**Proposal No. 2 7 - 3 0 0**

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| **Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the ISSC 2027 Biennial Meeting** | 1. a. ☐ Growing Area<br>b. ☐ Harvesting/Handling/Distribution<br>c. X Administrative |
| 2. Submitter | ISSC Executive Office |
| 3. Affiliation | Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference |
| 4. Address Line 1 | 4801 Hermitage Road |
| 5. Address Line 2 | Suite 102 |
| 6. City, State, Zip | Richmond, VA 23227 |
| 7. Phone | (804) 330-6380 |
| 8. Email | issc@issc.org |
| 9. Proposal Subject | ISSC Membership |
| 10. Specific NSSP Guide Reference | ISSC Constitution, Bylaws & Procedures. Article III, Section 2 |
| 11. Text of Proposal/ Requested Action | **ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION**<br><br>1. The membership and registration fees shall be set by the Executive Board as necessary to defray the costs of the Biennial Meeting and the operating costs of the Conference.<br><br>2. Membership Fees<br>a. The fee for each category of membership and the membership period shall be set by the Executive Board. State membership fees will be established as necessary to provide, at a minimum, ten percent (10%) of the operating budget of the Conference. The Executive Board will follow the guidelines of Procedure XIX. in establishing membership fees<br>b. There shall be ~~two (2)~~ five (5) categories of membership:<br>i. State Authority<br>(a) Shellfish producing states<br>(b) Non-producing states<br><br>ii. Agency membership: Individuals employed by agencies that are responsible for NSSP oversight and law enforcement activities at state, federal or local levels.<br>iii. Industry Membership: Individuals employed by or representing the shellfish industry.<br>iv. Academia membership: Individuals employed by a two- or four- year college or university involved in education or research involving foods, drugs, cosmetics, devices, or product safety.<br>v. Individual Membership: Individuals interested in the objectives of the ISSC, but do not fall under any of the other categories. |

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c. Group Membership: Organizations interested in having multiple members from their organization may be eligible for group membership at a reduced rate. To be eligible for group membership, a list of all members of the group must be submitted together to issc@issc.org indicating who the group contact will be. The following group membership discounts will apply:
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d. The membership fees may be paid annually or biennially.<br>
e. The State authority membership fees shall include one membership for one Voting Delegate. Persons other than Voting Delegates shall be considered members by payment of the membership fee.<br>
f. The membership period shall coincide with the calendar year. Applications for membership shall be mailed at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the membership period to the two (2) previous years' membership rolls.
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