



ATHLETICS WELLINGTON

P O Box 1734, Wellington

Life Membership



Notes for Guidance for Nominations for the Awarding of Life Membership

*The **Athletics Wellington** Constitution defines types of membership. Life Membership is one of these. However, Life Membership is the most prestigious award available to the Association and as such the nomination and award should be given careful consideration.*

Life Membership

Life Membership is a special form of membership which may be bestowed upon any person whose services to the organisation of AW is agreed to have been sufficiently meritorious and having contributed to the association for at least 15 years. Nominations for Life Membership, together with an appropriate support statement specifically detailing the nominee's involvement within the organisation of the Athletics Wellington, and contributions to it, must be submitted in writing to the Athletics Wellington Board at least four (4) weeks prior to the Athletics Wellington Annual General Meeting. A fully paid up member must make the nomination.

Nomination

The nomination must be made on the pro forma included with this guide, with all relevant sections completed. This nomination will form the basis of the citation to be awarded with the symbol of Life Membership (as determined from time to time).

Athletics Wellington Process

Nominations for this award should be sent to the Athletics Wellington General Manager to present to the Athletics Wellington Board. The Board shall consider the merit of the application against the criteria and make its recommendation, which in turn may recommend that the Annual Meeting endorse the nomination and award the Life Membership.

Symbol of Award

The symbol of this award shall be a badge (or such object as may be determined from time to time).

Guide to Nomination Criteria

Life membership may be recommended for any highly meritorious contribution to the sport. The following do not attempt to be exhaustive guidelines, but rather to give ideas and scope to the types of contribution that could be rewarded.

1. ***Athlete or Coach selection in a Wellington regional team at an elite level over a number of years including national representation.***
2. ***Administration, either paid or in a voluntary capacity to AW or its affiliates.***
3. ***Official***
4. ***Coach***
5. ***Other work associated with the development and promotion of Athletics Wellington***

These contributions may be supplemented by contribution to the sport of athletics beyond the immediate Athletics Wellington environment, which might include:

1. **Clubs**
2. **Athletics New Zealand**
3. **Schools**



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Notwithstanding all the above, the following will be deemed essential attributes for this level of membership:

1. **Active contribution to the Athletics Wellington community for at least 15 years**
2. **Meritorious contribution and distinguished and conspicuous service (including contributions in a leadership role) to Athletics Wellington and the wider athletics community.**

Consideration of service solely as an athlete will be deemed insufficient, unless supplemented by significant contributions in other areas.

Intermittent contribution by a nominee over several periods of time will be considered.

All details of the history of contribution should be included on the separate nomination document.