

Appendix 1: Form 2 – Public Statement of Compliance

Public Statement of Compliance with the Governance Code for Community, Voluntary and Charity Organisations in Ireland

Name of organisation: Irish Guide dogs for the Blind

Address: National Headquarters and Training Centre , Model Farm Rd, Cork

wish to state that we have completed the process as set out for a Type C organisation and now comply with the principles and practices of the Governance Code for a three-year period from June 10th 2017 when our Board certified our compliance.

Principle 1. Leading our organisation

We do this by: Agreeing our vision, purpose, mission, values and objectives making sure that they remain relevant; Developing, resourcing, monitoring and evaluating a plan so that our organisation achieves its stated purpose and objectives; Managing, supporting and holding to account staff, volunteers and all who act on behalf of the organisation.

Principle 2. Exercising control over our organisation

We do this by: Identifying and complying with all relevant legal and regulatory requirements; Making sure there are appropriate internal financial and management controls; Identifying major risks for our organisation and deciding ways of managing the risks.

Principle 3. Being transparent and accountable

We do this by: Identifying those who have a legitimate interest in the work of our organisation (stakeholders) and making sure there is regular and effective communication with them about our organisation; Responding to stakeholders' questions or views about the work of our organisation and how we run it; Encouraging and enabling the engagement of those who benefit from our organisation in the planning and decision-making of the organisation.

Principle 4. Working effectively

We do this by: Making sure that our governing body, individual board members, committees, staff and volunteers understand their: role, legal duties, and delegated responsibility for decision-making; Making sure that as a board we exercise our collective responsibility through board meetings that are efficient and effective; Making sure that there is suitable board recruitment, development and retirement processes.

Principle 5. Behaving with integrity

We do this by: Being honest, fair and independent; Understanding, declaring and managing conflicts of interest and conflicts of loyalties; Protecting and promoting our organisation's reputation.

See also the attached Explanations Form (Form 3), which sets out where we do not comply with specific practices and the reasons why. [Delete if this does not apply.]

Email: info@guidedogs.ie

Phone: 1850506300

Geographic area of operation (1): Nationwide

Nature of work/services (2): Mobility and Independent living Skills Training (including Guide Dogs) for persons who are vision impaired and provision of Assistance Dogs to families of children with autism.

Chairperson name Mr EDDIE MURPHY

Signature:  **Date of signature:**

13/06/17

Secretary name Mr PADRAIG MALLON

Signature:  **Date of signature:**

13/6/2017

1. Example: Nationwide/ Region/ County or part of/City, or part of/Town. Please name the area.

2. Example: Youth/Environmental/Sport/Residents Association. Please be as specific as possible.

Please scan and email this completed form to: info@governancecode.ie

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Explanations of why our organisation has decided not to comply with one or more recommended practices of the Governance Code for

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In the full Code document, an organisation can comply with the Code while not adopting all of the practices normally associated with full compliance. If your organisation has decided not to comply with one or many aspects of the Code, please set out the details below. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Indicate clearly the specific practices that are not being adopted (by using the number from the relevant checklist) and explain in adequate detail why you have decided not to comply with those aspects of the Code. (This is called the 'Comply or Explain' process.)

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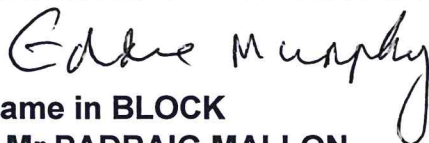
Address: National Headquarters & training Centre , Model Farm Rd, Cork

Organisation type (A, B, or C): C

Date that your board signed Public Statement of Compliance: 10th June 2017

Practice number	Practice statement	Explanation of why organisation has not complied
2.1 (b)	If the organisation is a company limited by guarantee, appoint a board member to act as Company Secretary.	The CEO also acts as Company Secretary. The Board consider it resource efficient for the CEO to carry out the responsibilities of Company Secretary in addition to his responsibilities as CEO.

Chairperson name in BLOCK CAPITALS: Mr EDDIE MURPHY

Signature 

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Signature:



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