

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF CANADA

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

The National Council of Women of Canada is a non-profit organization which was established in 1893 as a non-sectarian and non-partisan organization of women. It was incorporated in 1914 by an Act of the Parliament of Canada which was amended in June, 1946.

ARTICLE I - NAME AND INSIGNIA

Section 1: Name

This organization shall be called the National Council of Women of Canada/le Conseil national des femmes du Canada (NCWC/CNFC), hereinafter called NCWC.

Section 2: Insignia

The insignia of NCWC are the Bow and the Coat of Arms. The members of NCWC may adopt other insignia.

ARTICLE II – OBJECT, POLICY AND PRINCIPLES

Section 1: Object

- (i) To bring together groups of women, and of women and men, to work towards improving the quality of life in Canada through:
 - developing NCWC policy based on research and analysis of issues;
 - providing information to NCWC members and the general public on current issues;
 - recommending and working towards change, where need is seen, in government laws, regulations and administrative processes;
 - cooperating with other groups in developing and advancing common policies and objectives.
- (ii) To participate in the work of the International Council of Women/Conseil International des Femmes (ICW/CIF), hereinafter called ICW, and of the United Nations to improve the quality of life of people throughout the world.

Section 2: Policy

NCWC policy shall be established through a membership approval process.

Section 3: Principles.

- (i) No organization entering into federation with NCWC shall thereby lose its independence, aims or methods of operation; or be committed to the principles of any other Federated Organization of NCWC.
- (ii) In all its decisions, NCWC shall safeguard the principles of democracy.

ARTICLE III - AMENDMENTS

The NCWC Constitution may be amended as outlined in the By-Laws.