

PROCEDURE 19: LICENSING OF LAYPERSONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT (HOLY COMMUNION)

The licensing of a layperson shall be done in accordance with the following:

- 19.1 The Local Church, Regional Council, Synod proposing the licensing of an individual should provide the necessary motivation.
- 19.2 The license to administer the sacrament should be for one year at a time.
- 19.3 The licensee may only administer the sacrament in the place for which they have been licensed.
- 19.4 A person licensed to administer the sacrament should be a member in good standing of a local church.
- 19.5 The licensee must have been a member of a local church consecutively for 24 months.
- 19.6 Persons licensed to administer the sacrament shall be required to undergo appropriate training designed or recommended by the Church.
- 19.7 Laypersons holding positions of chairperson in the regional council or synod shall automatically be licensed to administer the sacrament.
- 19.8 Where a layperson is appointed president of the UCCSA he or she shall automatically be licensed to administer the sacrament.
- 19.9 Where Laypersons licensed to administer the sacrament by virtue of holding office shall exercise the administration of the sacrament only in the context of regional/synod/denominational meetings.
- 19.10 The UCCSA reserves the right to revoke the license at any time without having to give reasons.