

# Generic Rules For Divisions

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**GENERIC RULES FOR DIVISIONS**  
**OF**  
**THE AUSTRALIAN PSYCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY LIMITED**

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**1. PRELIMINARY**

1.1 These Generic Rules are subject to the Constitution of The Australian Psychological Society Limited (the "Society").

1.2 Unless the context otherwise indicates or requires:

- (a) all words and terms contained in these Generic Rules and defined in the said Constitution will have the same meaning as in the Constitution; and
- (b) these Generic Rules will be interpreted in accordance with the interpretation provisions contained in the Constitution.

1.3 Throughout these Generic Rules, unless the context otherwise indicates or requires, the following words will have the following meanings:

"**Board**" means the Board of Directors of the Society, as constituted from time to time;

"**College**" means a Constituent Unit established pursuant to Rules 3, 4, and 5 of Generic Rules for Colleges, and concerned with a specialist area of psychology;

"**Division(s)**" means each of:

- (a) the Division of Colleges;
- (b) the Division of General Psychological Practice; and
- (c) the Division of Psychological Research, Education and Training;

"**Division of Colleges**" means the Constituent Unit established pursuant to these Generic Rules, comprising Members of the Society who are also members of a College;

"**Division of General Psychological Practice**" (or "**DGPP**") means the Constituent Unit established pursuant to these Generic Rules, comprising Members of the Society who are registered to practice as psychologists but who are not members of a College;

"**Division of Psychological Research, Education and Training**" (or "**DPRET**") means the Constituent Unit established pursuant to these Generic Rules, comprising Members of the Society who are, principally engaged in research, formal teaching or another scholarly undertaking in a field of psychology for or in conjunction with an education institution and/or research institution;

"**Members of the Division**" means those Members of the Society recorded to a particular Division on the Register of Members;

"**Members of the Society**" means those people who have been elected or admitted to a grade of membership of the Society referred to in clause 6 of the Constitution; and

**"Register of Members"** means the register to be maintained by the Society containing details of the Members of the Society.

- 1.4 Alterations and additions to these Generic Rules may only be made by the Society in general meeting.
- 1.5 A copy of these Generic Rules will be made available through the Society's website at all times.

## 2. DIVISIONS

The Divisions of the Society are:

- (a) the Division of Colleges comprising Members of the Society who satisfy the membership criteria set out in clause 4;
- (b) the Division of General Psychological Practice comprising Members of the Society who satisfy the membership criteria set out in clause 5; and
- (c) the Division of Psychological Research, Education and Training comprising Members of the Society who satisfy the membership criteria set out in clause 6.

## 3. PURPOSE AND OBJECTS

3.1 The Divisions exist to assist the Society for the purposes of:

- (a) improving the communication processes between Members of the Society, the Board and the National Office;
- (b) improving the relevance and efficacy of the policy and position development of the Society;
- (c) ensuring greater focus on grass roots issues affecting the discipline and the profession of psychology; and
- (d) developing future leaders in the Society and providing collegiate, member interaction.

3.2 It is acknowledged that the Divisions have been established for the purposes of identifying a cross-section of the membership of the Society who work in particular areas of the discipline and practice of psychology and enabling the Society to interact with a broad range of Members of the Society from the major key groups that constitute the Society. However, for the avoidance of doubt, the Divisions are not intended to have any formal activities, governance or legal capacity.

## 4. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY: Division of Colleges

In order to be eligible to be a member of the Division of Colleges, a person must:

- (a) be a Member of the Society;
- (b) be a member of a College; and
- (c) satisfy any other requirements imposed by the Board from time to time.

## 5. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY: Division of General Psychological Practice (or "DGPP")

In order to be eligible to be a member of the Division of General Psychological Practice, a person must:

- (a) be a Member of the Society;
- (b) be registered to practice as a psychologist;
- (c) not be a member of a College; and
- (d) satisfy any other requirements imposed by the Board from time to time.

**6. MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY: Division of Psychological Research, Education and Training (or "DPRET")**

In order to be eligible to be a member of the Division of Psychological Research, Education and Training, a person must:

- (a) be a Member of the Society;
- (b) be principally engaged in research, formal teaching or another scholarly undertaking in a field of psychology for or in conjunction with an education institution and/or research institution; and
- (c) satisfy any other requirements imposed by the Board from time to time.

**7. REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

- 7.1 The Board may record any Member of the Society in the Register of Members as a member of one or more Divisions in respect of which such Member of the Society satisfies the eligibility criteria and, once listed, the Member of the Society is deemed to be a member of the relevant Division (or Divisions).
- 7.2 The Board may, in its absolute discretion, vary the Division(s) to which a Member of the Society is recorded as it thinks appropriate, based on the information made available to it or pursuant to requests by Members of the Society from time to time.