

WHEREAS, the Northeast Section of the Ohio Water Environment Association (NESOWEA) is a section of the Ohio Water Environment Association (OWEA) which is a 501(c)(3) Organization and a Member Association (MA) of the Water Environment Federation (WEF); and

WHEREAS, NESOWEA relies upon accurate policies and procedures to help govern the organizations and maintain consistency in responses to questions, inquiries and practices; and

WHEREAS, Policies and Procedures (P&P) shall be considered living documents subject to revision based on experience and the changing environment of NESOWEA, OWEA and WEF and for which NESOWEA wishes they be maintained in an accurate and up to date manner; and

WHEREAS, NESOWEA offers a membership called “Section Only Member” for the purpose of recruiting non-members into NESOWEA or to recover costs of mailing section newsletters; and

THEREFORE, NESOWEA has adopted the following policy and procedure:

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

- I. NESOWEA Sections shall be permitted to maintain the designation of “Section Only Member” for the purpose of recruiting new (current non-members) into OWEA and WEF. NESOWEA uses discretion in determining how to best utilize this option deemed most beneficial to NESOWEA, and being careful to not advertise this option over full WEF membership.
- II. NESOWEA shall charge a member and non-member price for attendance at meetings and functions, reflecting the value of becoming a WEF member.
- III. Section-Only members shall be considered as being non-members of OWEA and WEF when paying registration fees or buying products from OWEA and WEF.
- IV. NESOWEA member shall not be charged a non-member fee for attendance at Section meeting outside of their “home” section. Those attending meetings outside of their “home” section are not obligated to receive newsletters from other sections; however, they shall be provided a web link to the section newsletter if such a link is available.
- V. Students at an accredited college with in the Northeast section shall be provided a free membership for the first year within the NESOWEA. Regular section membership fees shall follow the first year.