The Rules of the Townsville Cinema Group Inc.

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1. Interpretation

(1) In these rules—

Act means the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981.*

***present*—**

(a) at a management committee meeting, see rule 24(6); or

(b) at a general meeting, see rule 37(2).

(2) A word or expression that is not defined in these rules, but is defined in the Act has, if the context permits, the meaning given by the Act.

2. Name

The name of the incorporated association is Townsville Cinema Group Inc.

3. Objectives

The objectives of the association are to promote and to provide access to films of different genres, cultures and countries for the benefit of the members.

4. Powers

(1) The association has the powers of an individual.

(2) The association may, for example—

(a) enter into contracts; and

(b) acquire, hold, deal with and dispose of property; and

(c) make charges for services and facilities it supplies; and

(d) do other things necessary or convenient to be done in carrying out its affairs.

5. Classes of members

(1) The membership of the association consists of ordinary members and honorary life members as voted at an Annual General Meeting.

(2) The number of members is restricted and, based on the seating capacity of the screening venue(s) and the expected level of attendance, the Management Committee sets the limit prior to the start of the next year.

6. Renewal of Membership

(1) Honorary life members are not required to submit an application in writing for annual membership.

(2) Renewal of annual membership is available to members by a date set by the Management Committee within 3 months of the end of the financial year for the Association,

(3) Application for membership renewal shall be in writing and in a form decided by the management committee. Applications for membership may be lodged in electronic format

7. New Membership

(1) Application for a new membership commences on 1 February of the new financial year, subject to the membership numbers limit

(2) An application fee for new members may be charged and shall be an amount decided by the members annually at a generaal meeting and shall be refunded if the application is unsuccessful.

(3) A new membership application must be in writing, and in a form decided by the management committee.

8. Membership fees

(1) The membership fee for each ordinary annual membership
  (a) is the amount decided by the members annually at a general meeting; and
  (b) is payable when, and in the way, the management committee decides.

(2) Subject to the membership numbers limit, the membership fee for partial year membership is that amount which is set, from time to time, by the Management Committee

9. Admission and rejection of new members

(1) The management committee must consider an application for annual membership at the next committee meeting held after it receives—
  (a) the application for membership; and
  (b) the appropriate membership fee for the application.

(2) The management committee must ensure that, as soon as possible after the person applies to become a member of the association, and before the management committee considers the persons application, the person is advised—
  (a) whether or not the association has public liability insurance; and
  (b) if the association has public liability insurance—the amount of the insurance.

(3) The management committee must consider all membership applications in the order of receipt of the renewal or new membership application form and must decide at the meeting whether to accept or reject the application.

(4) If the maximum number of members for the year has not yet been reached and a majority of the members of the management committee present at the meeting vote to accept the applicant as a member, the applicant is accepted as an ordinary member.

(5) The secretary of the association or a delegate must, as soon as practicable after the management committee decides to accept or reject an application, give the applicant a written notice of the decision.

(6) A renewed or new membership does not become current until the management committee has accepted the application and the membership fee has been paid.

10. Membership card

(1) New and renewed members shall be issued with a membership card, which shall be produced as proof of membership to gain gratis admission to association screenings. 'Membership cards may be digital in form.

(2) Membership cards are for the exclusive use of the member named and are nontransferable.

(3) A fee will apply for replacement of a lost card.

11. When membership ends

(1) All ordinary memberships end at the end of each financial year.

(2) A member may resign from the association by giving a written notice of resignation to the secretary.

(3) The resignation takes effect at—
  (a) the time the notice is received by the secretary; or
  (b) if a later time is stated in the notice—the later time.

(4) The management committee may terminate a member's membership if the member—

(a) is convicted of an indictable offence; or

(b) does not comply with any of the provisions of these rules; or

(c) conducts himself or herself in a way considered to be injurious or prejudicial to the character or interests of the association.

(5) Before the management committee terminates a member's membership, the committee must give the member a full and fair opportunity to show why the membership should not be terminated.

(6) If, after considering all representations made by the member, the management committee decides to terminate the membership, the secretary of the committee must give the member a written notice of the decision.

12. Appeal against termination of membership

(1) A person, whose membership has been terminated, may give the secretary written notice of the person's intention to appeal against the decision.

(2) A notice of intention to appeal must be given to the secretary within 1 month after the person receives written notice of the decision.

(3) If the secretary receives a notice of intention to appeal, the secretary must, within 1 month after receiving the notice, call a general meeting to decide the appeal.

13. General meeting to decide appeal

(1) The general meeting to decide an appeal must be held within 3 months after the secretary receives the notice of intention to appeal.

(2) At the meeting, the applicant must be given a full and fair opportunity to show why the membership should not be terminated.

(3) Also, the management committee who terminated the membership must be given a full and fair opportunity to show why the membership should be terminated.

(4) An appeal must be decided by a majority vote of the members present and eligible to vote at the meeting.

(5) If a person whose membership has been terminated does not appeal against the decision within 1 month after receiving written notice of the decision, or the person appeals but the appeal is unsuccessful, the secretary must, as soon as practicable, refund the membership fee paid by the person on a pro rata basis.

14. Register of members

(1) The management committee must keep a register of members of members of the association

(2) The register must include the following particulars for each member -

(a) the full name of the member;

(b) The postal or residential address of the member;

(c) the date of admission as a member;

(d) the date of death or time of resignation of the member;

(e) details about the termination or reinstatement of membership;

(f) any other particulars the management committee or the members at a general meeting decide.

(3) The register must be open for inspection by members of the association at all reasonable times.

(4) A member must contact the secretary to arrange an inspection of the register.

(5) However, the management committee may, on the application of a member of the association, withhold information about the member (other than the members full name) from the register available for inspection if the management committee has reasonable

grounds for believing the disclosure of the information would put the member at risk of harm.

15. Prohibition on use of information on register of members

(1) A member of the association must not—

a. use information obtained from the register of members of the association to contact, or send material to, another member of the association for the purpose of advertising for political, religious, charitable or commercial purposes; or

b. disclose information obtained from the register to someone else, knowing that the information is likely to be used to contact, or send material to, another member of the association for the purpose of advertising for political, religious, charitable or commercial purposes.

(2) Sub rule (1) does not apply if the association approves the use or disclosure of the information.

16. Appointment or election of secretary

(1) The secretary must be an individual residing in North Queensland, who is—

(a) a member of the association elected by the association as secretary; or

(b) any of the following persons appointed by the management committee as secretary —

(i) a member of the associations management committee;

(ii) another member of the association.

(iii) another person.

(2) If a vacancy happens in the office of secretary, the members of the management committee must ensure a secretary is appointed or elected for the association within 1 month after the vacancy happens.

(3) If the management committee appoints a person mentioned in sub rule (1)(b)(ii) as secretary, other than to fill a casual vacancy on the management committee, the person does not become a member of the management committee.

(4) However, if the management committee appoints a person mentioned in sub rule (1)(b)(ii) as secretary to fill a casual vacancy on the management committee, the person becomes a member of the management committee.

(5) If the management committee appoints a person mentioned in sub rule (1)(b)(iii) as secretary, the person does not become a member of the management committee.

(6) In this rule— casual vacancy, on a management committee, means a vacancy that happens when an elected member of the management committee resigns, dies or otherwise stops holding office.

17. Removal of secretary

(1) The management committee of the association may at any time remove a person appointed by the committee as the secretary.

(2) If the management committee removes a secretary who is a person mentioned in rule 16(1)(b)(i), the person remains a member of the management committee.

(3) If the management committee removes a secretary who is a person mentioned in rule 16(1)(b)(ii) and who has been appointed to a casual vacancy on the management committee under rule 16(5), the person remains a member of the management committee.

18. Functions of secretary

(1) The secretary's functions include, but are not limited to—

(2) calling meetings of the association, including preparing notices of a meeting and of the business to be conducted at the meeting in consultation with the president of the

association; and

(a) keeping minutes of each meeting; and

(b) keeping copies of all correspondence and other documents relating to the association; and

(c) maintaining the register of members of the association.

19. Membership of management committee

(1) The management committee of the association consists of a president, treasurer, and any other members the association members elect at a general meeting.

(2) A member of the management committee, other than a secretary appointed by the management committee under rule 16(1)(b)(iii), must be a member of the association.

(3) At each annual general meeting of the association, the members of the management committee must retire from office, but are eligible, on nomination, for re-election.

(4) A member of the association may be appointed to a casual vacancy on the management committee under rule 22.

20. Electing the management committee

(1) A member of the management committee may only be elected as follows—

(a) any 2 members of the association may nominate another member (the candidate) to serve as a member of the management committee;

(b) The nomination must be -

(i) in writing; and

(ii)signed by the candidate and the members who nominated him or her; and

(iii)given to the secretary at or before the annual general meeting at which the election is to be held

(c) each member of the association present and eligible to vote at the annual general meeting may vote for 1 candidate for each vacant position on the management committee;

(d) if, at the start of the meeting, there are not enough candidates nominated, nominations may be taken from the floor of the meeting.

(2) A person may be a candidate only if the person—

(a) is an adult; and

(b) is not ineligible to be elected as a member under section 61A of the Act.

(3) If required by the management committee, balloting lists must be prepared containing the names of the candidates in alphabetical order.

(4) The management committee must ensure that, before a candidate is elected as a member of the management committee, the candidate is advised—

(a) whether or not the association has public liability insurance; and

(b) if the association has public liability insurance—the amount of the insurance.

21. Resignation, removal or vacation of office of management committee member

(1) A member of the management committee may resign from the committee by giving written notice of resignation to the secretary.

(2) The resignation takes effect at—

(a) the time the notice is received by the secretary; or

(b) if a later time is stated in the notice—the later time.

(3) A member may be removed from office at a general meeting of the association if a majority of the members present and eligible to vote at the meeting vote in favour of removing the member.

(4) Before a vote of members is taken about removing the member from office, the member must be given a full and fair opportunity to show cause why he or she should not be removed from office.

(5) A member has no right of appeal against the member's removal from office under this rule.

(6) A member immediately vacates the office of member in the circumstances mentioned in section 64(2) of the Act.

22. Vacancies on management committee

(1) If a casual vacancy happens on the management committee, the continuing members of the committee may appoint another member of the association to fill the vacancy until the next annual general meeting.

(2) The continuing members of the management committee may act despite a casual vacancy on the management committee.

(3) However, if the number of committee members is less than the number fixed under rule 25(1) as a quorum of the management committee, the continuing members may act only to —

(a) increase the number of management committee members to the number required for a quorum; or

(b) call a general meeting of the association.

23. Functions of management committee

(1) Subject to these rules or a resolution of the members of the association carried at a general meeting, the management committee has the general control and management of the administration of the affairs, property and funds of the association.

(2) The management committee has authority to interpret the meaning of these rules and any matter relating to the association on which the rules are silent, but any interpretation must have regard to the Act, including any regulation made under the Act.

Note— The Act prevails if the association's rules are inconsistent with the Act—see section 1B of the Act.

(3) The management committee may exercise the powers of the association—

(a) to borrow, raise or secure the payment of amounts in a way the members of the association decide; and

(b) to secure the amounts mentioned in paragraph (a) or the payment or performance of any debt, liability, contract, guarantee or other engagement incurred or to be entered into by the association in any way.

24. Meetings of management committee

(1) Subject to this rule, the management committee may meet and conduct its proceedings as it considers appropriate.

(2) The management committee must meet at least once every 4 months to exercise its functions.

(3) The management committee must decide how a meeting is to be called.

(4) Notice of a meeting is to be given in the way decided by the management committee.

(5) The management committee may hold meetings, or permit a committee member to take part in its meetings, by using any technology that reasonably allows the member to hear and take part in discussions as they happen.

(6) A committee member who participates in the meeting as mentioned in sub rule (5) is taken to be present at the meeting.

(7) A question arising at a committee meeting is to be decided by a majority vote of members of the committee present at the meeting and, if the votes are equal, the question is decided

in the negative.

(8) A member of the management committee must not vote on a question about a contract or proposed contract with the association if the member has an interest in the contract or proposed contract and, if the member does vote, the members vote must not be counted.

(9) The president is to preside as chairperson at a management committee meeting.

(10) If there is no president or if the president is not present within 10 minutes after the time fixed for a management committee meeting, the members may choose 1 of their number to preside as chairperson at the meeting. 25. Quorum for, and adjournment of, management committee meeting

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(1) At a management committee meeting, more than 50% of the members elected to the committee as at the close of the last general meeting of the members form a quorum.

(2) If there is no quorum within 30 minutes after the time fixed for a management committee meeting called on the request of members of the committee, the meeting lapses.

(3) If there is no quorum within 30 minutes after the time fixed for a management committee meeting called other than on the request of the members of the committee—

(a) the meeting is to be adjourned for at least 1 day; and

(b) the members of the management committee who are present are to decide the day, time and place of the adjourned meeting.

(4) If, at an adjourned meeting mentioned in sub rule (3), there is no quorum within 30 minutes after the time fixed for the meeting, the meeting lapses.

26. Special meeting of management committee

(1) If the secretary receives a written request signed by at least 33% of the members of the management committee, the secretary must call a special meeting of the committee by giving each member of the committee notice of the meeting within 14 days after the secretary receives the request.

(2) If the secretary is unable or unwilling to call the special meeting, the president must call the meeting.

(3) A request for a special meeting must state—

(a) why the special meeting is called; and

(b) the business to be conducted at the meeting.

(4) A notice of a special meeting must state—

(a) the day, time and place of the meeting; and

(b) the business to be conducted at the meeting.

(5) A special meeting of the management committee must be held within 14 days after notice of the meeting is given to the members of the management committee.

27. Minutes of management committee meetings

(1) The secretary must ensure full and accurate minutes of all questions, matters, resolutions and other proceedings of each management committee meeting are entered in a minute book which can consist of a digital repository

(2) To ensure the accuracy of the minutes, the minutes of each management committee meeting must be signed by the chairperson of the meeting, or the chairperson of the next management committee meeting, verifying their accuracy.

28. Appointment of subcommittees

(1) The management committee may appoint a subcommittee consisting of members of the association considered appropriate by the committee to help with the conduct of the associations operations.

(2) A member of the subcommittee who is not a member of the management committee is not entitled to vote at a management committee meeting.

(3) A subcommittee may elect a chairperson of its meetings.

(4) If a chairperson is not elected, or if the chairperson is not present within 10 minutes after the time fixed for a meeting, the members present may choose 1 of their number to be chairperson of the meeting.

(5) A subcommittee may meet and adjourn, as it considers appropriate.

(6) A question arising at a subcommittee meeting is to be decided by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting and, if the votes are equal, the question is decided in the negative.

29. Acts not affected by defects or disqualifications

(1) An act performed by the management committee, a subcommittee or a person acting as a member of the management committee is taken to have been validly performed.

(2) Sub rule (1) applies even if the act was performed when—

(a) there was a defect in the appointment of a member of the management committee, subcommittee or person acting as a member of the management committee; or

(b) a management committee member, subcommittee member or person acting as a member of the management committee was disqualified from being a member.

30. Resolutions of management committee without meeting

(1) A written resolution signed by a quorum of the management committee is as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a committee meeting that was properly called and held.

(2) A resolution mentioned in sub rule (1) may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by 1 or more members of the committee.

31. Annual general meetings

(1) An annual general meeting must be held—

(a) at least once each year; and

(b) within 6 months after the end date of the association's reportable financial year.

32. Business to be conducted at annual general meeting of level 1 incorporated associations and particular level 2 and 3 incorporated associations

(1) This rule applies only if the association is—

(a) a level 1 incorporated association; or

(b) a level 2 incorporated association to which section 59 of the Act applies; or

(c) a level 3 incorporated association to which section 59 of the Act applies.

(2) The following business must be conducted at each annual general meeting of the association—

(a) receiving the association's financial statement, and audit report, for the last reportable financial year;

(b) presenting the financial statement and audit report to the meeting for adoption;

(c) electing members of the management committee;

(d) for a level 1 incorporated association—appointing an auditor or an accountant for the present financial year;

(e) for a level 2 incorporated association, or a level 3 incorporated association, to which section 59 of the Act applies—appointing an auditor, an accountant or an approved person for the present financial year.

33. Business to be conducted at annual general meeting of other level 2 incorporated associations

(1) This rule applies only if the association is a level 2 incorporated association to which section 59A of the Act applies.

(2) The following business must be conducted at each annual general meeting of the association—

(a) receiving the association's financial statement, and signed statement, for the last reportable financial year;

(b) presenting the financial statement and signed statement to the meeting for adoption;

(c) electing members of the management committee;

(d) appointing an auditor, an accountant or an approved person for the present financial year.

34. Business to be conducted at annual general meeting of other level 3 incorporated associations

(1) This rule applies only if the association is a level 3 incorporated association to which section 59B of the Act applies.

(2) The following business must be conducted at each annual general meeting of the association—

(a) receiving the association's financial statement, and signed statement, for the last reportable financial year;

(b) presenting the financial statement and signed statement to the meeting for adoption;

(c) electing members of the management committee.

35. Notice of general meeting

(1) The secretary may call a general meeting of the association.

(2) The secretary must give at least 14 days notice of the meeting to each member of the association.

(3) If the secretary is unable or unwilling to call the meeting, the president must call the meeting.

(4) The management committee may decide the way in which the notice must be given.

(5) However, notice of the following meetings must be given in writing—

(a) a meeting called to hear and decide the appeal of a person against the management committee's decision to terminate the person's membership of the association;

(b) a meeting called to hear and decide a proposed special resolution of the association.

(6) A notice of a general meeting must state the business to be conducted at the meeting.

36.Quorum for, and adjournment of, general meeting

(1) The quorum for a general meeting is at least the number of members elected or appointed to the management committee at the close of the association's last general meeting plus 1.

(2) No business may be conducted at a general meeting unless there is a quorum of members when the meeting proceeds to business.

(3) If there is no quorum within 30 minutes after the time fixed for a general meeting called on the request of members of the management committee or the association, the meeting lapses.

(4) If there is no quorum within 30 minutes after the time fixed for a general meeting called other than on the request of members of the management committee or the association—

(a) the meeting is to be adjourned for at least 7 days; and

(b) the management committee is to decide the day, time and place of the adjourned meeting.

(5) The chairperson may, with the consent of any meeting at which there is a quorum, and must if directed by the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place.

(6) If a meeting is adjourned under sub rule (5), only the business left unfinished at the meeting from which the adjournment took place may be conducted at the adjourned meeting.

(7) The secretary is not required to give the members notice of an adjournment or of the business to be conducted at an adjourned meeting unless a meeting is adjourned for at least 30 days.

(8) If a meeting is adjourned for at least 30 days, notice of the adjourned meeting must be given in the same way notice is given for an original meeting.

37. Procedure at general meeting

(1) A member may take part and vote in a general meeting in person, by proxy, by attorney or by using any technology that reasonably allows the member to hear and take part in discussions as they happen.

(2) A member who is accounted for at the opening of the meeting and participates in a meeting as mentioned in sub rule (1) is taken to be present at the meeting.

(3) At each general meeting—

(a) the president is to preside as chairperson; and

(b) if there is no president or if the president is not present within 15 minutes after the time fixed for the meeting or is unwilling to act, the members present must elect 1 of their number to be chairperson of the meeting; and

(c) must elect 1 of their number to be chairperson of the meeting; and

(d) the chairperson must conduct the meeting in a proper and orderly way.

38. Voting at general meeting

(1) At a general meeting, each question, matter or resolution, other than a special resolution, must be decided by a majority of votes of the members present.

(2) Each member present and eligible to vote is entitled to 1 vote only and, if the votes are equal, the chairperson has a casting vote as well as a primary vote.

(3) A member is not entitled to vote at a general meeting if the member's annual subscription is in arrears at the date of the meeting.

(4) The method of voting is to be decided by the management committee.

(5) However, if at least 20% of the members present demand a secret ballot, voting must be by secret ballot.

(6) If a secret ballot is held, the chairperson must appoint 2 members to conduct the secret ballot in the way the chairperson decides.

(7) The result of a secret ballot as declared by the chairperson is taken to be a resolution of the meeting at which the ballot was held.

39. Special general meeting

(1) The secretary must call a special general meeting by giving each member of the association notice of the meeting within 14 days after—

(a) being directed to call the meeting by the management committee; or

(b) being given a written request signed by—

(c) at least 33% of the number of members of the management committee when the request is signed; or

(d) at least the number of ordinary members of the association equal to double the number of members of the association on the management committee when the request is signed plus 1; or

(e) being given a written notice of an intention to appeal against the decision of the management committee to terminate a person's membership.

(2) A request mentioned in sub rule (1)(b) must state—

(a) why the special general meeting is being called; and

(b) the business to be conducted at the meeting.

(3) A special general meeting must be held within 3 months after the secretary—

(a) is directed to call the meeting by the management committee; or

(b) is given the written request mentioned in sub rule (1)(b); or

(c) is given the written notice of an intention to appeal mentioned in sub rule (1)(c).

(4) If the secretary is unable or unwilling to call the special meeting, the president must call the meeting.

40. Proxies

(1) An instrument appointing a proxy must be in writing and be in the following or similar form—

Townsville Cinema Group Inc.

I, ... of . . . . . , being a member of the association, appoint . . . . . of . . . . . as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the (annual) general meeting of the association, to be held on the . . . . . day of . . . . . 20…. and at any adjournment of the meeting.

Signed this . . . . . day of . . . . . 20….

Signature . . . . . .

(2) The instrument appointing a proxy must be signed by the appointer or the appointer's attorney properly authorised in writing.

(3) A proxy may be a member of the association or another person.

(4) The instrument appointing a proxy is taken to confer authority to demand or join in demanding a secret ballot.

(5) Each instrument appointing a proxy must be given to the secretary before the start of the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote.

(6) Unless otherwise instructed by the appointer, the proxy may vote, as the proxy considers appropriate.

(7) If a member wants a proxy to vote for or against a resolution, the instrument appointing the proxy must be in the following or similar form—

Townsville Cinema Group Inc.

I, ... of . . . . . , being a member of the association, appoint . . . . . of . . . . . as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the (annual) general meeting of the association, to be held on the . . . . . day of . . . . . 20…. and at any adjournment of the meeting.

This form is to be used *in favour of/*against [*strike out whichever is not wanted*] the following resolutions—

[*List relevant resolutions*]

Signed this . . . . . day of . . . . . 20….

Signature . . . . . .

41. Minutes of general meetings

(1) The secretary must ensure full and accurate minutes of all questions, matters, resolutions and other proceedings of each general meeting are entered in a minute book or digital repository.

(2) To ensure the accuracy of the minutes, a hard copy of —

(a) the minutes of each general meeting must be signed by the chairperson of the meeting, or the chairperson of the next general meeting, verifying their accuracy; and

(b) the minutes of each annual general meeting must be signed by the chairperson of the meeting, or the chairperson of the next meeting of the association that is a general meeting or annual general meeting, verifying their accuracy.

(3) If asked by a member of the association, the secretary must, within 28 days after the request is made—

(a) make the minutes for a particular general meeting available for inspection by the member at a mutually agreed time and place; and

(b) give the member copies of the minutes of the meeting.

(4) The association may require the member to pay the reasonable costs of providing copies of the minutes.

42. By-laws

(1) The management committee may make, amend or repeal by-laws, not inconsistent with these rules, for the internal management of the association.

(2) A by-law may be set aside by a vote of members at a general meeting of the association.

43. Alteration of rules

(1) Subject to the Act, these rules may be amended, repealed or added to by a special resolution carried at a general meeting.

(2) However an amendment, repeal or addition is valid only if it is registered by the chief executive.

44. Common seal

(1) The management committee must ensure the association has a common seal.

(2) The common seal must be—

(a) kept securely by the management committee; and

(b) used only under the authority of the management committee.

(3) Each instrument to which the seal is attached must be signed by a member of the management committee and countersigned by—

(a) the secretary; or

(b) another member of the management committee; or

(c) someone authorised by the management committee.

45. Funds and accounts

(1) The funds of the association must be kept in an account in the name of the association in a financial institution decided by the management committee.

(2) Records and accounts must be kept in the English language showing full and accurate particulars of the financial affairs of the association.

(3) All amounts must be deposited in the financial institution account as soon as practicable

after receipt.

(4) A payment by the association of $100 or more must be made by cheque, electronic funds transfer or an association debit or credit card.

(5) If a payment of $100 or more is made by cheque, the cheque must be signed by any 2 of the following -

(a) the president;

(b) the secretary;

(c) the treasurer;

(d) any 1 of 3 other members of the association who have been authorised by the management committee to sign cheques issued by the association.

(6) However, 1 of the persons who signs the cheque must be the president, the secretary or the treasurer.

(7) Cheques, other than cheques for wages, allowancws or petty cash recoupment, must be crossed not negotible.

(8) A petty cash account must be kept on the imprest system, and the management committee must decide the amount of petty cash to be kept in the account.

(9) All expenditure must be approved or ratified at a management committee meeting.

(10) All payments from the account of the Association by electronic funds transfer must be approved by at least 2 persons, one of whom is the president, secretary or treasurer.

46. General financial matters

(1) On behalf of the management committee, the treasurer must, as soon as practicable after the end date of each financial year, ensure a financial statement for its last reportable financial year is prepared.

(2) The income and property of the association must be used solely in promoting the association's objects and exercising the association's powers.

47. Documents

The management committee must ensure the safe custody of books, documents, instruments of title and securities of the association.

48. Financial Year

The end date of the association's financial year is 31 December in each year.

49. Distribution of surplus assets to another entity

(1) This rule applies if the association –

(a) is wound up under part 10 of the Act; and
(b) has surplus assets.

(2) The surplus assets must not be distributed among the members of the association.

(3) The surplus assets must be given to another entity –

(a) having objects similar to the associations‘ objects; and
(b) the rules of which prohibit the distribution of the entity’s income and assets to its members.

(4) Subrule (3) applies subject to rule 50.

(5) In this rule – **Surplus asset**s see section 92(3) of the Act.

50. Transfer of relevant assets and distribution of other surplus assets on winding-up

(1) This rule applies to an association that has been endorsed as a deductible gift recipient

(a) is wound-up under part 10 of the Act; and

(b) has surplus assets.

(2) The association must transfer the association's relevant assets to another entity that has been endorsed as a deductible gift recipient under that Act.

(3) If the association is a charity registered under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cwlth), the entity to which the association's relevant assets are transferred must be a charity at law.

(4) Any surplus assets that are not relevant assets must be distributed under rule 49.

(5) In this rule –
relevant assets, of an association, means the association's surplus assets that are –

(a) gifts of money or property given to the association for use for its principal purpose; or

(b) contributions made in relation to a fund- raising event within the meaning of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cwlth) held for the principal purpose of the association; or

(c) money received by the association because of the gifts or contributions mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b).

surplus assets see section 92(3) of the Act.

51 Distribution of relevant assets on revocation of endorsement as deductible gift recipient

(1) This rule applies if an association's endorsement as a deductible gift recipient under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cwlth) is revoked under that Act.

(2) The association must transfer the association's relevant assets to another entity that has been endorsed as a deductible gift recipient

(3) In this rule –

relevant assets, of an association, see rule 50.

Surplus assets see section 92(3) of the Act.