

**Australian Kung Fu (Wu Shu) Federation Inc.
State Member Association
Ordinary and Associate Membership Criteria**

So authorised by the Committee to be effective from 1.7.10

The following membership categories shall be recognised:

1. Ordinary (Full Voting) Member
2. Associate Member

1. ORDINARY (FULL VOTING) MEMBER

Full Membership confers voting rights and shall be open to the person who is the head of any martial arts school, organisation or club that represents a style or system that is wholly or largely based on a Chinese martial art or is an eclectic martial art with a significant component being based on Chinese martial arts. Said 'member's organisation' shall be a legally registered entity and shall agree to the following:

- a. the 'member's organisation' and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Martial Arts Industry Association's 'Code of Practise' and Risk Management Policy
- b. all instructors in the 'member's organisation' shall be accredited under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) or the National Martial Arts Instructors Scheme (NMAS)
- c. the 'member's organisation' and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the AKWF Rules of Association and all Operational and policy documents so authorised by the Committee
- d. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid), if engaged in competition, will be bound by the AKWF Anti Doping Policy
- e. the member's organization will be insured under the MAIA/AKWF members Public Liability/Professional Indemnity Policy (Underwritten by QBE Commercial) for a minimum of twenty million dollars public liability and five million dollars professional indemnity insurance.

An ordinary member's organisation shall have a verifiable minimum of twenty-five registered students.

2. ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Associate Membership does not confer voting rights and shall be open to the person who is the head of any martial arts school, organisation or club that represents a style or system that is wholly or largely based on a Chinese martial art. Said members organisation shall be a legally registered entity and shall agree to the following:

- a. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the Martial Arts Industry Association's 'Code of Practise' and Risk Management Policy
- b. all instructors in the member's organisation shall be accredited under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) or the National Martial Arts Instructors Scheme (NMAS)
- c. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid) will be bound by the AKWF Rules of Association and all Operational and policy documents so authorised by the Committee
- d. the member's organisation and all of its affiliates, members, instructors and employees (whether paid or unpaid), if engaged in competition, will be bound by the AKWF Anti Doping Policy.
- e. Associate membership may also be granted to senior members and affiliate instructors of an Ordinary Member and also to persons qualifying as Community Instructors

3. MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTRATION

- a. All membership criteria must be verified
- b. Any member who is unable to establish compliance with all Ordinary Membership criteria will deemed to be an Associate Member until the renewal form is lodged and criteria compliance is subsequently verified.
- c. With the exception of foundation members Ordinary and Associate Membership shall only be available to persons who are residents in the State or Territory applicable to the State/Territory Association to which they seek membership
- d. Members of a State Association may not also be members of another organization deemed to be an 'unacceptable organisation' by the State Association, the AKWF or IWUF. The AKWF and its member State Associations deem an organisation to be 'unsuitable' if:
 - i. the organization has in its membership a person or business entity effectively or largely controlled by a person who has been expelled from the AKWF or any of its member State

- Associations or
- ii. it is an organisation that misrepresents itself as body purporting to govern Chinese martial arts in Australia or
 - iii. is an organisation who in the opinion of the AKWF and its member State Associations has acted in a manner contrary to the interests of the AKWF and its member State associations or
 - iv. is an organisation that is a member of an organisation that is or has acted in a manner to bring IWUF into disrepute or
 - v. is an organisation that is a member of any organisation, other than the Martial Arts Industry Association Inc, that purports to be the peak industry body for Martial arts in Australia.