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## **Policy**

# **Memberships**

## **Version Control and Change History**

High level summary of change to the document

Version	Date from	Review Date	Amendment
1.0	Original	August 2019	Original version
2.0	September 2019	August 2020	Modifications to 3.3, 3.3.2, 3.3.3, in line with new Baseball SA registration system and capitation fee structure. Added Player Transfers and Regional Player reductions.
3.0	August 2020	December 2021	Modification to 3.3.2, in line with Baseball SA casual player policy. Removal of Part Time player option.
3.1	December 2021	August 2024	Modification to 7.3, 7.4. Added 7.9 Family Membership.
3.2	August 2024		Modification to 5. Refunds and 7.2 Player Life Member discount

#### 1. Purpose

The East Torrens Baseball Club Memberships Policy expresses the authority set out in the East Torrens Baseball Clubs Constitution and Bylaws regarding memberships, subscriptions, fees and levies.

#### 2. Roles and Responsibilities

Position Title: Executive Committee

- Ensure compliance with the Memberships Policy
- Provide guidance in relation to Memberships and this Policy
- Provide adjudication/judgement in relation to matters of this Memberships Policy
- Ensure the Membership Policy is maintained and updated as required

Position Title: Members

Ensure compliance with the Memberships Policy

#### 3. Policy Details

For the purposes of this Policy, a Senior and Youth Player will be classified as per the Baseball SA Bylaws, Section 2 Terminology.

### 3.1 Memberships

The types of memberships are described in the East Torrens Baseball Club Bylaws Section 5.1.



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#### 3.1.1.Senior Player

A senior player shall be deemed a Playing Member under Section 5.6 of the East Torrens Baseball Club Bylaws and receive full member privileges when the requirements specified in Section 3.3.1 of this Policy have been met.

#### 3.1.2. Youth (Junior) Player

As per Section 17 of the East Torrens Baseball Club Constitution any Youth Player eligible to vote will be deemed a Playing Member under Section 5.6 of the East Torrens Baseball Club Bylaws and received full member privileges when the requirements of Section 3.3.1 of this Policy have been met. Where a Youth Player is unable to vote under Section 17 of the East Torrens Baseball Club Constitution an Associate Membership, Section 5.7 of the East Torrens Baseball Club Bylaws, will be granted to one parent or guardian of the youth player when the requirements of Section 3.3.1 of this Policy have been met.

#### 3.1.3. Non-Playing

A Non-Playing member is entitled to one Associate Membership with the payment of the relevant fees. This includes Non-playing coaches and volunteers.

#### 3.2 Membership Fees

The membership fees are set annually by the East Torrens Baseball Club Executive Committee as per Clause 9 of the Constitution.

Each membership fee has the following components included;

- National (Included in Baseball SA Capitation Fee and covers National Insurance)
- Baseball SA (set by Baseball SA and covers the administration of the League)
- East Torrens Baseball Club (set by the Executive Committee)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Levies (set by the Executive Committee)

#### 3.3 Registration and Payments

All registrations and payments are to be made via the approved Baseball SA Membership Portal.

Where a membership is upgraded, the member shall be invoiced with fees to be paid in accordance with the payment terms outlined on the invoice.



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#### 3.3.1. Full Time Player

In order to take the field and represent the East Torrens Baseball Club in a sanctioned Baseball SA game/event a player must have paid the following;

- Baseball SA Capitation Fee
- East Torrens Baseball Club Component
- East Torrens Baseball Club Levies

#### 3.3.2. Casual Player

A person can participate as a Casual Player for the East Torrens Baseball Club. A casual player can only participate in up to 3 games in a season before they are classified as a Full-Time Player. In order to take the field and represent the East Torrens Baseball Club in a sanctioned Baseball SA game/event the player must have paid the following;

- Baseball SA Capitation Fee (Casual 3 Game Pass Capitation)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Casual Player 3 Game Pass Fee

Before a casual player can participate in their Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) game, they must upgrade to and have paid the following;

- Baseball SA Capitation Fee (Full Senior Player Capitation)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Full Time Player as per clause 3.3.1

A senior player as described in Section 3.1.1, representing the East Torrens Baseball Club in Divisions one (1) through to three (3) are ineligible under this section.

#### 4. Payment Plans

A member can apply to the Executive Committee for an exemption to the required East Torrens Baseball Club Component of the fees, including any levies and enter into a payment agreement. All requests must be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee prior to participating in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) game played. Payments plans are only permitted on the East Torrens Baseball Club component and levies, the Baseball SA Capitation fees must be paid in full prior to participation in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) game.

Before any participation in games can occur, an Enforceable Payment Agreement must be signed by both the Club and the player or parent/guardian in the case of a youth player and forwarded to the Assistant Treasurer (registrations@etbc.com.au).



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Failure to comply with the Enforceable Payment Agreement will result in the membership being deemed as unfinancial.

#### 5. Refunds

In the event a registered member of the Club cannot continue their full membership, refunds will be applicable under the following circumstances.

- A player does not play a game, a full refund of the East Torrens fees will be refunded excluding any transactions fees, or levies.
- A player plays one, two or three games, a refund of the difference between the East Torrens
   3 game pass and East Torrens full season fees will be refunded, excluding any transaction fees, or levies.

In the event a registered member of the Club cannot continue their full membership, a refund will not be applicable under the following circumstances

• A player plays four or more games, no refund of any fees will apply.

No refund will be applicable to 3 game passes.

Refunds outside of this scope for membership breeches or termination will be managed in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the East Torrens Baseball Club.

Any refund of the Baseball SA component will need to be put in writing, endorsed by the ETBC Committee and then forwarded to Baseball SA for consideration as per the Baseball SA refund policy.

#### 6. Player Transfers

A player may choose to transfer to East Torrens Baseball Club from another club. Unless otherwise directed by the Executive Committee it is the responsibility of the Player to apply for, and pay any costs associated with the transfer before registering with the East Torrens Baseball Club as a Player in any capacity under section 3.3 of this policy.

#### 7. Membership Fee Reductions

The following reductions on Membership Fees and Levies applies.

#### 7.1 Life Members

All fees and levies including those associated with Baseball Australia and Baseball SA will be waived.



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## 7.2 Player Life Members

Player Life Members of the East Torrens Baseball Club will be required to pay the following;

- Baseball SA Capitation Fee
- East Torrens Baseball Club Component (with a 50% discount applied)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Levies

#### 7.3 Executive Committee Members

An Executive Committee member who registers as a player will be required to pay the following;

Baseball SA Capitation Fee

The East Torrens Component and all Levies will be waived.

Where an Executive Committee member does not play, they will be granted an Associate Membership with all fee's associated waived. If a Non-Playing Executive Committee Member has Juniors playing, then a 100% reduction can be applied to the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component of their Membership Fees, including any levies. Where multiple family members are on Executive and/or Management Committees, only the membership fee reduction with the greater value will apply.

#### 7.4 Management Committee Members

A Management Committee member who registers as a player will be required to pay the following;

- Baseball SA Capitation Fee
- East Torrens Baseball Club Component (with a 20% discount applied)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Levies

Where a Management Committee member does not play, they will be granted an Associate Membership with all fee's associated waived. If a Non-Playing Management Committee Member has Juniors playing, then a 50% reduction can be applied to the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component of their Membership Fees, excluding any levies. Where multiple family members are on Executive and/or Management Committee, only the membership fee reduction with the greater value will apply.

#### 7.5 Playing Head Coaches

A Playing Head Coach will be required to pay the following;

Baseball SA Capitation Fee



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- East Torrens Baseball Club Component (with a 50% discount applied)
- East Torrens Baseball Club Levies

#### 7.6 Non-Playing Head Coaches

A Non-Playing Head Coach will be granted an Associate Membership with all fee's associated waived. If a Non-Playing Head Coach has juniors playing, then a 50% reduction can be applied to the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component of their Membership Fees, excluding any levies.

#### 7.7 Multiple Head Coaches

Where multiple head coaches have been appointed to a single team, both head coaches will be eligible for a 50% reduction in the applicable membership fee reduction under Section 7 of this Policy. The remaining 50% payable will be the responsibility of the Head Coaches.

#### 7.8 Multiple Youth Players

Where a family has more than two (2) players participating in a youth team at the East Torrens Baseball Club the following reductions will apply.

- Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) player; 75% reduction of the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component, excluding any levies.
- Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) player; 100% reduction of the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component, excluding any levies.

#### 7.9 Family Membership

Where a family has registered two (2) or more senior players and two (2) or more juniors players in teams at the East Torrens Baseball Club the following reduction will apply.

 100% reduction of the youngest child's East Torrens Baseball Club Component, excluding any levies.

## 7.10 Regional Players

A Player residing in a regional location (considered as 200kms from the Adelaide CBD) and travels to participate in games for the East Torrens Baseball Club is required to register as a Full Time Player and pay associated costs as per Section 3.3.1.

Where a Regional member has registered as a;



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• Full Time player, a 50% reduction off the East Torrens Baseball Club component and associated levies will apply.

## 7.11 Multiple Membership Fee Reductions

Where a person is eligible for more than one Membership Fee reductions the reduction with the greater value will be applied.

#### 8. Matters Not Dealt With

Any matter of any kind whatsoever not dealt with or provided for in this Membership Policy may be dealt with, in such manner as the ETBC Committee may deem fit.

### 9. Appendices

1. <u>Enforceable Payment Agreement Form</u>

#### 10. References

Nil

#### 11. Supporting Documents

- 1. East Torrens Baseball Club Constitution
- 2. East Torrens Baseball Club Bylaws
- 3. Baseball SA Bylaws