Society Bylaws and Rules Committee, or the Society Board of Directors. Amendments must be of a nature that they can be applied equitably to all Local Sections, in keeping with the intent of the Standard Bylaws.

All proposed amendments shall be forwarded to each Local Section for comment. Comments should be filed with the Local Sections Committee Chair no later than forty-five (45) days prior to the next ANS national meeting. Further detailed procedures for approval of amendments to the Standard Bylaws are in the ANS Rule R17.5.1.

2. The Local Sections Committee shall notify all Local Sections of approved amendments to the Standard Bylaws. Each Local Section shall be responsible for reviewing approved amendments to determine if corresponding changes to the Local Section’s Rules are required.

B11 – DISSOLUTION

1. Upon the dissolution of the Section, assets shall be distributed first in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation of the Section. If no such Articles exist, or potential recipients are not named specifically, then the Society, an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall take possession of assets for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of that Section of the Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or they shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

B12 – ELECTION AND ELIGIBILITY

(none, see Trinity Section Rules Article R12)

B13 – SECTION COMMITTEES

(none, see Trinity Section Rules Article R13)