

# Herb Certificate Study Scholarship Terms and Conditions

## **Objective**

The objective of the Study Scholarships for the Certificate Course is to encourage and support members of the Wairarapa Herb Society (WHS) and members of the Wairarapa community to increase their knowledge of the growing, use, and enjoyment of herbs in their everyday lives.

### The Scholarships

Up to two Scholarships are available in 2025. The scholarships allow the successful applicants to study the twelve modules of the Herb Federation of New Zealand Certificate Course.

The WHS will meet the cost of the fees involved in purchasing the twelve study modules over a maximum three-year period. If the course is not completed within this time frame, or the recipient otherwise defaults on their Scholarship requirements, the recipient must repay fees for all modules received to date, and forfeits the right to reapply for any Scholarship, provided by the WHS, in the future.

#### Who would qualify to be awarded the Study Scholarships

To be eligible to be awarded a Scholarship, applicants must be either financial members of the Wairarapa Herb Society or live in the Wairarapa.

WHS will meet the cost of membership to the Herb Federation of New Zealand, however, the Scholarship recipient must join the Wairarapa Herb Society at their own expense.

In order for a Scholarship application to be considered the application must be made using the application form available on the HFNZ <u>website</u>.

Closing date for applications for WHS Scholarship: 1 December 2024. Applications should be sent to: <a href="mailto:waiherbs@gmail.com">waiherbs@gmail.com</a>

Successful applicants will be announced at the next WHS meeting and published in Chamomile, the WHS newsletter.

Applications for the Scholarship will be considered by the WHS Committee, or a person or persons appointed by the WHS Committee for this purpose. The WHS Committee have the right to award scholarships to any recipient.

The Scholarships are retroactive for current students of the Certificate course. Recipients who have already completed any modules will be reimbursed for those modules.

Unsuccessful applicants may re-apply in subsequent years.

#### What recipients must do to continue to receive the Scholarship

- Scholarship recipients must complete the entire twelve-module study course within 3 years.
- Scholarship recipients must complete a minimum of three modules in any one twelve month period to a "satisfactory standard". Modules not reaching a satisfactory standard are not counted. NOTE: The course marker will be the adjudicator with respect to the achievement of a "satisfactory standard".

- Modules may be done in any order.
- Scholarship recipients do not need to refund study fees for modules where they have not achieved a "satisfactory standard" if they apply to redo these modules. This applies only once per module. Subsequent applications will be at their own expense.
- Scholarship recipients are considered in default if they do not complete the required minimum number of modules, to a "satisfactory standard", in any 12-month period or they do not complete the full course in the 3-year timeframe. The only exemption is if unforeseen circumstances prevent this occurring, they have notified the Herb Certificate Coordinator in writing at <a href="waiherbs@gmail.com">waiherbs@gmail.com</a> and this reason has been accepted by the WHS Committee.
- Scholarship recipients who are in default must repay the Scholarship Fund for the cost of all modules received as part of the Scholarship. They also forfeit their right to apply for any Scholarship, managed by HFNZ, in the future.

#### Other terms and conditions

- Scholarship recipients are required to give a short presentation/talk at a WHS meeting, on a topic related to their scholarship studies.
- Postage costs, library fees and other miscellaneous costs incurred, are at the expense of the Scholarship recipient.
- All other Terms and Conditions are those that apply to the Herb Federation of New Zealand Certificate Course.