

A guide for nominations for the awarding of Life Membership of the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand Incorporated

The Rules of the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand Incorporated (“REINZ”) define nine (9) categories of Membership. Life Membership is but one of them. However, Life Membership is the most prestigious award available to REINZ and as such the nomination and award should be given careful consideration.

Life Membership

Life Membership is a special form of membership which may be bestowed upon any person whose services to REINZ or the Real Estate profession is unanimously agreed by the REINZ Board to have been sufficiently meritorious. Nominations for Life Membership, together with an appropriate supporting statement specifically detailing the nominee’s involvement with the Real Estate profession, and contributions to it, must be submitted in writing by the date notified when the call for nominations is made.

Rule 3.3(e) of the REINZ Rules sets out the requirements that must be met before somebody can become a Life Member, as follows:

Rule 3.3(e)

A person may become a Life Member of REINZ if that person:

- (i) has been nominated by either:
 - a. a Regional Director; or
 - b. a Fellow Member or an Associate Member, such nomination having been endorsed by a Regional Director;
- (ii) has been nominated with supporting evidence showing that person to have provided outstanding and meritorious service to REINZ and/or the real estate industry, and has conducted themselves to a high professional standard which in the Board’s opinion entitles that person to the distinction;
- (iii) has the unanimous approval of the Board, taking into account the overall special nature of this category of Membership; and
- (iv) has approval by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting by ballot at an Annual General Meeting (‘AGM’), in accordance with Rule 12.2.

Nomination

The nomination must be made on the form included with this guide. All relevant sections must be completed and no other form of nomination shall be acceptable.

Nominations will remain confidential to REINZ until such time as the nomination receives the unanimous approval of the REINZ Board.

REINZ Process

Nominations for this award must be sent to the REINZ Chief Executive Officer or such other REINZ designated officer advised at the time the call for nominations is made. The Board shall consider the merit of the application against the criteria listed in Rule 3.2 of the Rules generally, and then specifically in regards to Rule 3.3(e).

If the nomination receives the unanimous approval of the REINZ Board, the nomination will be presented at the AGM for the approval of Members who are present and eligible to vote at the AGM. Votes will be collated at the AGM and the award/s for Life Membership presented immediately thereafter.

Pursuant to Rule 12.2, a ballot will be conducted for the purposes of electing Life Members at an AGM, following the process notified to Members at the time nominations for Life Membership are announced.

Symbol of Award

The symbol of this award shall be a framed certificate, which will be presented to approved recipients.

Guide to Nomination Criteria

Life Membership may be recommended for any person who has provided outstanding and meritorious service to REINZ and/or the Real Estate profession.

Notwithstanding the above, the following will be deemed essential attributes for this level of Membership:

1. A current or past Member of REINZ; and
2. Active contribution and distinguished and conspicuous service (including contributions in a leadership role) to REINZ and/or the wider real estate community

Please Note:

Consideration of service solely as a Real Estate Agent, Branch Manager Salesperson, or a Property Manager will be deemed insufficient, unless supplemented by significant contribution in other areas.

Length of tenure will only be one of the considerations, and intermittent contribution by a nominee over several periods of time will also be taken into account.

All details of the history of contribution should be included on the following nomination document.

Electronic Signatures will be accepted.

Please include a 300–500–word Biography of the Nominee along with a suitably sized photo.

Real Estate Institute of New Zealand Life Membership Award Nomination Form

I, _____ Membership No: _____
(Name of Nominator)

A Regional Director or an Associate, Fellow Member of REINZ, wish to nominate:

_____ Membership No: _____
(Name of Nominee)

for Life Membership of the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand Incorporated effective from the next AGM.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Signature of Nominator)

I have read the Guide to Nomination Criteria and believe that this nominee complies with the listed criteria and has made a meritorious and outstanding contribution to REINZ and/or the Real Estate profession as detailed below.

To help in considering the nomination, the following paragraphs describe how the nominee has benefitted the Real Estate profession, under the following headings (where applicable):

1. If applicable, detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to REINZ and/or the Real Estate profession. As accurately as you can, please list titles of positions held, the period, and any notable achievements during this time period.

Titles:

Achievements:

2. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the organisation of REINZ, as a Member of REINZ, over an extensive period of time. As accurately as you can, please list any REINZ groups that the nominee was part of, the period of service and the nominee's achievements within that group.

REINZ group (ie. Industry Leaders Group, Sector Group, District Forum Leader):

Achievements:

3. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the real estate industry through a non-REINZ organisation. As accurately as you can, please list titles of positions held, the period of service, the nominee's achievements, and how these were of benefit to the Real Estate profession.

4. Outline any other significant contributions performed by the nominee that you believe support this nomination. Please provide as much detail as possible.

Please add a separate sheet if required with any other details about the nominee.

Please include a 300–500 word biography of the nominee along with a suitably sized photo.

Endorsement by Regional Director (if applicable - see Rule 3.3(e)(i)(b))

I, _____ being a Regional Director, am not aware of any reason that would prevent the nominee from being considered for Life Membership, and as such endorse this nomination.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Signature of Regional Director)

Please return to:

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