



VOICE OF INTEGRITY (VIP)

PARTY NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION RULES

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PART I: PRELIMINARIES

PREAMBLE

These are the Election and Nomination Rules of the **VOICE OF INTEGRITY (VIP)**. They are made pursuant to the Party's Constitution 2026, the Constitution of Kenya 2010, the Political Parties Act Cap 7D and all other applicable provisions of the law.

These Rules may be cited as the **VOICE OF INTEGRITY (VIP)** Nomination Rules, 2026 (hereinafter referred to as "the Rules").

The Rules are intended to apply to the elections of Party office-bearers and nomination of candidates to contest in National General Elections and By-Elections.

INTERPRETATIONS

In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires: -

“Agent” means a person duly accredited by a candidate as his or her agent

“Candidate” means a person contesting for an elective position

“Constituency” means one of the constituencies into which Kenya is divided under Article 89 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010

“Constituency Returning Officer” means a person elected by the National Elections Board to preside over Party elections and nominations within the Constituency

“Constitution” means the Constitution of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY

“Counties” means the counties into which Kenya is divided under Article 6 (1) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010

“County Returning Officer” means a person elected by the Party National Elections Board to preside over Party elections and nominations within the County

“Delegate” means in the nomination of the Party presidential candidate, the members of the special National Delegates Convention for that purpose

“Majority” means the greatest number of votes in any voting conducted under these Rules.

“National Delegates Convention” means the National Delegates Convention as defined in the Party Constitution

“Nomination” means the election of a person qualified under these Rules to contest for election at a General or By-Election on the Party ticket

“Party” means the VOICE OF INTEGRITY (VIP)

“Party List” means a Party list prepared by a political Party and submitted to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) pursuant to and in accordance with Article 90 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010

“VIP” means VOICE OF INTEGRITY

“Register” means the register of Party members approved by the Office of the Registrar of Political Parties

“IDRM” means the Party Internal Disputes Resolution Mechanism as established under the Party Constitution

“Ward” means the electoral unit for Members of the County Assembly within the meaning of Article 177(1) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010

“Youth” means the collective of all individuals in the Republic who have attained the age of eighteen years; but have not attained the age of thirty-five years as defined in Article 260 of the Constitution of Kenya.

ACRONYMS

AGM: Annual General Meeting

CEC: County Executive Committee of the Party

CMC: Constituency Management Committee of the Party

NDC: National Delegates Convention

NGC: National Governing Council

NEC: National Executive Committee

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NEB: National Elections Board

KRA: Kenya Revenue Authority

DCI: Directorate of Criminal Investigations

HELB: Higher Education Loans Board

SIGs: Special Interest Groups

PART II: NATIONAL ELECTIONS BOARD

RULE 1: Appointment of National Elections Board:

- 1) The members of the National Elections Board (NEB) shall be appointed by the Party Leader in consultation with the NEC, Six (6) months before the General Elections and Party Elections.
- 2) The National Elections Board shall consist of:
 - a. Not less than three (3) and not more than nine (9) members including a Chairperson and a Deputy Chairperson; and
 - b. The Director of Elections who shall be an *ex-officio* member.
- 3) During its first meeting, members of NEB shall elect one of their members to be the Chairperson and another to be a deputy chairperson who shall be of the opposite gender and another to be a Secretary to the Board.
- 4) One member of the Board shall be a person representing Special Interest Groups (SIGs).
- 5) The composition of NEB shall constitute two thirds gender rule, two-third of whom shall form a quorum for decision making.
- 6) A person shall be qualified to be appointed as a member of the NEB if the person;
 - a. Is a fully paid-up member of the Party;
 - b. Has at least five years' experience in electoral matters and holds a Bachelor's Degree;
 - c. Is eligible to vote at an election;
 - d. Has not been convicted of an election offence; and
 - e. Satisfies the requirements on leadership and integrity as specified in the National Constitution of Kenya and enabling legislation.
- 7) A member maybe disqualified for appointment as a NEB member if:
 - a. They are not a registered and fully paid-up Party member;
 - b. Does not have at least five years' experience in electoral matters and does not hold a Bachelor's degree;
 - c. Has been convicted of a criminal offence; and
 - d. Does not satisfy the requirements on leadership and integrity issues as specified in the National constitution of Kenya and enabling legislation.
- 8) A member of the NEB shall serve for such period as shall be determined by the NEC and shall be eligible for reappointment provided that a member shall not serve for more than three (3) terms of five (5) years each;
- 9) **The NEB shall establish and appoint a County (Branch) Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel in each county. The Panel shall be supervised by the National Elections Board, and will comprise of three (3) persons of high moral value and integrity to supervise the Party's nominations and elections in the counties.**
- 10) The NEB shall make its own rules of procedure for its meetings. Perform all other functions and duties customary to the NEB of a political Party or such other functions as may be prescribed by the Law.

11) A member of the NEB may lose his or her position if deemed unfit to hold office on the following grounds:

- (i) Is convicted of an electoral offence under the laws of Kenya or other criminal offence and imprisoned for a term of not less than six months;
- (ii) Is adjudged bankrupt or mentally incapacitated;
- (iii) Violates the Party Constitution, these Rules or the Party Code of Conduct;
- (iv) Is found to have undermined the integrity of the Party's electoral process and after a fair hearing by the NEC fails to show cause why he or she should not be removed from office.

RULE 2: Functions of National Elections Board

The National Elections Board shall carry out the following functions:

- a. Propose and review of the Party elections and nominations rules for ratification by the NEC;
- b. Lead, co-ordinate and conduct Party Elections and the Nomination of Party Candidates for Party Lists, General Elections and By-Elections;
- c. Independently and impartially exercise its functions in close consultation with the NEC;
- d. Implement Elections and Nominations Rules in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya, the Electoral Laws, this Constitution and Party Regulations;
- e. Consult with NEC and issue notices to Members of the Party of date, venue and time within which applications for nomination for all elective seats shall be conducted and the timeline of return of the applications;
- f. Prepare and present monthly reports to the NEC;
- g. Prescribe forms and documents required for purposes of Party Elections and Nominations;
- h. Issue an interim Certificate to a candidate duly elected or nominated upon being announced the winner;
- i. Issue the final list of the duly elected or nominated members to the NEC;
- j. Formulate its rules of procedure for approval by NEC;
- k. Appoint and post returning officers, presiding officers and such other elections and nominations officers as shall be necessary to better carry out its mandate; and
- l. Through the office of the Director of Elections, present to the NEC a list of all candidates contesting for Party positions for all elective seats provided that the NEC may raise an objection on reasonable grounds regarding the suitability of any candidate.

PART III: ELIGIBILITY FOR NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

RULE 3: General Qualifications for Nomination as a Party Candidate

Any fully paid up and registered Party member shall have the right to offer himself or herself for nomination as a Party candidate but must:

- (a) Be a citizen of Kenya and holder of a National Identity Card or a Passport with validity of at least 5 years and is registered as a voter in a Sub-County/ Constituency in the Republic of Kenya;
- (b) Be a fully paid-up and registered member of the Party;
- (c) Be qualified to stand for an elective position which he/she seeks under the relevant provisions of the Laws of Kenya and the Party Constitution;
- (d) Meet the ethics and integrity requirements under Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010;
- (e) Have signed the Party Pledge and Code of Conduct;
- (f) Have paid the prescribed Party nomination fee;
- (g) Have a clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority, Higher Education Loans Board, clearance certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB) and the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission and or any waiver as per the written law or court judgements.

RULE 4: Elective offices for which a member may seek the Party Nomination

Any fully paid up and registered Party member shall have the right to offer themselves to be nominated as a Party candidate for President, Senator, Governor, Member of National Assembly, County Woman Representative, and Member of County Assembly, subject to meeting the general qualifications under Rule 3

RULE 5: Disqualification from nomination as a Party candidate

A person shall be disqualified from seeking nomination as a Party candidate if he or she:

- (a) Is a State officer or acting in such capacity;
- (b) Is serving a sentence of imprisonment exceeding six months imposed by a court of law;
- (c) Is of unsound mind;
- (d) Is in violation of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya or any other law governing integrity;
- (e) Is bankrupt under the Laws of Kenya;
- (f) Has not paid the prescribed nomination fee;
- (g) Has failed to produce the required documentation.

PART IV: PROCEDURE FOR IDENTIFICATION AND NOMINATION OF PARTY CANDIDATES

RULE 6: Guiding Principles

- (a) The Party shall conduct all candidate identification and nomination processes in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya, the Political Parties Act, the Elections Act, party constitution, party rules, and principles of democracy, transparency, inclusivity, fairness, equity, accountability, and non-discrimination.

- (b) The Party shall ensure compliance with the two-thirds gender principle and promote the participation of youth, women, persons with disabilities, minorities, and marginalized communities in all nomination processes.

RULE 7: Candidate Identification and Nomination

- (a) Pursuant to Rule 1 and Rule 2; The NEB shall establish and appoint a County (Branch) Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel in each county. The Panel shall be supervised by the National Elections Board, and will comprise of eight (8) persons of high moral value and integrity to supervise the Party's nominations and elections in the counties.
- (b) The County Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel shall:
 - i) Identify prospective candidates;
 - ii) Vet aspiring candidates;
 - iii) Coordinate party primaries;
 - iv) Recommend nominees for elective positions;
 - v) Administer party-list nominations;
 - vi) Ensure compliance with affirmative action requirements.
- (c) The County Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel shall consist of eight (8) members appointed by the National Executive Committee through a competitive and transparent process.
- (d) In constituting the Panel, the Party shall ensure:
 - i) Compliance with the constitutional two-thirds gender principle, such that not more than two-thirds of the members shall be of the same gender;
 - ii) Representation of Special Interest Groups (SIGs);
 - iii) Regional diversity and inclusivity;
 - iv) Competence, integrity, and impartiality.
- (e) The composition of the Panel shall include:
 - i) A Chairperson;
 - ii) A Secretary;
 - iii) One representative of the Women's League;
 - iv) One representative of the Youth League;
 - v) One representative of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs);
 - vi) One representative of minorities and marginalized communities;
 - vii) Two other members appointed on the basis of merit, experience, and regional balance.
- (f) The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall not be of the same gender.
- (g) At least two (2) members of the Committee shall be drawn from Special Interest Groups (SIGs).
- (h) No person intending to contest for an elective position in the election cycle under consideration shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Committee.
- (i) A person shall qualify for appointment to the Committee if he or she:

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- i) Is a registered member of the Party in good standing for at least three years;
 - b. Possesses a minimum qualification of a diploma from a recognized institution, except for representatives of Special Interest Groups whose demonstrated leadership experience may be considered equivalent;
 - ii) Demonstrates knowledge and understanding of electoral processes, governance, public administration, leadership, law, human rights, political party management, or dispute resolution;
 - iii) Meets the integrity requirements under Chapter Six of the Constitution;
 - iv) Has not been convicted of an offence involving fraud, corruption, dishonesty, electoral malpractice, or abuse of office;
 - v) Has not been found guilty of gross misconduct by the Party or any competent authority;
 - vi) Is not serving as a member of a rival political party;
 - vii) Is not a declared aspirant or campaign manager for any aspirant in the nomination exercise under consideration.
- (j) Tenure of the County Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel:
- i) Members of the Panel shall serve for a term of one electoral cycle and shall be eligible for reappointment for one further term.
 - ii) A member shall cease to hold office if he or she:
 - a. Resigns in writing;
 - b. Dies;
 - c. Ceases to be a Party member;
 - d. Is removed for misconduct, incapacity, conflict of interest, or violation of Party rules;
 - e. Becomes a candidate for an elective office during the nomination cycle.
- (k) Any vacancy arising shall be filled in a manner that preserves compliance with the two-thirds gender principle and Special Interest Group representation.
- (l) In the exercise of its mandate, the Committee shall be guided by the principles of:
- i) Democracy and political participation;
 - ii) Inclusiveness and diversity;
 - iii) Equality and non-discrimination;
 - iv) Transparency and accountability;
 - v) Fair competition;
 - vi) Integrity and ethical leadership;
 - vii) Respect for human rights;
 - viii) Merit and competence;
 - ix) Gender equity;
 - x) Representation of Special Interest Groups and marginalized communities.

RULE 8: Identification of Prospective Candidates

- (a) The Party shall commence identification of potential candidates not later than eighteen (18) months before a General Election.
- (b) Candidate identification may be undertaken through:
 - Branch and ward consultations;
 - i) County leadership recommendations;
 - ii) Expressions of interest;
 - iii) Talent and leadership scouting programmes;
 - iv) Community engagement forums;
 - v) Special Interest Group outreach programmes.
- (c) All identified persons shall be invited to participate in leadership development and candidate preparedness programmes organized by the Party.

RULE 9: Affirmative Action and Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

- (a) The Party shall establish programmes to encourage participation of:
 - i) Women;
 - ii) Youth;
 - iii) Persons with disabilities;
 - iv) Minority and marginalized communities;
 - v) Indigenous and underrepresented groups.
- (b) Such programmes may include:
 - i) Leadership mentorship;
 - ii) Capacity-building workshops;
 - iii) Campaign management training;
 - iv) Financial and fundraising support;
 - v) Political leadership academies;
 - vi) Reserved recruitment and outreach initiatives.
- (c) The Party shall allocate resources annually to support aspiring candidates from Special Interest Groups.
- (d) The Candidate Identification and Nomination Committee shall submit annual reports on the progress of affirmative action initiatives.

RULE 10: Timelines for Candidate Identification and Nomination

- (a) Eighteen (18) months before the General Election:
 - i) Commencement of candidate identification and recruitment.
- (b) Twelve (12) months before the General Election:

- i) Publication of nomination rules and procedures.
 - ii) Constitution of nomination committees.
- (c) Nine (9) months before the General Election:
 - i) Opening of applications for party nominations.
- (d) Six (3) months before the General Election:
 - i) Closure of applications.
 - ii) Vetting of aspirants.
- (e) Five (5) months before the General Election:
 - i) Publication of provisional list of qualified aspirants.
- (f) Four (4) months before the General Election:
 - i) Hearing and determination of nomination disputes.
- (g) Three (3) months before the General Election:
 - i) Conduct of party primaries.
- (h) Within seven (7) days after party primaries:
 - i) Declaration and certification of winners.
- (i) Within timelines prescribed by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC):
 - i) Submission of nominees and party lists.

RULE 10: Eligibility for Party Nomination

A person shall qualify for party nomination if he or she:

- (a) Is a registered member of the Party;
- (b) Meets constitutional and statutory qualifications for the elective position sought;
- (c) Has complied with Party membership requirements;
- (d) Has paid prescribed nomination fees;
- (e) Has satisfied integrity and leadership requirements;
- (f) Is not disqualified by law or Party regulations.

RULE 11: Procedure for Party Nominations

- (a) The Party shall issue a notice inviting applications for nomination.
- (b) Interested members shall submit:
 - i) Application forms;
 - ii) Academic and professional credentials where applicable;
 - iii) Statutory declarations;
 - iv) Membership verification documents;
 - v) Nomination fees.
- (c) The County Nominations and Advisory Panel shall undertake vetting and verification of applicants.
- (d) Qualified applicants shall be published for public scrutiny.
- (e) Nomination disputes arising from vetting shall be handled through the Party Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanism.

RULE 12: Conduct of Party Primaries

- (a) Party candidates shall be selected through:
 - i) Universal suffrage by registered Party members;
 - ii) Delegate conferences;
 - iii) Consensus;
 - iv) Any other democratic method approved by the National Executive Committee.
- (b) Primaries shall be conducted by independent returning officers appointed by the Party.
- (c) Results shall be declared at polling centres and transmitted electronically where applicable.
- (d) Any aggrieved aspirant may file a complaint within forty-eight (48) hours after declaration of results.

RULE 13: Nomination of Party-List Candidates

- (a) The Party shall establish a Party List Committee responsible for preparation of all-party lists.
- (b) Party lists shall comply with:
 - i) The Constitution of Kenya;
 - ii) The Elections Act;
 - iii) IEBC regulations;
 - iv) Gender and affirmative action requirements.
- (c) Party-list nominees shall be selected through a competitive and transparent process considering:
 - i) Loyalty and service to the Party;
 - ii) Leadership experience;
 - iii) Professional competence;
 - iv) Regional balance;
 - v) Gender balance;
 - vi) Representation of youth, persons with disabilities, minorities, and marginalized communities.
- (d) The Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel shall publish provisional Party Lists and invite objections within seven (7) days.
- (e) Final Party Lists shall be approved by the National Elections Board subject to confirmation by the NEC and final submission to the IEBC within the prescribed timelines.

RULE 14: Internal Dispute Resolution

- 1. Any dispute arising from candidate identification, nominations, primaries, or party-list preparation shall first be referred to the Party Internal Dispute Resolution Committee.

2. Appeals shall be determined within seven (7) days.
3. A party dissatisfied with the decision may seek further redress before the appropriate legal forum as provided by law.

RULE 15: Transparency and Accountability

1. All nomination processes shall be documented and auditable.
2. The Party shall publish nomination regulations, fees, criteria, and timelines on its official communication platforms.
3. Nomination records shall be retained for not less than five years.

RULE 16: Review of Nomination Rules

The Party shall review these procedures at least once every electoral cycle to ensure compliance with changes in electoral laws and promotion of democratic participation.

PART V –NOMINATION OF PARTY CANDIDATES

RULE 17: Vacancies in elective positions

The National Elections Board, shall following a resolution by the National Executive Committee, advertise and receive applications for nominations for the positions of President, Members of the Senate, Governors, Members of the National Assembly, Member of the County Assembly and County Woman Representative.

RULE 18: Applications for nomination

Pursuant to Rule 17 and subject to the National elections calendar published by the IEBC, the National Elections Board shall cause to be published, a notice inviting and requiring interested persons to apply for nomination as Party candidates in either General or By-elections provided that the Party shall be at liberty to use both direct and indirect nomination methods. **Direct** nomination method is assigned the following meaning:

- (a) The candidates are chosen through a competitive process involving registered party members (like primaries or universal suffrage within the party).
- (b) Indirect nomination means candidates are selected by delegates or party organs, rather than the entire membership. The party will be at liberty to nominate and proceed to issue a certificate in respect of certain candidates upon recommendation of the NEC, in consultation with the Party Leader, taking into account the:- candidate's popularity and or service to the party, Gender parity, affirmative action for SIG and or ability to enhance the Party's ability to capture the seat.

RULE 19: Vetting of candidates

The National Elections Board shall subject to approval by the National Executive Committee (NEC) conduct the vetting of candidates in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya, the Political Parties Act, Cap 7D, the Elections Act, 2011, the County Government Act 2011, the Party Constitution and Party Elections and Nominations Rules.

RULE 20: Publication of Successful Nominees and Signing of Certificates

The National Elections Board shall with the approval of NEC, publish the final list of the successful applicants for nomination as Party candidates provided that:

- (a) Where two or more aspirants show interest in a particular seat, the National Elections Board may adopt consensus among the aspirants to support one of them, or if unable to do so, the Party shall proceed to conduct a free and fair nomination exercise.
- (b) The nomination certificate for Party candidates for various elective posts in the General and By-Elections shall be signed by the Chairperson of the National Elections Board, Secretary-General and Party Leader.

RULE 21: General Procedure for Conducting Nominations

- (a) For Presidential Nominations, in respect of National Presidential Elections, by a Special National Delegates Convention (SNDC) at least Six (6) months to the Presidential Elections. For purposes of conducting the Party nominations for the presidential candidate, the Secretary-General shall cause to be prepared and published, a register for delegates for the Special NDC, which shall be separate from the Principal Party Register. Provided that a delegate at the NDC must be a registered member of the Party.
- (b) Nomination of Members of the Senate, Governor and County Woman Representative, shall be done by Party members listed in the Principal Party Register as members in that county, who shall be delegates for purposes of the nomination process, provided the nominations shall be conducted at least three (3) months to the General Elections, or as directed by the IEBC;
- (c) Nomination of members of the National Assembly, shall be done by Party members listed in the Principal Party Register as members in that constituency who shall be delegates for purposes of the nomination process, provided the nominations shall be conducted at least three (3) months to the General Elections, or as directed by the IEBC;
- (d) Nomination of members of the County Assembly shall be done by Party members listed in the Principal Party Register as members in that Ward, who shall be delegates for purposes of nomination process, provided the nominations shall be conducted at least three (3) months to the General Elections, or as directed by the IEBC;
- (e) Nominations for the above elective positions shall be held at a venue designated by the National Elections Board (NEB) and or shall be conducted through secret ballot; and or electronic medium as published through the party notice to members.
- (f) Candidates for Party nominations shall pay the nomination fee prescribed by the Party as follows:

	Position	Amount in KSHS
1.	Presidential Candidate	1,000,000.00
2.	Governor	50,000.00
3.	Senator	10,000.00
4.	Women Representative	10,000.00
5.	Member of National Assembly	10,000.00
6.	Member of County Assembly	5,000.00

- (g) Special Interest Groups (SIGs) shall receive a 50% discount or complete waiver on all nomination fees, subject to approval by NEC.
- (h) The Party shall conduct its nominations in strict adherence to the code of conduct of nominations under the relevant laws (Political Parties Act Cap 7D, The Constitution of Kenya and The Elections Act).
- (i) Election malpractices such as voter bribery, violence and incitement shall be strictly prohibited and if identified, they shall be resolved as stipulated in the Elections Act, Elections Offences Act and any other relevant law.
- (j) All campaigns shall be done in strict observance of the Election Campaign Finance Act, The constitution of Kenya, Elections Act and all other relevant laws.

RULE 22: Nomination of Presidential Candidate

- (a) The nomination of the Party Presidential Candidate shall be by the National Delegates Convention as described in Article 20 (2) (i) of the Party Constitution.
- (b) The Presidential Candidate must meet the following qualifications:
 - (i) Must be a Kenyan citizen by birth;
 - (ii) Must be a registered voter;
 - (iii) Is qualified to stand for election as a Member of Parliament;
 - (iv) Is a holder of a degree from a university recognized in Kenya;
 - (v) Must meet the moral and ethical requirements under the Leadership and Integrity Act;
 - (vi) Meet the minimum requirements for Presidential Candidates stipulated by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC).
 - (vii) Be a Life Member of the Party
 - (viii) Nominated by not fewer than two thousand voters in total from a majority of the counties.
 - (ix) Subscribe to the ideals of the Party and sign the Party Code of Conduct
- (c) A candidate seeking nomination as a Presidential candidate shall submit the following documents:
 - (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card;
 - (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter;
 - (iii) Certificate of Good Conduct;
 - (iv) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate/Card;
 - (v) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA);
 - (vi) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB);
 - (vii) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission;
 - (viii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) to which the applicant belongs;
 - (ix) Copy of degree certificate from a university recognized in Kenya;
 - (x) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable nomination fee of Ksh.1,000,000;

- (xi) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC;
 - (xii) All requirements and disqualifications of the Presidential candidate apply to the Deputy President as well.
- (d) A candidate seeking nomination as a Presidential Candidate shall in addition to the reasons specified in Rule 5 be disqualified if he or she:
- (i) Owes allegiance to a foreign state;
 - (ii) Is of unsound mind;
 - (iii) Is undischarged bankrupt;
 - (iv) Has been found in accordance with any law to have misused or abused a state office or public office;
 - (v) Is subject to a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months, as at the date of registration as a candidate, or at the date of election;
 - (vi) Is a public officer, or is acting in any State or other public office, except for President, Deputy President; a Member of Parliament; a Member of County Assembly, a County Governor or a Deputy Governor;
 - (vii) Participates directly or indirectly in any public fundraising within eight months preceding a general election or during an election period. Except when fundraising for a person who is contesting an election or fundraising for a political party;
 - (viii) Failure to resign from public service on or before the prescribed period.

RULE 23: Nomination of Members of Parliament at County Level

A. Senate:

1. A person seeking nomination for election as a Member of Senate shall fulfill the following requirements:
 - (i) Must have been a Kenyan citizen for at least 10 years before the election;
 - (ii) Must be a registered voter in the County for which he/she seeks election;
 - (iii) A fully paid- up Life Member of the Party,
 - (iv) Must meet the statutory moral and ethical requirements under the Leadership and Integrity Act;
 - (v) Must not be a Public Officer or acting in any State of public office other than a Member of Parliament;
 - (vi) Must not hold dual citizenship unless citizenship of the other country has been obtained by operation of law without capacity to opt out;
 - (vii) Meet the minimum requirements for candidates for Senate as set out by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC);
 - (viii) Demonstrate loyalty to the Party and subscribe to ideology, policies and vision;
 - (ix) Sign the Party pledge and Code of Conduct.
2. A candidate seeking nomination for Member of the Senate shall submit the following documents:
 - (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card
 - (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter
 - (iii) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate/ Card

- (iv) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- (v) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- (vi) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
- (vii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) of the County which the applicant belongs
- (viii) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable nomination fee of 10,000 Kshs and discounted for SIGs.
- (ix) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC.

3. A person shall be disqualified from vying for the Senate position if he/she:

- (i) Is a State officer or other public officer, other than a Member of Parliament
- (ii) Has not been a citizen of Kenya for at least the ten years immediately before the date of election
- (iii) Is a Member of County Assembly
- (iv) Is of unsound mind
- (v) Is undischarged bankrupt
- (vi) Is subject to a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months, as at the date of registration as a candidate, or at the date of election
- (vii) Has been found in accordance with any law to have misused or abused a state office or public office

B. Woman Representative:

1. A person seeking nomination for County Woman Representative shall fulfill the following requirements:

- (i) Be a registered voter in the Constituency or County for which he/she seeks election,
- (ii) Is a Life Member of the Party
- (iii) Meet the minimum requirements for candidates for Women Representative as set out by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC),
- (iv) Is proficient in both English and Kiswahili languages,
- (v) Be 18 years and above
- (vi) Demonstrate loyalty to the Party and subscribe to ideology, policies and vision
- (vii) Sign the Party pledge and Code of Conduct
- (viii) Demonstrate commitment to the Party ideology and policies

2. A candidate seeking nomination for Woman Representative shall submit the following documents:

- (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card
- (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter
- (iii) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate/ Card
- (iv) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- (v) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- (vi) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission

- (vii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) to which the applicant belongs
 - (viii) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable subsidized nomination fee of 10,000 Kshs.
 - (ix) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC
3. A person shall be disqualified for nomination as County Woman Representative if she:
- (i) Is a State officer or other public officer, other than a Member of Parliament;
 - (ii) has not been a citizen of Kenya for at least the ten years immediately before the date of election;
 - (iii) Is a Member of County Assembly;
 - (iv) Is of unsound mind;
 - (v) Is undischarged bankrupt
 - (vi) Is subject to a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months, as at the date of registration as a candidate, or at the date of election
 - (vii) Has been found in accordance with any law to have misused or abused a state office or public office

RULE 24: Nomination of Members of Parliament at Constituency Level

Member of National Assembly

(a) A person seeking nomination for election as a Member of the National Assembly shall fulfill the following requirements:

- (i) Must have been a Kenyan citizen for at least 10 years before the election;
- (ii) Is a Life Member of the Party;
- (iii) Must be a registered voter in the Constituency for which he/she seeks election;
- (iv) Must meet the statutory moral and ethical requirements under the Leadership and Integrity Act;
- (v) Must not be a public officer or acting in any State of public office other than a Member of Parliament;
- (vi) Must not hold dual citizenship unless citizenship of the other country has been obtained by operation of law without capacity to opt out;
- (vii) Meet the minimum requirements for candidates for National Assembly as set out by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC);
- (viii) Demonstrate loyalty to the Party and subscribe to ideology, policies and vision;
- (ix) Sign the Party pledge and Code of Conduct

(b) A candidate seeking nomination for Member of the National Assembly shall submit the following documents:

- (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card
- (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter
- (iii) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate
- (iv) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- (v) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- (vi) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission

- (vii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) to which the applicant belongs
- (viii) Copy of degree certificate from a university recognized in Kenya
- (ix) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable nomination fee of 10,000 Kshs and discounted Kshs for SIGs.
- (x) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC

(c) A candidate for nomination under this Rule shall be disqualified if he or she is:

- (i) Is a State officer or other public officer, other than a Member of Parliament;
- (ii) Has not been a citizen of Kenya for at least the ten years immediately before the date of election;
- (iii) Is a Member of County Assembly;
- (iv) Is of unsound mind;
- (v) Is undischarged bankrupt;
- (vi) Is subject to a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months, as at the date of registration as a candidate, or at the date of election;
- (vii) Has been found in accordance with any law to have misused or abused a state office or public office.

RULE 25: Nomination of Candidates for County Positions

A. Governor

1. A person seeking nomination for election as a Governor and Deputy Governor must meet the following requirements:

- (i) Be a Life Member of the Party
- (ii) Be a registered voter in the County for which he/she seeks election
- (iii) Must have been Kenyan citizens for at least 10 years; before the election;
- (iv) Must be eligible for election as a member of the county assembly;
- (v) Is a holder of a degree from a University recognized in Kenya;
- (vi) Must meet the statutory moral and ethical requirements under the Leadership and Integrity Act;
- (vii) Must not be a public officer or acting in any State of public office other than a member of the County Assembly;
- (viii) Must not hold dual citizenship unless citizenship of the other country has been obtained by operation of law without capacity to opt out;
- (ix) Meet the minimum requirements for candidates for the County Assembly as set out by the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC)
- (x) Sign the Party Code of Conduct

2. An application for nomination for election as Governor shall present the following documents:

- (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card
- (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter
- (iii) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate/Card

- (iv) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- (v) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- (vi) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
- (vii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) to which the applicant belongs
- (viii) Copy of degree certificate from a university recognized in Kenya
- (ix) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable nomination fee of KES 50,000.
- (x) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC
- (xi) All requirements and disqualifications for the County Governor apply to the Deputy Governor as well.

3. A person shall be disqualified for nomination as Governor if he or she:

- (i) Is a State officer or other public officer, other than a Member of County Assembly;
- (ii) Has, at any time within the five years immediately before the date of election, held office as a member of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission;
- (iii) Has not been a citizen of Kenya for at least the ten years immediately preceding the date of election;
- (iv) Is serving a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months; or;
- (v) has been found, in accordance with any law, to have misused or abused a State office or public office or to have contravened Chapter Six of the Constitution;
- (vi) Has held an office of the Governor for two terms

B. Member of County Assembly

1. A person seeking nomination for election as a Member of County Assembly must meet the following requirements:
 - (i) Must have been a Kenyan citizen for at least 10 years before the election;
 - (ii) Be a Life Member of the Party
 - (iii) Must be a registered voter in the ward they are contesting for;
 - (iv) Must not owe allegiance to a foreign state;
 - (v) Must meet the statutory moral and ethical requirements under the Leadership and Integrity Act;
2. An application for nomination as a Member of the County Assembly shall present the following documents:
 - (i) Certified copy of the applicant's National Identity Card
 - (ii) Certified Proof of registration as a voter
 - (iii) Copy of the VOICE OF INTEGRITY Life Membership Certificate/Card
 - (iv) Clearance certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
 - (v) Clearance certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
 - (vi) Clearance certificate from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
 - (vii) Certified Nomination Forms by the County Executive Committee (CEC) to which the applicant belongs
 - (viii) Copy of post-secondary education from an institution recognized in Kenya

- (ix) Original receipt from the Party Headquarters as proof of payment of non-refundable nomination fee of 35,000 Kshs and 20,000Kshs for SIGs.
 - (x) Meet all other requirements of the Elections Act and regulations made by the IEBC
3. A person shall be disqualified from nomination as a Member of County Assembly if he or she:
- (i) Is a State officer or other public officer, other than a Member of County Assembly;
 - (ii) Has, at any time within the five years immediately before the date of election, held office as a member of the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission;
 - (iii) Has not been a citizen of Kenya for at least the ten years immediately preceding the date of election;
 - (iv) Is serving a sentence of imprisonment of at least six months; or;
 - (v) Has been found, in accordance with any law, to have misused or abused a State office or public office or to have contravened Chapter Six of the Constitution;

RULE 26: Procedure for Nomination to the Party List

1. Nomination of members for National Assembly, Senate and County Assemblies for Party List seats specified under Article 97 (1) (c), 98 (1) (b), (c) and (d) and Article 177 (1) (b) and (c) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 shall be on the basis of proportional representation;
- (a) The NEB is required to issue a notice of not less than 21 days for candidates for nomination to the party lists. Notice for vacant positions for party lists shall be published on the party website and offices.
 - (b) The NEB shall in consultation with NEC, nominate members for East African Legislative Assembly for Party List seats specified in the East African Legislative Assembly Nomination Rules on the basis of proportional representation;
 - (c) The National Executive Committee shall then submit the Party List to the IEBC at least forty-five (45) days before the date of general election. The final list shall take into account the interests of women, youth, persons with disability and marginalized groups;
 - (d) The National Executive Committee (NEC), shall identify persons from among the Party members for nomination to the Party List as members the National Assembly, Senate and County Assembly representative. The persons so identified shall meet the following criteria:
 - i) Have a demonstrated loyalty to the Party and served it with diligence;
 - ii) Have contributed to the Party's success in the elections;
 - iii) Have shown commitment to the Party values and policies;
 - iv) Are qualified to hold public and State office as provided for in the Party Constitution and these Rules;
 - v) Are registered Party members and have paid Party subscription fees;
 - vi) Have submitted a duly signed Code of Conduct and Pledge of Commitment to the Party;

- vii) Have paid the nomination fees prescribed by the Party for the particular elective position.
- (e) The National Executive Committee shall then submit the Party List to the IEBC. The final list shall take into account the interests of women, youth, persons with disability and marginalized groups;
- (f) In determining the suitability of candidates for the Party List, the National Executive Committee shall only include persons who have made a demonstrable active contribution to the Party.
- (g) For persons wishing to be nominated to the Party List:
 - (i) All provisions of the Pledge of Commitment shall apply to them in the same manner as to candidates vying for elective seats;
 - (ii) They must have met all the requirements for that position in these guidelines and any other written law;
 - (iii) They MUST have been active in the propagation of the Party's Mission and Vision;
 - (iv) They must submit their application and prescribed fees within the stipulated timelines.
- (h) For persons to be nominated to the Party List:
 - (i) The qualifications for the candidates shall be the same as that of other candidates running for the same position;
 - (ii) The names must be listed in the alternate between male and female candidates in order of priority;
 - (iii) The nominations shall reflect the gender and ethnic diversity of Kenya;
 - (iv) Candidates who qualify to be included in the Special Interest Group (SIGs) category shall be eligible for a discount on the prescribed Party nomination fees as stipulated in Rule 10. These include Women, Youth, Marginalized and People Living with Disability (PWDs).
- (i) A person shall be disqualified from the Party list if they do not meet the set requirements in (f) and (g) above.

2. Circumstances under which non-competitive procedure may be applied:

The non-competitive indirect nomination process may be applied under the following circumstances:

(a) No contest declaration

At the close of the period for receiving applications from the candidates for nominated posts only one candidate applies, is vetted and cleared, the NEB shall declare the candidate duly nominated party candidate for the elective post and publish a notice to that effect.

(b) Consensus by candidates

All candidates who have submitted applications and have been cleared by the NEB to contest may by resolution agree by consensus to withdraw their candidature in favor of one candidate for such an elective seat.

(c) Indirect ticket nomination

Where indirect ticket nomination is the method applied, the NEB in nominating a candidate, shall carry out due diligence exercise to justify the use of this method.

(d) Incumbency

If an incumbent official expresses an intention to seek re-election, and there are no other contenders for the same position within the party.

(e) Exceptional Circumstances

During extraordinary situations or emergencies where the party deems it necessary to employ a non-competitive/indirect nomination process for the stability and continuity of the party.

(f) Affirmative action for the special interest groups (Youth, Women, PWDs), gender parity

In the application of indirect ticket nomination method, the party may also consider the views of other representatives of the electorate including community leaders, women, youth, and persons with disability through the devolved body of the NEB in accordance with rule 9 (1). A candidate for non- competitive nomination shall be identified through formal and timely application and notification.

PART VI: ELECTION OF PARTY OFFICE-BEARERS

RULE 27: Procedure for Identification of Candidates for Party Election

(a) Issuance of notice for the vacant positions:

- i) The NEB shall upon consultation with NEC, issue notices to Members of the Party within twenty-one (21) days of the date, venue and time within which applications for nomination for all elective seats shall be conducted and the timeline of return of the applications. In case of Electronic voting, a web-based link shall be circulated in the notice.

(b) Qualification to be a Party official;

- i) He/ She Must be a registered and fully paid-up Party Member;
- ii) He/ She must be a registered voter;
- iii) He/ She must be actively involved in Party activities;
- iv) He/ She must fulfil the requirements of Chapter six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010;

(c) Disqualification from aspiring to be a Party official;

- i) He/ She is not a registered and fully- paid up Party member;
- ii) He/ She is not a registered voter;
- iii) He/ she is not actively involved in Party activities;
- iv) He/ she does not fulfil the requirements of Chapter six of the constitution of Kenya;

- v) He/ She is a public officer, or is acting in any State or other public office, except for President, Deputy President; a Member of Parliament; a Member of County Assembly, a County Governor or a Deputy Governor;

(d) Vetting/intervening/shortlisting procedure for identification of a candidate:

- i) All candidates will be subjected to background checks to determine suitability for the position they're vying for;
- ii) The NEB may request for documentation for scrutiny such as:
 - Copy of ID card or passport
 - Academic and professional certificates
 - All clearances as prescribed in Chapter 6 of the constitution of Kenya
 - Proof of payment of the prescribed nomination fees
 - Party Membership card and/or certificate
- iii) Vetting procedure shall be based on principles and values of leadership as stated in section 73 of the Leadership Act which include:
 - Personal integrity
 - Competence
 - Objectivity and impartiality
 - Selfless service based on public interest, honesty and commitment to the people.

RULE 28: Procedure for Election of Party Office-Bearers

- (a) The Party shall commence the process of identifying candidates for various Party office-bearers at least six (6) weeks before Party elections.
- (b) The Party National Election Board shall communicate to the Party Branches of the intention of the Party to hold elections to fill such offices.
- (c) Where a vacancy arises in respect of any position at polling station, ward, constituency, county and national levels, elections shall be conducted within six months to fill the vacant position.
- (d) Candidates seeking election to any Party office shall present their application forms to the National Elections Board as follows:
 - i) In respect of Party National office bearers, not later than 7 days before the date of the elections for that office;
 - ii) In respect of Party elections at the County, Constituency, Ward and Polling station level, not less than three (3) days to the date of elections.
- (e) Each candidate at the Party elections shall in addition to the application form, present the following: -
 - (i) National ID Card or Kenyan Passport
 - (ii) Party membership certificate/ card;
 - (iii) The prescribed Application Fee;
 - (iv) Personal contact data including: email, telephone number, postal and physical address;
 - (v) Names of proposer and seconder who must be fully paid-up Party members;
 - (vi) Curriculum vitae;

- (vii) Duly signed Pledge of Commitment to adhere to the Party Code of Conduct and in particular desist from violence, bribery or any other unlawful conduct that may undermine the integrity of the Party elections.
- (f) The Party elections at County, Constituency, Ward and Polling Station levels shall take place on the same day at venues designated as Party polling stations designated by the NEB between 0600 hours and 1800 hours;
- (g) The Party elections at National level will be conducted during the National Delegates Convention;
- (h) The National Elections Board shall appoint Returning Officers, Presiding Officers and Clerks for purposes of conducting Party elections at Polling Station, Ward, Constituency, County and National levels;
- (i) Party elections for office bearers shall be conducted through secret ballot.
- (j) Eligibility and quorum of persons/ body voting shall be as follows:
 - i) The person voting shall be a registered member of the Party and shall appear in the Party register;
 - ii) The person voting shall be a delegate at the level at which the election is taking place as stipulated in Rule 10.
 - iii) The person voting must be a registered voter with IEBC
 - iv) Quorum of the party organ in which elections are taking place shall be at least two-thirds of the delegates present.

RULE 29: Remuneration and Training of the Election Officers

- (a) The training of election officers shall be done by the National Election Board before the actual posting to the field for the execution of their duties.
- (b) The remuneration shall be commensurate with the market rate and under the Employment Act and other applicable laws.

RULE 30: Duties of the Presiding Officer:

The Presiding Officer on completion of counting of votes shall:

- (a) Record the results on the Polling Centre Results Form;
- (b) Immediately require each candidate or his/her agent to countersign the Form;
- (c) Ensure that failure of refusal by a candidate to countersign the certificate shall be made in the Polling Center Results Form.
- (d) The Presiding Officer shall submit the original signed Results Certificate to the respective Returning Officer.

RULE 31: Duties of the Returning Officer

The Returning Officer for each Electoral Area shall on receipt at the Polling Center Results Forms from each Polling Centre:

- (a) Tally the results and record the results on the respective Preliminary Results Certificate;
- (b) Require each Presiding Officer to witness the entry of his/her Polling Centre results on the Electoral Area Results Form;

- (c) Add up the nomination figures, require the Agents for each candidate, if present, to witness the entry of the results and sign the respective preliminary Results Certificate and announce the results for the electoral area;
- (d) Issue the winning candidate with a Preliminary Certificate of Election. Provided, however, that the Preliminary Certificate shall merely be prima facie evidence of the results and shall not be a Certificate of Nomination by the Party; and
- (e) Submit all the records of the nomination exercise to the National Elections Board as directed by the Board.

RULE 32: Counting of Votes

- (a) The presiding officer shall conduct the vote count, reseal the ballot boxes, enter results in the Results Form, signs together with all agents the results form, announce the results and submit the Result Forms and ballot boxes to the respective Electoral Returning Officer.
- (b) The presiding officer may recount once the votes upon request by an aggrieved candidate or their agents.
- (c) The returning officer shall collate the electoral area results, tabulate, verify correctness, announce each candidates' votes, announce the winner and issue Results Certificate to NEB and issue the candidate with the winning votes the Results Certificate.
- (d) Such Results Certificate shall be provisional.
- (e) Upon verification and or resolution of any disputes, the NEB shall issue the winning candidate with a Nomination Certificate.
- (f) The voting materials shall be stored and secured by the Returning Of Officer, unless directed by the NEB to surrender the same to it

RULE 33: Announcing of Results and Assumption into Office

- (a) Final results shall be announced after votes have been counted conclusively;
- (b) The announcement of the winner of the election and / or nomination shall be done by the Chairperson of the NEB;
- (c) He/she will be issued with the prescribed certificate by the National Elections Board immediately and assume office immediately in the case of Party officials.
- (d) In the case of a nominee for the national General or By- Election, the winning candidate shall then follow the IEBC timelines and procedures.
- (e) In case of an appeal the winner shall be issued with the prescribed certificate not more than 24 hours after the announcement that the appeal has been resolved and shall assume office immediately. This is in the case of a Party official.
- (f) The winning nominee after a resolved appeal shall be issued with the prescribed certificate and shall become a candidate for the Party in the General Elections or By-elections.

RULE 34: Officials to Oversee Party Primaries:

- (a) The National Elections Board (NEB) shall appoint and post returning officers, presiding officers and such other elections and nominations officers as shall be necessary to oversee the Party primaries;

- (b) NEB will conduct training of these officers or will engage IEBC or any other qualified consultant to conduct the training;
- (c) The NEB may offer remuneration to these officers after close consultation with the NEC;
- (d) NEB will Consult with NEC and issue notices to Members of the Party on the:
 - i) date, venue and time within which applications for nomination for all elective seats shall be conducted;
 - ii) and the timeline for the return of the applications
- (e) The NEB shall establish and appoint a County (Branch) Nominations and Elections Advisory Panel in each county. The Panel shall be supervised by the National Elections Board, and will comprise of three (3) persons of high moral value and integrity to supervise the Party's elections in the counties.

RULE 35: Party Elections at the Polling Station Level

The Party shall have elections at the Polling Station level to elect the Polling Station Mobilization Committee (PSMC) pursuant to Article 29 of the Party Constitution;

- (a) The following office bearers shall be elected to the Polling Station Mobilization Committee, namely:
 - i) Chairperson
 - ii) Secretary
 - iii) Treasurer
 - iv) Organizing Secretary
 - v) Chairlady, Women League
 - vi) Chairperson, Youth League
 - vii) Chairperson, PWD Assembly
- (b) At the Polling Station level to elect committee members of the Women League pursuant to Article 30 of the Party Constitution;
- (c) At the Polling Station/Ward level to elect the member of the Youth League pursuant to Article 31 of the Party Constitution;
- (d) Only members who are listed in the Party's Principal Register as members in the particular polling station shall elect members of the Polling Station Mobilisation Committee and positions in clause (b) and (c) above.
- (e) Elected officials at Polling Station level shall hold office for a term of five (5) years.

RULE 36: Party Elections at Ward Level

(a) The Party shall have elections in every ward to elect the following office bearers of the Ward Coordination Committee (WCC) pursuant to Article 28 of the Party Constitution:

- (i) Chairperson
- (ii) Vice-Chairperson
- (iii) Secretary
- (iv) Assistant Secretary
- (v) Treasurer
- (vi) Assistant Treasurer
- (vii) Organizing Secretary
- (viii) Assistant Organizing Secretary

(b) The Party shall have elections in every ward to elect members of the Women League at the Ward level namely, Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary, Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(c) The Party shall have elections in every ward to elect members of the Youth League at the Ward level namely, Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary and Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(d) The Party office bearers at the Ward Level shall hold office for a term of five years.

(e) Any member who is listed in the Party's Principal Register as a member in the particular Ward has a right to seek election to any office in, and to participate in Party elections for, the Ward Coordination Committee and the Constituency Management Committee, and members of the Women and Youth Leagues at the Ward Level.

RULE 37: Party Elections at Constituency (Sub-Branch) Level

(a) The Party shall have elections at the Constituency (Sub-Branch) level to elect office bearers of the Constituency Management Committee (CMC) pursuant to Article 27 of the Party Constitution, namely:

- (i) Chairperson,
- (ii) Vice-Chairperson
- (iii) Secretary
- (iv) Assistant Secretary
- (v) Treasurer
- (vi) Assistant Treasurer
- (vii) Organizing Secretary
- (viii) Assistant Secretary
- (ix) Chairperson- Women League
- (x) Secretary Women League
- (xi) Chairperson- Youth League
- (xii) Secretary- Youth League
- (xiii) Chairperson – PWD Assembly

(b) Constituency Management Committee office bearers shall hold office for a term of five (5) years.

(c) In addition to the above elective positions, the Party shall conduct elections for members of the Women League at Constituency (Sub-County) Level namely, Chairperson, Vice-

Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary, Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(d) The Party shall also conduct elections for members of the Constituency Youth League, namely, Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary and Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(e) Any member who is listed in the Party's Principal Register as a member in the particular Constituency has a right to be seek election to any office in, and to participate in elections for, the Constituency Management Committee, and members of the Women League and Youth League at the Constituency level.

RULE 38: Elections at the Party County Level

(a) The Party shall have elections at the County level to elect office bearers of the County Executive Committee (CEC) pursuant to Article 26 of the Party Constitution, namely:

- (i) Chairperson
- (ii) Vice-Chairperson
- (iii) Secretary
- (iv) Assistant Secretary
- (v) Treasurer
- (vi) Assistant Treasurer
- (vii) Organizing Secretary
- (viii) Assistant Organizing Secretary
- (ix) Chairperson- Women League
- (x) Secretary Women League
- (xi) Chairperson- Youth League
- (xii) Secretary – Youth League
- (xiii) Representative – PWD League

(b) The Party County Executive Committee office bearers shall be elected at the County Annual General Meeting by secret ballot and for a term of five (5) years or until the Party elections are called, whichever comes first and shall be eligible for re-election.

(c) In addition to the office-bearers under Rule 19 (a), the Party shall conduct elections at the County level in respect of officials of the Party Women League at County level namely, Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary and Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(d) The Party shall also conduct elections for members of the County Youth League namely, Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Organizing Secretary and Deputy Organizing Secretary.

(e) Any member who is listed in the Party's Principal Register as a member in the particular County has a right to be seek election to any office in, and to participate in elections for, the Party County Executive Committee Constituency Management Committee, and members of the Women League and Youth League at the Constituency level.

RULE 39: Elections at the Party National Level

(a) Any member of the Party who is qualified has a right to be nominated as a candidate for any of the National Party offices specified in Article 14 namely:

- 1) Party Leader
- 2) Deputy Party Leader –Operations & Programmes
- 3) Deputy Party Leader – Policy and Strategy
- 4) National Chairperson
- 5) National Deputy Chairperson
- 6) Secretary General
- 7) Deputy Secretary General
- 8) National Organizing Secretary
- 9) National Deputy Organizing Secretary
- 10) National Treasurer
- 11) National Deputy Treasurer
- 12) National Chairperson Women League
- 13) National Chairperson Youth League
- 14) National Chairperson PWD - League
- 15) Secretary Foreign Affairs and Regional Co-operation
- 16) Secretary Legal and Constitutional Affairs
- 17) Director of Elections

(b) Provided that no person, except with leave by a majority decision of the National Executive Committee shall be eligible to be elected if such person had not been a Party member for a period of two (2) years preceding such election.

(c) Elected Party National officials shall be elected for a term of five (5) years and will be eligible for re-election.

PART VI: INTERNAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM

RULE 40: Internal Disputes Resolution Mechanism (IDRM)

(a) Pursuant to Article 48 of the Party Constitution, the IDRM shall be the internal organ tasked with resolving any disputes arising from the Party nominations or election of Party office bearers. All such disputes shall first be referred to the IDRM.

(b) A dispute shall not be referred to external mechanisms, including the law courts of Kenya or other tribunals, before exhaustion of the remedies provided by the internal dispute resolution mechanisms of the Party, unless the dispute relates to commission of a criminal offense.

- (c) The Party's Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanisms shall conform to Articles 47 and 50 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010:
- i) Every person has the right to administrative action that is expeditious, efficient, lawful, reasonable and procedurally fair;
 - ii) Every person has the right to a fair and public hearing;
 - iii) Every accused person is presumed innocent until proven otherwise
 - iv) Every accused person has the right to adequate time and facilities to prepare a defense;
 - v) Every accused person has the right to be informed of the charge, with sufficient detail to answer it.
- (d) Whenever a dispute arises and is lodged to the NEC, the NEC shall appoint a committee, within 48 hours, of seven (7) members whilst observing the 2/3 gender rule.
- (e) Two-Thirds of the members of IDRM shall form a quorum for decision making.
- (f) The Internal Dispute Resolution Mechanism shall be based both at the National level and County level.
- (g) The chairperson and deputy chairperson shall be a qualified advocate with the qualifications to be appointed as a judge of the High Court of Kenya. The additional members shall be an advocate of the High Court of Kenya with at least 5 years minimum post admission experience.
- (h) The IDRM panel shall hear and determine disputes within 7 days of being filed and shall adopt the rules of natural justice in line with article 47 and 50 of the Constitution of Kenya.

RULE 41: Procedures of the IDRM:

- (a) The Party Members shall attempt at the first instance to settle disputes amicably through negotiations.
- (b) Such negotiations shall be facilitated by the Executive Committee of the Party at the level where the dispute arose.
- (c) Such negotiations shall be conducted and concluded within a period of 7 (Seven) days.
- (d) Any member may, at any time and without prejudice to any other dispute resolution mechanism provided for under this constitution, seek and settle any complaint or dispute through mediation, conciliation, or reconciliation.
- (e) Members are free to choose any person to facilitate mediation, conciliation or reconciliation either from within the Party or from outside the Party.
- (f) Mediators will be engaged on voluntary terms or on such terms as parties to the dispute will agree
- (g) The mediators and conciliators shall communicate the outcome of the mediation, conciliation, or reconciliation to the NEC for adoption.
- (h) Members that are dissatisfied with the outcome of any alternative dispute resolution mechanisms shall escalate the dispute to the Disciplinary Committee for consideration.

- (i) Members dissatisfied with decisions of the Disciplinary Committee can refer the matter to NEC whose decision in the matter will be final.
- (j) Any dispute that cannot be resolved within the Party's mechanisms shall be referred to the Political Parties Dispute Tribunal as provided for under the Political Parties Act CAP 7D.

RULE 42: Appeal from Decision of Internal Disputes Resolution Mechanism

- (a) The right of appeal of an aggrieved member of the Party is hereby guarantee. An appeal may be lodged by:
 - i) The directly affected member; or
 - ii) The organ or officials who brought filed the complaint.
- (b) The procedure for appeals shall be as follows;
 - i) Where a member is not satisfied with the decision of Party or the adjudicatory organs of the Party, he or she shall have the right to appeal within three (3) days of the decision to the immediate appellate body in the Party as prescribed in this Constitution;
 - ii) An appeal shall be determined by the appropriate appellate body within seven (7) days from the date of receipt of the appeal by the appellate body Concerned;
 - iii) Where a decision or action taken by an Organ of the Party is appealed against, the decision or action shall remain in force and binding until the appeal or appeals had been determined. The decision or action shall cease to be binding if the appellate body upholds the appeal;
 - iv) An appeal from the decision of the Ward Executive Committee, on a complaint originating from the Ward shall lie to the County Executive committee which decision shall be binding on the parties;
 - v) An appeal from the decision of the County Executive Committee, as an adjudicatory body shall lie on the National Executive Committee and its decision shall be final;
 - vi) An appeal from the decision of the National Executive Committee on a complaint originating at the National level shall be subjected to the National Delegates Conference (NDC) whose decision shall be final.
- (c) Decisions of the Internal Disputes Resolution Mechanism shall be subject to appeal to the Political Parties Disputes Tribunal (PPDT) or any other organ established by law for that purpose.

PART VII: GENERAL PROVISIONS

RULE 43: Party Membership Register

The Principal Party register of members shall be used for all Party Elections and for the Nomination of candidates who will vie for positions in all National General Elections and By-Elections.

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- (a) The Secretary General shall transmit to the Party County Executive Committee (CEC) a Certified extract of The Principal Party Register for that County, which shall group members by polling station, Ward, Constituency and County, and which shall show the membership number, national identity card number, ethnicity and gender.
- (b) The Party County Executive Committee (CEC) shall retain a duly certified copy of the Register. The Constituency Management Committee (CMC) and Ward Coordination Committee (WCC) shall ensure that the duly certified copy of the Party Membership register is available for inspection by members at the Polling Station and Ward level.
- (c) Any Member who considers that his/her registration details have discrepancies shall have the right to petition the Secretary of the County Executive Committee (CEC). Any rectification of the said Register shall be communicated by Secretary of the CEC to the Party Secretary General.
- (d) On the date determined for polling, eligible voters as per the Party register shall be identified by availing the following documents:
 - i. National Identity card or Passport.
 - ii. Voters' card or Party membership Card.
- (e) The certified register of members above, shall be obtained from the Registrar of Political Parties as provided for in Section 38 (c) of the Political Parties Act, Cap. 7D.

RULE 44: Retention and Public Inspection of Documents

All elections documents and materials shall be archived for a period of six months at the Party Headquarters.

SCHEDULE 1

THE CODE OF CONDUCT OF THE VOICE OF INTEGRITY

All Party office bearers, Party Candidates nominated for the General Elections and By-elections, Party elected leaders, Party nominees to various elective posts including those on the Party Lists, and all-Party Members shall subscribe to this Code of Conduct:

- (a) They shall conduct themselves with the highest standard of personal integrity and shun any form of dishonorable conduct including:
 - i. Corruption;
 - ii. Discrimination on grounds of race, ethnicity, place of origin, sex, or religion;
 - iii. Nepotism, tribalism, clannism or favoritism in management of public affairs;
 - iv. Crimes against humanity which include genocide;
 - v. Gender-based violence;
 - vi. Child abuse or other form of cruelty and violence against children and other vulnerable groups such as the elderly;
 - vii. Economic crimes;
 - viii. Election offences;
 - ix. Other acts or omissions that may bring the Party into hatred, ridicule or contempt.
- (b) All Party candidates, Party nominees and Party members have a duty to report any violation of this Code of Conduct to any Party official at the local, county and national level for the appropriate action to be taken.
- (c) All Party officials, all Party candidates, Party Nominees and Party members shall uphold and protect human dignity, respect human rights and equality of all persons, and the fundamental principles of freedom, democracy and justice.
- (d) In order to ensure a clean Party leadership as set out in (a) and (b) above, all Party Officials, Party Candidates, Party Nominees, Party members, shall bind themselves by signing the Pledge of Commitment as set out below.
- (e) All members shall conduct themselves with the highest standard of personal integrity and shun any form of dishonorable conduct including but not limited to:
 - i. Multiple Voting;
 - ii. Impersonation;
 - iii. Vote Buying or Selling;
 - iv. Bribery and Intimidation;
 - v. Tampering with Voting Materials.

Action for Breach of the Party Code of Conduct and Party Pledge

In any case, where a person is found guilty of an offence under these rules or constitution, National Executive Committee (NEC) may impose any or more of the following punishments:

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- i. Reprimand;
- ii. Demand for a written apology;
- iii. A fine, compensation, or restitution;
- iv. Suspension from the Party;
- v. Exclusion from elections and/or nominations;
- vi. Dismissal from office;
- vii. Revocation of nomination;
- viii. Recall from any public office;
- ix. Expulsion from the Party.

Therefore, we, the Party Officials of **VOICE OF INTEGRITY (VIP)**, whose signatures are subscribed hereto, do hereby solemnly declare that:-

1. Our political party shall, pursuant to Articles 91 and 92 of the Constitution and section 8 of this Act, subscribe and observe this code of conduct.
2. This code of conduct shall regulate the behavior of members and office holders of political parties, aspiring candidates, candidates and their supporters, promote good governance and eradicate political malpractices.
3. Political competition and co-operation shall be regulated under this code of conduct on the basis of rule of law and universally accepted best practices.
4. Our political party shall—
 - (a) Promote policy alternatives responding to the interests, the concerns and the needs of the citizens of Kenya;
 - (b) Respect and uphold the democratic process as they compete for political power so as to implement their policies;
 - (c) Promote consensus building in policy decision making on issues of national importance.
5. Our political party shall—
 - (a) Respect the right of all persons to participate in the political process including youth, minorities and marginalized groups;
 - (b) Respect and promote gender equity and equality, human rights and fundamental freedoms; and
 - (c) Be tolerant and inclusive in all our political activities.
6. Our political party shall—
 - (a) Respect, uphold and defend the Constitution of Kenya;
 - (b) Respect and uphold this Act and any other written law relating to elections and political parties;
 - (c) Respect, uphold and defend their respective political party constitutions, political party election rules, political party nomination rules and any other political party rules and regulations developed and agreed upon in accordance with this code of

conduct;

- (d) Respect, uphold and promote human dignity, equity, social justice, inclusiveness and non- discrimination and protection of the marginalized;
- (e) Respect, uphold and promote human rights and the rule of law;
- (f) Promote national patriotism and national unity;
- (g) Respect, uphold and promote democratic values and principles, performing inclusive participation of party members and accountable representation in governance for the development of the country;
- (h) Respect, uphold and promote good governance, integrity, respect, tolerance, transparency and accountability;
- (i) Promote cooperation in the political competition;
- (j) Promote sharing and devolution of power and resources;
- (k) Respect, uphold and promote democratic practices through regular free, fair and credible elections within the political party and among others have a democratically elected governing body and political party organs;
- (l) Respect, uphold and promote democratic practices through free, fair and credible political party nominations;
- (m) Respect, uphold and promote leadership and integrity as prescribed in the constitution of Kenya; and
- (n) Perform transparency and accountability in all its legislation and regulations, structures, procedures and performance.

7. The VOICE OF INTEGRITY Party shall not:-

- (a) Engage in or encourage violence by its members or supporters;
- (b) Engage in or encourage any kind of intimidation of opponents, any other person or any other political party;
- (c) Engage in influence peddling, bribery or any other form of corruption;
- (d) Accept or use illicit or illegal money;
- (e) Accept or use public resources other than those allocated to the political party through the political party fund;
- (f) Advocate hatred that constitutes ethnic incitement, vilification of others or incitement to cause harm;
- (g) Obstruct, disrupt, break-up or in any other way whatsoever interfere with a meeting, rally or demonstration of another political party or its leadership;
- (h) Establish or maintain a para-military force, militia or similar organization or having any links with such organizations; and
- (i) Use state resources for partisan campaigns.

8. The VOICE OF INTEGRITY shall promote inter-party relations by—

- (a) Ensuring free competition among political parties in respect of different political views and principles;
- (b) Fostering trust and confidence through mechanisms for co-operation;
- (c) Managing and mitigating political differences through constructive dialogue

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enhancing harmony among the parties; and
(d) Promoting national reconciliation and building national unity.

This declaration is made to the best of our knowledge, information and belief.

Dated this day of 20

Names and signatures of three Party officials:

1. Name.....

Signature

ID/Passport No.

2. Name

Signature

ID/Passport No.

3. Name

Signature

ID/Passport No.

In the presence of

Commissioner of Oaths/Magistrate

SCHEDULE 2**SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

- i) Special Interest Groups (SIGs) shall enjoy a 50% discount on nomination fees as shown below:

	Position	Amount in KSHS
1.	Presidential Candidate	500,000.00
2.	Governor	25,000.00
3.	Senator	10,000.00
4.	Women Representative	10,000.00
5.	Member of National Assembly	10,000.00
6.	Member of County Assembly	2,500.00

- ii) The NEC may decide to review the above discounted fees or give a complete waiver on the same.