



Iranians Muslim of Western Australia

# Rules of Organisation

July 2019

*Our Mission*

*Promoting Islamic Shia principals  
Empowering Iranian Shia Community*

*Together we are a winning team*



## In the name of Allah, The most Gracious, The most Merciful

### Article 1 – Name

The name of the entity is “**Iranian Muslims Association of Western Australia**”, referred to in this document as “**IMAWA**”.

### Article 2 – Definition

The Iranian Muslims Association of Western Australia (IMAWA), is a division (legally recognised body / entity) of **Iranian Association Inc**, independent, not-for-profit, non-political, charitable, incorporated, community organisation, and aimed to create opportunities to allow us to educate members and the wider community on the correct teachings of Islamic principals in accordance with the teaching of the Holy Prophet (SAWS) and His Ahlul-Bayt (AS) by holding religious programs marking the Islamic calendar events (ie, Muharram and Ramadan) and Religious celebrations (Eids) as well as a monthly “Dua Kumayl and Spiritual Lecture” program, and to empower our community members through education, identity building and community services.

IMAWA will do its best to extend cooperation, create coordination, unity and harmony among all Iranians and Muslims in Australia based upon holy Islamic principles and Iranian traditions and culture, to provide services to everyone, and to actively participate in the development and advancement of Australia side by side with other communities.

IMAWA also trying to identify the emerging needs of the community and liaise with relevant agencies to ensure the allocation and provision of resources and services, and to create a better living environment for everyone.

The official language of IMAWA for communication within the group (ie. Meetings) shall be English and Persian. However all legal documents including (not limited to) minutes of the meetings shall be drawn up in English. IMAWA shall not engage in any political activities or any other activities that implies a kind of political advocacy.

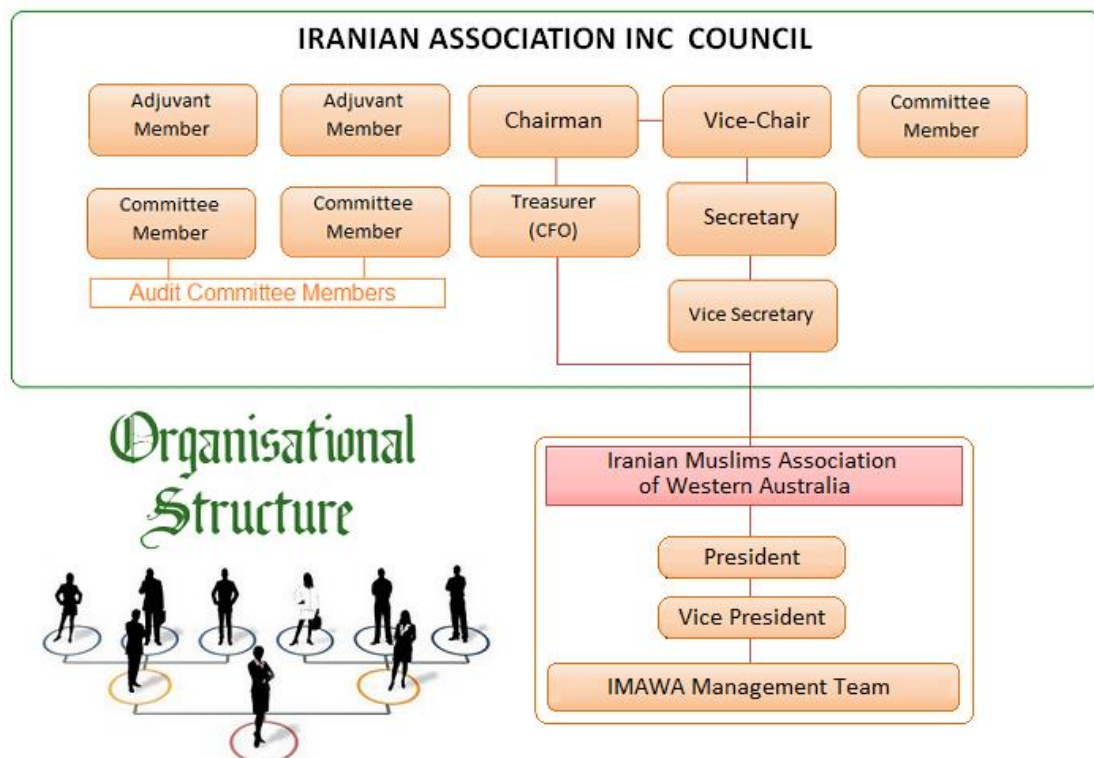
### Article 3 – IMAWA Objectives

1. To create opportunities to allow us to educate ourselves, our members, our fellow Muslims and the wider community on the correct teachings of our profound faith accordance with the teaching of the Holy Prophet (SAWS) and His Ahlul-Bayt (AS) by holding religious sermons and gatherings, to revive the name and path of the Holy Prophet and His Holy Ahlul-Bayt (as), and to empower our members through education, identity building and community services.
2. Introducing Islam to the Australian society and clarifying any points of misunderstanding on Islamic principles, and sponsoring Islamic practice throughout the community.
3. To study and identify the emerging needs of the Muslim communities especially Iranian Muslims and liaise with relevant agencies to ensure the allocation and provision of resources and services, and to try to create a better living environment for all Iranians and Muslims in Australia.

### Article 4 – Management

#### IMAWA structure

Iranian Muslims Association of Western Australia (IMAWA) is a division of the Iranian Association Inc. Organisational structure of the IMAWA follows:



IMAWA will be managed by a president who is assigned by the Association council, chosen from council members who have been actively being involved with IMAWA activities for minimum of one year. However, if there is not a willing or eligible council member to take the position, council can appoint any other eligible person to the position, who must be a voting member of the association. Term of office of IMAWA President is three years, which shall commence six weeks after the AGM until six weeks after the conclusion of the third AGM following the appointment.

The President is responsible for management of the day-to-day affairs of the IMAWA, shall report to council and officially represent the IMAWA within the limits granted.

The vice-president shall be selected by the president from IMAWA Management Team for the term of one year, to assist the president in managing the day-to-day affairs of the IMAWA and may perform other duties that may be requested by the Management Team and/or President from time to time, and shall perform all duties and responsibilities of the President during the President's absence.

### **IMAWA Management Team**

In-line with the commitment of the Iranian Muslims Association of Western Australia (IMAWA) to provide excellence in activities, services and events to the community, the "IMAWA Management Team" is formed. The team comprises of minimum 3 members, who must be voting members of the association, suggested by the president and approved by the supreme council. Management team, meets minimum quarterly and provides a forum in which information are shared and in which feedback and suggestions are sought in regard to the provision of IMAWA activities, services and events and decisions are made. The meetings are chaired by IMAWA President, or in the absence of president by IMAWA vice-president or by a coordinator who elected by the team from its members, when both President and vice-president are absent.

The role of the management team:

- (I) Elect the team coordinator, event managers, and program/activity coordinators, due to final validation by the president.
- (II) Organise religious sermons, celebrations and social gatherings.
- (III) Study and identify the emerging needs of Iranian Muslims in the area of culture and religion.
- (IV) Establish relationships with individuals, communities & organisations developing creative ways to secure the best possible support from community and others to the activities of IMAWA.

## **Article 5 – Finances**

IMAWA Funds will accrue from:

- a) Donations.
- b) Events and programs.
- c) Business activities.
- d) Grants from appropriate Australian government authorities.
- e) Such other sources as IMAWA determines.

## **Article 6 – Membership**

Iranian Muslim of Western Australia is a division of Iranian Association Inc. The membership of Iranian Association Inc is open to any male or female who is residing in Australia, completed the age of seventeen years, meets the following criteria and subject to the approval of his/her membership by the Association.

1. Accepting the Constitution of Iranian Association Inc.
2. Submitting the completed membership application form.
3. Payment of the annual “membership/membership card” fee.

Each application for membership shall be made on an official application form (online or offline) and shall include full name, contact details and other information as decided by the Association. Each member shall agree to abide by the Constitution and the resolutions taken by the Association, and to pay the annual membership subscription due on 1<sup>st</sup> July.

### **Membership Benefits:**

- Being active in the community and shape the community events.
- VIP invitation & booking preference to the events of association or its divisions.
- Discounted tickets to all events and functions organised by the association.
- Joining the association discount program.
- Right to be present and to debate at General Meetings of the Association.