



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete the details below and return the completed membership application form with the fee of \$10 (Ordinary Member) / \$5 (Associate Member).

Note that one form per **ADULT INDIVIDUAL** needs to be completed.

The fee can be paid direct by EFT to;

Bank: **Westpac**

BSB: **036-125**

Account: **429753**

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY (CIRCLE) ORDINARY OR ASSOCIATE (SEE OVER PAGE)

Name of Adult Individual:		
Christian Name:	Surname:	
Residential Address:	Postcode:	
Postal Address:	Postcode:	
Landline Phone:	Mobile:	
Email:		
Is there a relationship to a person supported by GIFSA?	Yes	No
Supported Person's Name:	Relationship (circle) Son / Daughter / Nephew / Niece / Friend / Other: _____	
Adult Individual Signature :		

A: Executive Services		B: Financial Services	
Board Meeting:	Date:	Receipt No:	Date:
Status:	Approved <input type="checkbox"/>	Not Approved <input type="checkbox"/>	
Signed CEO:	Signed Finance Officer:		

NOTE: Membership terms & conditions as per constitution is on the reverse side

GIFSA Membership Summary

Member Types: Ordinary / Associate / Honorary / Life

5. Membership

5.1 "Ordinary Members" of the Association shall be those **adult individuals** who have;
"Ordinary Membership" (Member) means an individual who is entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting.

5.1.1 completed a valid written application to the Association and;

5.1.2 made payment of the annual Membership fee to the Association and;

5.1.3 been accepted by a majority of the Board and;

5.1.4 are not paid employees of the Association.

5.2 "Associate Members" shall be those **adult individuals** who have;
"Associate Membership" (Member) means an individual who is entitled to attend Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings but is not entitled to vote at such meetings.

5.2.1 completed a valid written application to the Association and;

5.2.2 are paid employees of the Association;

5.2.3 been accepted by a majority of the Board and;

5.2.4 made payment of 50% of the Ordinary Membership fee.

5.3 For voting rights at the Annual General Meeting, Members must be financial and have been a Member for **at least three months prior** to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

5.4 An individual Member may renew their Membership each year by the payment of the relevant annual Membership fee determined by the Board from time to time, **renewable on the 1st July for the 12 month period 1st July to 30th June inclusive.**

5.5 An Ordinary Member shall have one vote at the Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting of the Association. An Associate Member may attend but is **ineligible to vote** at either meeting.

5.6 The Board may grant Life Membership to any person as and when it decides.
"Life Membership" means the granting to an individual of Membership for life, without the requirement to pay Membership fees, usually for extraordinary services to the Association.

5.7 The Board may grant Honorary Membership to such persons for such period on such terms as it may decide.

5.8 On behalf of the Association, the Secretary shall keep and maintain a register of Members of Association and their postal or residential address.

5.9 Any Member may at any reasonable time inspect without charge the register of Members and may make a copy or take an extract from the register but have no right to remove the register for that purpose.

5.10 Termination of Membership

5.10.1 A person ceases to be a Member if that person resigns, or if by reason of illness, absences, or any other reason, the Board is of the opinion that that person has ceased to be an effective Member. The Member has a right of appeal to a Special General Meeting of the Association as detailed in clause 5.10.3.

5.10.2 Procedure for Appeal against Cancellation or Suspension of Membership;

(a) the aggrieved Member must give notice of their appeal to the Secretary within seven (7) days of the cancellation or suspension of their Membership.

(b) the Secretary must convene a Special General Meeting in accordance with Clause 7.3.

(c) the Secretary must notify the aggrieved person of the reasons for cancellation or suspension of their Membership at least seven (7) days before the Special General Meeting.

(d) at the Special General Meeting, the aggrieved person must be given the opportunity to respond to allegations made against him.

(e) A motion to uphold the Appeal must be passed by a majority of Members present before an appeal is successful.

5.10.3 Membership of any Member may be cancelled or suspended on any terms at a Special General Meeting called for that purpose, provided the Member is offered the opportunity to respond to allegations made against him.

5.11 A Member may be expelled from either an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting if a motion to that effect is duly authorized by a majority of those Members present and eligible to vote.

5.12 An application for Membership or Associate Member of the Association may be refused at a Board Meeting by a motion to that effect supported by a majority of the Board Directors present. Where an application for membership is refused by the Board, the membership fee paid shall be refunded.