

By-law 9 – Fellowship and Honorary Membership

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

9.1 Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee

- (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.
- (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.
- (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.
- (4) The frequency of meetings, the conduct of business, and the keeping of records of the Fellow and Honorary Membership Review Committee shall be determined by the Committee.

9.2 Procedures

- (1) 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.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Where a nomination has not been endorsed by 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 Fellowship

- (1) 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.
- (2) Fellowship may be conferred on a member, by resolution of the Board, at any time during a person's life.



- (3) The status of Fellow Member of the Institute (Fellowship) may be awarded to any member who is a senior practitioner of influence in the environment profession. It acknowledges their professional standing and commitment to ethical practice over an extended period.
- (4) In establishing 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.
- (5) The number of Fellow members appointed by the Board is not limited.
- (6) 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.
- (7) Nominations for Fellowship may be made by any member of the Institute (except the nominee) in a manner and form approved by the Board. As Fellowship is a form of peer recognition, self-nominations are not accepted.
- (8) Where the Board approves a nominee for Fellowship, the President shall write to the nominee to extend an invitation to become a Fellow.
- (9) The appointment of a Fellow should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion.

9.4 Honorary Fellow Membership

- (1) 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.
- (2) In establishing the nature of an outstanding contribution, the Fellowship and Honorary Membership Review Committee and the Board will have regard to the same criteria as for Fellowship as detailed in 9.3 (4) above.
- (3) 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.
- (4) Honorary Fellowships shall be awarded for the term of the natural life of the individual on which the honour is bestowed.
- (5) Nominations for Honorary Fellowship may be made by:
 - (a) an Australian Division;
 - (b) the New Zealand Chapter;
 - (c) a Special Interest Section;
 - (d) the Certification Board;

- (e) the Accreditation Board; or
- (f) an EIANZ Board member.

and shall be made in a manner and form approved by the Board.

- (6) Where the Board appoints 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.
- (7) The appointment of an Honorary Fellow should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion.

9.5 Honorary – Life Member

- (1) 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.
 - (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.
- (2) The number of Honorary Life Members is not limited.
- (3) The Board shall ensure that the test of exceptional service acts as an appropriate limiting consideration on the number of Honorary Life Members appointed.
- (4) Honorary Life Members shall be appointed for the term of the natural life of the individual on which the honour is bestowed.
- (5) Nominations for Honorary Life Membership may be made by:
 - (a) an Australian Division;
 - (b) the New Zealand Chapter;
 - (c) a Special Interest Section;
 - (d) the Certification Board;
 - (e) the Accreditation Board; or
 - (f) an EIANZ Board member,

and shall be in a manner and form approved by the Board.

- (6) 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.
- (7) The appointment of an Honorary Life Member should be formally announced at an appropriate public occasion.