**MEMBERSHIP POLICY**

This policy aligns with the constitutions, statutes, rules, regulations and policies of the Australian Dragon Boat Federation (AusDBF), DragonBoat SA (DBSA) [www.dragonboatsa.com.au](http://www.dragonboatsa.com.au) and SA Dragons Abreast (SADA)

SADA members accept the terms and core values described in the SADA Constitution and its Code of Conduct, see Club Manual [www.sadragonsabreast.com.au](http://www.sadragonsabreast.com.au)

The SADA Committee determines SADA’s membership categories and fees.

The Membership Liaison Officeradministers and coordinates registration processes on *RevolutioniseSport*, is the contact person for new or potential members, and along with the coaches, maintains and distributes the New Membership Kit which is also accessible on the SADA website.

**Membership categories**

* **Full membership** (voting rights) - members who train and compete in race days and regattas.
* **Social paddler membership** (voting rights) - members who train with the club but don’t compete in regattas or race days, unless they pay a race day fee 10 days in advance.
* **Social non-paddler membership** (voting rights) - members who don’t train or race.
* **Associate membership** (no voting rights) – members of another club who wish to paddle with SADA on an ad hoc basis.
* **Interstate membership** (no voting rights) - interstate club members who wish to train with SADA.
* **Friends of SADA** (no voting rights) - past club members, friends or family of current members, who wish to remain connected to the club. May be listed on the club’s email listing on request to the Secretary.

**Registration and fees**

Members pay fees and subscriptions as determined by the AusDBF, DBSA and SADA management committees.

The SADA Committee sets annual fees based on the cost of club administration, race fees and other expenses.

The DBSA fee covers insurance, access to its equipment and enables members to race in DBSA fixtures or other endorsed events.

SADA paddling members register with DBSA and SADA and pay fees to both when registering. Fees are paid to the Treasurer before season training commences.

Members participate in fund raising activities for entry into additional competitions – eg Nationals, Masters and International regattas.

Existing members enter their membership registration and update personal details in *RevolutioniseSport*.

New members complete and forward the SADA and DBSA registration form and ID photo to the Membership Liaison Officer for entry into *RevolutioniseSport*.

Come and Try, Corporate and ‘potential’ paddlers are entitled to four free paddling sessions before committing to DBSA and Club membership.

The Membership Liaison Officer documents new paddlers’ attendance on the DBSA record sheet in the Aquatic Reserve boat shed, administers the New Paddler Form, photographs the form, and forwards it to the Secretary. Members who introduce a ‘potential’ paddler, ensure that the above steps occur.

**Resignation, Expulsion and Transfers of Membership**

Resignation and expulsion of members is in line with DBSA rules [www.dragonBoatsa.com](http://www.dragonBoatsa.com) and the SADA constitution.

A member may apply to transfer to another DBSA club before paying the next season’s fees in line with the Clearance Procedure [DBSA](http://www.dragonboatsa.com/) Policy 007.

<http://www.dragonboatsa.com/media/1716/007-participant-clearance-procedure-issue-10.pdf>

**Associated Registration Forms:**

* SADA & DBSA Registration Fee Information
* DBSA Participant Registration form
* SADA Membership Registration Form
* SADA New Paddler Form
* SADA Associate Member Application Form
* DBSA Interstate Paddler Registration Form
* DBSA Clearance Application Form

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