



ARC FUTURE FELLOWSHIPS COMMON ELIGIBILITY ISSUES

The ARC conducts a range of eligibility checks based on requirements described in the ARC *Future Fellowships* Funding Rules for funding commencing in 2009 (hereafter referred to as the Funding Rules). These eligibility checks may occur at any time during the assessment process. Most ARC schemes have formal processes for requesting Eligibility Exemptions/Advice, and where there is any doubt we encourage you to:

- Contact the relevant Research Office (or equivalent) for clarification and if necessary submit an Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request Form to the ARC. The Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request Form is available on the ARC Web Site. The ARC will provide a response as soon as practicable.

Closing date for Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request Forms is 5.00pm (AEDT) Thursday 16 October 2008.

The following list is provided as a guide and is not an exhaustive list of potential eligibility issues.

1. The proposal contained information that was incomplete, inaccurate, or misleading.

This includes, but is not restricted to, missing reports in Part D2 and failure to complete all mandatory sections of the Application Form. The ARC *Future Fellowships* Instructions to Applicants for funding commencing in 2009 provides a Proposal Checklist which outlines the essential components to each proposal. Details of submission requirements are also provided in Section 8.4 of the Funding Rules.

2. The proposal failure to meet one or more format or other submission requirements.

This includes, but is not restricted to, use of incorrect font size and exceeding the page limit. Section 8.4.4 of the Funding Rules outlines the formatting requirements for submission of proposals.

3. The maximum number of proposals and projects permitted was exceeded by the Future Fellowship candidate nominated on the proposal.

Only one Future Fellowship candidate may be nominated on an ARC Future Fellowships Proposal. Further, a Future Fellowship candidate may only be nominated on one proposal, ie. by only one Administering Organisation in this funding round. Submitting Proposals that exceed these limits will result in all Proposals involving the Future Fellowship candidate not being recommended or approved for funding.

4. The proposal nominates a Future Fellowship candidate who does not meet the eligibility criteria specified for that role in Sections 6.1 and 6.2 of the Funding Rules.

Eligibility criteria for Future Fellows are outlined in Sections 6.1 and 6.2 of the Funding Rules. You should ensure that the Future Fellowship candidate fulfils the criteria. If necessary, you should submit an Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request Form to the ARC.

5. The proposal nominates an organisation which is not listed on the list of Eligible Organisations in Appendix C of the Funding Rules as an Administering Organisation.

Eligibility criteria for organisations are outlined in Section 5.1 of the Funding Rules. If your organisation is not listed in Appendix C but fulfils the eligibility criteria, you should submit an Eligibility Exemption/Advice Request Form to the ARC.