



**NEW ZEALAND
FISHING
INDUSTRY GUILD**

**Annual General Meeting
27 September 2019
Guild Constitution Changes**

Changes to Guild Rules and Regulations

History

- 1988 - new constitution adopted
- 1992 - name was changed to Guild (from) Union
- 2000 - revision and changes made as part of registering as a union
- 2015 - minor changes to modernise rules around bank processes
- 2019 - several key changes proposed
 - Membership
 - Who governs
 - Election of officers
 - AGM proceedings
 - Conduct of meetings

Changes to Guild Rules and Regulations

Alteration to Clause 6 – **Membership**
(Moved: E Pridham, seconded B Jamieson)

- Change to definition of who can be members
- Added requirement to advise address details

Explanation:

Clause amended to widen scope of Guild membership and to add responsibility for members providing physical and electronic addresses. This will put less restrictions on member communication and allow for more modern forms.

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Alteration to Clause 8 – **Executive of the Guild**

(Moved: E Pridham, seconded B Jamieson)

- Defines governance make up
- President, Vice-President and five others executive officers
- Removes the Branch Committee provisions

Explanation:

Clause amended to redefine the governing body of the Guild. Now consists of a committee of seven people who will be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.

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Alteration to Clause 9 – **Election of Officers**
(Moved: E Pridham, seconded B Jamieson)

- Defines election of executive members

Explanation:

Clause amended to define how the Executive members are elected. It will now be done annually at the Annual General Meeting with provisions included to account for when there are more (or less) candidates proposed than are required.

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Alteration to Clause 22 – **Annual Meetings**
(Moved: E Pridham, seconded B Jamieson)

- Defines business to be conducted at annual meeting

Explanation:

Clause amended to include the election of executive members as part of the annual general meeting agenda. Also to formally include 'other business' which is a regular feature of an AGM meeting. Clause (d) added to provide for the case when the Annual General meeting quorum is not reached. The quorum for member meetings is fifteen but if not met this meeting can now be adjourned to a set date where the AGM business will be transacted by the members then present.

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Alteration to Clause 24 – **Conduct of Meetings**

- Defines how meetings are conducted

Explanation:

Clause amended to add a quorum for Executive meetings and to define valid notice of meeting provisions. Clauses (f) and (g) add absentee voting provisions for specified general meeting voting situations