

By-law 9: Fellowship and Honorary Membership

In accordance with Rule 85 of the EIANZ Rules of Association, this By-law is prescribed by the Board of the Association to give better effect to Rules 8(3) to 8(7); which provide for the award of fellowship and honorary membership of the Association.

9.1 Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee

9.1.1 The Board shall appoint a Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee to review nominations and give advice to the Board. The Committee shall consist of up to seven (7) people who are current Fellow Members, Honorary Fellow Members or Honorary Life Members of the Institute, of whom:

- a) at least one (1) member shall be a Fellow Member resident in New Zealand; and
- b) there are representatives of not less than three (3) Australian Chapter Divisions.

9.1.2 The appointment of the Chair and members of the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee shall be an open and transparent process that engages the Fellow, Honorary Fellow, and Honorary Life members of the Institute.

9.1.3 Membership of the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee shall be subject to review by the Board every two (2) years, and members shall be eligible for reappointment.

9.1.4 The frequency of meetings, the conduct of business, and the keeping of records of the Fellow and Honorary Membership Review Committee shall be as determined by the Committee.

9.1.5 In assessing a nomination, the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee may interview any person it deems appropriate to determine the suitability of the nominee.

9.2 Fellowship

9.2.1 Fellowship is a form of recognition bestowed by the Institute on a person, who is a current Full Member of the Institute and has been for a continuous period of at least two years, and who is a senior practitioner of influence in the environmental profession over a period of at least ten years. The ten-year minimum period of influence need not be continuous and can allow for career breaks. Nominations shall demonstrate evidence of senior roles and influence, which must include contribution to the Institute over part of that period.

9.2.2 Fellowship may be conferred on a natural person, by resolution of the Board, at any time during a person's working or non-working life.

9.2.3 Until the time of a public announcement about the appointment of a Fellow or Honorary Member, all deliberations by the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board shall be confidential.

9.2.4 The status of Fellow Member of the Institute may be awarded to any natural person who has played a leading role in the environment profession, and acknowledges their professional standing and commitment to ethical practice over an extended period.

9.2.5 In establishing the whether the person is a senior practitioner of influence in the environmental profession, the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board will have regard to:

- a) the senior positions occupied by the individual, in any of the areas of environmental practice, including the responsibility levels of their positions and demonstration of leadership;
- b) the professional standing of the individual;
- c) the period over which the individual's contribution has been made; and
- d) the nature of the impact of the individual's contribution, within a jurisdiction or across multiple jurisdictions.

9.2.6 The number of Fellow members appointed by the Board not limited.

9.2.7 Fellowships shall be awarded for the term of the natural life of the individual on which the honour is bestowed, provided that the individual otherwise maintains eligibility as a Full Member of the Institute.

9.2.8 Nominations for Fellowship shall be made in a manner and form approved by the Board.

9.2.9 Nominations for Fellowship may be made by any member of the Institute.

9.2.10 All nominations shall be referred to the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee which shall assess them and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the individual meets the requirements for being appointed as a Fellow Member.

9.2.11 The Board shall make a decision having regard to the advice of the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee.

9.2.12 Where the Board makes a decision to appoint a Fellow Member, the President shall write to the individual.

9.4.13 The appointment of a Fellow should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion.

9.2.14 Once conferred, the Fellow member may use the post-nominal FEIANZ.

9.2.15 Where a nomination has not been endorsed by the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee or the Board, the proposer shall be notified by the Secretary in writing that the nomination has not been successful and outline the reasons for the decision.

9.3 Honorary Membership - General

9.3.1 Honorary Membership is a form of recognition bestowed by the Institute on a person, who may be either a member or a non-member of the Institute, for either outstanding service to the environment profession (Honorary Fellow), or to the Institute (Honorary Life Member).

9.3.2 Honorary Membership may be conferred on a natural person, by resolution of the Board, at any time during a person's working or non-working life.

9.3.3 Until the time of a public announcement about the appointment of a Fellow or Honorary Member, all deliberations by the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board shall be confidential.

9.3.4 Where a nomination has not been endorsed by the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee or the Board, the proposer shall be notified by the Secretary in writing that the nomination has not been successful and outline the reasons for the decision.

9.4 Honorary Membership - Fellow Member

9.4.1 The status of Honorary Fellow Member of the Institute may be awarded to any natural person who has made an outstanding contribution to; the development of the environment profession; or the development of knowledge about the environment; or the implementation of environmental policy or good practice environmental management.

9.4.2 An Honorary Fellow Member shall meet the general requirements for appointment as a Fellow Member, with the exception that it is not necessary to be a member of the Institute.

9.4.3 In establishing the nature of an outstanding contribution, the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board will have regard to:

- a) the senior positions occupied by the individual, in any of the areas of environmental practice, including the responsibility levels of their positions and demonstration of leadership;
- b) the professional standing of the individual;
- c) the period over which the individual's contribution has been made; and
- d) the outstanding nature of the impact of the individual's contribution, within a jurisdiction or across multiple jurisdictions.

9.4.4 The number of Honorary Fellow members appointed is limited, at any one time, to fifteen percent (15%) of the number of Fellow Members of the Institute.

9.4.5 Honorary Fellowships shall be awarded for the term of the natural life of the individual on which the honour is bestowed.

9.4.6 Nominations for Honorary Fellowship shall be made in a manner and form approved by the Board.

9.4.7 Nominations for Honorary Fellowship may be made by an Australian Division, the New Zealand Chapter, a Special Interest Section, the Certification Board, the Qualifications Accreditation Scheme Board or an EIANZ Board member.

9.4.8 All nominations shall be referred to the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee which shall assess them and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the individual meets the requirements for being appointed as an Honorary Fellow Member.

9.4.9 The Board shall make a decision having regard to the advice of the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee.

9.4.10 Where the Board makes a decision to appoint an Honorary Fellow Member, the President shall write to the individual, in confidence, seeking their agreement to accept the appointment; and agreement to be bound by the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct in accordance with Rule 10.

9.4.11 The appointment of an Honorary Fellow should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion, such as a significant public event, or the Annual General Meeting of the Institute.

9.2.12 Once conferred, the Honorary Fellow may use the post-nominal HFEIANZ.

9.5 Honorary Membership – Life Member

9.5.1 The status of Honorary Life Member of the Institute may be awarded to any natural person who is a present or past member of the Institute, and who has made an exceptional contribution to the development of the environment profession, as demonstrated through their service to the Institute.

9.5.2 In establishing the nature of an exceptional contribution, the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board will have regard to:

- a) the roles played in the leadership of the Institute, whether as a whole or to any of its Chapters or Divisions, a Special Interest Section, or the Certification Board of the Certified Environmental Practitioner Scheme;
- b) the exceptional nature of the service in influencing the development of the Institute;
- c) the exceptional nature of the service in terms of effort over an extended period; and
- d) the professional standing of the individual.

9.5.3 The number of Honorary Life Members is not limited.

9.5.4 The Board shall ensure that the test of exceptional service acts as an appropriate limiting consideration on the number of Honorary Life Members appointed.

9.5.5 Honorary Life Members shall be appointed for the term of the natural life of the individual on which the honour is bestowed.

9.5.6 Nominations for Honorary Life Membership shall be made in a manner and form approved by the Board.

9.5.7 Nominations for Honorary Life Membership may be made by an Australian Division, the New Zealand Chapter, a Special Interest Section, the Certification Board, the Qualifications Accreditation Scheme Board or an EIANZ Board member.

9.5.8 All nominations shall be referred to the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee which shall assess them and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the individual meets the requirements for being appointed as an Honorary Life Member.

9.5.9 The Board shall make a decision having regard to the advice of the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee.

9.5.10 Where the Board makes a decision to appoint an Honorary Life Member, the President shall, in confidence, confirm the agreement of the individual to accept the appointment.

9.5.11 The appointment of an Honorary Life Member should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion, such as the Annual Conference or the Annual General Meeting.

9.5.12 Once conferred, the Honorary Life Member may use the post-nominal HLMEIANZ, or they may continue to use their existing post-nominal (MEIANZ or FEIANZ).