



REGULATIONS

1. The **name** of the Group shall be ***Queensland Pre-Separation Group***.
2. **Objectives** of the Group:
 - a) To perpetuate the memory of and create a greater awareness of the part played by the pioneers of early settlement in Queensland
 - b) To compile biographical and genealogical data of the pioneers and their families
 - c) To preserve material of any nature which illustrates any aspects of pioneer settlement in Queensland.
3. **Office Bearers:**

The Office Bearers shall be elected in accordance with the Society's Articles of Association.
4. **Membership:**
 - a) Membership of the Group shall be limited to members of the Society who have at least one ancestor who arrived in the area of the present State of Queensland prior to 10th December 1859
 - b) Eligibility of membership shall be determined by an Assessing Panel
 - c) Proof of descent will be required in the form of certificates of the Registrar-General, and/or proofs in the form of manuscripts or other material relating to arrival in the State
 - d) Membership of the Group shall be terminated when:
 - i) The member expresses in writing his/her wish that this be so
 - ii) The member ceases to be a member of the Society either by resignation or termination of his/her membership in accordance with the Society's Constitution.
5. **Meetings:**

The Group may convene its own meetings in accordance with the Society's regulations, or it may convene joint meetings with any future Group of the Society.

PROOFS REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Evidence of arrival in Moreton Bay or other parts of Queensland in accordance with regulation 4(a) may be in the form of authenticated information from State Archives or family papers. In the case of secondary sources such as published records, specific reference must be provided.
- Evidence of descent from the pioneer should be in the form of certificates from an official registry of births, marriages and deaths, but wills and other documents can be submitted if certificates are not available. Copies only should be forwarded with the application, and confidentiality will be respected in all cases. In the event of any such proofs not being available, circumstantial evidence should be put before the Assessing Panel for consideration. Acceptance of such evidence will be at the discretion of the Panel.