

Registered Club Regulations

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Membership and continuing Membership of TTGF is a privilege and not a right. Although Membership is open to all members of society, acceptance by TTGF of an application to become a member or renew Membership is not automatic. TTGF has an absolute discretion, without giving any reason for the refusal, to refuse membership to any person applying to TTGF subject only to any restrictions applying by law to the exercise of its discretion.

- 1. These regulations apply to all clubs which have been accepted and registered by TTGF as Registered Clubs following submission of TTGF Registration Forms for the year commencing 1st September, or for any part of that financial year, and to any Club which may in future be accepted and registered as a Registered Club. These Regulations shall be included within the meaning of "Policies and Rules of TTGF" as used in TTGF Club Registration Form.
- 2. Any references in the text of Club Registration Form or elsewhere to "TTGF Club Membership" or to the "affiliation" of a Club shall be interpreted as referring to the registration of a club as a TTGF Registered Club.
- 3. The definitions and rules of interpretation contained in the **TTGF Constitution** shall apply to these Registered Clubs Regulations. NOTE: References to those "associated with a Club" includes, in accordance with those definitions, all those described by the Club as its members, those employed by it, its committee, officers and those involved in its operation or management, all gymnasts and coaches participating in its activities and any person owning or having any financial interest in the club.
- 4. A club shall become a Registered Club only when its application, in a form prescribed by TTGF, has been accepted by TTGF and the name of the club entered in the register maintained by TTGF. TTGF will notify clubs in writing if and when they have been accepted and registered. No club shall be registered as a Registered Club unless the Mandatory Declaration on Club Registration Form has been signed by a duly authorized official.
- Each Registered Club shall
 - a) Comply with the TTGF Standards of Conduct from time to time so far as it is possible for a person or organisation which is not an individual to do so.
 - b) Require that each person or organisation associated with the Club shall comply with those Standards of Conduct and accept the jurisdiction of TTGF when involved in TTGF regulated gymnastic activities. "TTGF regulated activities" means any activity controlled or operated by TTGF, by any TTGF Affiliated Association, Registered Club or Member and shall include activities controlled or operated by any FIG/PAGU registered country or other gymnastic associations in which Registered Clubs participate
 - c) Affiliate to any National Affiliated Association covering the area in which the Club locates its principal training venue. A club shall not affiliate to more than one National Association.
 - d) Ensure that it has one or more designated welfare officer(s) and that TTGF has been notified of the particulars of the welfare officer(s).
 - e) Ensure that all members of the Club (as defined above) are either a Member or an Associate Member of TTGF and continue to be so for as long as they remain members of the Club.
- 6. Each Registered Club shall pay an annual TTGF registration fee due on the 1st September. The scale of registration fees shall be set for each year by the Council. If no scale has been set for any year commencing 1st September by 31 July in that year the fees in the scale for the previous year shall continue to apply.
- 7. Unless and until a Club gives written notice to TTGF that it wishes, from a date to be specified clearly in that notice, to cease to be a Registered Club (or until its registration is terminated by TTGF) it shall remain as a Registered Club and shall remain subject to all Regulations applicable to Registered Clubs until the notified date of termination.

- 8. If a Registered Club ceases or gives notice that it will cease to be registered for any reason it shall:
 - a) At the earliest possible time notify all those associated with the Club (including for this purpose the parents of each minor gymnast or coach associated with the Club) that
 - (i) It has ceased or will cease to be a Registered Club
 - (ii) That any individual memberships of TTGF held by those associated with the Club will in future need to be renewed either directly with TTGF or through another Registered Club.
 - (iii) Advise all those associated with the Club of the contact details for the nearest four Registered Clubs.
 - b) On and from the date they cease to be registered discontinue all use of TTGF branded materials and shall not represent itself to any person as having any association with TTGF. This Regulation shall continue to apply after the Club ceases to be registered.
- 9. If a Club ceases to exist or fails to comply with its obligations under Regulation 8 those Members of TTGF involved in the coaching and management of the Club shall be personally responsible jointly and severally for ensuring that the notifications required by Regulation 8 sub-paragraph (a) are promptly given.
- 10. Without limiting the generality of Regulation 7, a club that remains a Registered Club at 1st September in any year shall be liable to pay the fees for the year commencing on that 1st September as described in Regulation 6.
- 11. Each Registered Club shall maintain a register of every member of that club and shall ensure that such register is kept up to date. Such register shall contain such information as the Club deems necessary for the conduct of its affairs, but must contain the name, address, date of birth and sex of the member, the disciplines(s) they participate in, whether their participation is competitive or recreational and must declare the date upon which the member joined the Club. In the case of Competitive Gymnasts: The Club shall permit any authorised representative of TTGF to inspect the register and provide copies to them upon request. The Club shall comply with all its obligations under Data Protection legislation.
- 12. Each Registered Club seeking sponsorship from TTGF shall submit their proposal to Council in writing; to include their budget and a copy of their financials as requested by Council for consideration. These Records shall be kept confidential.
- 13. Ministerial and Public Funding: TTGF has been mandated by the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs (M.S.Y.A) to instruct all members and ensure that ALL applications for sponsorship and funding to the MSYA be submitted with all relevant documents to the TTGF; for inclusion in its annual Ministerial Subvention Request. The MSYA acknowledges that its website and official print copy are misleading and have caused confusion in the past in this regard. ALL Member Clubs are reminded that this MSYA Policy is in full effect and disregard or non-compliance, may lead to suspension of MSYA support for the TTGF and suspension of the affecting club or member for up to one year from all TTGF privileges and activities.
- 14. Each Registered Club shall:
 - a) At each annual renewal date, declare every member of the club to TTGF in the form required by TTGF no later than 30 days following the annual renewal date.
 - b) Declare to TTGF every additional member joining the Club throughout the year in the form required by TTGF, no later than five working days following the end of the month in which the member joined the
 - c) If it enrolls members under the age of five, ensure that at least one club coach holds an appropriate Pre-School Coaching Award.