

**BYLAWS of the
Oregon SECTION,
INSTITUTE OF FOOD TECHNOLOGISTS**

Article X – General Provisions

Section 10.1 Amendments

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws shall be submitted to the INSTITUTE in writing and may be initiated by the SECTION Executive Committee or any five (5) SECTION Members.

The INSTITUTE shall review all proposed amendments and respond to the initiating group within 45 days. The INSTITUTE may:

1. Reject the proposal and return it to its initiators
2. Return the proposal to its initiators for revision
3. Forward the proposal to a volunteer workgroup for review, recommendation and/or revision. Revised proposals shall be returned to the initiators and the SECTION Executive Committee.

Proposed amendments acceptable to all parties shall be voted on by the SECTION Executive Committee. The SECTION Executive Committee may:

1. Approve the proposal and amend the Bylaws
2. Reject the proposal and return it to its initiators

Section 10.2 Limitation of Liability

No SECTION Executive Committee member or officer shall be liable for damages resulting from the exercise of judgment or discretion in connection with the duties or responsibilities of their office except as dictated by law.

Section 10.3 Administration

The governance year of the Oregon SECTION is the same as the INSTITUTE governance year. The governance year covers the terms of the officers and committees and the meeting programs.

Section 10.4 Dues Year

The period covered by the dues of all classes of members and by the fees of Industrial Associates shall be one year. Members in arrears over ninety (90) days shall be dropped from the official rolls of the SECTION.

Section 10.5 Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Oregon SECTION is the same as the INSTITUTE fiscal year.