

Regulation on appointment and removal of an assurer

Under trade union legislation the RCN is required to appoint a qualified independent person to assure its register of members and produce a Membership Audit Certificate. The legislation requires that this person is either a qualified solicitor, an auditor or an independent scrutineer specified under Article 7 of the Trade Union Ballots and Elections (Independent Scrutineer Qualifications).

In addition, the legislation states that a union's rules must provide for the appointment and removal of the assurer. This regulation is designed to meet that requirement.

The RCN will appoint its assurer in accordance with the requirements of the legislation and the RCN's own financial regulations and policies and processes for procurement.

The appointment will be agreed by RCN Council who act as delegates of the membership of the RCN.

Similarly, the RCN would remove an assurer in accordance with requirements of the legislation. RCN Council, as delegates of the membership of the RCN, would approve any such removal.

References

Section 41 Transparency of Lobbying, Non-Party Campaigning and the Trade Union Administration Act 2014

Section 24ZB Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

The Membership Audit Certificate (Qualified Independent Person) (Specified Conditions) Order 2015

The Trade Union Ballots and Elections (Independent Scrutineer Qualifications) (Amendment) Order 2010

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