



## **POLICY TITLE: LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

<b>RELATED POLICIES:</b>	Constitution
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:</b>	Chief Executive Officer Audit, Risk and Policy Committee
<b>AUTHORITY:</b>	Bowls Australia Board
<b>APPLICABLE FORMS:</b>	Life Membership nomination form
<b>APPROVED:</b>	February, 2017
<b>NEXT REVIEW DATE:</b>	February, 2019

## **1. POLICY**

- 1.1. Bowls Australia may confer Life Membership on a person under the Bowls Australia Constitution Clause 5.5.

## **2. PRINCIPLE**

- 2.1. Life Membership is generally conferred on a person who has rendered distinguished or special service to the sport of bowls in Australia in the role of Administrator, Athlete, Coach or Official.
- 2.2. The most frequently used criteria for Life Membership is length of service. In the case of Bowls Australia, extended length of service is rare for persons who hold voluntary roles within the organisation. Therefore continuous extended meritorious service at State/Territory level shall be considered.
  - 2.2.1. Under these circumstances other criteria should be used to determine whether the person is deserving of nomination for Life Membership. Such criteria will relate to the quality of the service performed by the person under consideration.

## **3. CRITERIA FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

- 3.1 The following criteria may be used to determine the suitability of a person for nomination for Life Membership of Bowls Australia. It is not necessary for all the criteria to be satisfied.
  - 3.1.1. The introduction of innovative procedures in administration and management.
  - 3.1.2. Advancing the profile of the game by effective promotion, management and recruitment.
  - 3.1.3. Increasing the representation of BA by gaining representation on relevant peak bodies.
  - 3.1.4. Outstanding communication with the general body of members and feeder groups.
  - 3.1.5. The ability to enthuse others to implement innovative ideas.
  - 3.1.6. Outstanding leadership qualities in working with all areas of the sport.
  - 3.1.7. Meritorious service at National and State/Territory level.

## **4. PROCEDURE**

- 4.1. Nominations shall be submitted in writing by Board Members or State/Territory Authorities to the CEO of Bowls Australia for consideration by the BA Board.
- 4.2. Nominations shall be submitted to the Board at least two months prior to the scheduled Annual General Meeting for consideration.
- 4.3. Nominations approved by the Board shall be distributed to State/Territory Authorities 28 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and include comments and recommendations from the Board.
- 4.4. The Nominator or Nominating authority member shall present the nomination for consideration at the Annual General Meeting.