

Now that you have joined RPSG-Next Generation! What you need to know

RPSG-Next Generation is an advanced MAP study group designed to assist our NAP Regular members in achieving their *Registered Parliamentarian* status under the new credentialing system. Before NAP will award the RP certification, a candidate's competences and skills are evaluated sequentially using the following assessment tools:

Step One – Knowledge and Application (Multiple-Choice Quizzes) [8 Parts to be completed within 270 days]

Step Two – Application Primarily in Tasks Performed Outside of Meetings [4 Parts-To be completed in 180 days]

Step Three – Meeting Simulation (Serving as a Parliamentarian) [To be completed within 90 days]

The resources to be used in conjunction to prepare to meet these standards include:

- Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (12th edition), cited as RONR (12th ed.)
- *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised in Brief (3rd edition), cited as RONRIB (3rd ed.)*
- *Professional Practices in Parliamentary Procedure (2015, NAP), cited as PPPP*
- *Parliamentary Playbook – A Guide to Script Writing (2nd edition) cited as Playbook*
- *Code of Professional Responsibility for Parliamentarians (Revised and Renamed 2020)*

In addition to the materials above, the NAP Commission developed a new “study guide”. This reference comes from the *Criteria for Credentialing (C4C)* document. It details all the *Performance Expectations* that candidates need in order to obtain their RP status. This will now be your primary reference tool.

<https://www.parliamentarians.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/43-RP-Standards-rev.-04162021.pdf>

So, *what is an RP?* After successfully completing all Steps, sequentially, the *Registered Parliamentarian* will be expected to be qualified to serve as a parliamentarian for most ordinary meetings under usual circumstances and to provide commonly needed parliamentary advice to ordinary organizations.

Overview & Objectives

RPSG is designed to help members with their studies by focusing primarily on the Step One *Performance Expectations*. These tests consists of factual questions requiring knowledge and application of rules, whose substance must be committed to memory (except for the Search & Find exercises in Part 8). As this is an advanced cohort, the pre-reading assignments will be more intense than for our other study groups. The RPSG sessions are free, but members will need to purchase their own resources and make all their examination arrangements directly with NAP. The total costs for all RP exams is \$200.00 USD.

RPSG uses a peer-learning group model. It convenes monthly to provide student motivation, monitor progress, share experiences and analyze the numerous complex issues identified in the study materials. This advanced group uses an open dialogue format to increase the students' understanding of the various situations within RONR. The facilitator will lead discussions, engage members, answer questions, and provide study tips to help the students achieve success.

Although this study group is designed for RP aspirants, all credentialed members are welcomed to join this group and share their expertise on the subject matter(s) under discussion.

Curriculum: At each session, the group will review the ***What will be Tested*** document (WWBT) from the specified Part. In addition, we will also examine/analyze the scenarios in the related ***Practice Questions***.

It is recommended that a study binder be set-up to hold the materials you will need at each class, namely:

- *Your new “study guide” [RP Performance Expectations document from the C4C (21 pages)];*
- *The WWBT documents for each Part (1 to 8), plus all the related Practice Questions for Parts 1-8.*

To obtain copies of the WWBT's and Practice questions: <https://www.parliamentarians.org/rp-sitemap/>

For more details on new RP exam process go to: <https://www.parliamentarians.org/rp-credential/>