

Recommendation from the ESE Executive Committee on a proposed amendment to Clause 7.3 of the Articles of Association in relation to Voting Eligibility

Dear Members

The Articles of Association of the European Society of Endocrinology (ESE) currently includes a clause which stipulates that:

*"No member, whether an individual or an affiliated society, shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting or at any adjourned meeting if they are in **arrears by more than three months** with any monies owed to the Society."*

Due to the current rule in the Articles of Association, and the timing of the Executive Committee election, members who have **not** paid their membership fee are eligible to vote.

The opinion of our members, through their voting rights, is extremely important to us. However, to preserve the integrity of the democratic process, voting rights should only be available to members who are actively engaged and contributing through payment of their membership fee.

Therefore it is the recommendation from the Executive Committee to amend clause 7.3 of the Articles of Association to read:

*"No member, whether an individual or an affiliated society, shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting or at any adjourned meeting if they are in **arrears by more than six weeks** with any monies owed to the Society."*

The full Memorandum and Articles of Association (together with the Bylaws) is available on the [website](#).



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