



## **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

### **VOTING AT A GENERAL MEETING TO REVOKE, AMEND OR ADD TO THE BYELAWS**

#### **1. OBJECTIVE**

To ensure that the voting at a General Meeting to revoke, amend, or add to the Byelaws is done in compliance with both Section 6 of the Royal Charter and Section 5.16 of the Byelaws.

#### **2. SCOPE**

This Regulation defines the process by which voting takes place at a General Meeting to revoke, amend, or add to the Byelaws.

#### **3. RELATED REGULATIONS**

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#### **4. PROCEDURE**

1. In accordance with the Royal Charter, Section 6, the Society may by a Special Resolution passed at a General Meeting by not less than two-thirds of those members voting revoke, amend, or add to the Byelaws. Such changes will come into effect once approved by the Privy Council.
2. In accordance with the Byelaws, Section 5.14, where a General Meeting is called to debate proposed changes to the Byelaws, Council shall, in accordance with procedures set out in Regulations, make provision in the timetable for Voting Members to put forward amendments to the proposed changes so that they can be debated at the same time.
3. In accordance with the Byelaws, Section 5.15, a General Meeting shall initially convene to debate the issues. The meeting shall then be adjourned and a summary of the proceedings together with the motion(s) for voting published and circulated to Voting Members, normally within 5 working days following the meeting.
4. In accordance with the Byelaws, Section 5.16, voting on the motion(s) shall be in carried out online, within 14 calendar days from the date on which the summary of the proceedings is published and circulated to Voting Members.
5. The purpose of this Regulation is to clarify that votes cast online during the period following the adjournment, in accordance with the Byelaws, shall be deemed to have been cast at the General Meeting, in accordance with the Royal Charter. The threshold for passing a Special Resolution, being not less than two-thirds of those members voting, shall apply to those who cast valid votes during the voting period.