



# ROYAL NEW ZEALAND PIPE BANDS' ASSOCIATION

## Guide to the 2025 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 Centres or Managements Groups support, you will post it on our online form via the [Remit Proposal](#) link.

You will asked these questions and so 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?



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## Timeline of Events

1. Draft proposal to be submitted, via the [Remit Proposal](#) link, no later than 31 July 2025.
2. The Executive Officer sends all Remits to Bands and Centres and Management Groups no later than 15 August 2025.
3. The Executive Officer schedules online Webinars for the discussion of the proposed Remits no later than 30 September 2025.
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 14 October 2025.
5. The Executive Officer sends all Remits to Bands, Centres and Management Groups no later than 31 October 2025.
6. Member Bands vote on each Remit using the online voting form sent to Bands by the Executive Officer by 30 November 2025.
7. The Executive Officer advises all Members of the voting results by 14 December 2025. A Remit requires a two-thirds majority to pass.
8. Any changes to the rules take effect on 1 January 2026, unless the Management Board considers it impractical or unfair to implement the change at the 2026 National Contest.