

Improvements being introduced for the 2020 election cycle include:

- transitioning committee positions from 3 x 2 year terms to 2 x 3 year terms¹
- a trial streamlined renomination process for those who are not in their final term
- co-opted² members being increased from two to four
- the absolute term maximum that may be undertaken on any committee is 12 years i.e. a total of two terms (six years) as a committee member and two terms (six years) in a standalone position (e.g. a standalone position may be a chair position)
- Regulations³ being amended to allow a committee member to re-join a committee 12 months after their absolute maximum term has ended.

What does this mean for current committee positions that are due for election in 2020?

A committee member currently in a 1st term or 2nd term:	Should the committee member be reappointed, their term will be a final 3 year term. This means that the maximum time on the committee in the same position if in a 1 st term is 5 years. The maximum time on the committee if in a 2 nd term is 7 years.
A committee member in a final term:	If the committee member has not completed the absolute maximum term described above, if eligible, may nominate for a standalone position on the same committee if due for election. Otherwise, must step down from the committee for a minimum of 12 months before reapplying for a voting position on the same committee. The 12 months may be undertaken in a Co-opted or Past Chair position at the discretion of the committee (these positions are non-voting). The committee member is welcome to nominate for all other College committee positions that they are eligible for.
A new committee member appointed in 2020:	The position term will be 3 years (1 st term). The maximum time on the committee in the same position is 6 years i.e. 2 terms.

A committee position is due for election in 2020 – how will the streamlined renomination process work?

A committee member not in their final term:	The committee's Election Officer will email committee members prior to their term concluding to ask if they wish to be reappointed to the same position for a final term. If a 'yes' response is given, the committee member will automatically be reappointed. Note: For positions on a Board constituent committee ⁴ , the reappointment will be subject to various checks before the reappointment is confirmed. If a 'no' response is given, a call for nominations for the position will be undertaken in accordance with the committee's Regulations. For fairness to all, should a 'no' response be provided and the committee member changes their mind later, the committee member will be required to complete an online nomination form and the decision making processes will apply as described in the committee's Regulations.
A committee member in their final term:	The reappointment process will not be applicable.

Please contact the Governance Officer at elections@ranzcp.org if you have any questions.

¹ A term is a set amount of time that a committee member may hold a committee position.

² A Co-opted member is a person with particular knowledge and/or expertise appointed on a committee in a non-voting capacity.

³ The governing document of a committee which is underpinned by the RANZCP Constitution.

⁴ The Audit Committee; Finance Committee; Practice, Policy and Partnerships Committee; Membership Engagement Committee; Education Committee; and Corporate Governance and Risk Committee are all Board constituent committees.