

## **Ballots to be mailed August 1 for 2018 AMO Election; instructions for requesting a duplicate ballot**

Ballots for the 2018 American Maritime Officers Election will be mailed to all AMO members and applicants August 1, 2018 by True Ballot Inc., the independent administrator for this union-wide secret ballot election.

True Ballot will mail a ballot to each AMO member and applicant at the address he or she has on file with the union. AMO has provided True Ballot with a current mailing list of members to be used for this purpose during this election, as is done for each AMO national election and referendum.

As with all AMO national elections and referendums administered by True Ballot, the union itself will not be mailing, handling or processing any ballots in this election.

**Please note:** The address list for the mailing of the ballots has now been provided to True Ballot. In order to prevent delay or disruption of the ballot mailing, no further address changes or preferred alternative addresses will be applied to the address list. Any AMO member or applicant who would prefer his or her ballot be mailed to an address other than the address on file with the union at the time the address list was provided to True Ballot will need to request a duplicate ballot.

AMO members who would like to request a duplicate ballot be sent to an address other than the one on file with the union will need to contact Marie Doruth, executive assistant to the AMO national president, and provide a complete alternate mailing address. Any request for a duplicate ballot must be made in writing; submitted by mail, e-mail or FAX; must be for a specific member or applicant; and must specify the address to which the duplicate ballot will need to be sent.

All requests should go to:

Marie Doruth  
American Maritime Officers  
601 South Federal Highway  
Dania Beach, FL 33004  
FAX: (954) 926-5112  
**mdoruth@amo-union.org**

The union will provide alternate addresses to True Ballot for the mailing of duplicate ballots for AMO members or applicants who submit written requests.

As provided in the AMO National Constitution: "A member shall be entitled to write to the independent mailing and balloting service, c/o National Headquarters, for a duplicate Ballot and receive same by mail provided he states in his letter that he has not received his ballot or that his ballot has been lost or mutilated so that it can not

be used. All duplicate ballots shall be marked either by color or serial number to identify them as such. Duplicate ballots shall be counted unless the original and duplicate ballots mailed to the member are both cast, in which event neither shall be counted. Each duplicate sent by the independent mailing and balloting service shall be recorded on a list maintained by the independent mailing and balloting service."

Ballots will be mailed to all AMO members and applicants, regardless of dues status. However, for each member's ballot to be counted in the tally - which is scheduled for December 3, 2018 - he or she must be an AMO member in good standing and his or her dues must be paid in full through the end of the fourth quarter of the calendar year no later than November 30, 2018.

As provided in the AMO National Constitution: "In order for the member's ballot to be counted, the member must be in good standing for the quarter in which the ballot cast is to be counted, with such standing established not later than November 30th of the election year."

As provided in the AMO National Constitution, a member in good standing is "a member whose dues are paid through the current quarter and who is not under suspension or sentence of expulsion as provided by this Constitution."