

Electoral Rules and Process

Rules

1. The election would be under the Motec-Life UK Constitution, (article 1(1))
2. No member is entitled to vote unless all moneys payable by them to the Association has been paid, (article 15(7)).
3. Any position that has more than one nomination would be balloted for.
4. In the event that a position receives ONLY ONE nomination that position would require no ballot and the nominee would in effect be considered duly elected.
5. If no nomination is received for a position by the closing date the nominations would be reopened during the AGM and elections would follow on the same day.
6. Voting would be by secret ballot of paid up members.
7. Voting would be one paid up member one vote, (article 15(1))
8. Election to any position would be by first past the post, Article 15(3).

Process

- 1) Nomination forms would be sent by email to all members and it may also be downloaded from the Motec Website www.moteclife.co.uk.
- 2) Every nomination must be seconded.
- 3) Owing to distance between members, time constraints and the increasing frequency of postal strikes in the UK, it would be acceptable for proposer / seconder to submit the names of nominees and without their signature on the form provided the person seconding the nomination had indicated in the signature box for the nominee the method and date he obtained the nominee's consent to put forward his / her name (i.e. whether by phone, email etc.
- 4) The same would apply for nominees who want to nominate themselves to say how they obtained the consent of the one who is seconding their nomination.
- 5) Nominations should be sent to the Returning officer by Post or scanned (because of the signature required) and emailed to returningofficer@yahoo.com

Postal Address is

**The Returning Officer
Amison Street Surgery
Amison Street, Longton
Stoke-on-Trent ST3 1LD
UK**

- 6) After the deadline for the nominations ballot forms would be sent out by post only with stamped addressed envelopes, to safeguard the integrity of the process. So members should make sure that
 - a. their dues are up to date
 - b. their postal addresses are up to date.
- 7) Please ensure that ballots are returned in the Stamped addressed envelopes provided for the purpose so that it does not get opened by accident before the AGM.
- 8) Late return of nominations and ballots would not be accepted. Please note that members attending the AGM can wait to till the AGM to submit their voting forms.
- 9) For the sake of clarity: those who want to cast the ballot at the AGM should bring along both their ballot form and the accompanying envelopes as the votes would still be by secret ballot.