

**Composition of the RPSGB National Pharmacy Boards for England, Scotland and Wales:  
Decisions taken by Council in December 2005, February 2006 and August 2006**

	<b>English Pharmacy Board</b>	<b>Scottish Pharmacy Board</b>	<b>Welsh Pharmacy Board</b>
<b>Composition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 elected sectoral pharmacist places:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Community</li> <li>ii. Hospital</li> <li>iii. Industrial</li> <li>iv. Academia</li> <li>v. primary care/public health (combined place)</li> </ol> </li> <li>• 6 elected unreserved pharmacist members</li> <li>• 1 elected pharmacy technician member</li> <li>• 1 Council member elected in the English constituency</li> <li>• 1 other pharmacist member of Council registered in England</li> <li>• 1 lay member of Council resident in England</li> <li>• <i>Ex officio attendees</i> – President &amp; Vice-President</li> <li>• Government Chief Pharmaceutical Officer may be invited to specific meetings</li> <li>• Branches to be invited to send observers to meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No places reserved for sectoral representatives.</li> <li>• 12 elected pharmacist members</li> <li>• <i>Ex officio attendees</i> - President, Vice-President, Council member elected in the Scottish constituency and a Lay Member of Council resident in Scotland.</li> <li>• An additional Lay Member may be co-opted as need for specific expertise arises</li> <li>• Government Chief Pharmaceutical Officer may be invited to specific meetings</li> <li>• Branches to be invited to send observers to meetings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No places reserved for sectoral representatives but option to co-opt if necessary.</li> <li>• 11 elected pharmacist members</li> <li>• 1 elected pharmacy technician member</li> <li>• <i>Ex officio attendees</i> - President or Vice-President, Council Member elected in the Welsh constituency and a Lay Member of Council resident in Wales (or nominee of Council if there is not one in Wales)</li> <li>• Government Chief Pharmaceutical Officer may be invited to specific meetings</li> <li>• Branches to be invited to send observers to meetings</li> </ul>
<b>Electorate</b>	(For the pharmacist places) Pharmacists whose registered address is in England. (For the pharmacy technician place) Pharmacy technicians whose registered address is in England.	Pharmacists whose registered address is in Scotland	(for the pharmacist places) Pharmacists whose registered address is in Wales (For the pharmacy technician place) Pharmacy technicians whose registered address is in Wales

<b>Eligibility</b>	Elected Board Members to be registered in Great Britain and living or working wholly or mainly in England.  Council members will be eligible to stand for the elected places on the Board	Elected Board Members to be registered in Scotland  Council members will not be able to stand for the elected places on the Board.	Elected Board Members to be registered in Wales  Council members will not be able to stand for the elected places on the Board.
<b>Voting system</b>	First past the post, election with constraints (each pharmacist candidate will be able to specify one sector, with the first past the post for each of the five sectors being elected to the Board. The remaining unreserved six pharmacist places will be filled by those pharmacist candidates remaining with the highest scores, regardless of their chosen sector. The pharmacy technician place will be filled by the pharmacy technician candidate with the highest score).	First past the post	First past the post
<b>Number of Board members</b>	15 Size of Board to be reviewed near end of first term of office	12 Size of Board to be reviewed near end of first term of office	12 Size of Board to be reviewed near end of first term of office.
<b>Co-options</b>	Board would co-opt to fill casual vacancies	The Board would co-opt up to 3 additional members if extra knowledge or experience was required.	The Board would co-opt up to 3 additional members if it were deficient in either sectoral or geographical representation
<b>Appointments</b>	The Council will appoint the Council member elected in the English constituency, 1 other pharmacist member of Council and 1 lay member	All members will be elected. Only appointments would be co-options as above	All members will be elected. Only appointments would be co-options as above EXCEPT if there were no lay member of Council resident in

	of Council to the Board.		Wales, in which case the Appointments Panel of the Council, together with the chairman of the Welsh Executive or subsequent Board, would appoint a lay Council member to be an ex officio attendee of the Board.
<b>Application procedure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All candidates should be practising pharmacists or pharmacy technicians and provide a brief CV and policy statement.</li> <li>Self-nominate with the support of 10 pharmacists, or 1 pharmacy technician, as appropriate, registered in England</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All candidates should be practising pharmacists and provide a brief CV and policy statement.</li> <li>Self-nominate with the support of 5 pharmacists registered in Scotland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All candidates should be practising pharmacists or pharmacy technicians and provide a brief CV and policy statement.</li> <li>Self-nominate with the support of 1 pharmacist or pharmacy technician, as appropriate, registered in Wales</li> </ul>
<b>Voting rights</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elected - Full voting rights</li> <li>Co-opted – Full voting rights</li> <li>Ex officio - may contribute but have no voting rights</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elected - Full voting rights</li> <li>Co-opted – Full voting rights</li> <li>Ex officio - may contribute but have no voting rights</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elected - Full voting rights</li> <li>Co-opted – Full voting rights</li> <li>Ex officio - may contribute but have no voting rights</li> </ul>
<b>Terms of office</b> Board Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board -- 3 years, with no limit to the number of consecutive terms.</li> <li>Officers – Annual elections, with the Board having flexibility to determine the number of terms of office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board - 3 years with a maximum of 3 consecutive terms</li> <li>Officers – Annual elections with the Board having flexibility to determine the number of terms of office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board - 3 years with a maximum of 3 consecutive terms</li> <li>Officers – Annual elections, with the Board having flexibility to determine the number of terms of office</li> </ul>
<b>Communication between the Council and the Pharmacy Boards</b>	Liaison Group – Council Officers, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Boards supported by Secretary and Registrar and Directors	Liaison Group – Council Officers, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Boards supported by Secretary and Registrar and Directors	Liaison Group – Council Officers, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Boards supported by Secretary and Registrar and Directors

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<b>Communication between the Pharmacy Boards</b>	Managed by the 3 Board Directors, in consultation with the Board Chairmen.	Managed by the 3 Board Directors, in consultation with the Board Chairmen	Managed by the 3 Board Directors, in consultation with the Board Chairmen
<b>Pharmacy Boards in relation to the other Council Committees</b>	<p>Remit and membership of all committees to be reviewed and revised in light of the establishment of the devolved Pharmacy Boards.</p> <p>Remits should be stand-alone, and there should be no overlap</p> <p>Members of each Board should have sight of the other Boards' agendas.</p>	Remit and membership of all committees to be reviewed and revised in light of the establishment of the devolved Pharmacy Boards	Remit and membership of all committees to be reviewed and revised in light of the establishment of the devolved Pharmacy Boards.