



POLICY NAME:	LIFE MEMBERSHIP POLICY
POLICY AREA:	MEMBER POLICY
DATE APPROVED:	SEPTEMBER 2018
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The award of Life Membership is the highest honour Triathlon ACT can bestow on an individual and is awarded in recognition of those who have made an outstanding contribution to the existence or effectiveness of the association during their membership. No more than one Life Membership will be awarded on an annual basis.

CRITERIA

Each nomination for Life Membership of Triathlon ACT should be considered on its individual merits. Decisions will be made on the basis of or having due regard to:

- Service to Triathlon ACT well above what is normally expected;
- Significant leadership within Triathlon ACT;
- Strong support for Triathlon ACT activities;
- Enhancement of the standing of Triathlon ACT in the community;
- Long association with the activities of Triathlon ACT;
- The duration of membership of Triathlon ACT

PROCESS

- (1) Triathlon ACT Board will call for nominations for life membership in the final month of the Financial Year preceding the AGM.
- (2) Nominations must reach the Board no later than the Board Meeting preceding the Annual General Meeting.
- (3) Any current financial member of Triathlon ACT may nominate any other current financial member for Life Membership, provided that the nomination is seconded by one other

financial member. If the nominee is a Board Member, they will not be involved in any aspect of the selection process.

- (4) Nominations must be submitted on the appropriate nomination forms. All nomination submissions must address the criteria for selection as outlined above.
- (5) The nomination must articulate the reasons why Life Membership is considered appropriate. Where possible, specific examples of work or involvement should be cited.
- (6) Nominations must be treated confidentially by the nominators and the Board.
- (7) The nominations will be discussed, and facts and claims included in the nominations will be verified where possible by the TACT Board Governance sub-committee prior to being presented to the Board. The Board at the meeting following receipt of the nominations and before the Annual General Meeting will agree on the nominations presented.
- (8) While each nomination is to be treated on its merits, the Board has the information as outlined in the Criteria above to use as guidelines. For the Board to send a nomination forward as a motion at the Annual General Meeting, the nomination must be supported by at least 75 percent of the membership of the Board. The Board's decision is final.
- (9) If the Board decides not to support a nomination for Life Membership, then the proposer and seconder of the motion will receive a written notification of the Board's decision, signed by the President of Triathlon ACT.
- (10) If the nomination is successful, then the President of Triathlon ACT will present the nomination at the Annual General Meeting for voting as per the Triathlon ACT Constitution.