



# SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA

## MEMBERSHIP POLICY

### THE RATIONALE

School Sport Victoria (SSV) is responsible for the organisation and administration of school sport for member schools at the Primary and Secondary level.

All schools located and registered within Victoria, are eligible to be members of School Sport Victoria. Member schools pay an annual membership fee to be affiliated with SSV. Additional local fees may apply to support the delivery of local level school sport events and competitions.

### THE POLICY

#### BECOMING A MEMBER OF SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA

To become an SSV member, a school must submit the SSV membership application form and accept the terms and conditions, according to their membership category, to the SSV Chief Executive Officer by the due date.

Notes:

1. All applications for all categories must be approved by the SSV Chief Executive Officer
2. Once membership has been granted by the SSV Chief Executive Officer, schools will be notified in writing and assigned, after discussion, to the relevant District (Primary) or Division (Secondary)
3. The relevant District or Division Coordinator will be notified
4. The Sports Coordinator/delegate of each school is required to accept shared responsibility for attending meetings and organising sport within the District/Division

Unless otherwise stated, closing dates for applications for the following year are:

Full Membership	30 June in the previous year
Associate Membership	30 June in the previous year
Affiliate Membership	1 March each year

#### SSV MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

SSV recognises individual schools as members. There are three (3) categories of SSV membership for schools:

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	DETAILS
<b>FULL MEMBERS</b>	
Qualifications	Any Government School
Voting Rights	Full voting rights at Special General Meetings as a single voting member provided that such rights are only able to be exercised by the Member's Nominee named in the Register
Benefits	See <a href="#">SSVMembershipBenefits2022.pdf</a>
<b>ASSOCIATE MEMBERS</b>	
Qualifications	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Non - Government Primary School; or</li><li>2. Non - Government Secondary School which:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2.1 does not participate in a regular school sport competition for students in year levels 7 to 12 conducted by another secondary school sport organisation/ association; and</li><li>2.2 is approved for admission to a Division as an Associate Member in accordance with the prescribed criteria.</li></ol></li></ol>

Voting Rights	Voting Rights: Full voting rights at Special General Meetings as a single voting member provided that such rights are only able to be exercised by the Member's Nominee named in the Register
Benefits	See <a href="#">SSVMembershipBenefits2022.pdf</a>
<b>AFFILIATE MEMBERS</b>	
Qualifications	Any Non - Government Secondary School that participates in a regular school sport competition for students in year levels 7 to 12 conducted by another secondary school sport organisation
Voting Rights	No voting rights at Special General Meetings
Benefits	See <a href="#">SSVMembershipBenefits2022.pdf</a>

## SSV MEMBERSHIP FEES

SSV membership is not a fee for service but rather an affiliation fee which provides a range of benefits for a member school and its students to access, whilst also supporting the overall role and operations of SSV.

SSV will publish the SSV membership fee on the SSV website by September for the following year. SSV will issue individual schools' invoices for the membership fee in Term 1 of the school sporting year. Payment terms are 30 days and are to be paid by the end of Term 1, for schools to access the range of benefits of SSV membership.

Schools are to advise SSV in writing where they decline SSV membership for the year. Where a school member has not paid their SSV membership by the due date, SSV reserves the right to withdraw students and schools from SSV competitions, events, trials and programs currently underway.

By paying the SSV membership fee, schools agree to abide by the Policies and Rules that govern SSV and its competitions. These rules and policies can be found on the SSV website.

In addition to the SSV membership fees, schools may be required to pay local fees to support the delivery of local level competitions, as agreed by the District/Division Committee.

## IMPLEMENTATION

1. This policy reflects current practice of SSV.
2. This policy can be found on the SSV website
3. All schools and all coordinators will be notified of any changes via the SSV website, Social Media and SSV eBulletin.

## ENDORSEMENT

This policy was endorsed by the Director, Statewide Services Branch, Department of Education and Training in [March 2022](#).

## REVIEW

This policy is due for review yearly.