

**Criterion for Reviewing and Issuing Charters**

The following criteria will be the standard for the General Executive Board regarding petitions for and the issuing and reviewing of charters for shops, GMBs, IUBs, IUs, ROCs, IDCs, and other subordinate entities of the IWW.

It is recommended that all of the following criteria are included by each petitioning group with their charter application for charter or the GEB may delay or withhold a charter pending full investigation to make sure that the proposed branch is structured and managed in such a way as to be in full compliance with the Constitution, By-laws and standard practices of the IWW.

1. Each application for charter shall include the name, card number, signature, and date signed by each member signing the application.
2. The body that is applying for a charter shall have convened a meeting and adopted by-laws, and elected the minimum required number of officers to fulfill the obligations under the IWW constitution, and copies of the minutes shall be submitted with the charter application.
3. The bank name and account number, if any, shall be transmitted to GHQ within 60 days of opening any account when using the IWW Employer Identification Number (US only) that is used by GHQ.
4. All dues and monies owed to GHQ must be settled before any charter is granted, unless exempted by the GEB in accordance with the IWW Constitution.
5. The GEB reserves the right, upon issuance of a charter, to regulate the name of the body, and shall hold exclusive jurisdiction on the issuance of local numbers.
6. The petitioning members shall issue a letter to the GEB explaining the intent of the proposed organization.
7. GEB members shall have satisfied all above criteria before making a motion to approve a charter.