## NCMD Policy No 3 Issue.1 Equality



The NCMD is committed to encouraging equality, diversity, inclusion, and eliminating unlawful discrimination, among all Members/potential members and Employees/Contractors. The aim is to be truly representative of all sections of society and for each person to feel respected and included.

## Policy purpose

- 1. To provide equality, fairness, and respect for all.
- 2. To not unlawfully discriminate against the Equality Act 2010 protected characteristics which are -

Age / Disability / Gender reassignment / Marriage or civil partnership / Pregnancy and maternity / Race (including colour, nationality, and ethnic or national origin) / Religion or belief / Sex / Sexual orientation.

## Commitment to

- 1. Encouraging equality, diversity, and inclusion within the organization.
- 2. Taking seriously all complaints of bullying, harassment, victimisation, and unlawful discrimination within the NCMD.

## Complaints procedure

- 1. To safeguard individual rights under this Equality Policy, anyone who believes that they have suffered inequitable treatment within the scope of this Equality Policy may raise the matter by making a formal complaint. See NCMD Policy No 14 Complaints/Disciplinary/Appeals.
- 2. Appropriate disciplinary action will be taken against any NCMD member, Employee or Contractor who violates this Equality Policy.
- 3. Any individual raising a grievance will not be penalised for doing so unless the grievance is found to be unjustifiable and not made in good faith.

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