

TABLE TENNIS AUSTRALIA



Membership Regulations

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CHAPTER 1 – MEMBERSHIP OF TTA

Categories of membership

1. The categories of membership of Table Tennis Australia Ltd (“TTA”) are as set out in rule 5.1 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

Admission of members

2. The admission of membership to TTA is as set out in rule 5.2 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

Membership is personal

3. Membership is personal to each Member – no purported assignation of rights of membership shall be legally valid.

No liability

4. Members have no liability in that capacity except as set out in the winding up provisions in rule 25 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

Conduct of member

5. A Member must not act in a manner unbecoming of a Member or prejudicial to the Objects and interests of TTA or the sport of table tennis.

Register

6. TTA shall keep a register of all Members.

CHAPTER 2 – MEMBER STATE/TERRITORY

Member states/territories of TTA

7. The Member States/Territories of TTA shall be as set out in Schedule 1 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution (and shall remain so until otherwise determined by TTA).

8. In order to maintain membership of TTA, a Member State/Territory must remain at all times a legal entity.
9. In order to maintain membership of TTA, the constitutional document of a Member State/Territory must conform to rule 5.3(e) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.
10. The obligations of a Member State/Territory are as set out in rule 5.3(c) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

Membership criteria

11. Pursuant to rule 5.3(f) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, the membership criteria to be met by a Member State/Territory each year is that such member shall submit a written application on a prescribed form in which the Member State/Territory undertakes to:
 - (a) be bound by the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution and all Regulations enacted thereunder;
 - (b) pay the annual affiliation fee determined to apply to the member; and
 - (c) support TTA in the encouragement and promotion of its Objects.

CHAPTER 3 – LIFE MEMBERS

Life membership

12. As set out in rule 5.4(a) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, life membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by TTA upon an individual for longstanding and valued service to the sport of table tennis in Australia.

Categories of life membership

13. Pursuant to rule 5.4(e)(i) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, only a single category of Life Membership shall exist. However, where a Life Member is deceased, that fact shall be recorded against that individual's name.

Process for nomination

14. As set out in rule 5.4(b) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, any Member (and including any Director of the Company) may forward a proposed nomination to TTA for its consideration.

15. As set out in rule 5.4(d) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, nominations for life membership shall include a written report outlining the history of services of any nominee, together with comments on the suitability of the honour.
16. As set out in rule 5.4(c) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, on the nomination of the Directors, any individual may be elected as a Life Member at any General Meeting by “special resolution”, subject to that individual completing an application on a prescribed form.
17. As set out in rule 5.4(f) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, an individual may be posthumously recognised as a Life Member, and such individual is not required to complete an application.

Criteria for nomination

18. Pursuant to rule 5.4(e)(ii) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, the criteria to be met by an individual for nomination as a Life Member is as follows:
 - (a) the individual’s service is deemed to have assisted the advancement of table tennis in Australia as a player or administrator or otherwise (“distinguished service”);
 - (b) the individual has been involved in table tennis on a national level for at least 10 years; and
 - (c) the individual accepts the nomination in writing prior to voting on the nomination at an AGM.

Benefits of membership

19. The privileges and benefits of Life Member are as set out in Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.
20. In addition, a Life Member shall receive such award (as determined by the Directors) recognising the individual’s achievement on being awarded life membership of TTA.
21. Pursuant to rule 5.4(e)(iii) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, no fee (including annual subscription fee) is payable for life membership.

Revocation of membership

22. Pursuant to rule 6.1(c) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, a person ceases to be a Life Member if such individual:
 - (a) is found guilty of an offence contrary to rule 7.2(b) of the Constitution;
 - (b) on resolution of the Directors that such individual should no longer be recognised as a Life Member; and
 - (c) on “special resolution” at any General Meeting that such individual should no longer be recognised as a Life Member.

CHAPTER 4 – AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Affiliate membership

23. Affiliate membership of TTA is governed by rule 5.5 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.
24. Affiliate membership of TTA is only open to a legal entity.

Categories of affiliate membership

25. Pursuant to rule 5.5(e)(i) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, only a single category of Affiliate Membership shall exist.

Process for application

26. In order to become an Affiliate Member, a legal entity shall submit a written application accompanied by a copy of the entity's constituent documents.
27. TTA may at its discretion accept or refuse an application for affiliate membership from a legal entity and shall not be required or compelled to provide any reason for its determination. However, before TTA may accept an application for membership under this category, special reasons must be demonstrated as to why such membership is warranted.

Cessation of membership

28. Affiliate membership may be suspended or cancelled by TTA at any time in its discretion and TTA shall not be required or compelled to provide any reason for its determination.

Membership criteria

29. Pursuant to rule 5.3(e)(ii) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, the membership criteria to be met by an Affiliate Member is that such member shall submit a written application on a prescribed form in which the Affiliate Member undertakes to:
 - (a) be bound by the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution and all Regulations enacted thereunder;
 - (b) pay the annual subscription fee determined to apply to the member; and
 - (c) support TTA in the encouragement and promotion of its Objects.

Benefits of membership

30. The privileges and benefits of an Affiliate Member are as set out in Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

CHAPTER 5 – ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS AND INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Association, Club and Individual membership

31. Association, Club and Individual membership of TTA is governed by rule 5.6 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.
32. Association or Club membership of TTA is only open to an incorporated entity. Individual membership of TTA is only open to a person.

Process for application

33. In order to become an Association or Club Member, a written application accompanied by a copy of the entity's constituent documents shall be submitted to TTA. In order to become an Individual Member, a written application shall be submitted to TTA.
34. TTA may at its discretion accept or refuse an application for membership from any association, club or individual and shall not be required or compelled to provide any reason for its determination. However, before TTA may accept an application for membership under this category, special reasons must be demonstrated as to why such membership is warranted.

Cessation of membership

35. Membership under this category may be suspended or cancelled by TTA at any time in its discretion and TTA shall not be required or compelled to provide any reason for its determination.

Membership criteria

36. Pursuant to rule 5.6(c) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, the membership criteria to be met by an Association, Club or Individual is that such member shall submit a written application on a prescribed form in which the Association, Club or Individual undertakes to:
 - (a) be bound by the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution and all Regulations enacted thereunder;
 - (b) pay the annual subscription fee determined to apply to the member; and

- (c) support TTA in the encouragement and promotion of its Objects.

Benefits of membership

- 37. The privileges and benefits of an Association, Club or Individual Member are as set out in Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

CHAPTER 6 – REGISTERED MEMBERS (OF MEMBER STATE/TERRITORY)

Registered membership

- 38. Pursuant to rule 5.1(e) of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution, TTA creates a category of membership known as “Registered Members”.
- 39. The “Registered Members” category of membership is only open to a person registered as a member of a Member State/Territory of TTA.

Membership criteria

- 40. The membership criteria to be met by a person under this category is that such member shall submit a written application on a prescribed form in which the Registered Member undertakes to:
 - (a) be bound by the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution and all Regulations enacted thereunder;
 - (b) pay the annual registration fee determined to apply to the member (to TTA via the Member State/Territory); and
 - (c) support TTA in the encouragement and promotion of its Objects.

Benefits of membership

- 41. The privileges and benefits of a Registered Member are as set out in Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution.

CHAPTER 7 – REGULATIONS

Enactment

- 42. These Regulations have been enacted pursuant to rules 5 and 20 of the Table Tennis Australia Ltd Constitution (as amended) and replace all previous regulations on this topic.