

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 15
2026 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS
NOMINATING PETITION INSTRUCTIONS

In connection with the 2026 election of Local 15 Officers and Executive Board members, and in accordance with the IUOE Constitution and Local 15 Bylaws, all prospective candidates for office with Local 15 must read, adhere to, and comply with these Nominating Petition Instructions (the "Instructions") in order to fully complete and submit their respective Nominating Petition (the "Petition") in a valid and timely manner. In addition to submitting a valid and timely Petition, all prospective candidates for any elected office with Local 15 must also meet all other eligibility requirements as contained in the Local 15 Bylaws and the IUOE Constitution.

1. Commencing on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, official Nominating Petitions will be available for pick up at the Local 15 Union Office located at 44-40 11th Street, Long Island City, NY 11101, on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 6:00am and 4:30pm.
2. All prospective candidates **must** call the Local 15 Union office at 212-929-5327 the **day prior** to picking up a Petition to ensure that a designated Local 15 staff member will be available at the applicable date/time to provide them with an official Petition.
3. **All Petitions must be picked up and signed for by prospective candidates only.** You may not send another member or any other representative to pick up a Petition for you.
4. Upon picking up a Petition, prospective candidates will be required to sign and date an Acknowledgment & Attestation form to evidence the fact that they have picked up an official Petition for use in the 2026 election cycle. In order to receive a Petition, in addition to being a Local 15 member in good standing, all prospective candidates must sign and return this Acknowledgment & Attestation form at the Local 15 Union office when they arrive to pick up their Petition. Upon signing and returning the Attestation form, a prospective candidate will then be given an official Petition and a copy of the Instructions.
5. In order to be considered valid and complete, Petitions must contain the prospective candidate's name, their Local 15 Register Number, and the office to which they are being nominated. Each Petition submitted must also contain the required minimum number of valid signatures of Local 15 members in good standing, along with their respective Local 15 Register Number. As of April 1, 2026, the total number of Local 15 members in good standing reported to Local 15 by the International is Five Thousand Twenty Seven (5,027), so the required minimum number of valid signatures on all 2026 Nominating Petitions shall be **One Hundred One (101)**.

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6. All Petitions must be submitted at the Local 15 Joint Union Meeting scheduled to be held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at the Local 15 Training Center, Lefferts Boulevard, South Ozone Park, NY. Petitions must be submitted to the Election Committee between 4:00pm – 6:00pm prior to the start of the Joint Union meeting that night during which nominations and seconds for all Local 15 elected offices will be taken from the floor.
7. Only the physical, paper version of the official Nominating Petition that the prospective candidate picked up and signed for at the Local 15 Union office may be utilized and submitted to the Election Committee. Copies (either paper or electronic) of a Petition that has been generated by anyone other than the Local 15 Union office will **not** be permitted or accepted. If a prospective candidate needs a replacement Petition for good and reasonable cause (as determined by the Election Committee), then they must make an appointment with the Local 15 Union office to pick up and sign for a replacement Petition so that it can be submitted in a timely manner in accordance with these Instructions.
8. The Local 15 Election Committee will review all Petitions to determine that they have been properly completed, and that they contain the requisite number of valid signatures of Local 15 members in good standing as referenced in Paragraph 5 above. The Election Committee will make all necessary determinations and decisions about the validity or timeliness of all Petitions, as well as all determinations about the overall eligibility of a prospective candidate to run for Local 15 elected office. Determinations and decisions by the Election Committee may be appealed to the Local 15 Executive Board, and any such appeals **must** be made in accordance with the applicable provisions, requirements, deadlines, etc., as contained in the Local 15 Bylaws and the IUOE Constitution.
9. If you have any questions about Nominating Petitions or about the Instructions, please feel free to contact: Local 15 Recording Corresponding-Secretary Robert G. Shaw, Jr. at 212-929-5327 or Local 15 attorney Matthew G. McGuire at 914-478-4293.