



Porcelain Art Teachers
New Zealand



1. **NAME:**

The Association shall be called Porcelain Art Teachers New Zealand hereinafter called PAT NZ.

2. **OBJECTIVES:**

The objects of the Association shall be -

- A. To promote the study and practise of porcelain art primarily by adopting and carrying out the Unit Standards Programme initiated by the Australasian Porcelain Art Teachers, New Zealand Region, as described in their *Unit Standards Guidelines Book*.
- B. To stimulate, cultivate and raise the standard of Porcelain Art in New Zealand through our Porcelain Art Teachers and Intending Teachers.
- C. To meet twice yearly -
 - (a) At the time of the Annual General Meeting
 - (b) At another suitable time preferably halfway through our financial year.

To hold a Seminar, School or Exhibition, if possible, at one or both of the above get-togethers. One of the get-togethers to incorporate discussion and/or a demonstration or seminar/workshop on the current Unit Standards.

- D. To affiliate with the New Zealand Porcelain Artists' Association and other Organisations with similar aims and objects.

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3. **MEMBERSHIP:**

The Association shall consist of Full Members, Associate Members, Intending Teachers and Life Members defined as follows:

- 3.1 Full Members: Applicants for full member status must be a member of a Regional Porcelain Art Association and submit three pieces of their work which illustrate three different techniques to a general meeting of members for assessment. Assessment will be by secret ballot and an applicant shall be accepted providing over 75% of the members' present vote in favour of their work being of an acceptable standard. Full membership entitles the member to voting rights, certificates, election to office and exhibiting rights to all Exhibitions.
- 3.2 Full Members must take part in the Unit Standard Programme.
- 3.3 When a Full Member passes all Unit Standards she will receive her Diploma in Porcelain Art (DIPA) and will retain full membership status.
- 3.4 In the first instance, members who were currently members of PAT NZ automatically become members of PAT NZ.
- 3.5 Associate Members: Applicants for Associate Member status must be a porcelain painter and or belong to a local Regional Porcelain Association, would like to participate in the affairs of the Association but do not wish to take part in the Unit Standards Programme. Former Full Members of PAT NZ, or future Full Members of PAT NZ who no longer have classes, may also become Associate Members and continue with the Unit Standards programme if applicable. Associate Members shall have the same rights as Full Members.
- 3.6 Intending Teachers: Applicants for Intending Teacher status must be a porcelain painter and belong to a local regional Porcelain Association and must take part in the Unit Standards Programme and teach at a future date. Applicants must be nominated and seconded by a Full Member and submit three pieces of their work to be assessed on the same criteria as for Full Members.
- 3.7 In the first instance, members who were currently Intending Teachers of PAT NZ automatically become Intending Teachers of PAT NZ.
- 3.8 Intending Teachers have the same rights as Full Members but may not hold and executive position on Committee.



3.9 Life Members: Life membership may be granted to any member who is recommended by the committee and who has given exceptional service to the Association and who is then approved by the majority vote at an Annual General Meeting of the Region. Life Members shall have the same rights as Full Teacher Members.

3.10 Any members may resign from PAT NZ by notifying the President or Secretary in writing seven clear days before the Annual General Meeting. Failure to comply with this will render the member liable for the ensuing years' subscription.

4. **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

All members other than Life Members shall pay the annual subscription to be reviewed from time to time and shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting.

5. **FINANCE:**

5.1 The Financial Year of the Association shall end 31 July Each year. The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be on or near to the first weekend in September.

5.2 The funds of the Association shall be kept in such a Bank as the Committee nominates and all cheques signed by two Officers or one Officer and a Committee Member.

5.3 The accounts of PAT NZ SHALL BE AUDITED BEFORE the Annual General Meeting by the Auditor.

6. **THE COMMITTEE AND MANAGEMENT:**

6.1. The Committee shall comprise of the President, Secretary and Treasurer and up to two other members as appointed by the Annual General Meeting. Each candidate shall be nominated and seconded by another member either in writing before the Annual General Meeting or at the Annual General Meeting.

6.2 The Immediate Past President shall ex officio be entitled to attend Committee Meetings but shall not be entitled to vote there at.



- 6.3 The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Association.
- 6.4 The Committee shall have the power to co-opt any Financial Member to fill any vacancy on the committee.
- 6.5 The Committee shall have the power to appoint a sub-committee as it may deem necessary.
- 6.6 The Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancies on the Committee during its term of Office. The Office of treasurer may be filled by a non-member if a financial member cannot fill the vacancy.
- 6.7 No member of the committee or officer of the Association shall hold Office for more than two years without re-elections.

7. MEETINGS:

- 7.1 Two General Meetings shall be held each year, The Annual General Meeting and another meeting/get together to be held at the discretion of Committee, preferably half way through the financial year.
- 7.2 Notice of a General Meeting must be given to all members in writing either by post or email at least 28 days prior to that meeting.
- 7.3 The Annual General Meeting shall be held on the first weekend of September or as near to as possible, for the following purposes:
 - (i) To receive the Annual report, audited balance sheet and Statement of Accounts for the preceding year
 - (ii) To elect the officers of Committee for the ensuing year
 - (iii) To vote on any Notice of Motion which may have been submitted by formal notice
 - (iv) To elect an Auditor.
- 7.4 Committee Meetings shall be arranged by the Committee as arranged.



- 7.5 A Special General Meeting of members may be called by the committee, or by request signed by five members and handed to the Secretary giving reasons for such a request. At least 28 days' notice must be given to all members for such meetings.

8. **VOTING:**

- 8.1 At all General and Committee Meetings each financial Full Member, Associate Member, Intending Teacher and each life Member shall be entitled to one vote.
- 8.2 The Committee shall have the power to prepare ballot papers for any voting subject that is deemed necessary, apart from the election of new Officers. Ballot papers shall be sent to all members not less than 14 days before the Annual General Meeting or General Meeting. All voting papers shall be left unopened in a ballot box until the day of the Meeting when the Secretary, with two official scrutineers, may count the votes.

9. **GET-TOGETHERS:**

- 9.1 The Committee shall arrange two Get-Togethers each year at the same time as the Annual General Meeting and the General meeting.
- 9.2 The Get-Togethers may take the form of a demonstration, Seminar, School or Exhibition and be held at a venue and of such duration as the Committee shall decide.
- 9.3 At one Get-Together each year, time must be devoted to the current Unit Standards. This could be in the form of a discussion, demonstration or seminar.



10. **QUORUMS:**

- 10.1 At least three (3) members of the Committee must be present to form a quorum at a Committee Meeting and at least five (5) members (including committee members) must be present at a General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

11. **UNIT STANDARDS:**

- 11.1 The Unit Standards Programme shall be carried out as in the APAT NZ Guidelines Book and assisted by demonstrations, discussions or seminars held twice yearly to advance members experience and ability. Four Units will be assessed each year two at the time of the Annual General Meeting and two at the midyear General meeting.
- 11.2 When a member has gone through the full Unit Standards Programme but still has some Units to complete, she may apply for two of these Units to be assessed each year.
- 11.3 The Unit Standards will be judged by a panel of three members, one of which must have completed the Unit Standards Programme, the other two must have passed the particular subject being assessed. Alternately an outside judge with experience in the subject may be one of the judges.
- 11.4 At each judging two further members may attend the judging as observers.
- 11.5 A fee will be charged for each Unit Standard Assessment.
- 11.6 The Unit Standard Guideline Book may be reviewed, added to or amended by a decision of two thirds of the votes cast at a general Meeting of members including proxy votes, of which at least fourteen days' notice has been given of the proposed changes.



12. ALTERATION OF THE RULES:

- 12.1 These Rules may be added to or repealed or amended by a decision of two thirds of the votes cast a General Meeting of members including proxy votes, of which at least 14 days' notice has been given notifying the purpose of the Meeting and the Nature of the proposed alteration to the Rules.

13. WINDING UP:

- 13.1 The Association may be wound up voluntarily if the Association at a General Meeting of its members passes a resolution requiring the Association to be wound up and the resolution is confirmed at the subsequent General Meeting called together for that purpose and held not earlier than 30 days after the date on which the resolution so to be confirmed was passed.
- 13.2 If a resolution is confirmed at the meeting, that Meeting shall also decide on the appointment of an officer to conduct the winding up. After the satisfaction of all costs and debts and liabilities, any property or assets whatsoever, shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association but shall be given or transferred to some similar Associations.



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