

# **POLICY TITLE: LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

RELATED POLICIES:	Constitution
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:</b>	Chief Executive Officer Audit, Risk and Policy Committee
AUTHORITY:	Bowls Australia Board
APPLICABLE FORMS:	Life Membership Nomination Form
APPROVED:	May 2019
NEXT REVIEW DATE:	June, 2021

CONSTITUTION BOWLS AUSTRALIA LIMITED ACN: 076 229 699

20. Board Policies

20.1 Policies

20.1.1 The Board may from time to time as circumstances dictate, formulate, interpret, adopt, make, alter and amend Policies for the proper advancement, management and administration of Bowls Australia, the advancement of the Objects and bowls as it thinks necessary or desirable. Policies must (as far as practicable) be in conformity with the rules and regulations of WBL and must be consistent with this Constitution. Policies are binding on all Members.

20.1.2 The CEO shall bring to the notice of the Board and Members all Policies and any formulation, interpretation, amendment, alteration and repeal of them. Member States are obliged to draw such notices to the attention of Members in their States. Notices are binding upon all Members.

20.1.3 All Policies and regulations of the Company in force at the date of the approval of this Constitution insofar as such policies and regulations are not inconsistent with, or have been replaced by this Constitution, shall continue in force under this Constitution.

## 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 also be considered.
  - 2.2.1. Under these circumstances other criteria should also 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 external stakeholders.
  - 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 BA 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 BA Board at least two months prior to the scheduled Annual General Meeting for consideration.
- 4.3. Nominations approved by the BA 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 State/Territory Authority representative shall present the nomination for consideration at the Annual General Meeting.