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BOARD OF DIRECTORS FAQS



*The Board shall direct the
affairs of the Corporation in
accordance with
the FNMA Constitution and
the CATSI Act. Clause
6.12.2 FNMA Constitution.*

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HOW MANY PEOPLE CAN BE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

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- Up to 9 elected Directors, with at least 50% from remote members.
- The minimum number of elected Directors is 5.
- An additional 3 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people may be appointed by the Board to provide specialist skills and knowledge.
- All must be eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

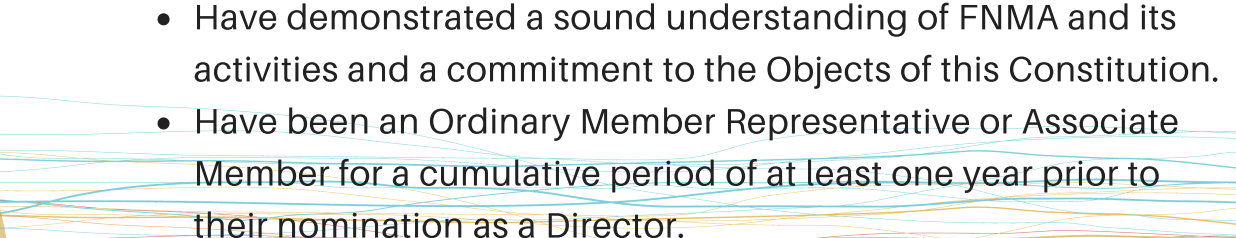
WHAT IS THE DIRECTOR TERM OF OFFICE?

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- Directors are appointed on rotation for a term of two years, so that half the Directors' appointments expire each year.
- Directors are eligible to be reappointed for a maximum of 4 consecutive terms.

WHO CAN BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

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- Ordinary Member Representatives and Associate Members (up to 2 members of the Board may be Associate members).
 - Ordinary Members do the nominating and voting; Associate Members cannot nominate or vote themselves.
 - A nominee to the Board must:
 - Be at least 18 years old.
 - Be an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person.
 - Not be an employee of FNMA.
 - Be an Ordinary Member Representative or an Associate Member.
 - Have the skills and aptitude required to fulfil the position of Director as may be set out in a policy approved at an AGM.
 - Have demonstrated a sound understanding of FNMA and its activities and a commitment to the Objects of this Constitution.
 - Have been an Ordinary Member Representative or Associate Member for a cumulative period of at least one year prior to their nomination as a Director.
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WHAT IS THE NOMINATION PROCESS FOR THE BOARD?

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- FNMA invites nominations and seconds from Ordinary Members Representatives at least 28 days before a General Meeting at which an election is to be held. Board approved forms are used.
- Ordinary and Associate Members are to be advised of eligible nominations at least 21 days before the date of the meeting at which the election is to be held.
- The Board of Directors may also appoint a Director from among the Ordinary Members or Associate Members to fulfil a role for a specific meeting or on an ongoing basis. Where this happens the appointment must be confirmed by resolution of members at the next AGM.

WHAT IS THE QUORUM FOR A BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING?

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- A majority of elected Directors.

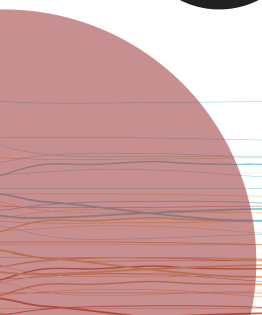

ARE THERE DIVERSITY GUIDELINES FOR THE BOARD?

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- Yes. Where practicable the Board of Directors should be representative of all genders, all levels of physical ability, all ages 18 and above, all Australian states and territories, geographic regions (remote, regional and urban), and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural authorities.

WHEN DOES SOMEONE CEASE TO BE A DIRECTOR?

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- Through resignation.
 - At the cessation of a 4th consecutive term of office where they have been voted in by Members over those terms.
 - Are removed by Members or other Directors under clauses 6.8 and 6.9 of the Constitution.
 - Become disqualified through the CATSI ACT Part 6-5.
 - Cease to be a Representative of an Ordinary Member.
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