

# Timber Frame Engineering Council (TFEC)

## **Bylaws**

### **Mission**

The *Timber Frame Engineering Council (TFEC)* is a special interest group within the *Timber Framers Guild (TFG)* focused on the engineering aspects of timber framing. The *TFEC* is dedicated to advancing the technology of timber frame structural engineering by promoting appropriate research, providing an open forum for the exchange of information and opinions, producing technical publications and conferences.

### **Membership**

Membership in the *TFEC* is open to any member of the *Timber Framers Guild* in good standing.

### **Chairman**

The Chairman of the *TFEC* shall be elected by the membership and shall serve for a term of one year. No individual shall serve more than three consecutive terms as Chairman. The Chairman must be a licensed Professional Engineer or Structural Engineer.

### **Dues**

The *TFEC* may collect dues from its membership to be used for funding its programs and initiatives. The dues schedule shall be approved by a vote of the membership.

### **Treasury**

*TFEC* activities shall be funded through fees charged for conferences, seminars and publications as well as any dues charged to the membership. Records of all income and expenditures shall be maintained by the *TFG* Executive Directors. An annual summary shall be available to all members upon written request.

### **TFG Authority**

The *TFEC* shall have the status of a special interest committee of the *TFG* and shall be bound by the Bylaws of the *TFG* and all directives of the *TFG* Directors. The *TFEC* shall be administered by the *TFG* Executive Directors.

### **Bylaws Amendments**

These Bylaws may be amended by a vote of the *TFEC* membership. A simple majority of the votes cast shall be sufficient for the adoption of amendments.