

AIEFT Membership Policy

Version 1.1

Membership of the Australian Institute of Emotion Focused Therapy (AIEFT) shall be subject to the following:

- 1) Membership shall at all times be governed by the Constitution of the AIEFT (see Appendix A)
- 2) One Board member must be designated for managing and coordinating memberships, as appointed by the Board.
- 3) There shall be two tiers of membership, Full and Associate.
- 4) Only Full Members of the AIEFT will be entitled to vote in meetings of the business of the AIEFT including the AGM and any other GMs throughout the year.
- 5) Membership will be for one year starting 1st January.
- 6) For Full Membership an applicant must:
 - a. Meet the membership criteria according to the Constitution,
 - b. Be registered with AHPRA, PACFA, or an equivalent professional body as determined by the AIEFT Board,
 - c. Be fully accredited by the AIEFT or the ISEFT (directly or indirectly through another ISEFT approved training provider) as a qualified EFT practitioner,
 - d. Have no interests contrary to the mission of the AIEFT,
 - e. Agree to the conditions of the AIEFT membership policy,
 - f. Submit an application to the Board,
 - g. Pay the Full Membership fee, and
 - h. Be approved by the Board.
- 7) For Associate Membership an applicant must:
 - a. Meet the membership criteria according to the Constitution,
 - b. Agree to the conditions of the AIEFT membership policy,
 - c. Submit an application to the Board,
 - d. Pay the Associate membership fee, and
 - e. Be approved by the Board.
- 8) Membership renewals are due each year by submitting an application.

- 9) Renewals not made within 3 months of the end of the membership year will require a new application for membership.
- 10) Membership fees for Full and Associate membership are to be set at the sole discretion of the Board.
- 11) Members must act in keeping with the best interests of the AIEFT at all times.
- 12) The Board retains the right to terminate a membership at any time.
- 13) Full Members are permitted the private use the "Member of the AIEFT" logo, provided the use is not contrary to the interests of the AIEFT and its reputation.
- 14) Members must be explicit in any materials (including websites and all forms of media) that any opinions they may present are completely independent of the AIEFT and only the Board and its designated officers may speak on behalf of the organisation.

Appendix A

Excerpts from the Constitution of the AIEFT relevant for membership

Members

21 The Company's Members are as follows (unless the Member has resigned under clause 38 or clause 40, or been expelled under clause 41):

- 21.1 the persons who are specified in the application to register the Company lodged under section 117 of the Act and who have consented to be Members; and
- 21.2 any other person the Board admits to Membership in accordance with this Constitution.

Register of Members

22 The Company must keep and maintain the Register in accordance with the Act and otherwise as the Board determines.

23 Any dispute that arises in relation to the Register must be referred to the Board. The Board's decision is final and binding on all Members (in the absence of manifest error).

Eligibility for membership

24 The following are eligible to be Members:

- 24.1 any person who has a demonstrated interest in the Company;
- 24.2 any person that the Board considers would benefit the Company by becoming a member; and
- 24.3 any person in a category of persons that the Company has determined to be eligible to be Members.

Types of membership

25 At any time, the Board may (subject to the Act) create different types of membership with different rights, obligations and restrictions.

Membership is not transferable

26 A Member may not transfer their Membership to another person.