

Proposed State Governor Terms, Qualifications and Selection

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Slow Food USA Regions (Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, Rocky Mountain/Southwest and Pacific Northwest) now establish their own governor selection methods in line with what is most appropriate for their specific region. Following the selection of a new Governor, we ask regions to notify the National Office so that the new person can be listed on the website and connected with his/her chapters as requests come up.

While regions are free to set guidelines for Governor selection, many have asked for guidelines. Thus, below are our recommendations and best practices.

Terms

State Governors serve 2-year terms with a 3 term limit

Qualifications

- At least 3 years of membership in Slow Food
- At least 3 years in a leadership or administrative role in a chapter
- Equivalent experience

Election Process

State Governors within their region oversee the nomination and election process for a State Governor position, and the Chapter Leader of every active Chapter in the state is entitled to cast one vote in the election.

We recommended that elections for a new State Governor happen at the biennial state-wide meeting.