

# BYLAWS

## ARTICLE I

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

**Sec. 1.** An application for membership for Active or Associate membership shall be made upon the official application form of the Division. A photograph, approximately 2" x 2" of the applicant must accompany the application.

**Sec. 2.** The Application for membership shall be forwarded to the Treasurer, together with the photograph and annual dues and assessments in the amount set forth herein. In case of rejection, said amount shall be returned to the applicant.

### Sec. 3.

Applications for membership shall be required to reflect the primary discipline(s) in which the applicant most frequently practices. The disciplines currently recognized by the International Association for Identification and the Rocky Mountain Division include:

1. Fingerprint Identification
2. Polygraph Examination
3. Questioned Document Examination
4. Forensic Photography/Electronic Imaging
5. Firearms and Toolmarks Examination
6. Forensic Laboratory Analysis
7. Voice Identification and Acoustic Analysis
8. Crime Scene Investigation
9. Forensic Art
10. Innovative/General Techniques
11. Footwear and Tire Track Identification
12. Bloodstain Pattern Identification
13. Forensic Odontology
14. Forensic Entomology
15. Forensic Anthropology

Any future additions and/or deletions of discipline by the IAI shall automatically be accepted and adopted by the RMDIAI.

### Sec. 4.

Association Membership in the various disciplines recognized by the Association shall be available only to those persons who demonstrate professional competence, integrity and good moral character. Membership shall be denied to any applicant when, upon diligent and thorough investigation, it is determined that the applicant:

A. Fails to meet the particular requirements of the applied for primary forensic discipline for which the application has been sought. Such requirements may, for time to time, be established and/or amended by each forensic discipline. -OR-

B. Has falsified, omitted or misrepresented any material fact in the application for membership. -OR-

C. Has exercised professional or personal conduct adverse to the best interests of the Association. -OR-

D. Has been convicted of any felony criminal offense. -OR-

E. Has testified under oath in an unethical manner.

**Sec. 5.** The Treasurer shall then transmit the application to the Board of Directors for approval or disapproval. No application shall be approved unless the majority approval of the members of the Board of Directors is obtained.

**Sec. 6.** After a majority approval is obtained as set forth in Section 3 of this Article and providing that the applicant is in all other aspects fully qualified, the Membership Secretary shall notify the applicant of acceptance as a member and shall forward to that applicant forthwith a certificate of membership, current roster, and a copy of the Constitution.

## Article II

### DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

**Sec. 1.** Dues for the Division shall be \$20.00 per year, payable January 1st each year.

**Sec. 2.** The Board of Directors may not levy assessments upon the membership except by majority approval of the membership.

**Sec. 3.** A member who is delinquent in the payment of dues after April 15th of each year is deemed not in good standing. It shall be the duty of the Membership Secretary to remove such member's name from the mailing list of the Division, pending payment of said dues, and a \$5.00 reinstatement fee. The names of all members in good standing shall appear on the Divisions roster that shall be published and distributed to the members in good standing by the Membership Secretary in June of each year. Any application with dues payment received after September 1st of any year will, after approval, pay the dues for the next calendar year.

## Article III

### AMENDMENTS

**Sec. 1.** The Bylaws of the Division shall be changed only upon approval by a majority vote of the attending members at any general membership meeting. They shall not become effective until approval by the parent body.