

Supplemental Policies:
Eligibility of Teaching Elders for Installed Positions
Committee on Ministry
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These policies are in addition to the Presbytery of Denver policies on the employment of teaching elders by congregations.

These policies are proposed as a response to the Form of Government of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in effect July 2011. While the *Book of Order Part II, 2011-2013* is permissive in several areas regarding the eligibility of teaching elders for positions as installed pastors in congregations, the Committee on Ministry of the Presbytery of Denver recommends the following as presbytery policy:

1. An Associate Pastor is not eligible to be considered as the next installed Pastor in the congregation currently served.
2. Ordinarily, an Associate Pastor may not be eligible to be considered as an installed Co-Pastor of the congregation currently served. An exception may be approved by a $\frac{3}{4}$ ballot vote of the presbytery.
3. An Interim Pastor is not eligible to be considered as the next installed Pastor of the congregation currently served.
4. Ordinarily, a Temporary Supply Pastor may not be eligible to be considered as the next installed Pastor of the congregation currently served. An exception may be approved by a $\frac{3}{4}$ ballot vote of the presbytery.
5. A Co-Pastor automatically becomes the Pastor of a congregation at the dissolution of the pastoral relationship of the other Co-Pastor.
6. A Designated Pastor shall be an installed Pastor of a congregation with a designated term of pastoral service. A Designated Pastor may be installed as the continuing Pastor of the congregation served by a majority vote of the presbytery.