

IRHACE /RACCA Rule Changes

RACCA are currently seeking feedback from members on rule changes which will give RACCA full autonomy to manage their own affairs. Present IRHACE rules provide for RACCA members to be only graded "Company Association" which does not permit any voting rights with IRHACE. The intention is to seek approval from membership of rule changes that provides for RACCA to have autonomy through its own incorporation. The following is background to these changes.

Why are rule changes required?

Historically there has been confusion by members as to what the differences are between the two organizations. There was good reason why RACCA was formed in the first place. It was seen that the business owner's perspective on our industry had a different thrust to the perspective of an individual. RACCA does not have formal representation on IRHACE Council under IRHACE Rules.

The current rules do not reflect the way RACCA has been governed for some years now. It is suggested that the evolvement of RACCA has resulted in the management of themselves by themselves yet some decisions (selecting members to represent RACCA) have been overruled by IRHACE.

Is there a common link between the two organisations?

The reason for RACCA's being is to be an association representing the employers of IRHACE members OR the employers of persons who are eligible to join IRHACE. There is commonality in the desire for "a collaborative industry voice". RACCA sees this collaborative approach continuing under separate incorporation.

What are the rule changes RACCA seeks?

In order to formally ordain the self governance of RACCA, the rule changes remove IRHACE from the governance responsibility. In order to achieve this, sections 3.6 and 13 of the IRHACE rules need removal.

The RACCA Terms of Association currently relate back to the IRHACE Rules. In order for RACCA to obtain self governance, the missing issues such as objects, meetings and compliance with the rules of incorporated societies must be included.

At the 2009 IRHACE AGM the motion to separate RACCA from the terms of association with IRHACE was rejected mainly due to the fact that there was no ability for RACCA to formally provide IRHACE with membership acceptance for the proposed rule change and subsequent separation.

NZH share ownership

The Company Association has always been an offspring of IRHACE as reflected in the current rules. Through this connection they have been part of the share ownership of NZ Hevac Ltd. Any apportionment of NZ Hevac Ltd shareholding will be need to be considered and approved by IRHACE in conjunction with the proposed rule changes.

The way forward

The following form has been designed to gain feedback from RACCA members specifically on the proposed separation and/or alternative approached RACCA should take to resolves self governance issues.

We ask that you take the time to complete the survey, ensuring that the person doing so is authorised to do so on behalf of the company.

RACCA MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

Company Name:

Authorised Name:

Title:

Do you agree with the proposed formation of a separate incorporated society representing Refrigeration Air Conditioning Companies?

YES **NO**

Please comment:

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