

## **14. Interest Groups**

1. Subject to the approval of a General Meeting, any group of members of ten (10) or more who share a specialised interest on a national or local basis may form an interest group. Membership of an interest group shall be additional to membership in a branch/roopu.
2. The Rules proposed for an Interest Group shall be submitted to the Governance Board, which may approve them and submit them to a General Meeting for ratification. The Rules of the Association shall, at all times, take precedence and should be used as a model by the Interest Group.
3. In the event of the Interest Group ceasing to have ten (10) members or being inactive or for any other good reason the Governance Board may determine that the Interest Group be dissolved and all monies held shall be submitted to the National Office of the Association.
4. The Interest Group shall maintain a register of its members and forward this from time to time to the Executive Director.