



AUSTRALIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION LIMITED

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MEMBERSHIP

This By-law is made by the Australian Weightlifting Federation (AWF) Board under Clause 20 of the AWF Constitution. It is binding on AWF and all members of AWF.

Approved by the AWF Board on 12th June, 2014



1. MEMBERSHIP BY-LAW

This By-law is made by Australian Weightlifting Federation (AWF) pursuant to clause 7.2.1.3 of the Australian Weightlifting Federation Constitution. This By-law is to be read in accordance with the AWF Member Protection Policy (MPP).

2. INTRODUCTION

This By-law is made to set out procedures relating to the categories of membership of AWF under the AWF Constitution clauses 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, and 5.7.

3. DEFINITIONS

Affiliation Fee

means the annual fee set by the State Member on the club for affiliation.

Australian Weightlifting Federation (AWF)

means Australian Weightlifting Federation Limited.

Business Member

means an individual or group or persons who are not recognised by, or registered with, a State Member and have been considered by the AWF board to have the capacity to contribute to the AWF's development in some reasonable way.

Club Affiliation

means recognition by the Member State and AWF as a club who has paid the prescribed fees and met the National Affiliation Standards.

Club Member

means an incorporated body or group of persons recognised by, and registered with, a State Member as a weightlifting club.

Individual Member

means an individual person whose application for membership has been accepted by the AWF Board, who is recognised by, and Registered with a State Member as a participant member in accordance with clause 5.5. of the AWF Constitution.

Life Member

means a person admitted to the Company as a life member in accordance with clause 5.6 of the AWF Constitution.

National Affiliation Standards

means the requirements for affiliation published by the State Member and



State Member

AWF for each year (as detailed in the club affiliation application form).
means the State Member to which the club is affiliated (defined in the AWF Constitution clause 5.3 and 5.4).

4. MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURES

4.1 Club Members

4.1.1 Club Affiliation

Subject to the club paying the prescribed State Member affiliation fee, meeting the National Affiliation Standards and the relevant State Member requirements, State Members will affiliate the club and will provide to the club the services and resources and any nominated benefits offered on an annual basis by AWF and the State Member.

4.1.2 Affiliation Fee

The club will pay the affiliation fee to the State Member within the time prescribed by the State Member.

4.1.3 Membership Requirements

The club shall comply

- a) with the National Affiliation Standards (as detailed in the club affiliation application form) and agrees and undertakes that at the time of applying for affiliation the club does comply with those standards.
- b) with the AWF Constitution including By-laws and Policies.

4.1.4 Membership Entitlements

Club Members will not be entitled to debate or vote at an AWF General Meeting in accordance with clause 5.4.2 of the AWF Constitution.

4.2 Individual Members

4.2.1 Membership

Subject to paying the prescribed AWF, State Member and Club fees and the club providing the required membership details, membership of AWF and the State



Member will be granted once the individual's application for membership has been accepted by the AWF Board. Member benefits will be provided on an annual basis by AWF and the State Member.

4.2.2 Membership fee

The participant will pay the whole of the fee prescribed by AWF and State Member for the relevant year of membership regardless of any portion of the year having expired. The membership fee is payable for the calendar year (i.e. 1st January – 31st December), with members eligible to join or renew at any time during the year.

4.2.3 Membership Requirement

The participant shall at all times comply with the AWF Constitution, including By-laws and Policies.

4.2.4 Right of Refusal of Membership by AWF

The Company may in its discretion refuse to accept any person as an Individual Member and shall not be required or compelled to provide any reason for such rejection.

4.2.5 Membership Entitlements

An Individual Member is entitled to any benefits of membership prescribed to apply to Individual Members in the Policies but, in any event, shall not be entitled to receive notice, attend or vote at General Meetings in accordance with clause 5.5.5 of the AWF Constitution.

4.3 State Members

4.3.1 Membership

Subject to the State Member paying the prescribed AWF and State Member fees and meeting all accreditation requirements, State membership of AWF and the State Member will be granted. Services and resources will be made available on annual basis by AWF and the State Member. Only one (1) State Member from each state can be admitted in accordance with clause 5.3.2 of the AWF Constitution.

4.3.2 Membership fee



The State Member will pay the whole of the prescribed AWF and State Member fee to AWF regardless of any portion of the year having expired. Membership is valid for the calendar year (i.e. 1st January – 31st December), with members eligible to renew at any time during the year.

4.3.3 Membership Requirements

The State Member shall at all times comply with the AWF Constitution, including By-laws and Policies.

4.3.4 Membership Entitlements

State associations shall be admitted as State Members and are entitled to attend, debate and vote at all General Meetings in accordance with clause 5.3.1 of the AWF Constitution.

4.4 Life Members

4.4.1 Membership

Life Membership is the highest honor bestowed by the Company for longstanding and valued service to Weightlifting in Australia and Life Members are therefore not required to pay the prescribed AWF affiliation fee.

4.4.2 Membership Requirements

The Life Member shall at all times comply with AWF Constitution including By-laws and Policies.

4.4.3 Membership Entitlements

The Life Member has the right to receive notice and attend, but not the right to vote at, General Meetings in accordance with clause 5.6.5.3 of the AWF Constitution.

4.4.4 Life Member By-Law

As stated in clause 5.6.5 of the AWF Constitution, the “Life Member By Law” will set out: 5.6.5.1 the categories of Life Membership which exist; and 5.6.5.2 the criteria to be met by each category of Life Member; and 5.6.5.3 the privileges and benefits of each category of Life Member which shall include the right to receive notice and attend, but not the right to vote at, General Meetings.

4.5 Business Members



4.5.1 Membership

An individual or group or persons who are not recognised by, or registered with, a State Member and have been considered by the AWF board to have the capacity to contribute to the AWF's development in some reasonable way, may, at the discretion of the Board, be granted Business Membership status.

4.5.2 Right of Refusal of Membership by AWF

The AWF board reserves the right to terminate a Business Membership in accordance with clause 5.7.3 of the AWF Constitution.

4.5.3 Membership Requirements

The Business Member shall at all times comply with AWF Constitution including By-laws and Policies.

4.5.4 Membership Entitlements

Business Members will not be entitled to debate or vote at an AWF General Meeting in accordance with clause 5.7.2 of the AWF Constitution.

5. ATTENDANCE AT GENERAL MEETINGS

5.1 Members

In accordance with the AWF Constitution clauses 5.3.1, 5.4.2, 5.5.5, 5.6.5.3 and 5.7.2, all Members (except for Individual Members under clause 5.5.5 of the AWF Constitution) are permitted to attend any General meeting on written application to AWF in the form set out at attachment A of this By-law as endorsed by his/her State Member. Such application to be received by AWF Office 21 days prior to the date of the general meeting

5.2 Exemption

Directors of AWF are exempted from provisions of clause 5.1.

6. CHANGES TO THE BY-LAW

Amendments to this By-law will be made pursuant to clause 20.1 of the AWF Constitution.



Attachment A

**APPLICATION FORM
AUSTRALIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION GENERAL MEETING
ATTENDANCE REQUEST**

Written application to attend a Australian Weightlifting Federation General Meeting is in accordance with the AWF Constitution Clauses 5.6, 5.7, 5.8 & 5.9.

Type of Member:

Club Participant Technical Honorary

Member Details:

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: (H): _____

Mobile: _____

I hereby seek permission to attend the Australian Weightlifting Federation General Meeting:

AGM General Meeting
(insert date of meeting)

Signed:

Date:



State Member Endorsement

State Member: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____

Declaration of Endorsement:

I hereby declare and acknowledge that by signing this nomination form that I confirm that the above details of the Member are correct and endorse his/her attendance at the nominated Australian Weightlifting Federation meeting.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form to AWF no later than 21 days prior to the date of the general meeting

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