



Bylaws Rule the World

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Objectives

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant will be able to:

- Discuss the purpose of organizational bylaws
- Describe components of a bylaw

Outcome

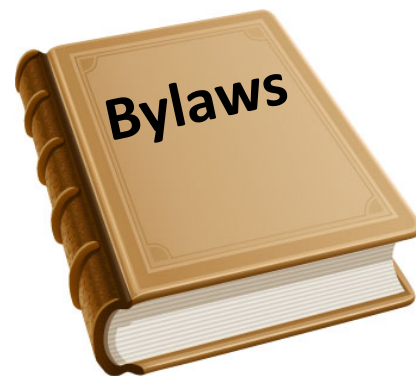
Identify the purpose of bylaws and one way bylaws are used to support leadership and governance.

Bylaw Definition

A rule adopted by an organization for the government of its members and for the regulation of its affairs.

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/bylaw>

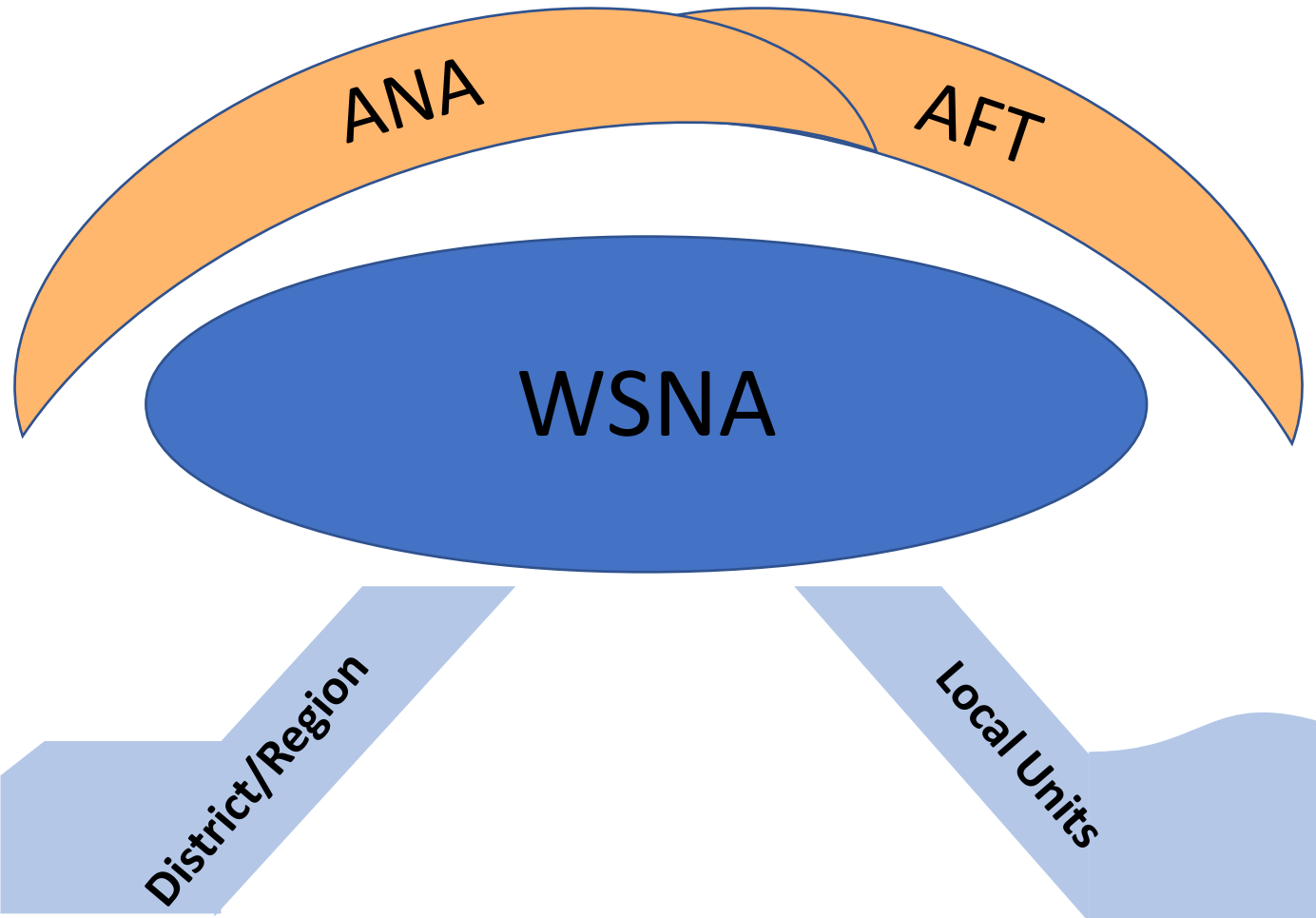
Internal rules and guidelines established by an association for the purpose of self-governance



Bylaw Purpose and Relevance

- Provide structure
- Define purpose and function
- Describe membership
- Specify leadership roles
- Articulate the process for decision-making
- Establish acceptable behavior(s)
- Resolve conflict

Bylaw Perspective and Application



Application: Bylaw Revision

- Amendments → Bylaws Committee
- Series of amendment reviews
- To General Assembly for review and perfection
- Disseminate for vote by WSNA membership