

# SQUASH WA LIFE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

## 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance on the selection of Life Membership.

## 2 SCOPE

This policy applies to Squash WA staff and Board.

## 3 RESPONSIBILITIES

Squash WA is responsible for ensuring that staff and Members have read and understand the requirements of this policy.

## 4 POLICY STATEMENT

Life Membership is an honour awarded by Squash WA to individuals who have made an outstanding and significant contribution to Squash in Western Australia. Up to three Life Memberships may be awarded annually.

## 5 POLICY

### 5.1 Rights and Recognition of Life Members:

- Presentation of a Life Membership Badge and Certificate of Life Membership.
- Invitation along with their partner, to an appropriate Squash WA function or event where new members are to be presented with their Life Membership.
- Invitation to the Squash WA Annual General Meeting.
- Recognition in Squash WA records and publications, including the Squash WA Annual Report, of the individual's Life Membership status.
- Membership for life with no Squash WA registration fees.

### 5.2 Criteria for Election

An outstanding and significant contribution made to Squash in WA, in a direct capacity such as office-bearer, delegate, selector, coach, referee, volunteer, operator or contributor in any capacity for a period of not less than 10 years.

### 5.3 Eligibility for Election

Any individual who satisfies the criteria for election, as per 5.2.

Persons are eligible for consideration for Life Membership if they have:

- made a significant contribution to Squash WA over a period of not less than ten (10) years; or
- made a significant contribution to the game of Squash in Western Australia over a period of not less than ten (10) years; and
- served Squash WA in a direct capacity (eg office bearer, delegate, employee, selector, coach, referee, manager) not less than 10 years

Note: Employees will only be considered not less than 12 months after the cessation of employment with Squash WA.

#### 5.4 Procedure for Election

The nominee shall be elected to the position of Life Member by a simple majority of those present and eligible to vote at a General Meeting in accordance with the current Squash WA Constitution.

All nominations that are submitted to the Board (via the General Manager) for consideration, must include a report outlining the suitability of the person nominated for the award, including the history and value of their achievements and/or service to the sport.

Nominations for Life Membership shall be given to the General Manager at least 21 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and notice of such nominations shall be given by the General Manager in writing to all Members and Affiliated Members at least 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting or Special Meeting.

Life Members may be nominated by Member Clubs, the Awards Committee and the Squash WA Board.

In the absence of an Awards Committee, appointed by Squash WA, the Board may select and ratify the new Life Members.

A Life Member shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting unless they are a Delegate or an elected Office Bearer.

#### 5.5 Presentation of Life Membership:

Life Members shall be presented with their Life Membership Badge and Certificate of Life Membership at an appropriate Squash WA function or event.

It is important that Squash WA takes an active leadership role in supporting and encouraging diverse participation in all aspects of Squash, including coaching, officiating and administrative roles.

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