

**CHAPTER 10:**  
**TEMPORARY EMERGENCY RULES**

Rule 10-1. Due to the emergency facing the State of Indiana and the United States of America due to Covid-19, this Chapter 10 is being adopted by the Indiana Republican Party State Central Committee on a temporary basis. This Chapter 10 shall only be in full force and effect only from its date of adoption through October 1, 2020 (the “Emergency Period”), at which time it shall become null and void.

Rule 10-2. If during the Emergency Period, a rule in this Chapter 10 conflicts with any other rule contained in the Rules of the Indiana Republican State Committee, this Chapter 10 shall prevail.

Rule 10-3. In the event that the State Party Chairman informs the State Committee that because of emergency circumstances it is no longer feasible to have an in-person State Convention as provided for in Chapter 7 of the Rules of the Indiana Republican State Committee, the State Party Chairman shall be required to implement an alternative state convention (“Alternative Convention”) according to the following guidelines:

- (1) The County Chairman shall Communicate all State Convention delegates elected in the delayed June 2, 2020 Primary Election (“Delayed Primary”), and all appointments made under Rule 7-9, in the appropriate form prescribed by the State Committee to the State Secretary by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, one (1) week following the Delayed Primary (“Delayed Primary Delegate List”). The State Chairman can extend this deadline to as late as noon on June 12, 2020 if a County Chair can demonstrate that the cause for delay is a delay in the counting of ballots by such county’s election board. No appointments or substitutions may be made after this deadline.
- (2) Subject to approval by the Committee on Credentials, the Delayed Primary Delegate List shall be the list utilized by the State Party Chairman and State Secretary as the official list of delegates.
- (3) Rule 7-14 is replaced in its entirety by the following: “The officers of each Congressional District shall appoint one delegate from their district to serve on the Committee on Credentials. This appointment shall be made by June 1, 2020. If no delegate is appointed by June 1, 2020, the State Chairman shall appoint a delegate from the district to serve. The State Chairman shall appoint the Chairman of the Committee on Credentials. The officers of each Congressional District shall appoint one (1) delegate from their district to serve as Honorary Vice-Chairman of the State Convention and one (1) delegate from their district to serve as Honorary Assistant Secretary of the State Convention.”
- (4) On June 12, 2020, the Committee on Credentials shall convene at 1:00 p.m. (either in-person on by electronic means) to handle any challenges described in Rule 7-16.
- (5) Rule 7-17 is amended to change ‘at least twelve (12) days before the State Convention is scheduled to convene’ to ‘on or before noon on June 11, 2020.’
- (6) With respect to Rule 7-21(b), county party’s may seek a waiver from the State Committee of the responsibility to pay 100% of unfilled delegate spots. State Committee will consider each waiver and determine if a reduction is appropriate.

- (7) Rule 7-22 is replaced in its entirety with the following: “The total number of delegates allocated to the county is based on Rule 7-3. Delegates shall have two options for paying the assessment fee established by the State Committee pursuant to Rule 7-21. A delegate may either: (1) go to the website of the Indiana Republican Party and pay using a credit card; or (2) deliver a check to the delegate’s county party made out to the Indiana Republican Party. The State Secretary shall provide reports to each county party of delegates who pay by credit card. Delegates shall pay their assessment fee using one of the two methods above within seven (7) days following a Primary Election in which delegates are elected. County Committees shall submit all assessment fees collected within the same seven (7) days following the Primary Election together with a list of all elected and appointed delegates from such county. If an elected or appointed delegate has not paid his or her assessment fee as specified above, the County Chairman may replace the elected or appointed delegate in the form prescribed to the State Secretary together with such delegate’s assessment fee no later than noon on June 11, 2020. Only those delegates for whom a delegate assessment fee has been paid will receive a mailed ballot and participate in the convention process.”
- (8) Rule 7-23 is suspended as there will be no assembly of delegates.
- (9) Rules 7-24, 7-25, 7-26, 7-28, 7-29, 7-30 and 7-31 are deleted.
- (10) Rule 7-34 is replaced in its entirety with the following: “The State Party Chairman shall contract with one or more third party vendors to conduct a delegate vote by mail for those offices listed in IC 3-8-4-2. The balloting will provide an opportunity for delegates to rank the candidates in a manner that will allow for multiple rounds of voting until such time as a candidate receives a Majority Vote cast by those delegates that complete and mail back their ballot, and such ballot is received by the third party vendor, on or before 5:00 p.m. July 9, 2020. The State Chairman shall establish a mechanism to allow delegates to notify the State Party if they have not received a ballot by June 29, 2020, in which case arrangements will be made to get such delegate a replacement ballot via overnight delivery. In the event a single delegate casts two ballots, both will be discarded and not counted. This process shall follow the spirit of Rules 7-34 and 7-35.”
- (11) Rule 7-35 is replaced in its entirety with the following: “Ballots will be counted in a single location designated by the State Party Chairman and made known to all candidates. That count will begin at 10:00 a.m. on July 10, 2020. Each candidate may designate up to three delegates to be designated as watchers and allowed to be present for the counting of ballots.”
- (12) Rules 7-41 and 7-42 are deleted.
- (13) Sine die of convention shall be deemed to have occurred at the point a winner of both the Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General races has been declared.
- (14) State Chairman may adjust the delegate fee downward to account for the reduced costs associated with the alternative convention structure.

Rule 10-4. Because of the emergency circumstances and the timing of the Indiana primary in June, in the event of an in-person State Convention some temporary alterations in the Rules are still required. Therefore, in all circumstances, Rules 10-3(1), 10-3(2), 10-3(3), 10-3(4), 10-3(5) and 10-3(6) above shall be applicable.