

Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (Qld.) Inc.

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S.S.A.A. (Qld) INC:

PREFACE

The Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (QLD) Inc. is a not-for-profit incorporated association, encouraging the sport of shooting. Branches throughout the State provide range facilities and services for the members.

Membership of SSAA (Qld) Inc. is voluntary and anyone may apply to join by completing the approved application form and paying the annual membership fee. An adult parent or guardian must complete the application on behalf of a junior member. It is a condition of membership that members follow the SSAA (Qld) Inc. Code of Conduct. Members who disregard the Association's Code of Conduct or conduct themselves in a manner that brings the Association into disrepute may be asked to explain why their membership should not be terminated.

The current version of the SSAA (Queensland) Inc. State Constitution provides details and procedures for membership of the Association and must be read in conjunction with this policy document.

Classes of Membership

Adult

Open to all persons eighteen (18) years and older who complete an application form and pay the current annual membership fee. Each year thereafter, the onus is upon the member to renew and to pay the current Adult membership.

Family

Open to persons more than eighteen (18) years living at the same address as a current financial Adult member, who completes an application form and pays the current annual Family membership fee. Each year thereafter, the onus is upon the family member to renew and pay the current Family membership fee.

Pensioner

Open to all persons eighteen (18) years and older who complete an application form, include a copy of both sides of their current Australian Pension Concession card or a DVA Gold Card, and pay the current annual Pensioner membership fee. Each year thereafter, the onus is upon the Pensioner member to renew and pay the current Pensioner membership fee.

Junior

Open to all persons eighteen (18) or less who complete an application form with the consent of their legal parent or guardian and pay the current annual Junior membership fee. Each year thereafter, the onus is upon the member/parent/guardian to renew and pay the current Junior membership fee until the Junior becomes an Adult paying member.

Optional Membership

Five (5) year Adult

Open to all persons eighteen (18) and older who complete an application form and pay the current five years annual membership fee. After five years, the onus is upon the member to renew and pay to maintain financial membership.

Paid Life Member

Open to all persons who complete an application form and pay the current Paid Life member membership fee. The paid life member receives all membership benefits with no further need to pay continuing membership fees.

NOTE: As with all memberships, Paid Life Member is not refundable should the member cease recreational shooting or the member deceases.

Honorary Life Member

Honorary Life Membership may only be conferred upon an individual member at an Annual General Meeting of SSAA (Qld) Inc., for exemplary conduct and service to the Association when the selection criteria are met. Any membership fees associated with the awarding of Honorary Life Membership will be met by SSAA (Qld) Inc.

Selection Criteria

Any member considered for Honorary Life Membership will have demonstrated an exceptional contribution of service and benefit to the State Association and its Branches over an extended period. The member must have also maintained continuous membership of the Association for a period of at least twenty (20) years duration.

Each application for Honorary Life Membership is voted upon individually by secret ballot, the application is required to be nominated and seconded by a financial member of the Association. Voting member delegates will be given a fair and equal opportunity to speak for or against the motion. The ballot will require a two-thirds majority to be successful.

If the nominee is present at the meeting or is a current sitting member of the Executive Management Committee of SSAA (Qld) inc., the member shall retire from the meeting while the ballot is considered and conducted.

Membership Fees

The Executive Management Committee of SSAA (Qld) Inc. set membership fees from time to time. The schedule of membership fees is advertised on the various documentation and website portals associated with membership of SSAA (Qld) Inc.

Termination of Membership

A member may voluntarily terminate membership by notifying the SSAA (Qld) Inc. Office of their desire to terminate the membership. Membership may be terminated should a member remain three (3) months or more in arrears of their membership class and does not pay the required membership fees.

A member may also have their membership terminated by the SSAA (Qld) Inc. Management Committee should a member's conduct be considered injurious, prejudicial or of such a manner as to bring the Association into disrepute. The termination process and any right of appeal are detailed in the SSAA (Queensland) Inc. State Constitution.

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually and amended from time to time in keeping with Legislation changes and any changes to classes of membership or membership fees.