

## **PART 3—MEMBERS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES AND GRIEVANCES**

### **Division 1—Membership**

#### **1. *Minimum number of members***

The Association must have at least 5 members.

#### **2. *Who is eligible to be a member?***

##### **2.1 Delegate members**

Persons holding the following positions are automatically appointed delegate members of this Council unless they notify the secretary of the ATC in writing that they do not wish to be a member or they have been suspended or expelled from membership of the Council:

- a) the Chairman of a Tasar District Association
- b) the Secretary of a Tasar District Association
- c) one nominee of the Australian Defence Forces

##### **2.2 Open members**

Up to two other persons may be elected to become open members of the Council if they are financial members of an Australian Tasar District Association and they are nominated to the position by a financial member of an Australian Tasar District Association.

Terms for open members

The term for an open member is two years after which time they must stand down at the next AGM. They may be re-nominated and seek re-election.

#### **9. Application for membership**

To apply to become an open member of the Association, a person must submit a written application to the secretary of the Association stating that the person—

- a) wishes to become a member of the Association; and
- b) supports the purposes of the Association; and
- c) agrees to comply with these Rules.

The application –

- a) must be signed by the applicant; and
- b) accompanied by a nomination form signed by a financial member of a TDA
- c) be lodged with the Secretary of the ATC no less than 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting of the ATC at which the election of 'open member' will take place,

#### **10. Consideration of application**

- a) Elections of open members will be considered at each AGM

- b) If the number of nominations for open members is equal to or less than the number of vacancies then the nominees shall be deemed to be elected.
- c) If the number of nominations for open members exceeds the number of vacancies the delegate members must vote in a reasonable and proper manner at the AGM to elect the open members.
- d) Nominations can be called for and received at the Annual General Meeting if no written nominations have been received.

### **11. New membership**

If an application for membership is approved by the Committee—

- a) the resolution to accept the membership must be recorded in the minutes of the committee meeting; and
- b) the Secretary must, as soon as practicable, enter the name and address of the new member, and the date of becoming a member, in the register of members.
- c) A person becomes a member of the Association and, subject to rule 13(2), is entitled to exercise his or her rights of membership from the date, on which the Committee approves the person's membership;

### **12. Annual subscription and fee on joining**

12.1 There is no annual subscription or joining fee.

12.2 The income of the Council shall be obtained from levies imposed from time to time on the Tasar District Associations and National Championships.