

TAPPI FELLOW

Name of Award

This honor confers the title of "TAPPI Fellow" upon the recipient, who also receives a suitable plaque bearing the individual's name and a lapel pin.

Purpose

The designation of TAPPI Fellow is a form of recognition by the Association. It is not a separate class of membership. All TAPPI Fellows, however, are TAPPI members. The Board of Directors, may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, confer the title of 'Fellow' upon any member of the Association who has contributed meritorious service to the Association or to the industry.

History

The TAPPI Fellow designation was established in 1968. In addition to 10 elected Fellows, the initial class of TAPPI Fellows included past TAPPI Presidents, TAPPI Gold Medallists, and Directors.

Frequency

There is no maximum number of new TAPPI Fellows who may be elected yearly. In addition to these elected Fellows, the Gunnar Nicholson Gold Medal Award recipient, the Herman L. Joachim Distinguished Service Award recipient, and retiring members of the Board of Directors are designated as Fellows.

Nominee's Qualifications

TAPPI Fellows may be automatically designated as in the case of the Gunnar Nicholson Gold Medal Award recipients, TAPPI Herman L. Joachim Distinguished Service Awardees, and retiring TAPPI Directors, or they may be elected by the Board upon recommendation by the Board Nominating/Honors Committee. The only specific requirements are that the elected candidate must have been a member of TAPPI for not less than ten years prior to nomination, and that the individual shall have contributed meritorious service to the Association and/or to the industry. The ten years of TAPPI membership may have been in any membership class or combination of classes: member, associate, affiliate, retired, local section, student, or sustaining member representative.

Past recipients of Division Awards, Division Leadership and Service Awards, and Certificates of Appreciation can be nominated. Incumbent members of the Board of Directors, however, will not be considered for nomination (they are designated upon retirement from the Board); and, further, they may not sponsor a nominee for Fellow.

Nominating Procedures

Nomination for TAPPI Fellow must be made by one TAPPI member on a nomination form, which appears in this manual. Current members of the Board Nominating/Honors Committee or the Board of Directors may not sponsor a nominee. The form requests information on the nominee's publications, patents, society memberships, TAPPI activities, specialties, major contributions, and other qualifications. If additional forms are needed, they may be obtained from TAPPI headquarters. Self-nominating is not permitted.

Multiple nominations of any candidate for TAPPI Fellow by several TAPPI groups or individuals is discouraged, since only one nomination per candidate is needed to assure full and careful consideration by the Committee. One TAPPI member as a sponsor must endorse each nomination form. Activities that would be considered evidence of meritorious service to the Association or to the industry are:

- ◆ Publication of articles and books
- ◆ Patents granted
- ◆ Directions of important research or engineering work
- ◆ Management of major projects resulting in acknowledged improvements and new developments
- ◆ Leadership assignments in TAPPI
- ◆ Service to other organizations and/or to the public.
- ◆ There are no criteria for evaluating the relative weight to be given to these types of contributions.

Deadline for Nominations

The nomination form must be received by the TAPPI Board Nominating/Honors Committee, TAPPI, Technology Park/Atlanta, P. O. Box 105113, Atlanta, GA 30348 U.S.A., by **August 1**. Nominations received after August 1 will not be considered until the following year.

Selection

The nominations are considered and evaluated by the TAPPI Board Nominating/Honors Committee. The Board Nominating/Honors Committee then submits its recommendations to the Board of Directors. The Board then acts upon these recommendations. The Board of Directors may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, designate as a TAPPI Fellow a nominee recommended by the Board Nominating/Honors Committee. If the Board of Directors does not approve a candidate proposed to the Board Nominating/Honors Committee, the nomination will automatically remain active and be reviewed by the Board Nominating/Honors Committee for four more years. Upon five years after which time the candidate will not be reconsidered unless renominated. After five years notify the sponsor when this second consideration has been made and the candidate not accepted.

Announcement

Newly designated TAPPI Fellows are notified as soon as possible, and public announcement is then made. This is usually in December.

Presentation

Presentation of certificates to the new TAPPI Fellows, both those elected and those automatically designated, takes place at the Fellows Luncheon at the Annual Meeting.

Service Data (These questions must be answered)

Biographical data, lists, and tabulations are not adequate for accurate evaluation by the Board Nominating/Honors Committee. Sponsors should interpret the significance of the data to justify the nomination.

What meritorious service qualifies the nominee for consideration as a TAPPI Fellow?

For example . . .

- ◆ What was the form of this service? For example, individual achievements, leadership of a group, teaching students, or inspiration of others.
- ◆ Has the nominee contributed meritoriously to the technical progress of the pulp and paper industry? How were these contributions manifested? For example, publication of articles and books, patents granted, direction of important research or engineering work, or management of major projects resulting in acknowledged improvements and new developments.
- ◆ Has the nominee contributed meritoriously to the Association? To other organizations and/or to the public? How were these contributions manifested? For example, direct services to members, growth in number and involvement of the public image of the Association through communication with other groups.