

# **RULES & PROCEDURES - BEDDING PLANT GROWER'S ASSOCIATION**

## **Name:**

Bedding Plant Grower's Association. [BPGA]

## **Mission Statement:**

The promotion and strengthening of the Bedding Plant Growers Association in co-operation with themselves and the rest of the Green Industry

## **Goals:**

- To meet in order to discuss Bedding Plant Matters
- To supply information to members relating to the Bedding Plant Growers Association.
- To strive for co-operation between all members of the Green Industry.

## **Membership:**

- A membership is only open to SANA members
- Membership is subject to approval at a BPGA meeting. The applicant must attend a meeting prior to approval. Exceptions will be made for distant regions.
- BPGA members are obliged to pay the annual administration fee for the Association.
- It is compulsory for all Bedding Plant members to be members of Flowering Favourites and to pay the monthly membership fee.
- Membership may be terminated by a majority vote of BPGA members at any meeting.

## **Voting:**

- Only Bedding Plant Growers will be entitled to vote on Bedding Plant matters not affecting allied traders. Other matters will be open to all members including voting of committee members.
- Voting will take place by raising of hands or by ballot on sensitive issues.
- 50% of quorum+ 1 will be regarded as a majority.
- If no majority is attained, the chairperson will have the determining vote.
- Only one vote per company is allowed.

## **Quorum:**

- A quorum will consist of 5 Bedding Plant Growers or a combination of 8 Bedding Plant Growers and Allied members present.
- Any decision without a quorum will not be enforceable.

## **Nomination of Office Bearers**

- The committee will consist of a Chairperson and a vice- chairperson.
- The chairperson and vice-chairperson will stand for a one-year period but may stand for re-election for a maximum of two years.
- The chairperson and vice-chairperson can co-opt additional committee members.
- The committee will be elected at the National Bedding Plant Growers Association AGM [Last meeting of the calendar year]

## **Funds**

- Funds will be utilized at the discretion of the BPGA members.
- No funds will be employed without a majority consensus of the BPGA members.
- Members not present have 24 hours to respond and if not, it will be taken as a positive vote.

## **Financials**

Financial statements will be presented to SANA at the SANA AGM. It will be reported on at each sector meeting.

## **Rules**

- One general meeting [AGM] will be held annually.
- A minimum of 4 other meetings will be held annually.
- Members must aspire to attain professional service, quality and general appearance.
- Members will conduct themselves in such a manner as to create a spirit of co-operation and camaraderie within the association.

## **Disciplinary decisions**

- When necessary, a disciplinary team will be formed consisting of 3 members, including the chairperson.
- Should the chairperson be under disciplinary scrutiny, the vice chairperson shall head the investigation.

## **SANA Constitution**

This association abides by the Constitution of SANA and Code of Conduct.