

Comparison of CMFnz Constitutions

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Category	Current Constitution (2024)	Revised Draft 1 (AGM Changes)	Revised Draft 2 (AGM + Dentists)
Scope of Membership Section 6 (i)	Medical professionals only	Medical professionals only	Expanded to include dental professionals
Associated Person Definition Section 3	Definition included	Definition removed	Same as Draft 1
Financial Year Definition Section 3	Definition not included	Definition included	Same as Draft 1
Purposes Definition Section 3	Definition not included	Definition included	Same as Draft 1
Rules Definition Section 3	Definition referred to 'rules' only	Definition includes terms 'rules' and 'constitution' interchangeably.	Same as Draft 1
Full Membership Eligibility Section 6(i)(a)	NZ registered medical practitioners	Same	Includes medical or dental practitioners
Student Membership Section 6(i)(b)	Medical students only	Same	Includes medical or dental students
Voting Rights Section 6 (i)	Full Members only	Same	Same
Board Composition 2024: Section 9 (i)(f) Drafts 1 & 2: Section 8 (i) (f)	At least half must be medical practitioners	Same	At least half must be medical or dental practitioners
Definitions Updated Section 3	Based on 2022 Act	Clarified "Board Member" and "Officer" per MBIE guidance	Same as Draft 1
Register of Members Section 6 (iii)	Basic contact and membership info	Adds requirement to retain data for 7 years post-membership	Same as Draft 1
Dispute Resolution 2024: Section 6 (v) (h), Section 16 Drafts 1&2: Section 6 (v) (i), Section 15	Referencing correction Board handles per policy	Clarified appeal process and timelines	Same as Draft 1
Disclosure of Interests 2024: Section 7&8 Drafts 1&2: Section 7	Correction to referencing Basic mention	Adds quorum rules when conflicts arise. The board now needs to call an SGM if half of its members have a conflict of	Same as Draft 1

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Charitable Purpose Clause 2024: Sections 4&13 Drafts 1&2: Sections 4&12	General statement	Adds compliance with Income Tax Act 2007	Same as Draft 1
Termination of membership 2024: Not specified Drafts 1&2: Section 6(v) (g)	No provision for termination of membership on death of member	Provision included for termination of membership upon the death of a member	Same as Draft 1
Financial year 2024: Section 7 (i) Drafts 1&2: Section 3	Financial year reference included	Reference to financial year moved up to definitions.	Same as Draft 1
General Meeting Participation 2024: Section 9 (xii) Drafts 1&2: Section 8 (xii)	Voting members only	Non-voting members and supporters may attend and speak at AGMs.	Same as Draft 1
National Director Term 2024: Not specified Drafts 1&2: Section 8(i)(a)(2)	Not specified	Clarifies that the National Director remains in position as long as they hold that role, in line with term limits.	Same as Draft 1
Language Consistency Throughout	"Members" and "Officers" used variably	Standardised terminology	Same as Draft 1