

Frequently Asked Questions - Committee Selection Process North Carolina REALTORS® (NCR)

General Information

What do committees of the North Carolina REALTORS®(NCR) do?

Committees work throughout the year to help NCR accomplish its Strategic Plan which helps shape the direction of NC REALTORS® and its policies.

Why should I serve on a committee?

NCR's committees are a great forum for debate and discussion. Being on a committee allows you to contribute to the decision-making process.

Do I have to be a member of the NC REALTORS® to serve on a committee?

Members and Association Executives may serve on a committee. On occasion local Association staff and/or industry expert are included on a committee because of their expertise needed.

How long are committee terms?

Terms of service range from one to three years. The terms for each committee are noted on the request form.

Can I choose the committee I want to serve on?

Members have the option to request a first, second and third choice committee appointment. The NCR President-Elect appoints members who will serve on committees during his/her term based on space availability and in some cases specific requirements to serve on a specific committee. Various NCR Bylaws and Committee policies dictate the number of members that can serve on each committee.

Is there a limit to how many committees I can serve on?

Yes. There are many members who wish to serve on a NCR Committee so members are appointed to only one committee per year with the exception of those that serve on multiple committees by virtue of their position on another committee.

Application Process

How can I apply to a committee?

Applying to a committee is simple. Just complete the Committee Request Form on the NCR website. Deadline for requests is July 15.

Can I reapply to committees I have served on in the past?

Yes, unless the Committee has term limits. You are already knowledgeable about the committee and can bring additional expertise to the work.

If I am serving on a committee in a continuing term, do I still need to submit an application?

No. However, if you would like to resign from your continuing term appointment and be considered for another committee appointment, then an application must be submitted.

Selection Process

Who makes committee appointments?

The President-Elect makes the appointments for available positions occurring in the year of his/her presidency.

What if I don't get selected?

Every effort is made to appoint members to their first, second or third choice committee. However, we cannot guarantee that can be accomplished, particularly if you have requested appointments to committees that have limited space availability or specific requirements to serve. If you do not receive your first, second or third choice committee, a NCR staff member may contact you regarding your interest in committees that do have availability.

What is the timeline for the committee appointment process?

The Committee Request Form must be completed by July 15 for the following year. The President-Elect will make Committee appointments and members will be notified just prior to the NCR Convention and Expo in October.

Meetings

Do committees meet in person or via Zoom?

Most Committees meet in person at the NCR Winter Leadership Meetings, Legislative Meetings and the REALTORS® Conference and Expo, and may meet at other times via Zoom if needed. The Bylaws Committee meets as needed and the Residential and Commercial Forms Committees meet at different times during the year.

Do I get reimbursed for my expenses to attend committee meetings?

No. Committee membership is a volunteer position. Members are responsible for paying their own expenses to Committee meetings.

Is it mandatory to attend every committee meeting?

Committee chairs, vice chairs and members accept the responsibility for carrying out the goals of their committee when appointed, and attendance at the three meetings each year, plus any additional Zoom meetings, is part of that responsibility. When making a request, you should consider the time required to serve on a committee and the costs incurred for travel, hotel and meals to attend each meeting.

How can I find out the meeting dates for a committee?

Each NCR Committee is assigned a Staff Liaison to provide general support in accomplishing the goals of the committee. When you receive your Committee appointment, you will be provided the name of your Staff Liaison who will keep you apprised on meeting dates of the Committee.

Questions?

If you have additional questions about serving on a committee or the application process, please contact Donna Peterson at dpeterson@ncrealtors.org.