RULES FOR HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

I. Authorization – By authorization of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc., there will be an election held every year for the purpose of inducting members to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame from the ranks of baseball players and others who have contributed in some way to baseball on the Eastern Shore.

A minimum of twelve (12) nominations, including carryovers, must be submitted prior to the March 15 deadline in order to have an election. In the event that there is a year with an insufficient number of nominations, a notice will be posted on the website and in the museum by April 15 that there will be no election. Any nominations received in a year without an election will automatically be considered the next year.

The election process for the purpose of electing members to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame will reflect no discrimination because of race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, or handicapped condition.

II. ELECTORS – Only active and honorary Directors on the Board of the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc. shall be eligible to vote.

III. ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES – Candidates to be eligible must meet the following requirements:

A. A person must have been active as a player, manager, umpire, coach, fan, or sports personality in such a way as to bring honor to baseball on the Eastern Shore (from the C & D Canal to Kiptopeke, Va.) At least five (5) years must have past since a player's retirement from the game.

B. This person must have been born on the Eastern Shore or domiciled* on the Eastern Shore during the days he/she was active as a player, manager, umpire, coach, fan, or sports personality. It is immaterial as to the date that he/she was active, but said person must have been active for a period of at least five (5) years.

C. A person who is eligible in paragraph B above and who is already inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY, is automatically elected to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame.

D. A person who is eligible in paragraph B above and who has at anytime appeared in a Major League game is automatically elected to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame.

E. Any person who is eligible in paragraph B above and who was at anytime on the roster of a Minor League club is automatically nominated to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame, but is subject to being confirmed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

*The Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation has defined domiciled as "That place in which has voluntarily fixed the habitation of himself and family, not

for a mere special or temporary purpose, but with the present intention of making a permanent home, for an unlimited, or indefinite period." They must have maintained a home on the Eastern Shore for a minimum of five (5) years.

IV. METHOD OF ELECTIONS

A. A chairperson of the Selection Committee will be appointed by the Eastern Shore Baseball Foundation, Inc. The appointed chairperson will then select a committee who should represent the various geographic areas of the Eastern Shore, as much as is practical. The Selection Committee will then present a list of candidates who meet the eligibility requirements as stated in section III.

B. Any eligible candidate meeting the requirements of section III as determined by the Selection Committee shall be included on the ballot.

C. Those persons who receive a majority of the votes cast by the member of the Board of Directors shall be considered as elected to the Eastern Shore Baseball Hall of Fame with a total of no more than eight (8) inductees per year. MLB players automatically inducted do not count against the limit of 8.

D. Those persons who are nominated will be bound over to an eligibility list and will be eligible for nomination for a period of three (3) years. This list is effective as of the 2027 Election.

E. Those nominees not selected from the three (3) year list within the specified time will then be removed from eligibility unless re-nominated.

F. A person installed as an Honorary Member may be considered or re-installed under any of the categories listed in Section III, provided said person merits said consideration.

G. No person shall be installed under more than one (1) category. The Board of Directors will determine at the time of election which category said person or persons will be installed.

H. All nomination forms MUST be in the hands of the Selection Committee NO LATER than March 15th.

I. Limit of two (2) nominations per person per year.