



## **Adelaide Swords Club Elite Fencer – AFT/AFS Member Support Policy 2015**

This policy applies to members of the Adelaide Swords Club, (ASC), who have achieved National recognition through selection as current members of the Australian Fencing Team, (AFT) or Squad, (AFS).

This policy is in recognition of the significant financial commitment required of the fencer who participates on the AFT/AFS and as such has been put in place by the ASC committee to assist in this regard through the waiving of the annual ASC membership fee for qualifying fencers.

### **Principles of this policy:**

- This policy is limited to the waiver of the ASC Annual Membership fee only.
- The waiver of the membership fee is on an application basis by the individual fencer and is awarded at the discretion of the ASC committee.
- Waiver of the membership fee is only valid for the following ASC financial year and is not paid as a refund on current year membership.
- The ASC committee reviews qualifying candidates at the commencement of the calendar year.
- The application of this policy may be reviewed by the ASC committee from time to time and no less frequently than annually.

### **Qualification criteria:**

1. The Fencer has been an ASC member for at least a year.
2. The Fencer must be licenced with Fencing SA through the ASC.
3. The Fencer is a current member of the AFT or AFS.
4. The Fencer in the opinion of the ASC Committee must be making a positive contribution to the club and or the sport of fencing in general.

### **Notes:**

The waiver of the club membership fees is a considerable contribution that would normally be put towards supporting the development and growth of the ASC, as well as ongoing use of the facilities, (rent) and equipment, (purchases / maintenance).

In recognition of this, the award of the waiver to a fencer assumes that the fencer is contributing to the development of the ASC and / or the sport of fencing in general.

Ways in which the fencer can be considered to contribute to the ASC and fencing in general:

- Coaching or coach assisting.
- Involvement on the ASC committee or Fencing SA committee.
- Refereeing at FSA Competitions in events other than the one the fencer is competing in.
- Setting up / packing down at ASC / FSA competitions.
- Managing a school league teams.

\*For Cadet and Junior fencers, parental involvement in any of the above is considered adequate.