

Restoring a society



If the Registrar of Incorporated Societies is satisfied that a notice dissolving a society should be revoked, he can make a new declaration revoking the dissolution and restoring the society to the Register.

Generally this will happen when someone involved with the society sends the Registrar an application for restoration.

- Once an application is received, the restoration process may take up to three weeks to complete.
- If a society was in liquidation before it was removed from the register, it cannot be restored to the Register.
- The effect of the declaration by the Registrar is to revive the society from the date of its dissolution. That is, once the declaration is published the society can continue its operations as if the dissolution had never taken place.

How do you apply to restore a society to the Register?

Send the following to the Registrar:

- A formal request in writing that the society be restored, including a confirmation that the society is still operating,
- Copies of any annual financial statements that have not been filed (attach at least the last three years),
- A certified copy of any rule changes,
- The society's current contact details, and
- NZ\$204.45 restoration fee.

[Download Form 6 | Request to restore an incorporated society to the Register \[104 kB PDF\]](#)

Applications by a creditor

Where a creditor is requesting that a society be restored to the register, they only need to supply:

- a letter requesting that the society be restored to the Register and giving the reason why, and
- the NZ\$204.45 fee.

Publishing the declaration

The society is restored to the Register once the declaration is published in the New Zealand Gazette. The Registrar advertises revocations on a fortnightly basis in an effort to keep costs to a minimum.