



British Association of Art Therapists

International Journal of Art Therapy Bylaws

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1. Nothing in these Bylaws shall contradict the Memorandum and Articles of Association. If there is any conflict the Articles of Association shall take precedence.

The journal

2. The International Journal of Art Therapy (The Journal) is wholly owned by The British Association of Art Therapists (The Association)
3. The Journal is the official journal of the Association.
4. The Journal's aims, determined by the Council, are to.
 - 4.1. advance the understanding of how art therapy may contribute to effective interventions for service users through publishing high-quality research papers, innovative practice papers, and evidence-informed opinion pieces.
 - 4.2. further develop knowledge in the fields of art therapy research, practice, theory, and pedagogy in a global context for art therapists, educators and trainees, service users and members of the public, and other professionals.
 - 4.3. include service user and lived experience perspectives in all aspects of this work.

Powers of the Council

5. In accordance with Articles 7(1)(a) and 8 of the Articles of Association the Council may delegate parts of its business to committees, which shall abide by any rules established by the Council.
6. The Council may establish and approve an Editorial Board for the Journal.
7. The appointment of the Editor-in-Chief, the Editorial Board, and the editorial policy of the Journal shall be the responsibility of The Council.
8. Council can delegate power to appoint members of the Editorial Board to the Editor in Chief subject to the process and appointments being approval by Council.
9. The appointment of the Publisher of the Journal shall be the responsibility of the Council.

The Editor-in-Chief and Editorial Board

The Council shall ensure that the Editor-in-Chief acts as the Association's agent, and grants the Editor-in-Chief power and authority to

- 9.1. commission or receive manuscripts submitted to the Journal

- 9.2. give unbiased consideration to each manuscript submitted and to judge each on its merits, without regard to race, religion, nationality, gender, age, disability, political alignment, sexual orientation, seniority, or institutional affiliation of the author(s)
 - 9.3. to have peer-reviewed such manuscripts or to reject manuscripts without peer review when these manuscripts are considered inappropriate for the journal's scope
 - 9.4. make decisions on acceptability of such manuscripts following peer review
 - 9.5. edit such manuscripts
 - 9.6. compile issues
 - 9.7. refer any ethical or copyright or legal issues to the Association and Publisher
 - 9.8. undertake general Editor-in-Chief duties for the Journal.
10. The Editor in Chief and editorial board roles are honorary roles, and an honorarium for the Editor in Chief and Deputy Editors is payable at the discretion of The Council.
 11. The Editor-in-Chief, nor for two years after termination or expiration of their term of office; should not:
 - 11.1. act as an Editor-in-Chief for an existing journal or prepare for publication a new journal where such work by the Editor-in-Chief would be likely to affect prejudicially the prosperity of the Journal, in the opinion of the Association and the Publisher
 - 11.2. send manuscripts submitted to the Journal to any other journal or any other publisher, without the written consent of the Association and Publisher.
 12. The Council requires the Editor-in-Chief and each member of the Editorial Board to act with good faith and to work in partnership with the Publisher to achieve prosperity and success for the Journal
 13. The Council, in consultation with the Publisher, has the right to discontinue the role of the Editor-in-Chief or any member of the editorial team, with immediate effect, if the Editor-in-Chief or the member of the Editorial Board
 - 13.1. fail to comply with any of their obligations arising from the terms of this byelaw or any agreed role description,
 - 13.2. become illness or are injured and are so prevented from undertaking their role,
 - 13.3. is convicted of any criminal offence,
 - 13.4. commits any act which brings, or is likely to bring, the Association, The Journal or the Publisher into disrepute

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