



# ROYAL NEW ZEALAND PIPE BANDS' ASSOCIATION

## **Guide to the 2023 Remit Process for Changes, Additions, and Deletions to the National Contest (and other) Rules of the Association**

After you have prepared your Remit, and it has your Centre or Management Groups support, you will post it on our online form via the [Remit Proposal](#) link.

You will be asked these questions and you should have the answers prepared.

- What is the topic of the Remit?
- Is it to Add, Change or Rescind a rule?
- Is this a draft proposal or final?
- What is the name of the Band or Management Group proposing this change?
- Who is the sponsor of this proposal from your organisation?
- What is their title?
- What is their email address?
- What is their mobile phone number?
- Does it have your Centre or Management Groups approval?
- If so which Centre or Management Group?
- Who from the Centre or Management Group has signed off the approval?
- What is their title?
- If it is an existing rule what is its number?
- How does the rule read now, or if it is a new rule how will it read?
- If it is to change a rule, how will it read?
- Irrespective if it is an Addition, Change or to Rescind a rule what is your explanation of why you are proposing the change?
- Who from your organisation is signing off on this proposal?
- What is their title?
- Please enter the date of this proposal.
- Any other comments or questions?

## Timeline of Events

1. Draft proposal to be submitted, via the [Remit Proposal](#) link, no later than **31 July 2023**.
2. The Executive Officer sends all Remits to Bands, Centres and Management Groups no later than **15 August 2023**.
3. The Executive Officer schedules online Webinars for the discussion of the proposed Remits no later than **15 September 2023**.
4. After the Webinar, the Originator makes changes to the Remit, in light of the feedback, and withdraws, amends or resubmits the Remit, via the [Remit Proposal](#) link, no later than **30 September 2023**.
5. The Executive Officer sends all Remits to Bands, Centres and Management Groups no later than **15 October 2023**.
6. Member Bands vote on each Remit using the online voting form sent to Bands by the Executive Officer. Voting closes **30 November 2023**.
7. The Executive Officer advises all Members of the voting results by **15 December 2023**. A Remit requires a two-thirds majority to pass.
8. Any changes to the rules take effect on **1 January 2024**, unless the Management Board considers it impractical or unfair to implement the change at the 2024 National Contest.