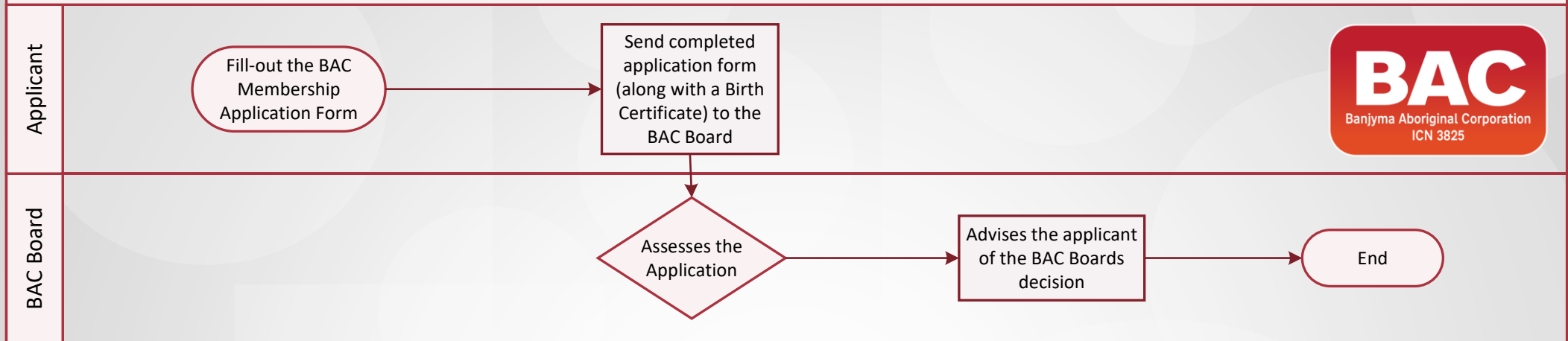


Details on membership are explained in Clause 5 of the BAC Rule Book (Membership of the Corporation) – See Rule Book Extracts Below



5.2.1 A person becomes a member if:

- a) The person wants to become a member and applies in writing;
- b) The person is eligible for membership;
- c) The directors accept the application;
- d) The person’s name is entered on the Register of Members.

5.2.2 Who can apply to become a Member (eligibility for Membership)

A person who is eligible to apply for membership must:

- a) Be at least 16 years of age;
- b) An Aboriginal Banjyma person.

5.2.3 Membership Application

- a) A person (the applicant who wants to become a member must apply to the Corporation;
- b) The application must be in writing by submitting a letter or completing a Corporation Application for Membership form.

5.2.4 Deciding Membership Applications

- a) The directors will consider and decide membership applications;
- b) Applications will be considered and decided in the order in which they are received by the Corporation;
- c) The directors must not accept an application for membership of the Corporation unless the applicant:
 - i. applies according to the rule 5.2.3, and
 - ii. meets all the eligibility for membership requirements.
- d) The directors must not accept an application if it results in a majority of members being non-Indigenous;
- e) The directors may refuse to accept a membership application even if the applicant has applied in writing and complies with all the eligibility requirements;
- f) The directors must notify the applicant in writing of the decision and outline reasons for refusal;
- g) The directors may consult with Elders and other evidenced records such as any bonafide genealogical studies, anthropological studies and any other material relating to native title determination when deciding membership applications;
- h) The director must allow an applicant to lodge an appeal on eligibility for membership.

BAC Membership Application Form
(Scan the QR Code to access the form)

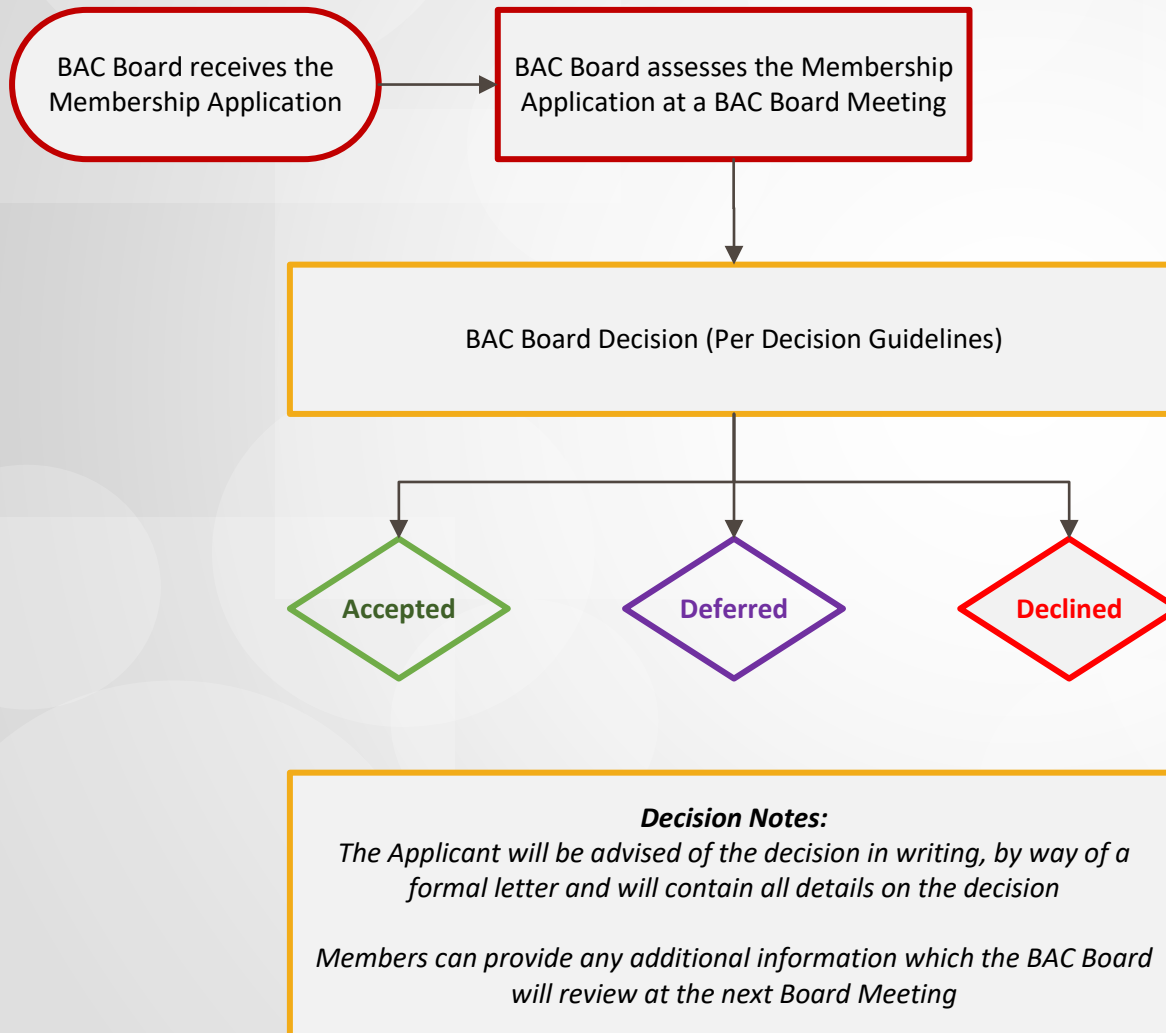


BAC Rule Book
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BAC Board Membership Application Assessment Process

This process flow chart is to explain how the BAC Board makes decisions on Membership Applications



Decision Types:

- **Accepted** = The BAC Board approved the Applicant to become a Member of BAC
- **Deferred** = the Application Pack is incomplete or the BAC Board requires further information from (or regarding) the applicant
- **Declined** = The BAC Board declines the applicant Membership to BAC as they don't meet the Membership requirements (or another reason which the BAC Board will advise the applicant on)

Decision Guidelines:

- Applicant must provide a Complete Application pack (which is a fully filled out BAC Membership Form and a Birth Certificate and/or Statutory Declaration)
- Banjyma connection/s listed on the Application form is used to verify the connection
- It can be difficult to verify a connection if it is not to an existing BAC Member
- Where the BAC Board is unable to verify a connection, we may consult with our Banjyma Elders Council, who bring knowledge and add value to the BAC Board's decision making

Process Notes:

In the event of a dispute (due to a Deferred or Declined decision, or other reason), an applicant can write an appeal to the BAC Board in writing

The BAC Membership Application Process does not reference the IBN Corporation Pty Ltd (Trustee) process as IBN has their own Membership Process which can be viewed on their publications or by speaking with IBN