

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT POLICY

This policy reflects, and where necessary provides elaboration and clarification, on the rules provided by the constitution of Affinity Gymnastics Academy Incorporated (the club) relating specifically to membership payments.

Fees mean memberships fees, including coaching fees (monthly or termly), affiliation fees, competition fees and any other fee invoiced to a member by the club.

As per rule 7 of the constitution, members who have paid their fees shall be entitled to:

- (i) use the club's facilities and equipment as permitted by the club and its policies,
- (ii) participate in programmes & activities offered by the club,
- (iii) represent the club at events and competitions,
- (iv) be represented (if under 18 yrs) at committee meetings by their legal parent or guardian,
- (v) attend, participate in committee meetings (if over 18 yrs).

Payment of Fees

The club's preference for receiving the payment of fees is through direct credit transfer to the club's nominated bank account as detailed on the respective invoice.

The committee has the power to determine fees, due dates for fees and the manner of payment of fees.

The club may, on a case by case basis and at their absolute discretion, agree to accept staged payments for fees.

Failure to Pay Fees

Fees shall be paid by members on the due date, as detailed on the respective invoice.

In the event that a member fails to make payment by the 14th day of the due date, the club shall provide written notice to the member to complete the outstanding debt immediately. If the payment has not been received within 14 days of the notice being provided to the member, the member shall be suspended pending payment. In the event of payment not being made within 90 days of the original due date, the club has the right to terminate the membership of the non-paying member.

Access to Competitions

Competitive Members may be refused entry and/or participation in competitions if fees are outstanding.

Suspension

In the event of a member being suspended pending payment, the following shall apply:

- (a) the member will not be permitted to use the club's facilities or equipment,
- (b) the member shall not be permitted to attend any committee meetings (or their legal parent or guardian if under 18 yrs),
- (c) the member will not be permitted to hold any position within the club or Gymnastics NZ; and
- (d) the member shall not be entitled to any of the privileges or benefits to which the member would have been otherwise entitled including participation in any event, competition, activity, function or meeting of the club or Gymnastics NZ.

Termination

The committee may decide to terminate membership in the event of continued late payment of fees or any payment being overdue by 90 days of the original payment due date.

Upon termination of a membership, the member forfeits all rights in and claims upon the club and Gymnastics NZ and the property of the club and Gymnastics NZ and shall not use any property of the club or Gymnastics NZ, including intellectual property.

A termination in membership also means a termination of their membership to Gymnastics NZ.

Transfers

Suspended members shall not be permitted to transfer to any other club affiliated to Gymnastics NZ until all outstanding payments have been made.

Terminated members shall not be permitted to join another club.

Recovery of Fees

The club reserves the right to engage the services of a debt recovery agent to collect unpaid fees that remain unpaid and overdue by more than 90 days from the due date. The cost of recovering fees relating to the debt recovery agent will be added to the fee costs that are to be recovered.