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| Division: | Operations | Ref. No. | REL-PCS-005 |
| Department: | President & Council Support | | |
| Title: | Court of Honour | | |

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy governs the election to the Court of Honour. It covers the application and selection criteria as well as the value, frequency and conditions of election to the Court.

2. KEYWORDS

Singular award, Court of Honour, benefactors, past officers, continuing personal interest.

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

Originating in a proposal put to Council in 1973, the Court of Honour exists to both honour its members and provide advice to Council.

3.2. Composition

3.2.1 Members of the Court will be chosen from those who have shown continuing personal interest in the College. They may include benefactors and past officers of RACS.

3.2.2 The numbers of the Court of Honour shall be determined by Council from time to time.

3.3 Election of Members of the Court of Honour

3.3.1 From time to time, Council will elect Members of the Court of Honour. Candidates will be nominated and seconded by Members of Council.

3.3.2 Membership of the Court of Honour is a Singular Award and a nomination can be accepted for discussion at any Awards Committee meeting but will usually only be approved and presented to Council for election at the October Awards Committee meeting held during Council Week.

3.3.3 A nomination for election to the Court of Honour shall be made in confidence in writing to the Chair of the Awards Committee and shall contain biographical details of the nominee and information on appointments, membership of learned societies (and office held) and a list of publications, or a CV.

3.3.4 Members of Council are required to substantiate their recommendation with a demonstrable reason validating the nomination.

3.3.5 If approved by the Awards Committee at their October meeting, the name of the recommended nominee will be presented to Council for election at the October Council meeting.

3.3.6 Election will be by three quarters of Council present.

3.4 Financial implications for the Award recipient

3.4.1 Travel and Accommodation are not provided by RACS and costs will not be paid or reimbursed by RACS.

3.4.2 If being presented at the Annual Scientific Congress (ASC), registration at the ASC and banquet costs for the recipient and partner will be paid by RACS.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Court of Honour procedure REL-PCS-012

Approver: Awards Committee
Authoriser: Council