



Lay Representation at the Annual Council

In determining lay representation at the Annual Council, the diocesan Constitution provides for one lay delegate from every church and an additional lay delegate for each three hundred **Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing**, or major fraction thereof, above the first four hundred fifty reported in the last annual report.

To calculate the number of **Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing**, begin with the total number of **Communicants in Good Standing**, a required field on the annual parochial report, and then determine how many of those persons are confirmed.

Definitions

A Communicant in Good Standing is defined in General Convention Canon I.17.3: “All communicants of this Church who for the previous year have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God, are to be considered communicants in good standing.”

Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing are those members who meet the definition of Communicant in Good Standing cited above and who are also confirmed. The number of Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing is necessarily a subset of the number of Communicants in Good Standing.

Formula

Once the number of Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing (CCGS) is determined, please complete the **Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing Report** in this packet and return to the Council Registrar by mail, fax or e-mail, then consult the chart below to determine the number of delegates to which your church is entitled.

CCGS	# Delegates
0-450	1
451-750	2
751-1050	3
1051-1350	4
1351-1650	5
1651-1950	6
1951-2250	7
2251-2550	8
2551-2850	9
2851-3150	10
3151-3450	11
3451-3750	12, etc.

Election of Delegates

Once the vestry has elected the appropriate number of delegates, complete the appropriate number of delegate Certificates of Election and return to the Council Registrar. Please keep copies of all forms.



Confirmed Communicants in Good Standing (CCGS) Report

Please return this form **with your church's "Certificate of Election" form.**

Both forms should be submitted to the attention of the Council Registrar by **April 15, 2015.**

Church Name _____

Location _____

Actual Number of CCGS for 2014 _____

Eligible Number of lay delegates _____
(see chart below)

Name of person
completing this form(please print) _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Mail Council Registrar
110 W. Franklin Street
Richmond, VA 23220

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