# **OSTA/ODAT Charter**

### I General

Article 1. Name

This Committee shall be called the "ODAT (Optical Disc Archival Test) Committee".

# Article 2. Duration

The ODAT Committee shall be formed for an unlimited duration.

### Article 3. Objective and Strategies

The objective of the ODAT Committee is to address end user needs for an established practice in media archive life testing and classification. The ODAT Committee strategies will include encouraging testing and classification to an international standard, educating end users on the subject of archival life, and promoting optical disc media technology over competing technologies.

### Article 4. Principal Office

The principal office of the ODAT Committee will be located at the principal office of OSTA (Optical Storage Technology Association)

### II Membership

### Article 5. Membership conditions

Membership on the ODAT Committee is open to any Member of OSTA (Board Members and Associate Members) by registration with the ODAT Committee.

# Article 6. Voting Rights

With the exception of Individual Members, to have voting rights in the ODAT Committee, a Member must be registered as a Member of the ODAT Committee. One membership will have one vote. Individual members have no voting rights.

### Article 7. Membership Fee

There is no separate membership fee for ODAT Committee membership.

### Article 8. Duration ODAT membership

The duration for the ODAT Committee membership is unlimited.

### Article 9. Rights of Members

Members of the ODAT Committee shall have the right:

- (a) to participate in any ODAT Committee meeting
- (b) to request the opportunity to speak in the ODAT Committee meetings; and
- (c) to vote in any ODAT Committee matter for which a vote is called (Individual members are excluded)

### Article 10. Participation by Non-Members

Persons not representing Members of the ODAT Committee cannot attend or participate in any ODAT Committee meeting or any meeting conducted by the ODAT Committee, unless otherwise invited by the ODAT Committee Chairman. The ODAT Committee Chairman can invite non-members, only when request has been received prior to the event with support of more than two ODAT Committee Members. The Chairman shall give notice of proposed non-member attendance to all ODAT Committee Members prior to the subject event. The ODAT Committee Members shall return objections, if any, to the Chairman. The Chairman can issue the invitation only if the number of objections from Members is not greater than Members in support.

### Article 11. Resignation

Each member shall be free to resign from the ODAT Committee at any time by sending a written notice of resignation to the Chairman of the ODAT Committee. The resignation shall be effective as from the date of receipt of the notice of resignation or such other date as is specified in the notice.

# Article 12. Organization composition The composition of the ODAT organization is depicted as: Article 13. ODAT Chairman The ODAT Committee shall have a Chairman selected from ODAT Chairman ODAT Members

the ODAT Committee Members by majority vote of the ODAT Committee Members and approved by the OSTA Board. The Chairman shall hold that office until the Chairman resigns or another Chairman is elected in his or her place.

### Article 14. Dissolution

The OSTA Board may dissolve the ODAT Committee. The OSTA Board shall state the grounds for the decision to dissolve the ODAT Committee. The decision of the OSTA Board will enter into force on the date specified in decision.

### Article 15. Language

The official language of the ODAT Committee shall be English.

# Article 16. Liability of Members

Members of the ODAT Committee shall not be liable for any commitment, obligations, debts, and the like of the ODAT Committee.

# Article 17. Supplementary Provisions

- (a) This Charter was approved by the OSTA Board of Directors on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.
- (b) This Charter may be revised by a resolution adopted by the ODAT Committee and approved by the OSTA Board.