

Architects (Election of Board Members) Rules 2005

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ARCHITECTS ACT
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ARCHITECTS (ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS) RULES 2005

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 38 of the Architects Act, the Board of Architects, with the approval of the Minister for National Development, hereby makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules may be cited as the Architects (Election of Board Members) Rules 2005 and shall come into operation on 1st October 2005.

Definitions

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

“elected members”, in relation to the Board, means the members of the Board referred to in section 4A(1)(c) of the Act;

“practising architect” means a registered architect who has in force a valid practising certificate.

Returning officer

3.—(1) The Registrar, or any other person whom the Board may from time to time appoint, shall be the returning officer for the purpose of section 4A (1) (c) (i) of the Act.

(2) The returning officer may appoint assistant returning officers who shall act under the direction of the returning officer.

Notice of nomination

4.—(1) For the purpose of section 4A (1) (c) (i) of the Act, the returning officer shall determine —

- (a) the date, time, place, manner and procedure for submitting nomination papers;
- (b) the date for balloting which shall be not more than 60 days after the close of nominations; and
- (c) the time and place at which, and the manner by which, the ballot is to be

conducted.

(2) The returning officer shall cause a notice to be sent to every practising architect informing him of the matters referred to in paragraph (1), together with a nomination paper which shall be in such form as the Board may determine.

Nominations

5.—(1) Every practising architect who desires to nominate a candidate for election as a member of the Board shall —

- (a) enter his own name as proposer and sign on the nomination paper referred to in rule 4(2);
- (b) enter on the nomination paper the name of the candidate and have the consent of the candidate endorsed thereon;
- (c) enter on the nomination paper the name of 4 seconders for the candidate and have the signatures of the seconders endorsed thereon; and
- (d) submit the nomination paper in the manner fixed by the returning officer under rule 4(1)(a) together with such information concerning the candidate as the returning officer may require.

(2) No person other than a practising architect shall propose or second the nomination of any candidate.

(3) A proposer shall not nominate more candidates in any election than the number of vacancies to be filled in that election.

Vacancies filled by number of nominations

6. Where there are no more valid nominations than the number of vacancies to be filled in any election, the returning officer shall declare the candidates nominated to be elected.

Vacancies exceeded by number of nominations

7. Where there are more valid nominations than the number of vacancies to be filled in any election, the returning officer shall cause a notice to be sent to every practising architect containing instructions relating to —

- (a) the date, time and place for balloting;
- (b) the manner and procedure for balloting; and
- (c) the names of the candidates and such other relevant information as the