



Policy and Procedures Relating to Constitution Section 5.5 Membership

Policy

The Constitution of the Queens Park Golf Club Inc. (the *Constitution*) requires the club to make or adopt a policy or policies for membership as follows:

- (i) the categories of Membership which exist;
- (ii) the criteria to be met by each category of Member; and
- (iii) the privileges and benefits of each category of Member in addition to those set out in this Constitution.

Further, the Association must keep a register of all Members in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 (Vic)* (the Act).

Categories of Members

1. Life Members

Constitution: -

Life Members, who subject to this Constitution, have the right to receive notice of, attend and vote at General Meetings

- Playing Life Member [*For GA & District purposes this category requires affiliation*]
 - Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - No annual subscription (Honorary)
 - Full playing rights for Club competitions
 - Access to GA Handicap (Golflink) if required.
- Non-Playing Life Member [*For GA & District purposes this category does not require affiliation*]
 - Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - No annual subscription (Honorary)
 - No playing rights
 - No access to GA Handicap (Golflink).

See **QPGC Life Member Policy** for detail regarding criteria and application process.

2. Individual Members

Constitution: -

Individual Members, who subject to the Constitution, have the right to receive notice of, attend and vote at General Meetings

- **Adult Member** *[For GA & District purposes this category requires affiliation]*
 - Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - Full playing rights for Club competitions
 - Access to GA Handicap (Golflink) if required
 - A Leave of Absence may be granted for any one year in certain circumstances, for example, a prolonged illness or temporary relocation when the intention is to return to play golf. This will not affect the members years of continuous membership.

3. Other Members

Constitution: -

Such other category of Member as may be created by the Directors. Any category of Member created by the Directors may not be granted voting rights.

- **Junior Member** *[For GA & District purposes this category requires affiliation]*
 - Must be Under 18 years old
 - Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - Is ineligible for election to the Board or to vote at a general meeting
 - Full playing rights for Club competitions
 - Access to GA Handicap (Golflink) if required
- **“My Golf” Junior Member** *[For GA & District purposes this category does not require affiliation]*
 - Must be in an active MyGolf Program at Queens Park Golf Club
 - Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - Is ineligible for election to the Board or to vote at a general meeting
 - Full playing rights for Club competitions (“MyGolf” participants are part of a national development program and therefore do not require insurance)
 - Not eligible for club championships and honour Board events.
- **Intermediate Member** *[For GA & District purposes this category requires affiliation]*
 - Must be between 18 and 25 years old

- Agree to comply with all conditions of Membership set out in section 5 of the Constitution
 - Full playing rights for all Club competitions
 - Access to GA Handicap (Golflink) if required.
- **Honorary Guest Members**
 - Open to any person competing in any inter-club match, tournament or game organised by the Club and taking place within the Club’s facilities
 - Open to any person who is an official of any other recognised Club and who is attending the Club’s premises in connection with any match, tournament or game
 - Open to any person over the age of 18 years who is a member of any Club which the Board may from time to time determine as providing reciprocal rights and benefits
 - Honorary guest members must abide by the Club’s constitution, policies and procedures
 - Honorary guest members are not entitled to vote at general meetings of the association, are not eligible for election to the Board and are not required to pay subscription fees to the Club.

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