

**KUNG FU WUSHU AUSTRALIA LIMITED**  
**State Member Association**  
**Ordinary and Associate Membership Criteria**

**So authorised by the Board to be effective from 1.1.11**

The following membership categories shall be recognised:

1. Ordinary (Full Voting) Member
2. Associate Member

**1. ORDINARY (FULL VOTING) MEMBER**

Full Membership confers voting rights and shall be open to the person who is the head of any martial arts school, organisation or club that represents a style or system that is wholly or largely based on a Chinese martial art or is an eclectic martial art with a significant component being based on Chinese martial arts. Said 'member's organisation' shall be a legally registered entity and shall agree to the following:

- a. the 'member's organisation' and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Martial Arts Industry Association's 'Code of Practise' and Risk Management Policy
- b. all instructors in the 'member's organisation' shall be accredited under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) or the National Martial Arts Instructors Scheme (NMAS)
- c. the 'member's organisation' and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Constitution of KWA and all Operational and policy documents so authorised by the Board
- d. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid), if engaged in competition, will be bound by the KWA Anti Doping Policy
- e. the member's organization will be insured under the MAIA/KWA members Public Liability/Professional Indemnity Policy (Underwritten by QBE Commercial) for a minimum of twenty million dollars public liability and five million dollars professional indemnity insurance.

An ordinary member's organisation shall have a verifiable minimum of twenty-five registered students.

## **2. ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

Associate Membership does not confer voting rights and shall be open to the person who is the head of any martial arts school, organisation or club that represents a style or system that is wholly or largely based on a Chinese martial art. Said members organisation shall be a legally registered entity and shall agree to the following:

- a. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Martial Arts Industry Association's 'Code of Practise' and Risk Management Policy
- b. all instructors in the member's organisation shall be accredited under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) or the National Martial Arts Instructors Scheme (NMAS)
- c. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Constitution of KWA and all Operational and policy documents so authorised by the Board
- d. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid), if engaged in competition, will be bound by the KWA Anti Doping Policy.
- e. Associate membership may also be granted to senior members and affiliate instructors of an Ordinary Member and also to persons qualifying as Community Instructors

## **3. MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTRATION AND ASSESSMENT**

- a. All membership criteria must be verified
- b. Any member who is unable to establish compliance with all Ordinary Membership criteria will deemed to be an Associate Member until the renewal form is lodged and criteria compliance is subsequently verified.
- c. With the exception of foundation members Ordinary and Associate Membership shall only be available to persons who are residents in the State or Territory applicable to the State/Territory Association to which they seek membership
- d. Members of a State Association may not also be members of another organisation deemed to be an 'unacceptable organisation' by the State Association, KWA, OWF or IWUF. KWA and its member State Associations deem an organisation to be 'unsuitable' if:
  - i. it is an organisation that misrepresents itself as body purporting to govern Chinese martial arts in Australia or
  - ii. is an organisation who in the opinion of KWA and its member State Associations has acted in a manner contrary to the interests of KWA and its member State associations
  - iii. is an organisation that is a member of an organisation that is or has acted in a manner to bring IWUF into disrepute or
  - iv. is an organisation that is a member of any organisation,

other than the Martial Arts Industry Association that purports to be the peak industry body for Martial arts in Australia.

e. A person or organisation will be denied membership of a State Association if it:

- i. is an organisation or a person that is before the IWUF Disciplinary and Appeals Committee
- ii. is an organisation or person who has been sanctioned or penalized by the IWUF Disciplinary and Appeals Committee
- iii. is an organisation or person who has been deemed by the Oceania Wushu Federation to be unsuitable as a member of an OWF member organisation or affiliate
- iv. is an organisation or person who does not provide any information and/or documents as may be deemed by the State Committee necessary to assess said organisation or person's membership application.
- v. ia an organisation that has in its membership a person or is a business entity effectively or largely controlled by a person who has been expelled from the KWA or any of its member State Associations or any of the previous National Representative Organisations