

Q – We want to have other officers in addition to the Commander and Lieutenant Commanders on our executive committee. Is that permissible?

A – USPS Bylaws (Section 7.2) specify that the entire bridge and a specific number, three or more active members at-large, with the option of a past commander, make up the executive committee. There is no reason however to exclude an active member who happens to be an elected or appointed committee chairman or member from being nominated as a member-at-large. Your bylaws should not specify a particular non-bridge officer as automatically on the ExCom, but it could well be a tradition to usually nominate the chairman of a key committee (Rules, Membership, assistant bridge officer, etc) as an at-large candidate.

Since the members of the Executive Committee are automatically voting members at full membership meetings, they must be active members.