



**VOLLEYBALL**  
**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

# 2024 Individual Membership Guide

## Message from the CEO

Welcome to the Volleyball Community!

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 'support Western Australian communities to play the world sport of volleyball in an inclusive and fun environment'. We believe that volleyball in WA is underpinned by the following values that drive our priorities and initiatives: Inclusivity & Accessibility, Health & Wellbeing, Community and Respect.

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

VWA is managed by a Board of Directors, whose role is to translate member needs into a future direction for the sport with help from the VWA staff. Managed by the Chief Executive Officer, staff are split into the following sections:

- Administration and Support
- Marketing and Communications
- Participation
- Pathways
- Competitions

Further information about the Board and the staff can be found on the VWA website, [www.volleyballwa.com.au](http://www.volleyballwa.com.au)

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 and 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 and Association fees are generally set to cover costs associated with the delivery of volleyball such as venue hire, equipment and uniforms, coaching fees and administrative costs.
- To understand more about your Club or Association fees please contact them directly.

Annual VWA Memberships (begins 1 April and expires 31 March) 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, Gold and Bronze members.

### 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 Education Coordinator ([education@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:education@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 provide learning and development opportunities.

### **Sponsor Benefits**

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

- From Star Physiotherapy
  - Subsidised annual screening for all VWA state 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 Volleysop
- Access to 15% off Best Available Rate at Metro Hotel Perth

### **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
- WAVJL Membership (Junior League only)
- Bronze ATABT One Event Membership
- Technical Membership (Free for coaches and referees)

### **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 for volleyball related activities. Platinum Membership for Adults \$117, for Under 19 \$95.

### **WAVJL Membership**

Suitable for those Under 19 players who wish to access the Junior League competition only (WAVJL). Personal Accident Insurance for WAVJL training is included. WAVJL for Under 19 \$74.

## Gold Membership

Suitable for those players who wish to access social / recreational activities only. Personal Accident Insurance for volleyball related activities is included. Gold Membership for Adults \$39, for Under 19 \$33.

## Bronze ATABT One Event Membership

Suitable for 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. Personal Accident Insurance is included for the event only. Please call the VWA office to purchase this membership. The cost is \$37.

## Technical Membership/Life Membership

This is a free membership assigned to active and accredited coaches and referees through the member portal. Volunteers are also eligible for this membership; however, they must be listed on the Club/Association Affiliation Application Form. This membership provides Personal Accident and Professional Indemnity Assurance during volleyball related activities.

## Want to be more involved?

### Coaching

Coaching volleyball is a rewarding experience as you assist both individual athletes and teams in reaching their goals. The Volleyball Australia coaching framework is made up of four levels, the first of which is an online course. To find out how to obtain your coaching accreditation, contact [education@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:education@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) or [schools@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:schools@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 obtain your referee accreditation, contact [education@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:education@volleyballwa.com.au)

## Committees, Working Groups, Networks 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
- High Performance Review Group
- WAVL Review committee
- Junior committee
- Lead Volley Youth Network
- Referee Committee

- Audit Management Committee
- Risk Management Committee
- Reconciliation Working Group
- Places to Play Working Group

Expressions of interests are requested annually. To find out more please contact the VWA office [administration@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:administration@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 day/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 [administration@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:administration@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 of Conduct can be found on the VWA website by [Clicking Here](#).

## 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 [administration@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:administration@volleyballwa.com.au) or visit <https://workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au/>

To learn more about Child Safeguarding click on the following Policies [Child Safeguarding Policy](#) and [Working with Children Check Policy](#)

## 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 <https://volleyballwa.com.au/about-us/policies/> which have been developed to meet legislative requirements and / or achieve best practice.

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), [indoor@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:indoor@volleyballwa.com.au) or [beach@volleyballwa.com.au](mailto:beach@volleyballwa.com.au)

## Non-Compliance

By becoming a VWA member, members are bound under the Constitution, Codes of Conduct 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). As a Person of Interest, the member 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/join-the-community](http://www.volleyballwa.com.au/join-the-community)
- **Step Two:** Identify your membership level from the Quick Menu Guide on your VWA Member Portal and follow the onscreen prompts.
- **Step Three:** 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 Four:** Enjoy and Play Volleyball!

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