

IMPORTANT: The following is an excerpt from the IFC constitution. The IFC constitution can be found at <http://ifcumd.com/resources/>

BY-LAW VI

Bid Policy

In order to extend a bid to a recruit, fraternities at the University of Maryland must obey both the Bid Policy and the Recruitment Policy guidelines. Failure to do so will result in four or more weeks of social probation (depending upon the severity of the infraction) AND/OR up to a \$250 fine for each illegal bid extended.

1. Each chapter must submit a completed bid list on Campus Director, or the otherwise designated Recruitment Program, on the designated bid list deadline each semester. The IFC VP Recruitment will establish that deadline by the end of the previous semester and publish to all member chapters.
2. If a potential member defers or declines an invitation to membership, that bid or invitation to the potential new member will expire at the individual chapter's discretion.
3. A bid will be defined as an invitation to membership, whether physical or verbal, as understood by the potential new member. The IFC VP Recruitment and Executive Board will be responsible for communicating that expectation to potential new members.
4. A bid may only be extended during the designated bid period as determined by the IFC VP of Recruitment in consultation with the IFC Executive Board and IFC Chapter Presidents.
5. Only eligible students may receive an invitation to membership. An eligible member meets the following requirements.
 - a. must be a registered student at the University of Maryland
 - b. must be registered on Campus Director, or the otherwise designated Recruitment Program
 - c. must have at least 12 credits,
 - d. must have a 2.5 cumulative grade point average or higher.
6. Students may otherwise be eligible to receive a bid under the following circumstances
 - a. Transfer students must have 12 credits and a 2.5 from their previous institution. The student's previous academic record will be used for eligibility purposes unless they have earned credits and grades at the University of Maryland.
 - b. Transfer students must be able to produce their transcript from their previous institution to document that the requirements are met.
 - c. First semester freshmen must provide high school transcripts to provide proof of AP credits to meet the minimum 12+ credit threshold.

BY-LAW VII

Recruitment Policy

1. Absolutely no alcohol or any illegal substance is allowed at any recruitment function in chapter-affiliated facilities. All chapters must adhere to all of their Inter/National Chapter policies and regulations.
2. Women are not permitted to be present at any recruitment event. If a chapter would like to host an event with women, the chapter must apply for an exception to IFC Executive Board by the first official day of Recruitment as outlined by the IFC VP of Recruitment. Examples include, but are not limited to: Female house directors or resident directors, faculty advisors, and guest speakers.
3. All Fraternities will begin formal recruitment on the same day. This date will be determined by the IFC VP of Recruitment, with assistance from the Executive board and IFC Chapter Presidents. The starting day for recruitment will be determined by the end of the previous semester.
4. The IFC VP of Recruitment and the Executive Board reserve the right to be present at any chapter recruitment event for the sole purpose of ensuring adherence to policy.
5. All chapters are required to send a member to any meetings held by the IFC VP of Recruitment. If a chapter is not present at the meeting, that chapter will be fined \$30.
6. A schedule of recruitment events and T-Shirt designs must be submitted to the IFC VP of Recruitment by a specified date. A \$ 75 fine will be assessed for everyday that the schedules are late.
7. The IFC VP of Recruitment, in consultation with IFC Executive Board and Chief Justice, will be the administrators of the recruitment rules. Any dispute of the rules or chapter adherence to the rules must follow the IFC Judicial Appeals Policy.
8. All University of Maryland rules and policies must be followed. This includes, but is not limited to the Resident Life policies, grounds and maintenance policies, and the University Code of Student Conduct.
9. All marketing material will need to be approved by the IFC VP of Recruitment and the Department of Fraternity and Sorority life. Flyers and posters will be deemed inappropriate if they incorporate women, alcohol or, illegal substances. Use of excessively sexually suggestive t-shirts, flyers, or other recruitment tools will result in sanctions and/or fines depending on the severity of the infraction.
10. Individual chapters/organizations may place their recruitment fliers on campus in accordance with University of Maryland policies. Only IFC flyers will be posted in the dorms, as requested by the VP of Recruitment. Any violation of this policy will result in a fine.
11. Fraternities must refrain from portraying any other fraternities, sororities, or members of the UMD community in a negative manner.
12. A chapter-sponsored recruitment event will be deemed as an event if it is advertised for the purpose of recruitment.
13. Failure to abide by the IFC set initiation date or any illegal bids extended (including undergrounding potential new members) will result in a \$250 Fine AND/OR a minimum of four

weeks of social moratorium per illegal bid extended at the discretion of the Chief Justice and Judicial Board in consultation with the IFC VP of Recruitment.

14. All chapters that do not abide by these rules will be sanctioned by the IFC Judicial Board and/ or fined as prescribed above.