

**The Japanese Society of Toxicologic Pathology**  
**Regulations on Election of Candidates for Directors and Candidates for Inspectors**

(Objective)

Article 1. These Regulations stipulate the method of electing candidates for Directors and candidates for Inspectors pursuant to Article 20 of the Articles of Incorporation of The Japanese Society of Toxicologic Pathology (hereinafter referred to as the "Society").

(Election of Candidates for Directors)

Article 2. The Society shall elect ten (10) candidates for Directors based on

2 Based on the results of the election, the top ten (10) candidates with the highest number of election votes shall be elected as candidates for Directors.

3 The following Councilors shall not be eligible for election:

- (1) A person who has served as a Director for three (3) consecutive terms;
- (2) A person who will have reached the age of 64 by March 31 of the expected year of assuming office; and
- (3) Election commissioners.

4 In the event an elected person declines, each candidate shall be carried forward as a candidate for Director in the order of the number of votes received, starting with the runner-up.

5 If the number of votes received is the same and a candidate for Director cannot be identified, the candidate for Director shall be determined after confirming the intention to assume office of the persons ranked the same in terms of the number of votes received. If there is no expression of an intention to assume office within the time limit presented in advance, the person shall be deemed to have no intention to assume office.

6 In the case set forth in the preceding paragraph, if two (2) or more persons ranked the same in terms of the number of votes received wish to assume office, the candidate for Director shall be determined through an election by the secret vote of Directors. If all persons of equal rank do not wish to assume office, the candidate for Director shall be the person with the next highest number of votes after those persons.

(Election of Candidates for Inspectors)

Article 3. For candidates for Inspectors of the Society, two (2) candidates for Inspectors shall be elected from among Directors, Inspectors, Chairpersons of committees, and persons with experience serving as the Annual Chairperson of Scientific Meeting (including honorary members and meritorious members) based on an anonymous election by Councilors.

2 Based on the results of the election, the top two (2) candidates in terms of the number of votes

received shall be elected as candidates for Inspectors.

3 The following persons with experience serving as Directors/Inspectors shall not be eligible for election:

- (1) A person who has served as an Inspector for three (3) consecutive terms;
- (2) A person who will have reached the age of 68 by March 31 of the expected year of assuming office; and
- (3) Election commissioners.

4 If a candidate for Inspector becomes a candidate for Director, the position of candidate for Director shall take precedence.

5 In the event an elected person declines, each candidate shall be carried forward as a candidate for Inspector in the order of the number of votes received, starting with the runner-up.

6 If the number of votes received is the same and a candidate for Inspector cannot be identified, the candidate for Inspector shall be determined after confirming the intention to assume office of the persons ranked the same in terms of the number of votes received. If there is no expression of an intention to assume office within the time limit presented in advance, the person shall be deemed to have no intention to assume office.

7 In the case set forth in the preceding paragraph, if two (2) or more persons ranked the same in terms of the number of votes received wish to assume office, the candidate for Inspector shall be determined through an election by the secret vote of Directors. If all persons of equal rank do not wish to assume office, the candidate for Director shall be the person with the next highest number of votes after those persons.

(Candidate for Director Recommended by President)

Article 4. A candidate for President who is elected by the mutual election of the candidates for Directors pursuant to Article 2 may elect a maximum of two (2) candidates for Directors from among Councilors (hereinafter referred to as the "Candidate for Director Recommended by the President") in addition to the candidates for Directors based on the election. A candidate for Candidate for Director Recommended by the President may not be a candidate for Vice President elected by the candidate for President.

(Assumption of Office by Directors and Inspectors)

Article 5. The Board of Directors shall formally determine the candidates elected pursuant to Articles 2, 3, and 4 as candidates for Directors or candidates for Inspectors and shall submit the same to the Regular General Meeting.

2 Candidates for Directors and candidates for Inspectors shall assume the office of Directors and Inspectors with approval by a resolution of the Regular General Meeting, and candidates for

President and candidates for Vice President shall also assume office with the approval of the General Meeting.

- 3 Inspectors shall not participate in committee activities or the operating activities of annual scientific meetings but shall audit the activities of the Society.

(Director in Charge of Finance and the Continuation, Amendment, and Abolition of Committees)

Article 6. Based on the separately stipulated Guidelines for Election Method for Electing Candidates for Directors and Inspectors and Succession to Board of Directors and Committees, the new President shall, at the General Meeting, obtain approval regarding the candidate for Director in charge of finance, the various committee systems, and the candidates for committee members, including the Chairperson thereof; provided, however, that in the committee for certification of diplomates of toxicologic pathology, the committee members other than the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson shall be anonymous.

(Vacancy)

Article 7. In principle, no supplementary election shall be held in connection with the resignation of Directors and Inspectors prior to the expiration of their terms of office.

(Amendment and Abolition)

Article 8. The amendment or abolition of these Regulations shall be subject to a resolution of the General Meeting.

Supplementary Provisions

1. These Regulations shall come into force on the date of establishment of the Society.
2. The above-mentioned Councilors, Directors, Inspectors, Chairpersons of committees, and Annual Chairperson of Scientific Meeting shall succeed to the experience in the position with The Japanese Society of Toxicologic Pathology, which is the Society's predecessor organization without legal personality.