

Rules & Guidelines for Selection of the Colorado Elk and Officer of the Year 2015-2016

The purpose Colorado Elks Association's "Elk of the Year" and "Officer of the Year" program is to recognize a member and an officer for his/her devotion, dedication, and loyalty to his/her Lodge and community. To this end, each subordinate Lodge is encouraged to enter its Elk of the Year and Officer of the Year in the competition for District Award winners. The Colorado State Elk and Officer of the Year will be selected from among the District winners. District and State winners will be recognized at the State Convention.

Rules:

1. The Exalted Ruler or a committee appointed by the Exalted Ruler shall select that Lodge's Elk of the Year. For Officer of the Year, the Exalted Ruler will direct the Past Exalted Rulers Association to select an Office of the Year. A Lodge can only submit one candidate for each.
2. Only a member chosen as the Lodge's Elk of the Year can be submitted for consideration for District Elk of the Year and likewise for the Officer of the Year, he/she must have been selected for the Lodge Office of the Year.
3. The Lodge's Elk of the Year cannot be an elected or appointed office from the current year. Former Lodge officers are eligible for Elk of the Year, but their service during the years while they were an officer will be considered only in respect to what they did over and above being an officer. The Lodge's officer of the Year must be a current duly installed, elected or appointed Office of the Lodge.
4. Lodge candidates for Elk or Officer of the Year are not eligible to receive credit for any service while a member of another Lodge.
5. All submissions for Elk of the Year should be in the hands of the District Chairman on the date stated in your Letter from your District Chairman.

Submission Information:

Submission for Elk or Office of the Year should contain the following information:

1. The candidate's full name, address, and phone number.
2. The submitting Lodge's name, number, address and phone number.
3. Date of Initiation or Affiliation.
4. For Officer of the Year, the current office held by the candidate as well as previous officers held.
5. Is the candidate an active participant in the Elks National Foundation?
6. A letter from the Exalted Ruler for Elk of the Year and a letter from the PER Association for Officer of the Year describing the candidate's importance to the Lodge.