



# AWARDS

## POLICY & PROCEDURES



# **SOFTBALL WESTERN AUSTRALIA AWARDS**

## **LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

### **1. PREAMBLE.**

- 1.1 These Regulations are made under the powers provided by the Softball Western Australia Rules and contain various directions and requirements that are mandatory for members of the Association where the context so indicates. They are subject to the rule.
- 1.2 These Regulations govern the conferring Life Membership, induction into Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame and the issuing of Softball Western Australia, Service Awards, Umpire of the Year and Administrator of the year, Regional and Metro Volunteer of the year, Affiliate of the year and Spirit Award

### **2. DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1 In these Regulations terms and interpretations shall be in accordance with the Rules unless the contrary intent appears.

### **3. NOMINATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

- 3.1 The procedure for calling for nominations and the criteria for Life Membership are contained in Section **8.4** of the Constitution.
- 3.2 Life membership may be conferred upon any person who has rendered distinguished and meritorious service, in a voluntary capacity, to the Association over a period of not less than ten (10) consecutive years special services to the Association at State Level
- 3.3 Nominations shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in August each year.
  - 3.3.1. Be lodged at the Softball Western Australia office at least two (2) weeks before that Board Meeting.
  - 3.3.2. Be in writing; on the relevant prescribed form, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a Seconder.



- 3.3.3. Must include a full history of the service rendered by the nominee. Support material which verifies the service, may also include qualifications.

**Note:** *The person being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should be asked to supply details of their service*

- 3.4 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub Committee.
- 3.5 The Awards Sub-Committee shall recommend to the Board the successful nominee(s) to the Board of Softball Western Australia for their approval.
- 3.6 The Softball Western Australia Board at its' September Board Meeting, shall peruse each nomination recommended by the Awards Sub Committee and recommend to the Annual General Meeting the nominee(s) that satisfy the criteria and worthy of the Award.
- 3.7 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation of the award shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 3.8 The name(s) of the nominee(s) shall remain confidential until they are to be presented to the Annual General Meeting of the Association.
- 3.9 Life Members shall be presented with a Life Member insignia.



# HALL OF FAME

## 4. NOMINATION FOR SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME AWARD.

- 4.1. Nominations for Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame are to be submitted annually, and may be made by:- an Affiliated Association, Member Club, The Board of Management or the Awards Panel.
- 4.2. The Association may confer an award, to be known as the Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame Award upon a player, official, or administrator.
- 4.3. The nominee(s) for induction into the Hall of Fame shall, for consideration be placed into one of three categories.

### Criteria

4.3.1. For nomination as a player, the nominee(s) shall:

- (a) Be retired from Open National competition for three ( 3) years  
and
- (b) Have competed in Open National competition for at least ten  
(10) competitive years.
- (c) Other contributing factors maybe:-
  - Australian representation
  - Award/s received at National Championships.

4.3.2. For nomination as an Umpire, Coach, Team Administrator or Statistician

- (a) Have participated in National competition for at least eight (8) years
- (b) Other contributing factors maybe:-
  - Australian representation
  - Award/s received at National Championships

4.3.3. For nomination as an Administrator, the nominee(s) shall have a high level of achievement from personal effort or initiative at a State, or Regional Level for at least ten (10) years that contributed to the performances of athletes, enhancement or the development and status of softball.

4.3.3.1. Nominee(s) may be involved in other areas, but their achievement must satisfy the criterion details above.

4.3.3.2. Mere long term service or involvement within the sport by a nominee without having satisfied the paramount requirements in either clause 4.3.1, 4.3.2 or 4.3.3 or demonstrated outstanding achievement arising from personal initiative or innovation is not sufficient justification for selection.



**Note:** *The person(s) being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should be asked to supply details of their service*

- 4.4 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.
- 4.4.1 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee(s) contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a seconder.
- 4.4.2. Be lodged at Softball Western Australia office at least two (2) weeks before that Board Meeting.
- 4.5 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub Committee.
- 4.6 The Softball Western Australia Board at its' February Board Meeting, shall peruse each nomination recommended by the Awards Sub Committee.
- 4.7 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority.
- 4.8 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 4.9 A nominee accepted into Softball Western Australia Hall of Fame shall be presented with a suitable plaque in recognition.

## **5. REGINALD PAGE - ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR**

- 5.1 The Softball Western Australia Administrator of the Year Award may be awarded to any person who has made a significant contribution to the sport in a voluntary capacity over the previous twelve (12) month period (April to March.)
- 5.2 The contribution made by the Softball Western Australia Administrator of the year recipient must be of such standards of excellence to have set themselves apart from their peers so as to warrant them becoming the recipient of this Award and is in recognition of achievements they have made as a direct result of the position(s) they hold.
- 5.3. Nominations for Softball Western Australia Administrator of the year are to be submitted annually, and may be made by:- an Affiliated Association, Associate Member Club, The Board of Management or the Awards Panel.
- 5.4 Factors to consider when assessing nominations include:
- (a) Level of contribution as a volunteer over the twelve (12) month period (April to March)
  - (b) Achievements over the period and
  - (c) Significance of those achievements



- 5.5 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Administrator of the year shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.

***Note The Person(s) being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should they be asked to supply details of their service***

- 5.5.1 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Administrator of the year shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee(s) contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a seconder.
- 5.5.2 Be lodged with Softball Western Australia office.
- 5.6 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub -Committee.
- 5.7 The Softball Western Australia Board at its' February shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee
- 5.8 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority.
- 5.9 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 5.10 The nominee voted Administrator shall be presented with a suitable memento in recognition.

## **6 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR - ROMA MacKENZIE REGIONAL GRAEME RECTOR METRO**

- 6.1 The Softball Western Australia Volunteer of the Year Award may be awarded to any persons who has made a significant contribution to the sport in a voluntary capacity over the previous twelve (12) month period (April to March)
- 6.2 The contribution made by the Softball Western Australia Volunteers of the year recipients must be of such standards of excellence to have set themselves apart from their peers so as to warrant them becoming the recipient of this Award and is in recognition of achievements they have made as a direct result of the position(s) they hold.
- 6.3. Nominations for Softball Western Australia Volunteers of the year are to be submitted annually, and may be made by:- an Affiliated Association, Associate Member Club, The Board of Management or the Awards Panel.
- 6.4 Factors to consider when assessing nominations include:
- (a) Level of contribution as a volunteer over the twelve (12) month period (April to March.)
  - (b) Achievements over the period and
  - (c) Significance of those achievements

- 6.5 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Volunteers of the year shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.

***Note The Person(s) being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should they be asked to supply details of their service***

- 6.5.1 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Volunteers of the year shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee(s) contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a seconder.
- 6.5.2 Be lodged with Softball Western Australia office.
- 6.6 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub -Committee.
- 6.7 The Softball Western Australia Board at its' February shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee
- 6.8 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority.
- 6.9 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 6.10 The nominee voted Administrator shall be presented with a suitable memento in recognition.

## **7 VAL JOHNSTON UMPIRE OF THE YEAR**

- 7.1 The Softball Western Australia Umpire of the Year Award may be awarded to any person who has made a significant contribution to the sport over the previous twelve (12) month period (April to March.)
- 7.2 To be eligible for nomination for Softball Western Australia Umpire of the year, a nominee shall be:-
- (a) Registered with Softball Western Australia Inc.
  - (b) Accredited (at any level) within Softball Australia's National Program
  - (c) Be an umpiring model and one who presents a positive public image of umpiring role of the umpire.
- 7.3 To qualify for consideration for the Softball Western Australia Umpire of the Year, a nominee must:
- (a) Be a current umpire in the year of nomination who consistently demonstrates a high level of officiating skills.
  - (b) Have a minimum of two (2) years' service to umpiring in any capacity
  - (c) Be an umpiring role model and one who presents a positive public image of umpiring and the role of the umpire.



- 7.4 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Umpire of the year shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.

***Note: The Person(s) being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should they be asked to supply details of their service***

- 7.5 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Umpire of the year shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee(s) contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a Second.
- 7.6 Be lodged with Softball Western Australia office
- 7.7 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub Committee.
- 7.8 The Softball Western Australia Board at its February shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee
- 7.9 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority
- 7.10 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 7.11 The nominee voted Umpire of the Year shall be presented with a suitable memento in recognition.

## **8 SOFTBALL W.A. – AFFILIATED ASSOCIATION OF THE YEAR**

- 8.1 The Softball Western Australia Affiliate of the Year Award may be awarded to any Affiliated Association that has made a significant contribution to the sport in a voluntary capacity over the previous twelve (12) month period (April to March.)
- 8.2 The contribution made by the Softball Western Australia Affiliate of the year recipient must be of such standards of excellence to have set themselves apart from their peers so as to warrant them becoming the recipient of this Award and is in recognition of achievements.
- 8.2.1 Factors to consider when assessing nominations include:
- (a) Level of contribution over the twelve (12) month period (April to March)
  - (b) Achievements over the period and
  - © Significance of those achievements
- 8.3 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Affiliate of the Year shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.
- 8.4 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Affiliate of the year shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee's contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a second





- 8.5. Be lodged with Softball Western Australia office
- 8.6 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub -Committee.
- 8.7. The Softball Western Australia Board at its' February shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee
- 8.8 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority.
- 8.9 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 8.10 The nominee voted Affiliate of the year shall be presented with a suitable memento in recognition.

## **9 DAVE COSSONS – OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR**

- 9.1 The Softball Western Australia Official of the Year Award may be awarded to any Official who has made a significant contribution to the sport in a voluntary capacity over the previous twelve (12) month period (April to March March.)
- 9.2 The contribution made by the Softball Western Australia Official of the year recipient must be of such standards of excellence to have set themselves apart from their peers so as to warrant them becoming the recipient of this Award and is in recognition of achievements.
  - 9.2.1 Factors to consider when assessing nominations include:
    - (a) Level of contribution over the twelve (12) month period (April to March)
    - (b) Achievements over the period and
    - © Significance of those achievements
- 9.3 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Official of the year shall be called for from Members and elected Board Members at least Eight (8) weeks before Softball Western Australia's Board Meeting scheduled in January each year.
- 9.4 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Official of the year shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee's contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a seconder
- 9.5. Be lodged with Softball Western Australia office
- 9.6 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub -Committee.
- 9.7 The Softball Western Australia Board at its' February shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee

- 9.8 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority.
- 9.9 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
- 9.10 The nominee voted Volunteer of the year shall be presented with a suitable memento in recognition.

## **10 NEWCREST -SPIRIT AWARD**

- 10.1 The Softball Western Australia Spirit Award recipient must display excellence on the Softball Diamond and demonstrate outstanding qualities through their contribution to other areas of the Australian society

The recipient:

- (a) Will have achieved a high standard Interstate Softball (International participation if applicable to be considered) during the nomination period.
  - (b) Makes a significant contribution to the Softball community.
  - (c) Is available and approachable to the Softball community and wider public.
  - (d) Promotes values that reflect positively on himself/herself as well as Softball as a whole.
  - (e) Demonstrates the values of the team/squad they have participated in.
- 10.2 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub Committee.
  - 10.3 The Softball Western Australia Board shall peruse the nomination that satisfies the criteria and worthy of the Award recommended by the Awards Sub Committee.
  - 104 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority
  - 10.5 The announcement of the successful nominee and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board.
  - 10.6 The nominee voted Spirit of the Year shall be presented with a suitable award in recognition.

## **11. SERVICE TO SOFTBALL AWARD.**

- 11.1 Softball Western Australia may confer an award, to be known as the Softball Service Award, upon any person who has rendered distinguished and meritorious service in a voluntary capacity, to the sport of Softball in Western Australia and been an outstanding role model to others in the sport.
- 11.2 Nominations for the Softball Western Australia Service Award may be made by:- an Affiliated Association, Softball Western Australia Board, a Club or the Awards Panel.



- 11.3 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Service Award shall be lodged at the Association's Office at least Eight (8) weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- 11.4 All nominations for the Softball Western Australia Service Award shall be in writing on the prescribed form, accompanied by a full and accurate resume of the nominee(s) contribution, signed by the Nominator and countersigned by a seconder.
- 11.5 The Association's Office shall forward nomination(s) received to the Awards Sub Committee.
- 11.6 The Softball Western Australia Board, shall peruse each nomination recommended by the Awards Sub Committee and recommend to the Annual General Meeting the nominee(s) that satisfy the criteria and worthy of the Award.
  - 11.6.1 ***Bronze Softball Service Award***  
Service rendered over a period of not less than five (5) consecutive years  
Certificate to be presented.
  - 11.6.2 ***Silver Softball Service Award***  
Service rendered over a period of not less than ten (10) years  
Certificate to be presented.
  - 11.6.3 ***Gold Softball Service Award***  
Service rendered over a period of not less than fifteen (15) years  
Certificate to be presented.
  - 11.6.4 ***Platinum Softball Service Award***  
Service rendered over a period of not less than twenty (20) years  
Certificate to be presented.
  - 11.6.5 ***Diamond Softball Service Award***  
Service rendered over a period of not less than twenty five (25) years  
Badge to be presented.

## 11. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- 11.1 Consideration may be given to nominations that may not fulfil in strict terms the criteria previously detailed. The Awards panel may submit nominations (with full details) which in its' opinion fall into this category and endorsement will be at the discretion of the Board
- 11.2 A decision to appoint a nominee shall be by simple majority



- 11.3 The announcement of the successful nominee(s) and presentation shall be at the discretion of the Board

- Note 1** *The Person being nominated should not be advised of their nomination nor should they be asked to supply details of their service*
- Note 2** *Playing does not constitute service to the game for the purpose of this award, however other areas during the same period does apply*
- Note 3** *These Awards are not retrospective and except under the Special Circumstances clause, the Nominee's membership of Softball Western Australia must be current.*

## 11. CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

- 12.1 Awarded to volunteers for their assistance at special events
- 12.2 Convenor of the Event recommends those personnel who are to receive the Certificate.

## 12. MOST VALUABLE PLAYER (ALL STATE TEAMS)

- 12.1 Coaches of the respective State Teams select the player they consider to be the Most Valuable Player
- 12.2 Criteria to be the same as that utilised by Softball Australia at nationals
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| Must have played in offence & defence in 60% of total innings played by the team   | Factors:- | Batting Average<br>Slugging Average<br>On Base Average<br>Runs batted in<br>Homes Runs<br>Runner advance<br>Stolen Bases<br>Fielding Average |
| General contribution to the Team<br>Outstanding pitching should also be considered |           |  |

## 13 BATTING AWARD (ALL STATE TEAMS)

- 13.1 Statistics to be taken from the Tournament Score Book to determine this Award
- 13.2 Criteria to be the same as that utilised by Softball Australia at nationals
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| Minimum times in box -<br>twice the number of games played | Factors:- | Batting Average<br>On base average<br>Slugging Average<br>Runs batted in<br>Home runs |
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## 14 MOST PROMISING JUNIOR

- 14.1 May be Male or Female, eligible to participate in the Under 16 National Championships of the current year.
- 14.2 Participated in the current National U16 National or higher Tournament.

GRADING		1	2	3	4	TOTAL
Attendance at Training	25%	50%	75%	100%		
Batting Average	Up to 150	151-300	301-400	41-500		
Fielding Average	Up to 400	401-600	601-800	801-1000		
Ability to recognise Signals	25%	50%	75%	100%		
Punctuality	Very late	late	On time	Early		
Interaction with Team	Poor	Average	Good	V/Good		
Pitching if applicable						
Sub Totals						

## 15 STATE CAP NUMBERS

- 15.1 Players selected in the Senior State Team (Female & Male) for the first time will receive a cap number.
- 15.2 The player representative number will be embroidered on the left hand side of their cap
- 15.3 In the case where there are more than one player making their debut, numbers will be issued Alphabetically.
- 15.4 If a player withdraws before the tournament they will not be issued with a number
- 15.5 A cap number will not be issued to a pick-up player or an International Player who has not attended State Trials.
- 15.6 Caps will be presented at the Cap Night.
- 15.7 A database will be maintained recording all Senior State Representatives.















# **SOFTBALL W.A.**

## **GRAEME RECTOR -METROPOLITAN VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

### **NOMINATION FORM**

#### **Nominees details**

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home) (Business)

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of years the nominee has**

**Been actively involved in Softball** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
If insufficient space please attach (and sign) additional pages to this form and indicate the number of additional pages

**Contribution to softball as an administrator over the past 12 twelve months (April to March)**

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**NOMINATOR..... Date.....**

**SECONDER..... Date.....**



### Amendments passed by the Board 2021





Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode:

## Email

### State /international record

Year	Event/Tour	Host State/ Nation	Games	Status
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**Contribution to softball and the wider community over the past twelve (12) months (April to March)**

**NOMINATOR..... Date.....**

**SECONDER.....** **Date.....**



