



# MEMBERSHIP POLICY

## **Purpose**

Eltham Panthers Netball Club (EPNC) has created this Membership Policy to clearly identify who shall be considered members of EPNC.

## **Scope**

This Policy and Procedure has been developed for use by the Committee of EPNC.

## **Members**

The members of the EPNC include any person who supports the purposes of the Club, agrees to comply with the relevant Code of Conduct, and falls into one of the following categories:

### *Club Member*

- Players (over the age of 15)
- Coaches
- Parents of players who have completed an EPNC Registration Form, on behalf of their player(s)
- Committee Members
- Life Members

### *Associate Member*

- Any Club Member under the age of 15 years, or such person as determined by a Special Resolution of the members at a General Meeting

### *Life Member*

- Life Membership of the Club may be awarded to a person who:
  - a) is deemed by peers to have contributed to the club in a demonstrably outstanding manner over a significant period of time; and
  - b) has demonstrated exceptional contributions in a capacity (eg playing; coaching; administration) that has made a marked difference to the Club; and
  - c) has demonstrably enhanced the achievements, reputation, and harmony of the Club; and
  - d) has demonstrated personal qualities that distinguish the person as a role model

A nomination for Life Membership may be made by, or to, the Club Committee. The Club Committee shall review a nomination and if the nomination is accepted determine an appropriate occasion for the nominee to be awarded Life Membership.

### **Membership Fees**

For Club Members and Associate Members, there shall be no annual membership fee in addition to the Club Registration Fees (paid per season) and Netball Victoria Registration Fees (paid annually). Club fees are limited to players only and Netball Victoria Registration Fees to those who are required by Netball Victoria to be a member of Netball Victoria and pay their registration fee to participate as a player, coach or official.

### **Voting Members**

Under the Model Rules for an Incorporated Association (1), under which the Club is governed, a member is entitled to vote if:

- a) the member is a member other than an associate member; and
- b) more than 10 business days have passed since he or she became a member of the Association; and
- c) the member's membership rights are not suspended for any reason.

(1).

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