

# **ZECON BERHAD**

Registration No. 198501002015(134463-X)

**DIRECTORS' FIT AND PROPER POLICY** 

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Zecon Berhad ("Zecon" or the "Company") has adopted the Directors' Fit and Proper Policy ("Policy") to ensure a formal and transparent process for the appointment and reelection of directors of the Company and its subsidiaries ("Zecon Group").

In formulating this Policy, the Company is to ensure compliance with the requirements contained in the Main Market Listing Requirements ("MMLR") of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Malaysia") and other applicable rules and regulations prevailing in Malaysia.

#### 2. OBJECTIVE

This Policy prescribes the requirements and suitability criteria for the appointment and re-appointment of Directors on the Boards of Zecon Group and it serves as a guide for the Remuneration & Nomination Committee ("RNC") and the Board of Directors ("the Board") of the Company in their review and assessment of candidate who are to be appointed onto the Board as well as directors who are seeking for re-election in complying with the MMLR and the Constitution of the Company.

The objective of this Policy is to ensure that each of the Directors has the proper idiosyncrasy, morality, character, experience, integrity, competence and time to effectively discharge his/her role as a Director of Zecon Group.

The general criteria in relation to the appointment and re-election of directors of Zecon Group are amongst others as below:-

- a) Character and integrity;
- b) Experience and competence; and
- c) Time and commitment

#### 3. SCOPE AND APPLICATION

In accessing if a candidate met the criteria under this Policy, the Board and the RNC should consider factors which includes but are not limited to the following:

#### a) Character and Integrity

#### (i) Probity

- complies with legal obligations, regulatory requirements and professional standards.
- has not been obstructive, misleading or untruthful in dealings with regulatory bodies or a court.

#### (ii) Personal integrity

- has not committed, aided or participated in any business practices which are deceitful, oppressive, improper (whether unlawful or not), or which otherwise reflect discredit on his professional conduct.
- service contract (i.e. in the capacity of management or Director) had not been terminated in the past due to concerns on personal integrity, honesty and decency.
- has not abused other positions (i.e. political appointment) to facilitate government relations for the Company in a manner that contravenes the principles of good governance.

#### (iii) Financial integrity

- manages personal debts or financial affairs satisfactorily.
- demonstrates ability to fulfil personal financial obligations as and when they fall due

### (iv) Reputation

- is of good repute in the financial and business community
- has not been the subject of criminal proceedings or enforcement action, in managing or governing an entity for the past 10 years
- has not been substantially involved in the management of a business or company which has failed, where that failure has been occasioned in part by deficiencies in that management

#### b) Experience and competence

#### (i) Qualifications, training and skills

- possesses education qualification that is relevant to the skill set that the Directors is earmarked to bring onto the boardroom (i.e. a match to the board skill set matrix)
- has a considerable understanding on the business and workings of a corporation
- possesses general management skills as well as understanding of corporate governance and sustainability issues
- keeps knowledge abreast based on continuous professional development
- possesses leadership capabilities and a high level of emotional intelligence

#### (ii) Relevant experience and expertise

 possesses relevant experience and expertise with due consideration given to past length of service, nature and size of business, responsibilities held, number of subordinates as well as reporting lines and delegated authorities

#### (iii) Relevant past performance or track record

- has a career of occupying a high-level position in comparable organization, and was accountable for driving or leading the organisation's governance, business performance or operations
- possesses commendable past performance record as gathered from the results of the board effectiveness evaluation

# c) Time and commitment

### (i) Ability to discharge role having regard to other commitments

 able to devote time as board member, having factored other outside obligations including concurrent board positions held by the Director across listed issuers and non-listed entities (including not-for-profit organization)

#### (ii) Participation and contribution in the board or track record

- demonstrates willingness to participate actively in board activities
- demonstrates willingness to devote time and effort to understand the business and exemplifies readiness to participate in events outside the boardroom
- manifests passion in the position of a Director
- exhibits ability to articulate views independently, objectively and constructively
- exhibits open mindedness to the views of others and ability to make considered judgement after hearing the views of others

#### 4. THE ASSESSMENT

- 4.1 The NRC shall assess each person for a new appointment or re-appointment of Director based on the criteria set under item 3 before recommending to the Board for approval.
  - The Board Evaluation Form is set out in **Annexure 1** (The questionnaires are based on the Corporate Governance Guide **4**<sup>th</sup> Edition).
- 4.2 For the appointment of new Director, the person is required to complete the Prospective Directors Information as set out in **Annexure 2**.
- 4.3 The results of the assessments are part of the Company's internal documents and shall not be disclosed or provided to any other party.

#### 5. REVIEW OF THE POLICY

5.1 The Policy is by no means static and hence the RNC shall recommend any change to the Policy as the RNC deems appropriate to the Board for approval. The terms of the Policy shall be assessed, reviewed and updated where necessary i.e. when there are changes to the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance, MMLR of Bursa Malaysia and/or any other regulatory requirements.



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**Directors' Evaluation Form** 

The Evaluation Form provides ratings from one (1) to four (4), or 'yes' and 'no', with the indicators illustrated below, to be responded in relation to the nature of the questions:

4 🗆	3 🗆	2 🗆	1 🗆
Yes, always	Yes, most of the time	Yes, but seldom	No
	or		
4 🗆	3 🗆	2 🗆	1 🗆
Above average	Average	Below average	Poor
	or		
Yes 🗆			No 🗆
Yes			No

Where a particular criterion is deemed not applicable, it shall be indicated as "Not Applicable" in the comment box.

Name of Director	:			

						Comments
	Assessment criteria	4	3	2	1	
Sec	tion A: Fit and Proper					
1.	Has not been questioned, of his/her honesty, integrity, professional conduct or business ethics/practices which are deceitful, oppressive or improper and investigated on complaints lodged.	Yes			No	
2.	Has shown willingness to maintain effective internal control systems and risk management practices.	Yes			No	
3.	Possesses relevant qualification, knowledge, experience and ability to understand the technical requirements, risk and management of the company's business.					
Sec	tion B: Contribution and performance					
4.	Probes management to ensure management has taken, and suggests management to take into consideration the varying opportunities and risks whilst developing strategic plan (this plan may or may not be in writing as long as minutes of meeting provide a discussion of such strategy).					
5.	Probes management when there are red flags/concerns which could, amongst others, indicate possible non-compliance of regulatory requirements.					
6.	Provides logical honest opinions on issues presented and is not afraid of expressing disagreement on matters during the meeting, if any.					
7.,	Receives feedback from board and/or committee and incorporates feedback obtained into decision-making process in an objective manner.					
8.	Defends own stand through constructive deliberations at board and/or committee meetings, where necessary.					
9,	Tackles conflicts and takes part in proposing solutions.					
10.	Offers practical and realistic advice to board and/or committee discussions.					-

		Comments					
	Assessment criteria	4	3	2	1		
11.	Takes initiative to demand for additional information, where necessary.						
12.	Tests quality of information and assumptions.						
13.	Reviews and relates short-term concerns to long-term strategy.						
14.	Contributes to risk management initiatives.						
15.	Contributes personal knowledge and experience into the consideration and development of strategy.						
16.	Facilitates objective-oriented decision-making process.					u .	
17.	Prioritises context of issues to be in line with objectives.						
18.	Effectively and proactively follows up on areas of concern.						
19.	Demonstrates willingness to devote time and effort to understand the company, its business and displays readiness to participate in events outside the boardroom such as site visits.						
Sect	ion C: Calibre and personality						
20.	Acts in good faith and with integrity.						
21.	Attends meetings well prepared and adds value to board and/or committee meetings.						
22.	Works constructively with peers, the company secretary and senior management.						
23.	Offers insight to matters presented with requisite knowledge and skills, and shares information.						
24.	Encourages others to get things done, is decisive and action-oriented.					3	
25.	Articulates in a non-confrontational and comprehensible manner.						

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	Assessment criteria	4	3	2	1	
26.	Understands individual roles and responsibilities and ensures contribution is contemporary with developments.					
27.	Behaviour engenders mutual trust and respect within the Board and with other key officers.					
28.	Communicates effectively with shareholders.					
29.	Constructively challenges and contributes to the development of strategy.					
30.	Scrutinises the performance of management in meeting agreed goals and objectives and monitors reporting of performance.					
31.	Satisfies himself/herself that financial information is accurate and financial controls and systems of risk management are robust and defensible.					V
Other comments:						



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**Prospective Directors Information** 

# Name of Company:

### PART I: Personal Information

1	Full Name	
2.	. Date of Birth	
3.	. NRIC No./Passport No.	
4.	. Citizenship	
5.	. Permanent Address	
6.	Correspondence Address (if different from item 5 above)	
7.	. Telephone No.	
8.	Email Address	

# PART II: Education Background and Working Experience

No.	Particulars	
13	Academic Qualification	
2.	Working Experience	
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# PART III: Directorship Education Background and Working Experience

No.	Particulars	
1,	List of Current and Directorship for the past 3 years	

# **PART IV: Declaration**

Particulars	Yes	No
Do you have any relationship with any Directors in Zecon?	If yes, please s	state details
Do you have any interest, both direct and	-	:
indirect in Zecon?	If yes, please s	tate details
Do you have any relatives currently working in Zecon?	If yes, please s	tate details
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# **Prospective Directors Information**

No.	Particulars	Yes	No
4.	Have you ever been committed of any commercial and criminal crimes including but not limited to traffic offence under the Laws of Malaysia?	If yes, please state	details
5	Have you or the company where you are a director contravene any provision made by or under any written law such as the Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Terrorism Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities Act 2001, the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009, the Companies Act 2016, Capital Markets and Services Act 2007 and any other applicable laws?	If yes, please state	details
6.	Have you involved in any business or relationship which could materially pose a conflict of interest or interfere with your judgment when acting as a director which is disadvantageous to the company?	If yes, please state of	details
7.	Are you currently a bankrupt?		

# **Prospective Directors Information**

8.	Do you hold a post in any political party?	
		If yes, please state details
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