

Organisation Overview

Board of Directors

Potatoes New Zealand is governed by a Board of Directors and led by the Chief Executive.

The Board is comprised of up to nine directors elected from grower and trade members, with up to 3 appointed directors. Board members may be appointed for up to three terms of up to three years each. Elections are held prior to the Annual General Meeting each year.

Subcommittee and advisory committee membership.

The Board Committees are formal subcommittees of the Board, made up of Potatoes New Zealand Board representatives or Potatoes New Zealand staff representatives, industry representatives (grower and trade members) and expert advisors as appointed by the board.

Audit and Risk committee assists the board discharge its responsibilities relation to financial reporting and regulatory compliance; this committee has now become the Audit committee with Risk sitting with the entire board.

The remuneration committee assists the board in the establishment of remuneration policies and practices for, and in discharging the board's responsibilities relative to remuneration-setting and review of, the company's CEO, other senior executives, and directors.

Seed Certification Authority, a subcommittee of the Board, which runs a national quality assurance programme. The Authority ensures the New Zealand seed potato certification scheme rules are in line with the UNECE standards, provides assurance that the seed certification processes are carried out in accordance with the rules, review industry feedback and consider other matters relating to seed certification.

The Advisory Committees are a group of independent experts who provide non-binding advice and recommendations to the board.

Responsibilities and Roles:

- Providing potato industry member input, advice, feedback and guidance to the Potatoes New Zealand Board, staff and/or external consultants.
- Acting as an industry forum to support the Potatoes New Zealand Board and staff in their operational duties.
- Working within the defined boundaries set by the Potatoes New Zealand Strategy.
- Responding to specific requests for information from the Potatoes New Zealand Board and/or staff.
- Formally recording the subcommittee meetings and making the papers and/or minutes available to the Potatoes New Zealand Board for review.

Technical Panel Advisory Committee, advise on the Research, Development and extension plans and activities. Potatoes New Zealand runs a comprehensive research, development and extension programme that covers pan-industry and potato industry specific research.

Membership of the technical panel of Potatoes New Zealand is by invitation only and is comprised of Potatoes New Zealand representatives, industry representatives (grower and trade members) and expert advisors.

BioReg Advisory Committee, advise on biosecurity readiness and response activities. Maintenance and exploration of export markets and understanding import risks.

Industry Governance Structure

