



**VOLLEYBALL**  
**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

# **2021 Individual Membership Guide**

## Welcome to the Family

Thank you for considering becoming a member of Volleyball WA. This pack aims to serve as a guide to the types of membership you can choose, providing information about the services available and the process to register.

Volleyball WA (VWA) is the governing body of Volleyball in Western Australia, striving to develop our sport at all levels. Our mission is to 'promote healthy lifestyles through volleyball, facilitating safe opportunities for fun exercise'. We believe that volleyball in WA is underpinned by the following values that drive our priorities and initiatives: family, respect, growth, wellbeing, inclusivity and accessibility.

This guide provides information about Volleyball WA Memberships that can be purchased through the Volleyball WA Member Portal, which include Platinum, Gold and Bronze Memberships.

Volleyball is a world sport that can be played anywhere; indoor outdoor, on the beach, in the park or even in the pool! We are passionate about the opportunities that the sport can provide and we hope that you enjoy your volleyball experience.



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## Why Become a Member of Volleyball WA?

Volleyball WA (VWA) is the governing body of Volleyball in Western Australia, striving to develop our sport at all levels. It is a requirement that anyone playing Volleyball in Western Australia has a valid Membership with VWA. As identified in this document, there are several VWA Membership options available to anyone wishing to play Volleyball.

### **The difference between a Club Membership and a Volleyball WA Membership**

Volleyball Clubs and Associations are required to hold a current Affiliation status with Volleyball WA to permit them to conduct volleyball activities in Western Australia.

Volleyball Clubs/Association make decisions and set their own fees and they are payable directly to them and are separate to the VWA Membership Fees.

Volleyball Clubs/Association fees are generally set to cover costs associated with the delivery of volleyball such as venue hire, equipment, coaching fees and administrative costs.

To understand more about your Club/Association fees please contact them directly.

Annual VWA Memberships are purchased directly through the VWA Member Portal (from the VWA website). During this process you can identify the Club/Association you will be playing for during the year, this allows VWA to pass your details onto your chosen Club/Association to assist them in their administration.

### **Access to events and competitions**

Volleyball Australia, Volleyball WA and its Affiliates (Clubs and Associations) provide a wide range of events and activities for all skill levels. The sliding scale of VWA membership has therefore been developed dependent upon the level of events and activities that you may wish to participate in.

### **Insurance**

Personal Accident Insurance (whilst participating in VWA sanctioned events and activities) is available for our Platinum and Gold. Further information about Personal Accident Insurance can be found on the VWA website, [www.volleyballwa.com.au/about-us/](http://www.volleyballwa.com.au/about-us/)

### **Player Development**

The Volleyball FTEM (Fundamentals, Talent, Elite & Mastery) pathway aims to provide a range of access points for volleyball players of all ages and abilities. As a member of VWA you will be able to access programs and pathways (where applicable), including:

- Kid Volley - Spikezone programs
- Junior Volley programs
- Discover Volleyball activities
- Junior development initiatives
- State Team trials & selection

## Referee and Coach Development

Coaches and Referees can access specific development opportunities with support from VWAs Development Coordinator (development@volleyballwa.com.au).

These include:

- Volleyball Australia Coach and Referee courses (Online and face to face)
- Accreditation guidance (including Recognition of Prior Learning)
- Mentoring support
- Observational opportunities
- Resources and information sessions
- Presenter development

VWA wishes to ensure that education is accessible locally and is working with the regional affiliates to establish Education Hubs. Volleyball Australia is progressing towards offering all education courses online.

## Sponsor Benefits

The following sponsor benefits and promotions are available to members (dependent on the level of membership):

- Free access to a Four (4) Week Strength & Conditioning Program from Diamond Fitness.
- From Star Physiotherapy
  - Subsidised annual screening for all VWA athletes;
  - 10% discount on Consultation fees;
  - Priority emergency appointments.
- Discounted rates for Volleyball Australia Coach and Referee education courses
- Discount rates for purchases from the VWA Volleyshop

## Membership Categories

The term of individual membership begins on April 1 and expires on March 31 the following year. At any point, members are able to upgrade to a higher membership category (fees will apply) to access additional services and benefits. The VWA Individual Memberships are based on access to services and benefits.

Individuals can purchase the following Membership Categories:

- Platinum Membership
- Gold Membership
- Bronze ATABT Membership

### Platinum Membership

Suitable for players who wish to access the full range of VWA competitions and programs including full benefits and services. Personal Accident Insurance (tier two) for volleyball related activities is included as well as access to Diamond Fitness Strength and Conditioning program. Platinum Membership for Adults \$101, for Under 19 \$81.

## Gold Membership

Suitable for those players who wish to access social / recreational activities only. Personal Accident Insurance (tier three) for volleyball related activities is included. Gold Membership for Adults \$33, for Under 19 \$28.

## Bronze ATABT Membership

Suitable to individuals who want to play one event of the Alcohol.Think Again Beach Tour (ATABT series). An individual can only purchase this membership once and if they wish to play in more than one event a Platinum Membership must be purchased. The cost is \$30.

## Want to be more involved?

### Coaching

Coaching volleyball is a rewarding experience as you watch individual athletes evolve into a team. The Volleyball Australia coaching framework is made up of four levels, the first of which is an online course. To find out how to gain your coaching accreditation, contact [development@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:development@volleyballwa.com.au)

Coaching opportunities exist throughout the sport, from club through to national level, dependent on your level of qualification. VWA currently employ coaches to deliver Kid Volley - Spikezone and School Volley / Sporting Schools programs. To find out more contact [juniors@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:juniors@volleyballwa.com.au)

### Refereeing

Referees are essential to the sport and VWA has a pool of paid referees for competitions and events. The Volleyball Australia referee framework is made up of four levels, the first of which is an online course. To find out how to gain your referee accreditation, contact [development@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:development@volleyballwa.com.au)

### Committees, Working Groups and Advisory Panels

VWA welcomes involvement from all members in the decision making process, including representation on the numerous committees and working groups. These include:

- Beach committee
- Coaching committee
- High Performance Review Group
- Indoor committee
- Junior committee
- Lead Volley Panel
- Referee committee
- Risk Management Working Group

To find out more please contact the VWA office [info@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:info@volleyballwa.com.au)

## Event Staff

VWA is always looking for fresh faces to fill casual positions on the Alcohol.Think Again Beach Tour (ATABT) over the summer months, as well as WAVL and WAVJL over the winter months. Positions available include:

- Tournament Director - providing onsite management and administration, hours may vary between 20 to 25 hours per event/weekend.
- Assistant Tournament Director – providing support to the Tournament Director, hours required are similar to Tournament Director
- Set Up Coordinator (Beach only) – managing set up and pack down of the tournament including; Marquees, Court Signage, Courts and nets. The role requires some early starts and hours of work may vary between 4 to 10 hours per event
- Set up and pack down crew (Beach only) – assist the Set Up Coordinator with similar hours.

## Office Volunteers / Work Placements

If you would like to gain more office / sport experience, VWA have a range of opportunities that may be of interest. This includes:

- Club development
- Event management
- History & Record collation
- Leadership
- Marketing
- Media
- Risk management

Individual programs can also be tailored as required. Opportunities are subject to suitability and office availability. For more information please contact [operations@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:operations@volleyballwa.com.au)

## Member Protection

The provision of safe activities and environments for all is our priority.

### Codes of Behaviour

VWA 'Codes of Behavior / Codes of Conduct' form the basis of appropriate and ethical conduct by which everyone must abide by. These codes are referenced in the suite of VWA Member Protection Policies, which are available on the Volleyball WA website.

### Working with Children Check

Please note; if you are engaged in 'child related work' within volleyball (paid or voluntary) you will be required to complete a Working with Children Check (unless exemptions apply). If you are unsure of what this entails please contact [development@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:development@volleyballwa.com.au) or visit <https://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au/>

## Risk Management

VWA adopts a structured and consistent approach to assess and treat all types of risk, at all levels and for all VWA activities. The effective management of risk is a collective responsibility and members are encouraged to report any potential risks or concerns to the VWA office.

VWA has a range of policies and procedures on the website, which have been developed to meet legislative requirements and / or achieve best practice. It is the responsibility of the member to ensure that they have read and understood the VWA policies and procedures that relate to them. For assistance with policies and procedure content please contact [operations@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:operations@volleyballwa.com.au)

It is a requirement of membership that members follow all competition rules and regulations. For assistance please contact [competitions@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:competitions@volleyballwa.com.au) or [stateteams@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:stateteams@volleyballwa.com.au)

## Non-Compliance

By becoming a VWA member, members are bound under the Constitution and policies of VWA. VWA is under no obligation to continue the membership should the member fail to uphold their membership agreement.

Termination of membership, either by VWA or the member, will mean the member will no longer enjoy the rights and privileges of membership from the date of termination.

Please note, membership will be placed on hold should the member become un-financial (owe money to Volleyball Australia, VWA or one of its affiliates) and will not be reinstated until the debt has been cleared. During this period the member will not be able to access any of the membership benefits or services.



## How to Purchase your Volleyball WA Membership

All VWA Memberships detailed in this guide can be purchased from the VWA Member portal. Anyone who wishes to be a member of VWA must first obtain access to the VWA Member Portal.

Membership Payment is made at the time of purchase by using either Visa or Mastercard. If you need an alternative payment method please contact the Volleyball office for assistance.

If you have purchased the wrong membership or you no longer wish to be a member of VWA please contact the office as soon as possible. A refund will only be given if the membership benefits or services have not been accessed.

### VWA Member Portal (NEW Members)

The VWA Member Portal allows members to buy memberships, sign up to education courses and connect with their Clubs/Associations. New Members to VWA must first create their own VWA Member Portal. Follow the steps outlined below:

- **Step One:** To create a profile and gain access to the VWA Member Portal [CLICK HERE](#) or go to [www.volleyballwa.com.au](http://www.volleyballwa.com.au)
- **Step Two:** Provide your details on Volleyball WA Member Portal Registration Form, then click Submit.
- **Step Three:** You should be redirected to the Volleyball WA Member Portal.
- **Step Four:** Login to the portal using your email address and the password as set by you on the Portal Registration Form. You can then proceed to the next steps outlined below.

### Renewing or purchasing VWA Memberships

We are excited that you are joining Volleyball WA for a new season of Volleyball.

- **Step One:** Sign into your VWA Member Portal [CLICK HERE](#) or go to [www.volleyballwa.com.au](http://www.volleyballwa.com.au)
- **Step Two:** Identify your membership level from the Quick Menu Guide on your VWA Member Portal and follow the onscreen prompts.
- **Step Three:** When payment is completed, a second pop up screen called "Club Registration Page" will appear. It is here that you identify your Club or Association. This step in the process links your profile to your chosen Club/Association so that they can contact you directly about your membership with them. Be sure to scroll to the bottom of this page and click Save.
- **Step Four:** If you have not done so yet, re-register directly with your Club/Association. Remember your VWA membership is separate to your Club/Association Membership.
- **Step Five:** Enjoy and Play Volleyball!

## Volleyball WA Membership Agreement

I hereby agree to the following terms & conditions upon participating in any Volleyball Western Australian (VWA) program, event and / or activity. As a registered member of VWA and by accepting these terms and conditions:

- I undertake at all times to represent myself in a way that will not bring myself, VWA, Volleyball Australia or the sport of volleyball as a whole into disrepute.
- I undertake to abide by the guidelines as included in the Volleyball Australia and VWA Member Protection Policy and Codes of Conduct.
- I have read and understood and agree to abide by the Australian National Anti-Doping Policy, effective from 1 January 2021, and found on the Sport Integrity Australia website (<https://www.sportintegrity.gov.au/what-we-do/anti-doping/world-anti-doping-code/australian-national-anti-doping-policy>) being the anti-doping policy adopted by Volleyball Australia and applicable to all members, participants and non-participants.
- I acknowledge that there are risks involved in playing volleyball and agree to indemnify VWA and / or their volunteers and employees from liability for any injury or loss suffered whilst participating in activities involving VWA and its affiliates. I confirm that I am physically and mentally capable of playing volleyball.
- I acknowledge that VWA will not be responsible for any financial loss or damage or injury that I may incur whilst playing volleyball. I understand that VWA has Personal Accident Insurance coverage for individual members (dependent on the level of membership cover) whilst participating in VWA sanctioned events. I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that I have adequate additional insurance cover for all my personal needs.
- I understand that my personal information will only be used in accordance with the objects and purposes of VWA and in relation to its data-base. I also acknowledge that my personal information will be passed on to Volleyball Australia as the peak governing body for the sport in Australia.
- I hereby authorise and grant VWA or their sanctioned agents the right to use my name, voice, likeness and biographical material for the limited purposes of publicising, promoting and advertising the program and for filming, televising and broadcasting, web casting, broadband and related IP/TCP internet presentations of the same.
- I hereby give VWA permission to publish any images (photographs / videos) taken of me on the VWA Website, Facebook or any other public forum where the association decides to promote the image, unless I have notified VWA otherwise in writing
- I hereby give VWA or their sanctioned agents the right to make use and show, from time to time and at its discretion, motion pictures, live, taped or filmed television and video footage through any medium including digital and internet protocols of the player taken during the program without further compensation and hereby waive any right to such compensation for player and their heirs.
- I agree to meet my financial obligations under any agreements entered into with VWA
- I understand that this is an agreement between myself, VWA and their sanctioned agents to abide to these terms and the relevant VWA Regulations, Policies and Procedures, and that they may be subject to sanctions if they have been found to be in breach of these Terms & Conditions

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