

**Changes to the UFUA Rules proposed by the Queensland Branch Administrator**  
**Draft Subject to Fair Work Commission Approval**

1. By adding a new sub-rule (5) to rule 7 as follows:
  - (5) (i) *Notwithstanding anything elsewhere in these rules and for the avoidance of doubt, those persons who were listed as members of the Queensland Branch as at 2 September 2018 are deemed to have been properly admitted as members as at that date and their membership from that date is deemed to have been continuous for all purposes of these rules.*
  - (ii) a. *Any person who, on or after 3 September 2018, intended or understood that by joining the associated body in the State of Queensland they would thereby become a member of the Union and who communicates to the Branch that they had that intention or understanding is deemed to have been a member from the date that they joined that associated body.*  
b. *For the avoidance of doubt, this paragraph (ii) does not intend to and does not force persons to become members and does not impose any liabilities or obligations on such persons before the date of certification of this paragraph (ii).*
  - (iii) *No error, omission or want of form in connection with any person's application for or admission to membership shall invalidate membership under this sub-rule.*
2. By adding the following words after “addresses” in sub-rule 10(1)(a):  
*, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers*
3. By adding the following words after “addresses” in sub-rule 10(1)(b):  
*, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers*
4. By adding the following words after “address” in sub-rule 10(2)(a):  
*, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers*
5. By adding the following words after “address” in sub-rule 10(2)(b):  
*, email addresses and mobile telephone numbers*

6. By adding the following to rule 29:
- (4) *For the avoidance of doubt, any amount payable by a branch under this rule may be paid on behalf of that branch by an Associated Body registered under state legislation in the same state as that branch.*
7. By deleting rule 35 and inserting:
- RULE 35 - FINANCIAL MEMBERS**
- Subject to rule 80, any member of the Union who owes the Union as subscriptions and/or levies or fines an amount in excess of \$100 shall be an unfinancial member of such member's Branch and the Union and shall not be permitted to hold Office or participate in the management or control of the Union or such member's Branch. All other members of the Union shall be financial members of their Branches and the Union.*
8. By adding the following sub-rule to rule 54:
- (5A) *It may enter into service agreements with an Associated Body registered under state legislation in the same state as that branch.*
9. By deleting sub-rule 80(2) and inserting:
- (2) (a) *Each member of the Union shall pay annual membership subscription in advance by paying equal instalments either weekly, fortnightly, monthly, quarterly (once every three months), or by such other periods as the Branch Committee of Management determines.*
- (b) *Membership subscriptions may be paid by cash, cheque or electronic payment, payroll deduction, direct debit, a debit or credit card, or such other means as the Branch Committee of Management determines.*
10. By adding the following sub-rule to rule 80:
- (3) *A member who has paid membership subscriptions or levies or fines to an Associated Body registered under state legislation in the same state as that branch in respect of any year shall be deemed to have paid subscriptions and levies and fines due under these rules to the extent of the payment to that Associated Body.*
11. By inserting a new rule 89A - SPECIAL TRANSITIONAL RULE QUEENSLAND BRANCH:

89A. SPECIAL TRANSITIONAL RULE – QUEENSLAND BRANCH

- (1) *This rule shall apply to the exclusion of rules 1, 2, 3 and 5 of Schedule 3 to these rules until the National Committee of Management resolves to remove this rule.*
- (2) *The Branch Committee of Management of the Queensland Branch shall consist of:*
  - (a) *a Branch President elected by the membership of the Branch;*
  - (b) *a Branch Vice-President elected by the membership of the Branch;*
  - (c) *a Branch Secretary elected by the membership of the Branch;*
  - (d) *1 Branch Executive Member/National Committee of Management Delegate where the Branch is entitled to 4 delegates to National Committee of Management elected by the membership of the Branch;*
  - (e) *Where paragraph (d) applies, 3 Branch Executive Members Branch Executive Members elected by the membership of the Branch.*
  - (f) *Where paragraph (d) does not apply, 4 Branch Executive Members elected by the membership of the Branch.*
- (3) (a) *A candidate for any position in the Branch shall be as at the closing date of nominations:*
  - i. *a financial member of the Branch; or*
  - ii. *a life member of the Branch employed in the industry.*
- (b) *In order to become a candidate for election, a member shall be nominated for the office in writing signed by two members of the Branch.*
- (c) *every candidate shall accept the nomination for the relevant office in writing.*
- (d) *any financial member of the Branch or a life member employed in the industry may nominate for positions of Branch President, Branch Vice President, Branch Secretary, and Branch Executive Member.*
- (e) *nominees may not contest more than one position in Branch elections.*
- (4) *In an election for an office a candidate, entitled to nominate and who has been nominated in accordance with these Branch Rules, must be declared elected to an office, without a ballot occurring, if:*
  - (a) *nominations have closed; and*
  - (b) *if the election is for the Branch President, the Branch Secretary, the Branch Vice President or the Branch Executive Member/National*

*Committee of Management Delegate (where required by sub-rule 89A(2)), the candidate is the only candidate; or*

*(c) if the election is for another type of office, the number of candidates for the office is not more than the number of offices of the same type to be elected at the same time.*

*(5) (a) The Branch Committee of Management shall meet at least quarterly.*

*(b) The Branch Secretary shall convene a special meeting of the Branch Committee of Management upon being requested to do so by the Branch President or by any two members of the Branch Committee of Management.*

*(c) The Branch Committee of Management Members will be the trustees for the Branch.*

**12.** By adding to Schedule 3 a new rule 8 as follows:

*(8) Pursuant to Rule 12 of the rules of the Union, where the Branch is entitled to more than two National Delegates the third and fourth delegates shall respectively be the Vice-President and the Branch Executive Member/National Committee of Management Delegate.*