



# Voting Member Designation

**Purpose:** To establish and define Voting Member Designation.

**Policy Detail:** Article V, Section 1a of the MGCA Bylaws requires that all cottage owners designate one owner to serve as the “Voting Member” for that cottage. Some of the primary privileges of the Voting Member as defined in the MGCA Bylaws are:

1. Can vote in the Board of Managers election,
2. Can run for and serve on the Board of Managers,
3. Can sign petitions for Special Membership meetings,
4. Receives notification of Membership Meetings (Annual, Special, Adjourned),
5. Represents the cottage for voting purposes at Membership Meetings,
6. Can vote to incur indebtedness beyond 50% of budget,
7. Can be a committee chair (all Members may serve on a committee), and
8. Cannot be an employee except with Board permission.

**Procedure:**

1. If the cottage is owned by one Member, that Member will automatically be designated as the Voting Member.
2. Where a cottage is not owned by one individual, an owner will need to inform the MGCA office in writing who the Voting Member is. This designation can be submitted in the following manner:
  - a. In writing, or
  - b. In a digital format such as an email or a survey response.
3. If a cottage does not have a designated Voting Member, the MGCA will mail the ballot to the first name listed on the Property Transfer Form supplied to the MGCA at the time of the Cottage’s purchase.
4. The designated Voting Member can be changed by the owner at any time by following the steps listed for designation above in point 2.

**Discretionary Power:** Nominating Committee

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