

# WOTM Official Communication for February 13, 2026

## 2025-2026 AWARD OF ACHIEVEMENT REQUIREMENT

On February 2, 2026, the Grand Council of the Women of the Moose approved the following addenda to the membership requirement for Award of Achievement for the 2025-2026 Chapter year.

### WOTM GL 95.c.1 addendum

The Chapter shall have a gain in membership of one (1) or more “active” members *or maintain a retention percentage of 65% or higher to qualify for the AOA for 2025-2026 only.*

How retention percentage is calculated: the members who were active on April 30, 2025 who are still active April 30, 2026. (Note: this does not include the new members enrolled since May 1, 2025)

Additionally, for the 2026-2027 chapter year only:

*The starting active membership number for the 2026-2027 Chapter year will be recorded as of May 1, 2026 following the April 30, 2026 final Moose International Active-Expired-Dropped report.*

This calculation will take into account all the April 30, 2026 drops without penalty to the chapter and provides a “clean slate” to return the standard +1 requirement for 2026-2027 and subsequent Chapter years.

The WOTM Office will send an email to all chapters containing their current membership retention percentage on or before March 1st. The Chapter Advocates and Territory Managers will receive this data regularly and will update the chapters in their jurisdiction at least monthly prior to April 30, 2026.

The Grand Council and Moose International leadership recognize and sympathize with our Chapters who are struggling to retain and increase membership but this is the final year exceptions will be made for the +1 requirement for the Award of Achievement. The unification of our Fraternity has been beneficial to the overall success of our organization; women are joining The Moose by the thousands and many are serving in leadership roles across all units of our Fraternity. Sadly, our Chapter membership has dwindled, but we believe these addenda will assist our chapters in achieving success now and in the future. Growth and retention are essential in ensuring another century of caring for children, seniors and our communities. Thank you for your continued commitment to the Women of the Moose.