

Voting Guideline

Lay Members of the Annual Conference (and alternates)

- Elected at each church's charge conference.
- At-large lay delegates
- May vote on all the issues except for the matters in the clergy session and election of clergy delegates to the General Conference.

Supply Pastor (¶512.4)

Full voice, no vote

Transitional Local Pastor under Appointment (¶521.2.b, ¶708.1)

Full voice and vote on all matters except the ordination and conference relations of deacons and elders.

Deacons (¶509. 3)

- Active (under appointment) deacons---Full voice and vote on all matters except the ordination and conference relation of elders.
- Inactive (not serving under appointment)---No vote

Elders (¶510.3)

- Active ---Full voice and vote on all matters
- Inactive (not serving under appointment) —No vote

Senior Status (¶520)

- Active ---Full voice and vote if they fulfill either of the following conditions
 - a) Within seven years of the effective date of their aligning with the GMC or the end of their last appointment (whichever is later)OR
 - b) Under appointment by the bishop for at least ¼ time
- If not qualifying under a) or b)---Voice but no vote.