

OHALAH POLICY ON MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

A policy is normally something that is issued by an organization that is binding on the organization and/or its members. For example, we have an Ethics policy that sets out the process of what happens when an ethics case arises. We have a membership policy that establishes the procedures for how we admit new members.

When OHALAH develops pension, insurance and/or placement services for its members, we will create appropriate policies to govern these services. These policies will be created subject to approval by OHALAH's counsel and Board of Directors. The OHALAH Board will not consider any such policies until after they are approved by counsel, and will discuss, amend and otherwise edit such policies subject to approval of counsel.

In addition to such services, the OHALAH Membership Services Task Force creates information packets for our members on topics of interest. These packets may be in the form of information only or in the form of guidelines along with advice on how to obtain additional information on civil laws and/or conventional clergy practices.

These information, guideline and advice packets do not need to be approved by the Board. However, for the protection of ALEPH, OHALAH and its leaders and staff, all information, guideline and advice packets need to be approved by OHALAH's counsel before they are disseminated to OHALAH members, posted on the OHALAH website or otherwise disseminated.

OHALAH leaders who research and formulate information, guideline and advice packets are welcome to work with OHALAH staff, members of OHALAH and members, staff and other representatives of parent and sister organizations in the Jewish and interfaith communities. For the protection of ALEPH, OHALAH and its leaders and staff, all research and writing for information and advice packets must be marked "DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY" until approved by counsel. Research and writing for guidelines must also be marked "DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY" until approved both by both counsel and the OHALAH Board.