

MEMBERS

Qualifications for membership

- 11 Membership is open to any individual aged 16 or over who belongs to a Neighbourhood Watch group operating in Scotland.
- 12 Associate Membership is open to any Neighbourhood Watch group operating in Scotland.
- 13 Employees of the organisation are not eligible for membership.

Application for membership

- 14 Any person who wishes to become a member, or a group seeking to become an Associate Member must submit an application for membership or Associate Membership;.
- 15 The board may, at its discretion, refuse to admit any person to membership or group to Associate Membership.
- 16 Each applicant shall be notified promptly (in writing or by e-mail) confirming whether or not they are admitted to membership or Associate Membership.

Membership subscription

- 17 No membership or Associate Membership subscription will be payable.

Register of members

- 18 The board must keep a register of members, setting out
 - 18.1 for each current member:
 - 18.1.1 his/her full name and address; and
 - 18.1.2 the date on which he/she was registered as a member of the organisation;
 - 18.2 for each former member - for at least six years from the date on which he/she ceased to be a member:
 - 18.2.1 his/her name; and
 - 18.2.2 the date on which he/she ceased to be a member.
- 19 The board must ensure that the register of members is updated within 28 days of any change:
 - 19.1 which arises from a resolution of the board or a resolution passed by the members of the organisation; or

19.2 which is notified to the organisation.

- 20 If a member or charity trustee of the organisation requests a copy of the register of members, the board must ensure that a copy is supplied to him/her within 28 days, providing the request is reasonable; if the request is made by a member (rather than a charity trustee), the board may provide a copy which has the addresses blanked out.
- 21 The Board may make arrangements to keep a register of Associate Members.

Withdrawal from membership

- 22 Any person who wants to withdraw from membership, or group wishing to withdraw from Associate Membership must give a written notice of withdrawal to the organisation and will cease to be a member or Associate Member as from the time when the notice is received by the organisation.

Transfer of membership

- 23 Membership or Associate Membership of the organisation may not be transferred by a member or Associate Member.

Re-registration of members

- 24 The board may, at any time, issue notices to the members or Associate Members requiring them to confirm that they wish to remain as members or Associate Members of the organisation, and allowing them a period of 28 days (running from the date of issue of the notice) to provide that confirmation to the board.
- 25 If a member or Associate Member fails to provide confirmation to the board (in writing or by e-mail) that he/she wishes to remain as a member of the organisation before the expiry of the 28-day period referred to in clause 24, the board may expel him/her from membership or Associate Membership.
- 26 A notice under clause 24 will not be valid unless it refers specifically to the consequences (under clause 25) of failing to provide confirmation within the 28-day period.

Expulsion from membership

- 27 Any member or Associate Member may be expelled from membership or Associate Membership by way of a resolution passed by not less than two thirds of those present and voting at a members' meeting, providing the following procedures have been observed:-

- 27.1 at least 21 days' notice of the intention to propose the resolution must be given to the member or Associate Member concerned, specifying the grounds for the proposed expulsion;
- 27.2 the member or Associate Member concerned will be entitled to be heard on the resolution at the members' meeting at which the resolution is proposed.